

Christ is Born!
Χριστός Γεννάται!

St. Mary ~ Holy Protection
Byzantine Catholic Church
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Glory Him!
Славите!
Δοξάσατε!

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31 DECEMBER 2023 / 7532 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.
Leave-taking (Apodosi) of Christmas.*



LITURGY SCHEDULE:

- Sat. Dec. 30** **17:00 VIGIL: SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS** *Suffrages for*
+Fr. Cyprian Constantine, OSB – Bingo workers
- Sun. Dec. 31** **10:30 SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS** *Suffrages pro populo*
- Fri. Jan. 05** **18:30 VIGIL OF THEOPHANY** – Great Blessing of the Jordan
Water w/ Mirovaniye. *Suffrages for* +William Grzywinski – Daniel
& Jennifer Hess

Sat. Jan. 06 17:00 VIGIL: **SUNDAY AFTER THEOPHANY**

Suffrages for +Cody Fullman – The Fullman Family

Sun. Jan. 07 10:30 **SUNDAY AFTER THEOPHANY** *Suffrages pro populo*



12 / 24 / 2023

Adults: \$15178

Candles: \$155

Holy Days: \$75

Initial Off.: \$5

COLLECTION

Christmas: \$2235

TOTAL: \$4078



Friday, January 5, is a day of strict fast from all meat and dairy products in preparation for the great feast of Theophany!

Let us praise **David the King**, the ancestor of God, because from him came forth the branch who is the Virgin. From her bloomed the Flower Christ, Who summoned Adam and Eve from corruption. He is compassionate towards all.

In his advanced years, **Joseph** clearly saw the prophecies fulfilled. It was truly a strange betrothal; and he received a revelation from the angels who cried out: Glory to God Who sent down peace upon the world.

Let all of us praise the relative of the Lord, **James the Apostle**, who bravely suffered martyrdom as a bishop. By his prayers, O Christ our God, Who was wrapped in swaddling clothes in the cave, save all those who extol You.

Radiant was the feast that has just passed; but more brilliant, O Savior, is the one approaching. The first had an angel as a herald; this one has John the Forerunner. The first had blood spilled and had Bethlehem lament as one who was childless; the second has blessed waters recognized to be a bath having many children. Before, the star proclaimed to the Magi; now the Father shows You to the world, that You are incarnate and are openly coming again. O Lord, glory be to You!



~ Announcements ~

- ✦ **THANK YOU** to all who kindly and generously remembered me with cards, well wishes, home-baked delicacies of all sorts, and gifts during these holy and blessed days of Christmas. May this even greater «Feast of Lights» warm your hearts during this sacred season and throughout the New Year. *Christ is Born! Glorify Him! Christ is baptized in the Jordan! Glorify Him!* Father Paul-Alexander
- ✦ Our parish is most grateful to **Mr. & Mrs. Michael Kakos** for their incredibly generous gift to the church for the maintenance of our parish cemetery. «*May God grant to His servants Aimée and Michael peace, health, and happiness for many blessed years!*»
- ✦ **BYZANTINE CATHOLIC WORD SUBSCRIBERS:** Time to renew your subscription. Please indicate on the sheet in the Narthex if you would like to continue your current subscription. The cost is **\$14**. If you would like to begin a subscription, there are additional spaces to fill in your name. **MAKE YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO ST. MARY PARISH, PUTTING BCW ON THE MEMO LINE.** Thank you!
- ✦ There is **NO BINGO IN JANUARY 2024**. The first bingo of the new year will be on **FRIDAY, 9 FEBRUARY 2024**.