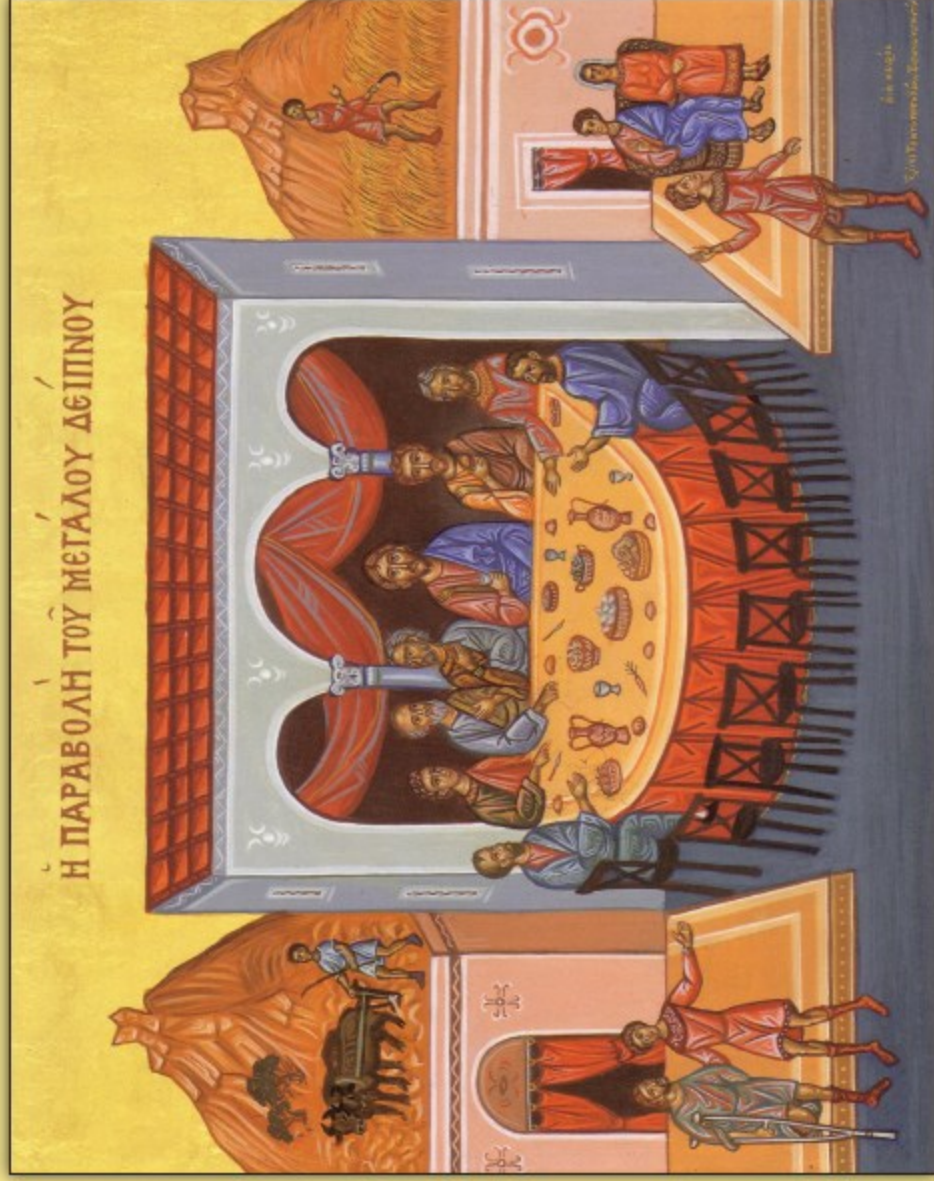


SUNDAY OF THE FOREFATHERS



WEEKLY SCHEDULE OF SERVICES AND EVENTS

NOTE: *Liturgical Services for Holy Ghost Ukrainian Catholic Church, West Easton, are noted in italic print; Liturgical services for St. Josaphat Ukrainian Catholic Church, Bethlehem, are noted in plain print* **Outside events and services are listed in bold print.** Thank you for your attention!

NOTE: Confessions are heard 1/2 hour before Divine Services or by Appointment. Call Father Paul or Father Yaroslav anytime you need the Sacraments!

[Philip's Fast/Pylypivka/Пилупівка]

Sat, Dec 10th: *The Martyr Mammias and His Companions*

4:30 pm: Vespereal Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom (West Easton), Intention for God's Blessings on Our Living and Deceased Parishioners.

