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#### Бюлетень – Bulletin

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### **December 8, 2024**

## Twenty-ninth Sunday after Pentecost. Our Venerable Father Patapius.

### Schedule of Sunday Services

### 12.8.2024 – 29-та Неділя після Зіслання Святого Духа.

9:30 а.т. - Вервиця і сповідь 10:00 а.т. - Служба Божа Святковий обід до святого Миколаяпісля Служби Божої

### 12.15.2024 – Неділя 30-та по Зісланні Святого Духа. Свв. Праотців.

9:30 а.т. - Вервиця і сповідь 10:00 а.т. - Служба Божа Пам'яті +Надії Кушнір

#### 12.8.2024 –29th Sunday After **Pentecost**

9:30 a.m. - Rosary & confession 10:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy St. Nicholas potluck dinner and party following Divine Liturgy

### 12.15.2024 - Sunday of the Holy **Forefathers**

9:30 a.m. - Rosary & confession 10:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy Memory of +Nadia Kuzhnir (Kuzhnir Family)

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# Join us today after Liturgy for our annual Saint Nicholas Party. Enjoy a delicious meal and our St. Nicholas program - Donations appreciated. Парафіяльні Оголошення



- 1. Різдвяний Базар в п'ятницю 20-го грудня після обіду.
- Запрошуємо долучатись усіх бажаючих для приготування вареників. Просимо приходити у четвер вранці для підготовки продуктів і у п'ятницю для ліплення.
- 3. Ласкаво запрошуємо всіх відвідувачів.
- 4. Ми закликаємо всіх наших парафіян молитися за мир у світі, особливо про закінчення війни та мир в Україні.

### **Parish Announcements**

- 1. Christmas Bake Sale/Bazaar is Friday afternoon, December 20, 2024 during pyrohy pickup.
- 2. We are in need of additional volunteers for our pyrohy ministry, especially in the food preparation area (Thursday morning) and in the cooking area (Friday).
- 3. A warm welcome to all our visitors today.
- 4. Please pray to God for peace in the world, especially for the end of the war and peace in Ukraine.

### Sunday Collections for Sunday, December 1, 2024:

**Envelopes: \$320.00** Loose Cash: \$128.00 Candles: \$86.00 Andrew's Pence: \$5.00

TOTAL: \$564.00

Donation to Parish by Galyna Kobasa: \$2,000.00 Please mail your donations to: St. Josaphat, 8624 White Oak Ave, Munster IN 46321. THANK YOU!

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



Pat Baker, Donald William Churilla, Olga Wasylowsky, Teodozia Shyika Lucyk, Stephanie Babij, Charlotte Scheuer, Georgia Sosnowski, Myroslava Iwachiw, Irene Karpinec, and young Samuel Rocha. Remember those who have suffered or died 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 liturigies. 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.



## Who is Saint Nicholas the Wonderworker?

St. Nicholas was born around 280 AD in Patara, a Lycian seaport city in modernday Turkey. He was orphaned as a child and inherited his parents' wealth, which he gave to the poor and sick. He became a monk and was devoted to Christ. St. Nicholas became the bishop of Myra, which is now the Turkish city of Demre. He was imprisoned and likely tortured during the persecution of Christians by the Roman emperor Diocletian, but was released under Constantine the Great. St. Nicholas became known as Nicholas the Wonderworker because of the many miracles attributed to his intercession. One of the most famous stories is when he



saved three poor sisters from being sold into slavery or prostitution by their father. He secretly threw three bags of gold coins into their window, one night for each daughter. St. Nicholas became the patron saint of children, sailors, merchants, archers, repentant thieves, brewers, pawnbrokers, toymakers, unmarried people, and students. Pope Eugene IV canonized St. Nicholas on June 5, 1446.



# Be like Saint Nicholas - Donate to the Needy

As the 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.

#### What St. Anna Teaches Us about Faith

Think about the purity, holiness, and magnificence of the Blessed Virgin Mary. She was the only human being ever to be sinless and constantly in a state of grace. Because Mary was such a beautiful symbol of grace, her mother, St. Anna, must have also been a devout woman of God.

Anna and her husband Joachim were an extremely pious couple, but they were unable to conceive a child. This burden weighed heavily on Joachim's shoulders, so he spent much time fasting and in devout prayer pleading for God to bless him and Anna with a child.

According to tradition, Anna also became distraught. She went into her garden and prayed for God to bless her with a child, promising that the child would be dedicated to the service of the Lord. As Anna wept in prayer, an angel appeared and said to her, "The Lord has looked upon thy tears; thou shalt conceive and give birth and the fruit of thy womb shall be blessed by all

the world." Then the angel appeared to Joachim as well, and the couple rejoiced as they conceived a child, whom they named Mary.

St. Anna understood that all children are a blessing from God and that God alone has the power to decide when the life of a person will begin and end. When God blesses us, it can be easy to merely accept the gift and move forward with our daily lives. But St. Anna did more than receive the gift of a child. She went a step further and trusted in the plan of God by promising her child to God's service.

As we work to build a culture of life, we can easily become discouraged. But like St. Anna, we must put our faith and trust in God and His ultimate plan for our happiness. We can turn to God and pray for children, pray for an end to abortion, and pray for the gift of adoption. With God's help, nothing is impossible.

### TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST FEAST OF THE MATERNITY OF THE HOLY ANNA



Icon of Saint Anna and the Mother of God