

**Christ is Born!**  
**Христос Рождается!**

**St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church**  
**4480 Route 981 Latrobe, PA 15650**

**Glorify Him**  
**Славита!**

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**Confessions:**  
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## 28 December 2014: Sunday after Christmas

*Memory of the Holy and Just Joseph, Husband of Mary; of David, Prophet and King;  
and of the Holy Apostle James, Brother of the Lord.*

### LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Sat. Dec. 27	<b>5:00 PM: Sunday Vigil</b> + <i>Suffrages for Anthony Giacobbi</i> by Margaret Kostovny
Sun. Dec. 28	<b>10:30 AM: Sunday after Christmas: pro populo Dei</b>
Sat. Jan. 03	<b>5:00 PM: Sunday Vigil</b> + <i>Suffrages for Mary Miscik</i> by St. Mary Rosary Society
Sun. Jan. 04	<b>10:30 AM: Sunday before Theophany: pro populo Dei</b>
Mon. Jan. 05	<b>7:00 PM: Vigil-Divine Liturgy of the Theophany of Our Lord, God, and Savior Jesus Christ: OBLIGATION:</b> w/Mirovanije + <i>Suffrages for Cody Fullman</i> by Mike & Connie Bankovich
Tues. Jan. 06	<b>9:30 AM: Theophany of Our Lord: OBLIGATION:</b> w/Mirovanije + <i>Suffrages for George &amp; Agnes Rusinko</i> by Michael & Aimee Kakos

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	<b><u>Acolytes</u></b>	<b><u>Readers</u></b>	<b><u>Ushers</u></b>	
Sat. Dec. 27	-----	M. Harhai	J. Snitzer, D. Mihalko	
Sun. Dec. 28	D. Cianciotti, M. Ruggieri	B. Chirdon	J. Knouse, J. Overdorff	
Sat. Jan. 03	-----	M. Hulyk	R. Garber, J. Kontir	
Sun. Jan. 04	E. R. & A. Hess	T. Tomosky	D. Hess, G. Krynicky	
Mon. Jan. 05	Any Present		---Any 2 Present---	
Tues. Jan. 06	-----		---Any 2 Present---	

**12/21/14** Adult \$838.00; Student \$9.00; Candles \$65.00;  
**Collection** Fuel Oil \$100 .00 Flowers \$15.00; **Total: \$1027.00**  
**Attendance:** Christmas Eve 62 + 17 visitors Christmas Collection: \$3005.00  
 Christmas Day 22 + 11 visitors

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**Wisdom! Be Attentive!**

**FROM CHRISTMAS TO THEOPHANY**  
**WE NEITHER KNEEL DURING PRAYER NOR FAST!**

**TODAY'S COMMEMORATIONS:** The Holy Prophet-King David, St Joseph the Betrothed, and St James the Brother of the Lord are commemorated on the Sunday after the Nativity. If there is no Sunday between December 25 and January 1, their commemoration is moved to December 26. At an early date, some churches in the East began to commemorate at the time of Theophany and later during the Nativity season, certain important figures of the New Testament. **In Syria**, for example, St Stephen, Sts James and John, and Sts Peter and Paul were commemorated near the end of December. **In Jerusalem**, the saints mentioned above were combined with a feast that the Jews of Hebron celebrated on **December 25 or 26** in honor of the Old Testament Patriarch Jacob. Later on, the Christians substituted St. James for Jacob, and then the commemoration of the Brother of the Lord became associated with his ancestor King David. In time, St. Joseph was linked with Sts. David and James.

Come, O faithful, having enjoyed the Master's hospitality, The Banquet of Immortality in the lowly manger, let us run to the Jordan and there see a strange mystery revealing the Light from on high.

The feast which has passed was radiant, but the coming one is even more glorious! There the magi worshipped the Savior; here the servant baptizes the Master. There the shepherds saw the Child and were amazed; here the voice of the Father proclaims the only-begotten Son.

Let us, the guests of God's banquet, who feasted in Bethlehem, giving glory to the incarnate Lord with the angels, wise men, and shepherds now proceed in the Spirit to the Jordan River, for behold, the Light which came into the darkness, there begins to overcome the night.

**Next Sunday's Readings ~ Sunday before Theophany**  
**Epistle, 2 Timothy 4: 5-8 Paul's Last Charge to Timothy**  
**Gospel, Mark 1: 1-8 The Preaching of John the Baptist**



### ~ Parish Announcements ~

- **«Special Thanks» to All Who Contributed in Any Way to Make Our Parish Christmas Dinner and Play Such a Joyous Occasion!** The Christmas food dishes prepared by Chef Dato's catering were delicious as usual. The ECF students' performance was delightful! The arrival of St. Nicholas was a big hit with all the children present. Parishioners and Guests certainly enjoyed the holiday atmosphere.
- The list of **Christmas Memory Poinsettias** is on the table in the Narthex.
- **Bingo** resumes on January 9, 2015.
- **2014 ENVELOPES!!** Please turn in your **2014 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.

- The «**Catholic Diocesan Heritage Centre**» at the Bishop Connare Center along Route 30 is featuring an art exhibit whose theme is the Theotokos. **Of particular interest to Byzantine Catholics** is an exceptional piece from Russia that was given to the Basilian sisters at Mount Saint Macrina by Rev. Nicholas Alishofski: an icon created by Peter Carl Fabergé and given to the last tsar of Russia, Nicholas II. The exhibit is free of charge and open to the public but only on Saturdays between 10:00 and Noon, and from 13:00 to 15:00 until 14 February. The Heritage Center is adjacent to the “Indiana Room” at the facility.



- Kick off **2015** with family and friends with a **FREE New Year's Day Pork and Sauerkraut dinner** held **January 1<sup>st</sup>** at **St. Paul Lutheran Church**, 108 Dutch Hill Road, **from 11:00 until 14:00**. Anyone who wishes to help, either the morning before or the day of the event can do so by calling the church 724-423-2590 with your available time. In the event of a snow or ice storm, the meal will be held on Sunday, January 4<sup>th</sup>. See poster in the Narthex for more information.