6:30 pm: Vespereal Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom (Bethlehem), Intention for Health and God's Blessings on Michael Wetherill, by Family.

Sun, Dec 11th: *The Sunday of the Holy Forefathers (27th Sunday After Pentecost)*

9:00 am: Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom (Ukr./OCS) (Bethlehem); Intention for Health and God's Blessings on Michael Wetherill, by Family.

11:00 am: Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom (Eng/Ukr.) (West Easton); Intention for Health and God's Blessings on Parker Stoken on His 18th Birthday, by the Stoken Family. **NOTE:** St. Nicholas visitation for our children to take place after the 9:00 am Divine Liturgy in the parish hall.

Mon, Dec 12th: *The Hierarch and Wonderworker Spyridon of Tremyfia*

9:00 am: Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom (West Easton); Intention for +Bohdan Kulchuckyj (1 Year Anniversary).

9:00 am: Daily Matins/3rd Hour (Bethlehem).

Tue, Dec 13th: *The Martyrs Eustratus and His Companions*

9:00 am: Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom (West Easton).

9:00 am: Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom (Bethlehem); Intention for Health and God's Blessings for Michael Wetherill, by Family.

6:30 pm: Moleben to the Mother of God for Peace in Ukraine, Assumption of the BVM Ukrainian Orthodox Church, Northampton, PA.

Wed, Dec 14th: *The Martyrs Thysus and His Companions*

9:00 am: Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom (West Easton).

9:00 am: Daily Matins/3rd Hour (Bethlehem).

Thu, Dec 15th: *The Hieromartyr Eleutherius*

9:00 am: Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom (West Easton); Intention for +John Sternick (1 Year Anniversary).

9:00 am: Daily Matins/3rd Hour (Bethlehem).

6:00 pm: Christmas Nut/Fruit Roll Preparation (Holy Ghost Church Hall).

Fri, Dec 16th: *The Prophet Haggai*

NO DIVINE SERVICES SCHEDULED.

9:00 am: Christmas Nut/Fruit Roll Preparation (Holy Ghost Church Hall).

Sat, Dec 17th: *The Great-Prophet Daniel*

9:00 am: Christmas Nut/Fruit Roll Preparation/Packaging (Holy Ghost Church Hall).

4:30 pm: Vespereal Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom (West Easton), Intention for God's Blessings on Our Living and Deceased Parishioners.

6:30 pm: Vespereal Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom (Bethlehem), Intention for Health and God's Blessings for Mary Morykan on Her 100th Birthday, by Carol Seiling.

Sun, Dec 18th: The Sunday Before Christmas—of the Holy Ancestors (28th Sunday After Pentecost)

9:00 am: Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom (Eng.) (Bethlehem); Intention for +William J. Tighe, by Son, William, on the Occasion of 25th Anniversary.

11:00 am: Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom (Ukr.) (West Easton); Intention for +Myroslav Ivan Card. Lubachivsky (Prot. #487/2021).

Parish Announcements:

