

**CHRIST IS BAPTIZED!  
CHRISTOS KREŠČAJETSJA!**

**GLORIFY HIM!  
SLAVITE JEHO!**

**SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES**

<b>SUNDAY BEFORE THEOPHANY JANUARY 5</b>	9:00am 11:00am	Michael & Jackie Hrina (1 <sup>st</sup> Wedding Anniversary) by Joyce Kozlowski  +Peter Burčak by daughter, Karen Kutlick & Family ( <i>Chapel</i> )
<b>MONDAY, JANUARY 6 THEOPHANY</b>	9:00am 7:30pm	Health and blessings: Nicholas Zygnerski by Michael & Adele Gimon +Helen O. Duch by Elizabeth Duch and Family ( <i>Chapel</i> ) <i>Great Blessing of Water following each Divine Liturgy</i>
Tuesday, January 7	8:00am	Health of Michael Hrehovčik by the Holy Name Society
Wednesday, January 8	8:00am	+John Paulich with Panachida by Walter & Mary Zielonka
Thursday, January 9	8:00am	Health & Blessings: Mary Zielonka by his family
Friday, January 10	<b>XXXX</b>	<b>No Divine Services</b>
Saturday, January 11	8:00am	Health & Blessings: Patricia Burke by Michael & Adele Gimon
<b>SUNDAY AFTER THEOPHANY JANUARY 12</b>	9:00am 11:00am	+Frank & Mary Glagola by Paul & Helena DeKeukelaere  Health & Blessings: Sonia Kochbarski with Moleben by Karen Kochbarski ( <i>Chapel</i> ) <i>Mirovanije in honor of the Theophany after each Liturgy</i>

**WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER: *The Ill and homebound:*** Fr. Marcel, Fr. Jody, Michael Gimon, Michael Hrehovčik, Diane Rabiej, RJ Fedor, Lucille Filliman, Eva Croneberger, Donald Milne, Helen Rock, Rebecca Materna, Ann Cupta, Deborah Kochbarski, Alex Panzano, Mary Maier, Vilma Babin, Margie Szost, Mary Kovach, Dorothy Pelak, Eleanor Chabra, Kenny Dec, Helen Popovich, Julia Lacek, Mary Ann Halik, Carson Kenworthy, Joanne Graf, Stella Madey, Conor Haag, Miguel Marrero, Antoinette LaSala, Diane Borowski, Gerald Kerzetski.

**Our Seminarians:** Deacon Paul West and Subdeacon Timothy Fariss. **Expectant mother:** Andrea Groszew.

**YOUR SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS FOR DECEMBER 29: \$4051.00. YOUR CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS: 13,072.00. We thank our parishioners and guests for their generosity!** Your parish relies on your regular attendance and consistent sacrificial offerings. **IT TAKES \$7000.00 each week to operate St Michael's Cathedral, Chapel, and Rectory and to provide ordinary services to parishioners.** Factoring in the income from the school lease we still need \$3750 in offerings each week. Our Lord challenges us to sacrifice from our substance, not skim off our surplus. "Put me to the test, says the LORD of hosts, and see if I do not open the floodgates of heaven for you, and pour down upon you blessing without measure!" (Malachi 3:10).

**VIČNA LAMPA DEDICATIONS:** December 29- January 11: *At the Cathedral:* +J. *At the Chapel:* + Call the parish office to reserve your 2020 dates for the Lampa. You may dedicate the Vična Lampa for two weeks for an offering of \$20.00.

**ST MICHAEL'S CATHEDRAL FOOD PANTRY NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT every time you come to worship.** We always need bags of rice (1-2 lb) and beans (1 lb) canned vegetables, Ramen noodles, hearty soups, Chef Boyardee, canned fruit, canned corn, tuna, peanut butter, grape jelly, canned meats (Spam, chicken, etc.), pasta and cereal. **THE GOAL: Every parishioner brings one item every Sunday. Start a good habit next Sunday.**

**WE THANK OUR COOKS AND BAKERS for their gift of \$5300.00** earned from Christmas sales! They will be ready to welcome new helpers, especially for pirohi, as they cook and bake for Pascha.

**WE ACKNOWLEDGE WITH GRATITUDE** a Christmas donation of \$300.00 from the Holy Name Society and a gift of \$500.00 from the Knights of Columbus Fr. Juan Perez Council #262. Thank you, gentlemen!

**ECF CLASSES are on Christmas Break until January 12.** ECF classes for our children follow the 11am Liturgy at the Chapel. Dee Strawhand (deestrawhand@gmail.com or 646-436-4436) can answer any questions.

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION FOR ADULTS is on break until the Great Fast.** What will we study next? Fr. Jack welcomes your ideas. We can't seem to attract more than a dozen participants. Would another day or time work? Do people simply not care to know more? Your suggestions are welcome.

**THE BETHANY MINISTRY PROJECT** trains men and women to visit homebound or hospitalized parishioners as a ministry of consolation and Good News. **Please contact Deacon Tim for more information or to enroll in the training program:** dcntim@comcast.net or 732-423-7013. Adults of all ages are encouraged to consider this opportunity for growth and service that fulfills Jesus' expectation that we "visit the sick" (Matthew 25:36).

**ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL:** So far parishioners have pledged \$15,120.00 toward our goal of \$25,200.00. **We're more than half way there, but we won't make it without YOU!** Please consider what is an appropriately sacrificial gift for your income and respond directly to the Eparchy, **making the check payable to the Eparchy of Passaic and mailing your pledge back to the Eparchy, NOT to St Michael's parish!** If we meet our goal as we have always done, 40% of all pledges will revert to our parish. This will help pay for a new air conditioning system for the Chapel, so please be generous!

**PLANNING A WEDDING IN 2020 OR 2021?** Please contact Fr. Jack IMMEDIATELY about the 1-day Pre-Cana program "Crowned in Love" to be held at St Michael's Chapel on Saturday, February 8, 2020.

**MONDAY, JANUARY 6, THE THEOPHANY OF OUR LORD IN THE JORDAN IS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION FOR ALL BYZANTINE CATHOLICS.** The Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at 9am at St Michael's Cathedral and at 7:30pm at St Michael's Chapel. The Great Blessing of Water will follow each Divine Liturgy. We will bless the Passaic River at approximately 11am on Monday, January 6 at the Thomas J. Duch River Walk, River Drive at Lanza Avenue in Garfield. Parking on site.

**BLESSING OF HOMES will begin on Tuesday, January 7.** If you do not wish to have your home blessed this year, please call or email as soon as possible so Father can make a schedule. See the insert.

**WANTED: COOK WITH A ROMANTIC STREAK:** We will host the annual Pre-Cana Program for the NJ Syncellate here at the Chapel on Saturday, February 8. Fr. Jack is looking for one or more persons willing to prepare a hot luncheon for the participants. Food may be prep-cooked at home and delivered or cooked on site at the Chapel. Would you enjoy feeding some starry-eyed young lovers? Maybe a husband and wife team (to give a little good example)? Nothing fancy is required, just a good square meal. Speak to Fr. Jack for more details.