

SUNDAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS, OF THE ANCESTORS
December 23, 2018



St. Anne Byzantine Catholic Church

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Welcome! We are honored to have you come to worship with us. If you are unfamiliar with the worship of the Byzantine Church, simply listen to the Liturgy and allow the rest of the congregation to carry you in worship. We extend our hands and hearts in Christian fellowship to you here, celebrating with us, whether long-time residents or newly arrived in the parish. We thank God that you are with us. If you are not registered, please fill out the form below and place in the collection basket or mail to the Parish Office. We invite you to join us for our Coffee Social, held in the fellowship hall, immediately after the Divine Liturgy and ask that you make yourself known to our Pastor who would be happy to answer your questions.

St. Anne's email list: Would you like to be added to our weekly St. Anne bulletin email list? Request it at slosa.email@gmail.com

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory forever! **This Week's Liturgical Schedule**

<p>Sunday December 23 <i>(Use handout for pages)</i></p>	<p>10:00 AM Divine Liturgy <i>For the Parishioners, Friends, and Benefactors of St. Anne's</i></p>	<p>SUNDAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS, OF THE ANCESTORS Confessions: 8:30-9:45am <i>Hebrews 11:9-10, 17-23,32-40; Matthew 1:1-25.</i> <i>Christmas Break: No ECF classes.</i></p>
<p>Monday December 24 <i>9am: handout</i> <i>Vigil 4:30pm: p. 286 & 391</i></p>	<p>9:00 AM Office of Readings--Royal Hours 4:30 PM Vigil Vespers Divine Liturgy Annick Linskey</p>	<p><i>(This great morning service does not count toward obligation)</i> Vigil: CHRISTMAS. (4:30pm counts for obligation). Confessions: 3:00-4:00pm <i>Will take all eight Old Testament readings.</i> <i>Hebrews 1: 1-12; Luke 2: 1-20</i> Potluck Holy Supper afterward at approx. 6:30pm.</p>
<p>Tuesday December 25 <i>p. 289</i></p>	<p>10:00 AM Divine Liturgy <i>For the Parishioners, Friends, and Benefactors of St. Anne's</i></p>	<p>CHRISTMAS, THE BIRTH OF OUR LORD, GOD, AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST (Holy Day of Obligation) Christ is born! Glorify Him! <i>Galatians 4:4-7; Matthew 2:1-12</i></p>
<p>Wednesday December 26 <i>p. 294</i></p>	<p>9:00 AM Divine Liturgy +Robert Alexander 6:30 PM Divine Liturgy <i>For the Parishioners, Friends, and Benefactors of St. Anne's</i></p>	<p>SYNAXIS OF THE THEOTOKOS (Solemn Feast) Confessions: 5:45-6:15pm <i>Hebrews 2:11-18; Matthew 2:13-23</i></p>
<p>Thursday December 27 <i>p. 298</i></p>	<p>9:00 AM Divine Liturgy Ardis Thorarensen by Kristen Thorensen</p>	<p>THE HOLY APOSTLE, FIRST MARTYR AND ARCHDEACON STEPHEN (Simple Feast) <i>Acts 6:8 - 7:5, 47-60; Matthew 21: 33-42</i></p>
<p>Friday December 28</p>	<p>No Divine Liturgy today <i>No philosophy class or dinner until January 11</i></p>	<p><i>Parish office closed.</i> Allowed to eat meat today.</p>
<p>Saturday December 29 <i>p. 301 & 381</i></p>	<p>9:00 AM Divine Liturgy +Thomas J. Linskey Sr.</p>	<p>Saturday After Christmas. The Holy Innocents Killed by Herod in Bethlehem. Our Venerable Father Marcellus, Hegumen of the Akimetes Confessions: 8:15-8:45am <i>1 Timothy 6:11-16; Matthew 12:15-21</i></p>

<p>Sunday December 30 <i>(Use handout for pages)</i></p>	<p>10:00 AM Divine Liturgy <i>For the Parishioners, Friends, and Benefactors of St. Anne's</i></p>	<p>SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS Confessions: 9:00-9:45am <i>Galatians 1:11-19; Matthew 2:13-23</i> <i>Christmas break: No ECF classes</i></p>
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UPCOMING CALENDAR DATES

Remaining Confession times in preparation for Christmas

Dec. 23: 8:30-9:45am; Dec. 24: 3:00-4:00pm. No Confessions on Christmas Day unless an emergency.

NATIVITY OF OUR LORD, GOD, AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST (CHRISTMAS) HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Monday, December 24: 9:00am Office of Readings. **Vigil:** 4:30pm--Vesper Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great
Potluck dinner to follow at approx. 6:30pm.

Tuesday, December 25: 10:00am Divine Liturgy.
Singing of Christmas carols before and after Divine Liturgy.