1. IMPORTANT FOR HOLY GHOST PARISHIONERS: Due to space considerations in consolidating the bulletins between St. Josaphat and Holy Ghost Church since the beginning of November, we are not able to print certain information such as remembrances for the sick/homebound and candle offering intentions. Please rest assured that your intentions are being discharged.
2. IMPORTANT FOR HOLY GHOST PARISHIONERS: Church Budget Envelopes has informed us that while our envelopes have been printed, there are still shipping delays. We expect to have the envelopes by the end of December. We apologize for any inconvenience that this may cause.
3. We are starting to schedule home blessings for Theophany/Jordan for both Holy Ghost and St. Josaphat Parishes. You may request a home blessing either by clipping the sign up form on this bulletin or by using the sign up sheet in the back of the church.
4. The Ukrainian Catholic/Orthodox Clergy Brotherhood of the Lehigh Valley will have their next weekly Moleben for Peace in Ukraine on Tuesday, December 13th, 2022, at 6:30 pm, at Assumption of the BVM Ukrainian Orthodox Church, Northampton, PA. All are encouraged to come and pray with us.
5. Many thanks to the St. Josaphat Tryzub Association, and all those who organized our annual St. Nicholas visitation and clothing collection for Ukraine. If you are still looking to donate winter clothing for Ukraine, St. Mary's/Pokrova Ukrainian Orthodox Church in Allentown, PA has an active clothing and supply drive for those in need in Ukraine. Please be aware that clothes for donation must be new and in packaging or with tags. Used will be donated to our local area homeless and women's shelters who are also in dire need of help. Please remember the less fortunate in your prayers and in your generosity!
6. We thank all of our Holy Ghost and St. Josaphat parishioners and neighbors/volunteers who came to help pinch pyrohy last week on the 7th. May God's blessings be with you always!
7. The last day to sign up for nut rolls for Holy Ghost's Christmas Roll sale is this Sunday. Sign up sheets are in the vestibules of Holy Ghost and St. Josaphat churches. We also need volunteers to help with preparation of our nut rolls; preparation will start at 6:00 pm on Thursday, December 15th, 2022, and on Friday, December 16th, 2022, from 9:00 am until finish. Come on over and lend a hand!
8. The Archeparchy of Philadelphia has established a resource portal for Ukrainian refugees as well as sponsors in an effort to provide a centralized online support hub for the myriad of resources available to help our Ukrainian brothers and sisters that are in need. This resource portal is located at <https://sites.google.com/view/archeparchyresourcehub/>. For more questions, contact St. Josaphat Rectory or Holy Ghost Rectory.
9. If you wish to donate to help with the effort in Ukraine, you may do so online via these links: <https://bit.ly/3Dh79UO> (Archeparchy of Philadelphia) or at <https://bit.ly/3CGdl8A> (UUARC) or via check/cash to St. Josaphat or Holy Ghost Church with the notation "Humanitarian Aid for Ukraine."
10. Do not forget your Redner's Receipts for both Holy Ghost and St. Josaphat parishes! Also at Holy Ghost, do not forget that we also have a metal recycling fundraising program as well! For more information on the Redner's Receipts, contact Holy Ghost or St. Josaphat's Rectory.

Please don't leave this bulletin in the pew or in the trash when you are finished. We encourage you to share this bulletin with your loved ones. Let your family & friends know of the spiritual treasure that God has for all people here at St. Josaphat's, Bethlehem, and at Holy Ghost, West Easton, PA!

**The Sunday of the Holy Forefathers
(27th Sunday After Pentecost)**

Troparion (2): When You went down to death, O Life Immortal, You struck Hades dead with the blazing light of Your divinity. When You raised the dead from the nether world, all the powers of heaven cried out: O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory be to You!

Troparion (2): Through faith, O Christ, You justified the Patriarchs; for through them You made a commitment to a Church with Gentiles. These Saints are glorified, because from them descends the Virgin who gave You birth. Through their prayers, O Christ our God, have mercy on us.

Kontakion (6): *Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Now and for ever and ever: Amen.* You did not worship a man-made image, O thrice-blessed Youths, but were glorified in the test of fire, protected by a power beyond description. From the searing flames you cried out to God, saying: Hasten to help us, O merciful Lord, for in Your greatness You can do whatever You will.

Prokimenon (2): The Lord is my strength and my song of praise, and He has become my salvation.

Verse: The Lord has indeed chastised me, but He has not delivered me to death.

Prokimenon (4): Blessed are You, and praiseworthy, O Lord, the God of our fathers, and glorious forever is Your name.

Verse: In all that You have done Your justice is apparent.

Epistle (Col 3:4-11): Brethren: When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory. Put to death, then, the parts of you that are earthly: immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and the greed that is idolatry. Because of these the wrath of God is coming upon

**Неділя Свв. Праотців
(27-а Неділя По Зісланні Св. Духа)**

Тропар (2): Коли зійшов Ти до смерті, Життя безсмертне, тоді ад умертвив Ти сіянням Божества; коли ж і померлих з глибин підземних Ти воскресив, всі сили небесні зивали: Житєдавче, Христе Боже наш, слава Тобі!

Тропар (2): Праотців, задля їхньої віри, Ти, Господи, визнав праведними і через них зібрав Ти з усіх народів Церкву. Тепер вони сподобилися слави святих, бо їхнім потомком є преславний плід - та, що безсіменно Тебе породила. їхніми молитвами, Христе Боже, помилуй нас.

Кондак (6): *Слава Отцю, і Суну, і Святому Духові, і нині, і повсякчас, і на віки вічні. Амінь.* Рукотворному ідолові не поклонившись, але озброївшись неохопним буттям, прехвальні, Ви у змаганні з вогнем прославилися. Стоячи посеред полум'я нестерпного, Ви благали Бога: Поспіши, о Щедрий, поспіши, Милосердний, нам на поміч, бо Ти можеш, якщо схочеш.

