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SUNDAY JANUARY 7, 2018

31st SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone
6. Afterfeast of the Theophany . Synaxis of
the Holy Glorious Prophet, Forerunner and
Baptist John. Sunday after Theophany.

Epistle: Ephesians 7:7-13; Acts 19:1-8

Gospel: Matthew 4:12-17; John 1:29-34

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Confessions: Saturdays Following Vespers
Also by appointment

Vespers: Saturdays at 6pm

Vigil: Eve of Feasts at 7pm, except Sundays when at 6pm.

Divine Liturgy: Sundays at 9:30am
Feast Days at 9:30am

UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS:

Sun, Jan 7:

Wed, Jan 10:

Sat, Jan 13:

Hours and Divine Liturgy – 9:10am. Coffee Hour

Akathist with class on the Psalms-9:15am. Prison Ministry-7:30pm

Vespers and Confessions 6pm.

Charitable Giving: During December our parish donated the following sums to local charities. Excess donations for the Operation Christmas Child were donated to the Wrightstown Food Cupboard and the tithe of our Christmas Food Sale was donated to the Bucks County Homeless Shelter in Bristol.

Food Cupboard: \$285
Homeless Shelter: \$411

Church Cleaning: The signup sheet for church cleaning for 2018 is in the vestibule. Please consider taking a week or two or even a month. It is the Lord's House, but it is our responsibility. It's condition is a reflection of our care and concern for Him.

Fundraiser Report: The (Almost)Final Report for the Christmas Food Sale is as follows:

Total Sales: \$8647.50
Total Costs: \$4584.96
Total Profit: \$4062.54

We still have some food available and some has sold since the last Parish Council meeting. Updated figures will be available at the Annual Parish Meeting on January 28th.

House Blessing: As announced last Sunday, the January calendar has times indicated when Father Martin is available for house blessing. Please look at the calendar and choose a day/time. You can speak with him directly, email or call him to schedule an appointment. Please do so at your earliest convenience as Forgiveness Sunday is February 18 and blessings should be done by then. ALSO, please do not neglect to do this as it is a beautiful opportunity to cleanse and sanctify your home, not just simply your house or apartment. "Behold, I stand at the door and knock."

Parish Meeting: The Annual Parish Meeting will take place on Sunday January 28th at Noon. All registered parishioners are expected to attend, all others are welcome. Agenda items include the usual reports, proposed budget for the upcoming year and election of a new parish council. If you are interested in running for parish council, please speak with Fr. Martin, Doug Yates or any current Council member. New membership is desirable as we have some coming off and we have a need for people to help those who have been serving for many years.

Schuylkill River Blessing: Once again, on January 21st, the Greater Philadelphia Orthodox Clergy Brotherhood will conduct the Great Blessing of the Waters at the Schuylkill River on Boat House Row in

Philadelphia at 3pm. All are encouraged to attend if able for this witness to our faith in the midst of the city. A reception with refreshments will follow the service.

Novogodny Ball: 81st Novogodny Ball will take place on Sunday 1/14/18 for the benefit of Orthodox Christian & other deserving charities. For info & reservations email novogodnyball@gmail.com or call **Andre Cox** at **215-290-4542**.

Scrip: Profit \$97.82, YTD \$1405.24. Thank you for your participation.

Wrightstown Food Cupboard: The need, unfortunately, continues so please continue to bring the following items.

Coffee, tea, juice, baby food, tuna and canned meat, desserts (brownie mixes, cake mix, frosting, pie and pie crust mixes).

Wedding Anniversary

Protodeacon Gregory and Martha Moser

Birthday

Nicholas Bendas

Names Day

Tatyana Azvolinsky

Vigil Lights

From Irene Arhipov

For the Health of: Sergei, Stephanie, Peter, Alexandra, Alan, Ludmila, Anna

In Memory of: Anthony, Boris, Maria, Ivan, Katherine, Dmitri, Anna

From Catherine

In Memory of: Camelia Petruscu

Please remember in your prayers

Living: *Captive Hierarchs Paul and John, orphans of St. Thekla's, Pdn. Joseph, Priest John, Mats. Myra, Elena, Laryssa, Mary, Peter, Stephanie, Samuel, Anthony, Sergei, Michael, Tatyana, Vera, Anna, Krastyo, Tom, Michael, Martin, Matthew, Nicoletta, Anita, Carmen, Nathan, and for Marina and the child she is bearing,*

Departed: Archpriest John, Archpriest Alvian and Matushka Helen, Rose Marie, Camila, Julie, Ann Dahulich, Shane, Aemelia, Samuel, Alexandr, *Archpriest Stephen, Archpriest Vladimir*