SYNAXIS OF THE MOTHER OF GOD (Solemn feast)

December 26: 9:00am and 6:30pm Divine Liturgy

FEAST OF ST. STEPHEN (Simple feast)

December 27: 9:00am Divine Liturgy

SUNDAY GIFTS TO THE LORD

December 16, 2018

Attendance: 70

PLEASE REMEMBER SAINT ANNE'S IN YOUR WILLS AND BEQUESTS

May God bless your generosity to His Church!

Birthdays: *Dec. 28: Johnny Bradley & Joseph Bradley*

Cleaning Angels: *Dec. 23 - Jan. 5: Newhall family*

God grant them many blessed years!

OIL LAMP INTENTIONS

Eternal Lamp above Ambon in church: **+John Anthony Dunn by Phillip & Rachel Slagel (12/7/19)**

Eternal Lamp to St. Anne in the narthex: (available)

Icon of Jesus Christ: (available)

Icon of the Theotokos: (available)

Icon of St. John the Baptist: (available)

Icon of St. Mary Magdalene: (available)

Icon of St. Anne: **+Carla Anne Kndimuk by Phillip & Rachel Slagel (7/6/19)**

Icon of St. Nicholas: (available)

The large "eternal" vigil oil lamps have a suggested offering of \$10.00 and will burn continuously from Sunday through Saturday. The other smaller oil lamps are each available for a suggested \$2.00 offering, which will burn for each Divine Liturgy for one week. The bulletin will remind your fellow parishioners of your special intention or loved one. See narthex envelopes.

PRAYER REQUESTS Jay Dicky, Joyce Dicky, Sol Rudnick, Raphael Jenkins, Dana Christianson, Mary Turley, Jim Snead, Alexis Curley, Sarah Standley, Myrna Bradley, Chris Evans, Jessica Lowes, George Mahoney, John Barlow, Betty, Silvia Soto, Stephen Bezruchka, Amalia Guzman, Debbie Christianson, Rebecca Procopchuk, Rebecca Baron, Daniel Baron, Matthew Marx, Samantha Baron (Submit by email or physical note.)

CONFESSIONS Saturdays: 8:15-8:45am, Sundays: 9:00-9:45am, and when Fridays have a 5:30pm evening Liturgy: 4:45 - 5:15pm. Also before holydays as listed in the bulletin and by appointment.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK After the Holy Services in church before hospitalization. For emergencies, please call the Parish Office immediately.

BAPTISM/CHRISMATION/EUCHARIST Must be arranged at least three months in advance.

CROWNING IN MARRIAGE Must be arranged at least six months in advance.

EASTERN CHRISTIAN FORMATION See bulletin and contact Ed Stewart: macejstewart@gmail.com

LITURGY INTENTIONS Use the envelopes available on the greeting table in the church narthex (vestibule), call the parish office, or ask the pastor.

Potluck on Christmas Eve: As requested, we will have a Potluck on Christmas Eve. The dinner will take place at about 6:30pm, after the vigil 4:30pm Vesper Divine Liturgy. Please bring a dish to share. Since it is the last fasting day of the Philip's Fast, please be sure it does not include meat.

Christmas collection for the church icons: We have been attempting to get grants since August for the upcoming icons that will be completed in our church by our iconographer Dmitri some time in late January or early February. We hoped to use grant money to complete the icons on the south wall, southeast wall, and ceiling. So far, we have received no funds from all these grant applications. This means we will probably have to depend on our own fundraising to pay for the icons, in addition to using more than half of our parish savings account. As such, we plan to direct 100% of the funds we collect in the Christmas envelope toward the icon fund. In the past, our Christmas collections have been very generous. We thank you for that past generosity and look forward to your generosity this year; realizing your Christmas donations will be used to pay for the completion of the icons in church.

Please turn in your parishioner registration sheet: Several of you have given me your registration sheet. Thank you!! Your ministries sheets are a huge help to me and your updated contact information is very important too. If you are a parishioner and have not given me an updated form, please do so. Thank you.

December 28: The Friday after Christmas every year is a day of mitigation from the abstinence of eating meat. Therefore, on Friday, December 28, 2018, you are allowed to eat meat. Enjoy.

UPCOMING LITURGICAL CALENDAR CONTINUED: As the inside page of upcoming calendar dates does not contain enough room for upcoming feasts, here is a calendar for nearby major holydays.

January 1--Circumcision of Our Lord & Feast of St. Basil; Solemn feast (Dec. 31 @ 5pm--Vigil Vesper Divine Liturgy and Jan. 1 @ 10am--Divine Liturgy). **January 6--Theophany of Our Lord Jesus Christ; Holy Day of Obligation** (Jan. 5 @ 5pm--Vigil Vesper Divine Liturgy with blessing of water; Jan. 6 @ 10am--Divine Liturgy).

Merry Christmas to all!! May the Lord bless us with the wonder and joy of Christ's birth! :-)