Прокімен (2): Господь - моя сила і моя пісня, і Він став моїм спасінням.

Стих: Тяжко покарав мене Господь, та не передав мене смерті.

Прокімен (4): Благословен еси, Господи, Боже батьків наших, і хвали достойний; ім'я Твоє преславне на всі віки.

Стих: Бо Ти праведний у всьому, що вчинив еси нам.

Апостоль (Кол 3,4-11): Браття, коли ж Христос, ваше життя, з'явиться, тоді й ви з ним з'явитесь у славі. Умертвлюйте, отже, ваші земні члени: розпусту, нечистоту, пристрасті, лиху пожадливість, зажерливість, що є ідолопоклонство. За все це падає гнів Божий на

the disobedient. By these you too once conducted yourselves, when you lived in that way. But now you must put them all away: anger, fury, malice, slander, and obscene language out of your mouths. Stop lying to one another, since you have taken off the old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed, for knowledge, in the image of its creator. Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcision and uncircumcision, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all and in all.

Alleluia Verse (2): The Lord will hear you in the day of tribulation; the name of the God of Jacob will shield you.

Verse: Lord, grant victory to the king, and hear us in the day that we shall call upon You.

Verse: Among his priests were Moses and Aaron; among those who invoked His name was Samuel.

Verse: They invoked the Lord and He answered them

Gospel (Lk 14:16-24): The Lord told this parable: "A man gave a great dinner to which he invited many. When the time for the dinner came, he dispatched his servant to say to those invited, 'Come, everything is now ready' But one by one, they all began to excuse themselves. The first said to him, 'I have purchased a field and must go to examine it; I ask you, consider me excused.' And another said, 'I have purchased five yoke of oxen and am on my way to evaluate them; I ask you, consider me excused.' And another said, 'I have just married a woman, and therefore I cannot come.' The servant went and reported this to his master. Then the master of the house in a rage commanded his servant, 'Go quickly into the streets and alleys of the town and bring in here the poor and the crippled, the blind and the lame.' The servant reported, 'Sir, your orders have been carried out and still there is room.' The master then ordered the servant, 'Go out to the highways and hedgerows and make people come in that my home may be filled. For, I tell you, none of those men who were invited will taste my dinner.'"

Communion Verse: Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest. Exult, you just, in the Lord: praise from the upright is fitting. Alleluia (3x).

неслухняних. Ви самі нещодавно поводитися так само, коли жили в тому. Тепер же відкиньте й ви все те геть від себе: гнів, лютість, злобу, наклеп, сороміцькі слова з ваших уст! Не говоріть неправди одне одному, бо ви з себе скинули стару людину з її ділами й одягнулися у нову, що відновлюється до досконалого спізнання, відповідно до образу свого Творця. Тим то немає грека, ні юдея, ні обрізання, ні необрізання, ні варвара, ні скита, ні невольника, ні вільного, а все й у всьому - Христос.

Алилуя Стих (2): Вислухає Тебе Господь у день печалі, захистить Тебе ім'я Бога Якова.

Стих (2): Господи, спаси царя і вислухай нас, коли будемо взивати до Тебе.

Стих: Мойсей і Арон між Його священиками, і Самуїл між тими, що Його ім'я прикликають.

Стих: Вони Господа прикликали, і Він відповідав їм.

Євангелія (Лк 14,16-24): Сказав Господь притчу оцю: Один чоловік справив вечерю велику й запросив багатьох. Під час вечері послав він слугу свого сказати запрошеним: Ідіть, усе готове. Тоді всі вони однаково почали відмовлятися. Перший йому сказав: Поле купив я, мушу піти на нього подивитись, вибач мені, прошу тебе. Другий сказав: П'ять пар волів купив я і йду їх спробувати; прошу тебе, вибач мені. А інший мовив: Я одружився і тому не можу прийти. Повернувся слуга й розповів це панові своєму. Розгнівався тоді господар та й каже до слуги свого: Іди щоскоріш на майдани й вулиці й приведи сюди вбогих, калік, сліпих, кульгавих. Пане, - озвався слуга, - сталося як ти велів, і місця ще є. Сказав пан до слуги: Піди на шляхи та огорожі й наполягай увійти, щоб дім мій наповнився. Кажу бо вам: Ніхто з отих запрошених не покуштує моєї вечері. Бо багато є покликаних і мало вибраних.

