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ST. JOSAPHAT UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

### Бюлетень – Bulletin

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**December 18, 2022**

## Sunday before the Nativity of Christ – Sunday of the Holy Fathers. The Holy Martyr Sebastian and His Companions

**Tone 3**

### Schedule of Sunday and Weekday Services

**12.18.2022 – Неділя перед Різдвом**

**Христовим Ісуса Христа**

9:30 a.m. - Вервиця і сповідь

10:00 a.m. - Служба Божа

**12.24.2022 – Навечір'я Різдва**

10:00 p.m. - Служба Божа

**12.25.2022 – День Різдва Христового**

9:00 a.m. - Велике Повечер'я (з нами Бог)

10:00 a.m. - Служба Божа

**12.18.2022 – Sunday before the**

**Nativity of Jesus Christ**

9:30 a.m. – Rosary and Reconciliation

10:00 a.m. – Divine Liturgy

**12.24.2022 – Christmas Eve**

10:00 p.m. - Divine Liturgy (English)

**12.25.2022 – Christmas Day**

9:00 a.m. - Christmas Great Compline

10:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy

### **Buying Christmas gifts? Use AmazonSmile to donate to St. Nicholas Eparchy**



Our eparchy is now on the AmazonSmile charities list! When you choose "St. Nicholas Diocese in Chicago for Ukrainians" as your charity, 0.5% of any eligible purchases made by you on Amazon will be donated to St. Nicholas Eparchy with no additional costs to you. Please consider making purchases through AmazonSmile and support St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy!



*Prepare for the coming  
of the Christ Child!*

### ПАРАФІЯЛЬНІ ОГОЛОШЕННЯ



1. Група волонтерів та парафіян, які варять вареники, зустрічаються після 20 січень.
2. Ласкаво запрошуємо всіх відвідувачів загостити до нас на каву, канапки і солодке у церковному залі після Святої Літургії.
3. Ми закликаємо всіх наших парафіян молитися за мир у світі, особливо про закінчення війни та мир в Україні.

### PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Pyrohy ministry will be on vacation until after the New Year January 20.
2. A warm welcome to all our visitors today. We invite you to join us for coffee, sandwiches and sweets following our Liturgy.
3. Please pray for peace in the world, especially for the end of the war and peace in Ukraine.

### *Sunday Collections for December 4, 2022:*

Envelopes: \$290.00

Andrew Pence - Collection for Church in Ukraine: \$84.00

Candles: \$70.00

Secular Carmelites Donation: \$700.00

Loose Cash & Check: \$102.00

TOTAL: \$1246.00

**Aid to Ukraine: \$242.00**

*Please mail your donations to: St. Josaphat, 8624 White Oak Ave, Munster IN 46321. THANK YOU!*

### *Sunday Collections for December 11, 2022:*

Envelopes: \$325.00

Loose Cash: \$136.00

Christmas Flowers: \$15.00

Candles: \$65.00

TOTAL: \$541.00

**Aid to Ukraine: \$695.00**

*Please mail your donations to: St. Josaphat, 8624 White Oak Ave, Munster IN 46321. THANK YOU!*



*As holidays come near, remember those  
who have less. We will be collecting food  
items to be given to the local food pantry.  
Please show your thanks to God for what  
you have by sharing generously with others.*





## Prayer list of the sick or aged parishioners & friends of the parish



George Wasyliw, Lola Woloch, Nadia Kusznir,  
Charlotte Scheuer, John Lackhouse, Georgia  
Sosnowski, Olga Wasyłowsky, Stephanie Babij,  
Myroslava Iwachiw, Irene Karpinec, Teodozia Shyika  
Lucyk, Howard Vaughn, and young Samuel Rocha.  
Remember those who have suffered due to Covid 19.

Please pray for those who have been killed,  
injured or displaced due to war in Ukraine.

If you know of someone who should be on this list, please let me know the name of the individual. Our intercessory prayer for the sick and aged is truly helpful and comforting. Father Volodymyr would like to visit our sick and elderly parishioners, especially those who cannot be with us for liturgies. Please call him at 773-979-4737 to let him know who would like a visit. О. Володимир бажає відвідати хворих та старших парафіян, які не можуть приходити до церкви. Просимо повідомити його за номером 773-979-4737.

*Lord, heal my friends from their sickness. There is no earthly disease, sickness, or disaster that is too big for You and Your healing, Lord. You are the Great Healer, and I have total faith that You can help relieve them of this. Thank You, Jesus, for Your mighty protection. Amen.*

### *The Story of the Origin of Jesus Christ, Son of David, and the Rest of the Names*

Matthew's genealogy is extraordinarily comprehensive in his theology of the roots of Jesus' story in the Old Testament. But that is only one part of the story of Jesus Christ. The story has a sequence as well; and the continuing sequence is what makes the genealogy "good news" for Matthew's audience and for us. Human being have been empowered to preserve, proclaim, and convey the salvation brought by Jesus Christ throughout history. The God who wrote the beginnings with crooked lines also writes the sequence with crooked lines, and some of those lines are our own lives and witness.

A God who did not hesitate to use the scheming as well as the noble, the impure as well as the pure, men to whom the world hearkened and women upon whom the world frowned – this God continues to work through the same melange. If it was a challenge to recognize in the last part of

Matthew's genealogy that totally unknown people were part of the story of Jesus Christ, it may be a greater challenge to recognize that the unknown characters of today are an essential part of the sequence. The proclamation of that genealogy in the Advent liturgy is designed to give us hope about our destiny and our importance.

By stressing the all-powerful grace of God, the genealogy presents its greatest challenge to those who will accept only an idealized Jesus Christ whose story they would write only with straight lines and whose portrait they would paint only in pastel colors. If we look at the whole story and the total picture, the Gospels teach us that Jesus' ministry was not thus; the history of the church teaches us that the sequence as not thus. God's grace can work even with people like us.

*Father Raymond E. Brown, S.S.*

## SUNDAY BEFORE THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD SUNDAY OF THE ANCESTORS



*Icon of the Holy Ancestors*