

Christ is baptized in the Jordan  
Христос крестается в Иордане!!  
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Glorify Him!  
Славите Его!  
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**12 January 2014: Sunday after Theophany**  
*The Holy Martyr Tatiana*

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Sat. Jan. 11 **5:00 PM: Sunday Vigil**  
+ Rose Olenchock requested by St. Mary Rosary Society

Sun. Jan. 12 **10:30 AM: Sunday after Theophany: pro populo**

Sat. Jan. 18 **5:00 PM: Sunday Vigil**  
+ Joann Reagan requested by MaryAnn & Edmund Davis  
+ Memorial Service for Cody Fullman – One Year Anniversary

Sun. Jan. 19 **10:30 AM: Thirty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost: pro populo**

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	<u>Acolytes</u>	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	
Sat. Jan. 11	M. Mihalko	L. Knouse	J. Snitzer, R. Garber	
Sun. Jan. 12	-----	S. Vacha	G. Krynicky, J. Overdorff	
Sat. Jan. 18	M. Mihalko	M. Hulyk	J. Kontir, J. Snitzer	
Sun. Jan. 19	R. & E. Hess	F. Chappell	R. Garber, D. Hess	

**01/05/14 Collection:** Adult \$2000; Student \$11; Candles \$95; Christmas: \$60;  
Initial Offering \$105; Holy Day \$258; **Total: \$2529.00**

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**4:16 Light on the People Who Sat in Darkness** THE GOSPEL A GREAT LIGHT. **CYRIL OF ALEXANDRIA:** And the “great light” is Christ our Lord and the brightness of the gospel preaching. It is not, in fact, the law, which was likened to a lamp. For this reason a lamp always burned in the tabernacle, on account of the shortness of the law’s rays, which had strength to extend their light only within the confines of the Jewish territories. Therefore the Gentiles were “in darkness,” not having this lamplight. FRAGMENT 34.

**TOWARD MATURITY. CHRYSOSTOM:** By *maturity* he means here the perfecting of conscience. For a grown man stands firm while young boys’ wits are tossed about. So it is with the faithful. We mature until we attain the unity of the faith, that is, until we are all found to share a single faith. For this is unity of faith when we are all one, when we all alike acknowledge our common bond. Until then we must labor. If you have received the gift of upbuilding others, be sure that you do not overthrow yourself by envying someone else’s gift. HOMILY ON EPHESIANS 11.4.13.

**TO THE MEASURE OF THE STATURE OF THE FULLNESS OF CHRIST. AMBROSIAS:** He exhorts them to strive to attain to the perfecting of faith, the essence of which is to hold fast to Christ as true and perfect God. Do not measure him by some human measure. Measure yourself by regarding him as perfect God in the fullness of his deity. When he refers to a *mature man* he does not mean a span of years or physical stature but a maturation into the full understanding of the divinity of the Son of God. EPISTLE TO THE EPHESIANS 4.13.

**RESURRECTED MATURITY. JEROME:** According to the traditions of the church and the apostle Paul, our resurrection will “be into a mature man and the stature of the fullness of Christ.” This is the state in which the Jews claim that Adam was created and in which we have read that the Lord rose. LETTER 108.25.3-4.



**Liturgical Reminders at the Start of a New Calendar Year...**

- ❑ The Narthex is sacred space and is not to be used as a social area **before** and especially **during** the Divine Liturgy.
- ❑ The icon on the Tetrapod is to be venerated with a bow, sign of the cross, and kiss upon entering and exiting the nave.
- ❑ If physically possible, one should remain standing during the distribution of the Divine Eucharist until everyone has received, then it is proper to sit down.

**Next Sunday’s Readings ~ 35<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
Epistle, Colossians 3: 12-16 *New Life in Christ*  
Gospel, Luke 18: 18-27 *The Rich Ruler*



~ **Announcements** ~

- **ECF CLASSES** begin **NEXT SUNDAY, 19 January.**
- The parish wishes to acknowledge an additional cemetery contribution that was given this past week **in memory of Peter P. Shultz.** We are most appreciative for this kind remembrance.
- **\*\*Sincere Thanks\*\*** to **Kathy DeFlorio, Dave Barlock, & Donna Fullman** for providing baked goods for our bingo this past week.
- **BCW REMINDER:** it is time to once again renew subscriptions to *Byzantine Catholic World.* Please turn in your \$12.00 remittance ASAP to the parish office, either cash or check made payable to “St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church.” Inform the office of any corrections to the spelling of names and/or changes in address. If you do not presently subscribe to our archeparchy’s newspaper and wish to do so, follow the above directions.
- **2013 ENVELOPES!!** Please turn in your **2013 offertory envelopes ASAP** so that you may be given credit on your contribution forms. Please make sure that you **ALWAYS** mark your envelope as to the amount of your donation.

- **THANK YOU** Dave Cholock, Marlene Harhai, Jennifer Hess and David Regalla for volunteering to serve on an «ad hoc» committee to investigate the installation of an outdoor chair lift for the parish. Already their knowledge and ideas of possibilities have proven to be helpful and enlightening.
- **HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE**: Some proposed pew reconfigurations to take place in the spring: (1) the first pews on the Theotokos side will be made handicap accessible. (2) a few pews in the very back of the church will be removed (a) to allow for greater confidentiality around the confession area, (b) for more space to better accommodate baptismal and funeral rites that take place in the Narthex – especially during the winter months and when the weather is inclement, (c) to allow for more space during liturgical processions on various feasts, e.g., the Pokrov, Sunday of Orthodoxy, Resurrection Matins, etc. Pews will be stored in the church basement. Should the parish grow to SRO capacity as it once was, they can readily be restored to their former places w/ minimum of effort.