Причасний Стих: Хваліте Господа з небес, хваліте Його на висотах. Радуйтеся праведні, в Господі, правим належить похвала. Алилуя (3р).

Christmas 2022 Schedule of Services

NOTE FOR ALL: By the Typikon of our Holy Church, since Christmas falls on a Sunday this year, the strict abstinence for Christmas Eve is transferred to Friday, December 23rd. However, if you wish, you may voluntarily abstain from meat and dairy products on Saturday. Don't forget to come to receive Confession if you haven't made a good Confession recently! Also remember, Christmas is a Holy Day of Obligation for all Catholics of the true faith.



Wednesday, December 21st, 2022:

6:00 pm—the Sacrament of Confession, Holy Ghost Ukrainian Catholic Church, West Easton.

Thursday, December 22nd, 2022:

6:00 pm—the Sacrament of Confession, St. Josaphat Ukrainian Catholic Church, Bethlehem.

Friday, December 23rd, 2022:

9:00 am—Royal Hours, St. Josaphat Ukrainian Catholic Church, Bethlehem.

6:00 pm—The Sacrament of Confession, St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church, Northampton.

Saturday, December 24th, 2022 (Vigil-Eve of Christmas):

8:00 pm—Great Compline (Abridged) with Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great, Holy Ghost Ukrainian Catholic Church, West Easton.

9:00 pm—Great Compline, Caroling, and Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great, St. Josaphat Ukrainian Catholic Church, Bethlehem.

Sunday, December 25th, 2022 (Christmas Day):

9:00 am—Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom, St. Josaphat Ukrainian Catholic Church, Bethlehem.

11:00 am—Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom, Holy Ghost Ukrainian Catholic Church, West Easton.

Monday, December 26th, 2022 (The Synaxis of the God-Bearer, the Blessed Virgin Mary):

9:00 am—Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom, St. Josaphat Ukrainian Catholic Church, Bethlehem.

9:00 am—Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom, Holy Ghost Ukrainian Catholic Church, West Easton.

Tuesday, December 27th, 2022 (The Feast of St. Stephen, the Protomartyr and Protodeacon):

9:00 am—Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom, St. Josaphat Ukrainian Catholic Church, Bethlehem.

9:00 am—Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom, Holy Ghost Ukrainian Catholic Church, West Easton.



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28th Sunday After Pentecost

By Rev. D. George Worschak; Edited for the Bulletin.

Who or what is at the center of our lives? When the Lord God speaks to us, do we listen to his calling? Do we understand just how important it is to make time for the Lord, to accept His invitation for us to share a meal with Him.

The parable begins with the Master giving a banquet, great dinner to which He invited many. However, those first invited did not come, making an excuse of one sort or another: I purchased a field... I purchased five yoke of oxen...I have just married.

The individuals that the Lord was addressing in this parable of the Banquet were the Chosen People of the Old Testament. Israel was the recipient of this gracious invitation to become partakers of the Banquet prepared for us in the Kingdom of God. In the person of Jesus, the Son of God, God appeared to me in human form. Jesus shared our humanity, raising us up from the murkiness of sin and into the light of His Gospel message of Love and Truth.

And even when rejected by His own, Jesus remained and remains Lord, the King of Kings. His Kingdom is one of Love, Peace and Harmony. It is the lowly of this world, the poor, crippled, blind and lame, who anxiously accept the Lord's invitation. For they know and recognize their dependence upon God to sustain them in this life. They also recognize their need for healing of body and soul and ultimately eternal salvation.

In our Christmas carol, we sing: "Heaven and earth are united." Celebrating the Nativity of Our Lord is a time of great rejoicing. The Christ-child entered into this world in all humility, born not in a royal palace, but a humble abode, a manger. And this attitude of extreme humility was present throughout the life of Christ, up to His self-sacrificial act of Love on the cross. Sinful mankind was redeemed by the Blood of Christ. The Cross and Resurrection is therefore at the center of our faith.

On the night before He (the Lord) was handed over or rather gave Himself up for the life of the world, He took Bread, He took wine and changed them into His Body and Blood. The Eucha-

rist is the spiritual food and drink that sustains us. Jesus is truly present in the Sacred Mystery of the Eucharist. The Divine Liturgy is a foretaste of the Heavenly Banquet.

We get a glimpse of Heaven already here on earth. God-is-with-us. The Sacred Mystery (Sacrament) of the Eucharist brings us unity, union and communion. We, the members of the Mystical Body of Christ, the Church are united in mind and spirit. We share a common faith, understanding and spiritual perspective of the meaning and purpose of this earthly life.

In the reception of the Eucharist and prayerful meditation and adoration before the Most Blessed Sacrament, we receive “strength, consolation and support.” (Pope John Paul II) We, as an Eastern Catholic Church, have an understanding that from the time of our Baptism, we have a share in the life of the Most Blessed Trinity. We have the pledge, the promise, of eternal life, if we but walk in the footsteps of Christ, Who is the Light of the world.

Soon we shall sing: “God Eternal is born today! He came down from above. To save us with His Love. Christ, the Son of God.” May we find room in our hearts to welcome the Christ-Child, new-born King. May the spirit of Christ ever remain in our hearts as we prepare for the second and glorious coming of Our Lord, when we shall be face-to-face with Our Lord and Master in the eternal Kingdom of Heaven.

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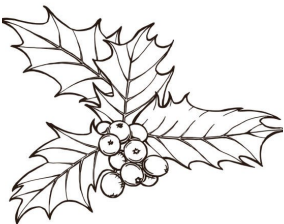
By Very Rev. Archbishop +Daniel Gurovich; Edited for the Bulletin.



Why is the church necessary for us to make a confession? Can't God forgive us our sins "directly"? Isn't He everywhere present and always ready to forgive sinners? Of course God is everywhere and always ready to receive repentant sinners. But God has revealed Himself to us in His Son, Jesus Christ, who founded the Church and filled it with the power of the Holy Spirit. In the same way that we go to Church to be Baptized and Chrismated, to be married, to be buried, to hear the Word of God and to receive Holy Communion, so we go also to confess our sins and to receive the Grace to be reunited with God, the Father, in the Holy Spirit by Holy Communion to the Body and Blood of the Son of God, Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. We confess in the presence of a priest as if we are confessing to all, which is a practice that evolved only after centuries of fully open and public confession before the whole church community and the entire society. The present practice is a condescension of our human frailty. It is not at all, in the Ukrainian Catholic understanding, a practice built upon a doctrine of priestly power and authority alone. If we come to the Church to receive all that we have from God, including the Holy Bible and Divine Revelation, which was given by God to the Church of the Old and New Testaments, how odd it would be if we did not come to the same Church to confess our sins and to receive forgiveness and mercy! Come and prepare for the Feast of the Nativity by receiving the Holy Mystery of Confession.

Ten Commandments for the Christmas Season:

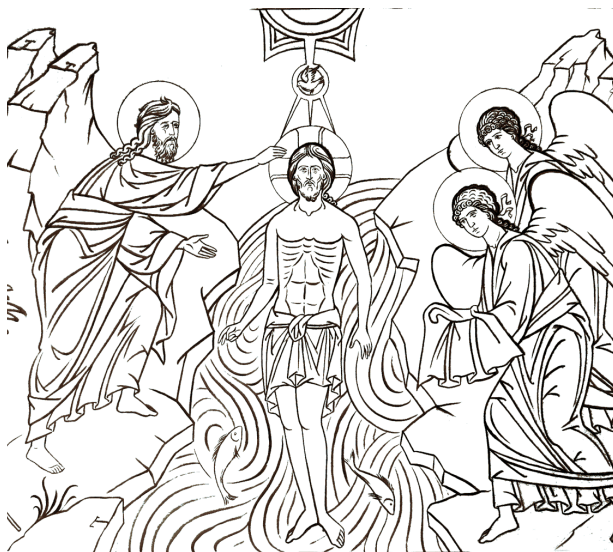
1. Thou shalt remember to keep Christ in Christmas.
2. Thou shalt pause in thy business to consider the magnitude of God's gift of Christ to mankind.
3. Thou shalt remember that Mary and Joseph found no room in the inn, and, remembering, give Christ the chief room in thy heart.
4. Thou shalt participate joyfully in all of the pre-Christmas and Christmas liturgical services in thy church.
5. Thou shalt be of generous heart in answering the appeals of the needy at Christmas time.
6. Thou shalt take time to plan for the happiness of those outside thine own circle of family and friends.
7. Thou shalt enjoy, in unhurried calm, the priceless heritage of Christmas carols and great Christmas art.
8. Thou shalt give of thyself in all thy gifts, giving not for duty, reciprocity, or personal satisfaction, but for the simple joy of sharing.
9. Thou shalt remember, with patience and understanding, all those who serve thee—the sales people, the postal and delivery people, the news carriers, and all others who bear the physical burden of these Holy Days.
10. Thou shalt teach thy children the true meaning of Christmas, of the Prince of Peace who came to show us a way to righteousness and happiness.



Merry Christmas!

2023 Theophany/Jordan Home Blessings

Father Paul and Father Yaroslav will be planning to bless homes for the 2023 New Year for both Holy Ghost Ukrainian Catholic Church and for St. Josaphat Ukrainian Catholic Church. It is a tradition in our Church to have our homes blessed with the water sanctified at the Feast of Theophany. We will be scheduling home blessings for both parishes on a "first-come, first-served" basis and will try to best accommodate your schedule. When Father comes to bless your home, please be sure to tell him if this is the first time your home is blessed or not; also tell him which rooms you specifically want him to bless. Also have some holy water



and a lit candle ready; Father Paul or Father Yaroslav will take care of the rest. If you want your home blessed this year, please fill out the form below and place in the collection basket; you may also email (for St. Josaphat parishioners) pastor@stjosaphatbethlehem.org or (for Holy Ghost parishioners) pastor@holyghostucc.com.

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Father Paul/Father Yaroslav:

I (we) would like you to come and bless my (our) home this new year during the Theophany (Jordan) season.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

EMAIL: _____

Please list best days/times that work for you here:

Either Father Paul or Father Yaroslav will contact you to confirm availability before coming to visit. Thank you and God bless!

2023 Envelopes

Every married couple or single person 18 years old and over are to be registered in the parish roster and receive envelopes. Your sacrifices to support your parish indicate your willingness to be continued as a member of your church at St. Josaphat's, Bethlehem, or at Holy Ghost, West Easton, and is also demonstrative of your faith and witness to be part of the Body of Christ that comprises our local churches. The neglect of regular church attendance and regular use of envelopes can lead to serious difficulties with regard to Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals, etc. (not to mention Judgment Day when we appear before our Lord to account for our lives!). In other words, to be considered a full participating member and to have a say in the governance of your parish, whether St. Josaphat's or Holy Ghost, **REGULAR CHURCH ATTENDANCE AND USE OF THE 2023 ENVELOPES IS REQUIRED.** If you are ill, aged, or homebound, and cannot come to church, please let Father Paul or Father Yaroslav know right away and arrangements will be made to accommodate you (NOTE: if you are on our sick call roster or are on our bulletin mailing/visitation list, please disregard this notice as you are already a member and are in our care and prayers).

If you have not received envelopes last year in 2022, or are not a member but would like to become a member at St. Josaphat's, Bethlehem, or at Holy Ghost, West Easton, kindly fill out the following below, and drop in the collection basket at your convenience:

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Check one:

_____ I did not receive envelopes in 2022. Please include me in the membership list for 2023.

_____ I did receive envelopes for 2019 but failed to use them; please issue envelopes and include me on the membership roster for 2023.

Please enroll me and issue envelopes for (Check one):

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Glory to Jesus Christ! Слава Ісусу Христу!

We welcome you to our parish family and invite you to worship with us in a most ancient Church of the Christian East. We are happy to have you with us, and we are honored to share our Ukrainian Catholic tradition of prayer and spirituality with you, your family, and your friends. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to bring them to Father Paul or one of our parishioners. Our doors and our hearts are open to you. May God's blessings be with you always!

Invited to the Banquet

It is written in the Gospel: The Master sent out his servants to call them who wish to come, inviting them: "My banquet is ready." But those who were called began to excuse themselves, one saying: "I bought some yoke of oxen." Another: "I have married" (Luke 14:16ff). You see, he was ready who called, but the invited refused. They themselves were alone responsible in the way they answered.

Thus, so great is the dignity of Christians. Consider, the Lord has prepared for them the Kingdom and has called them to enter, but they have refused.

Concerning the gift that Christians will receive by way of their inheritance, one could rightly say that if anyone, from the time of Adam's creation to the end of the world, should battle against Satan and put up with afflictions, it would be nothing in comparison to the glory which he is to obtain. For he will reign forever together with Christ. Glory to Him who so loved such a person that He gave himself and His grace and entrusted himself to Him. Glory to His greatness!

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