

# ST. NICHOLAS NEWS

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SUNDAY AFTER THEOPHANY. SUNDAY OF ZACCHAEUS. MARTYR TATIANA..

### PARISH CALENDAR

Sun., Jan. 25 Sunday After Theophany. Sunday of Zacchaeus. Martyr Tatiana.

8:45 – 9:15 AM Confessions

9:30 AM Divine Liturgy – Special Sheets

Panachida: For John Czibik by Laurence Czibik & Denise Sovitch.

*Church School Meets*

Wed., Jan. 28 Monks Paul and John

*House Blessings scheduled*

Fri., Jan. 30 Monk Antony the Great.

*House Blessing scheduled.*

Sun., Feb. 1 *Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee.*

8:45 – 9:15 AM Confessions

9:30 AM Divine Liturgy – Special Sheets

**Confessions:** from about 45 minutes before any Divine Liturgy until about 15 minutes before.

### FEASTS . . . & FASTS

**Lent is already almost here!** Today is the Sunday of Zacchaeus, the first Sunday of the Pre-Lenten Cycle. Next Sunday is The Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee. That week (2/1 – 2/7) there is no fast at all, even on Wednesday and Friday, as a preparation for

the coming of Lent.

### PEOPLE STUFF

*Please remember in your prayers:*

*Deceased:* Mary Chupron.

*Living:* Matt & Lori Algar. Stephanie Bonk. Gloria Bracey. Tim & Christina Bracey. Susan Danchak. Ricky, Rick & Sarah. Michael Danchak. Fr. George Dursa. Jada Eiden. Heather Harris. Robert & Eddie Hawley. Lorraine Kacaba. Dawn & Warren Kieffer. Anna Mae Kuklis. Dee Lositski. Dan & Teri Ludwig. Peggy Majcher. Theresa Niester. John Polanichka. Emma Sacco. Amy Shimo. Connie Lou Slater. Faye Snell. Marion Sosnowski. Russell Spilka. Jeff Thomas. Ann Marie Tigue. Fr. Donald Valasek. Gary Wassel. Julia Worobey.

*At Home:* Michael Andreosky. Elizabeth Basalyga. George & Anna Senich. Kathryn Stocoski.

*Assisted Living Homes:* Julie Kovacs. Julie Roberts.

*Eternal Light:* Memory of John Czibik by Laurence Czibik & Denise Sovitch.

*Altar Vigil Candles:* Memory of Jane Guzek.

*Correction:* Last Sunday we celebrated the memorial service for Joseph Hodanich which was listed for today in last week's bulletin. Today is the memorial for John Czibik. We apologize for the confusion.

**Mary Chupron**, mother of long-time parishioner Carl

Chupron, fell asleep in the Lord recently. We will be celebrating a 40-day memorial on Sunday, Feb. 15. *Eternal Memory!*

*Social Hour Sponsorship: Just a Reminder:* Anyone is welcome to sponsor Social Hour on any given Sunday in memory of a loved one or for any reason. You can sign up for the Sunday you wish in the Commemorations Book in the Church Vestibule. The donation is \$40.

### COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

**Ongoing Food Collection Project:** *To all of our parishioners:* Please remember those families who rely on food donations to help make ends meet. As you are aware, the funding for the Bread Basket of NEPA has been cut, and they rely on donations to help those families in need. A food donation container is available in the Church Hall. Please help fill this container with non-perishable food items: cans, dry goods, etc.

### PARISH STUFF

**Auditors Sought:** One more auditor is needed. If you are willing to consider taking on this task, please see Fr. Nik or Jane Togher. Ordinarily there are 2 auditors selected to check the parish's books every year.

**Pirohi Sale starts off with a bang!** I am very pleased to note that we started up just where we left off. We had a very nice group for the first pirohi making, so let's keep up the good work! The next Sale's schedule:

- Wed., Feb. 4 7:30 AM Pirohi Prep
- Thu., Feb. 5 8:00 AM Pirohi Making
- Fri., Feb. 6 10 AM – 4 PM Pirohi Sale

**House Blessings This Week!** As of now, I am planning to schedule blessings this coming Wednesday and Friday. I will be making phone calls the beginning of the week to arrange times.

- *Please Note:* If your address or phone number has changed in the past 3 years, *please let me know* (even if you already did). You can call me, send me an email, or write me a note.
- If you would prefer I not bless your home, please let me know that also. Again, just write or call me. If you tell me ahead of time, it will help.

### YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND HIS CHURCH

#### St. Nicholas Dinner

Total Income	\$ 849.00
Less expenses	<u>-193.47</u>
<i>Net Income</i>	<i>\$ 655.53</i>

#### January 11, 2015

\$ 914.00	General Collection
\$ 12.00	1st Sunday
\$ 83.00	7 Day Light
\$ 139.00	Holy Days
\$ 30.00	Maintenance & Repairs
\$ 20.00	Heat Offering
\$ 905.00	Christmas
\$ 12.00	Taper Candles
<b>\$2115.00</b>	<b>Total Collection</b>

### FROM THE DIOCESE & OTHER STUFF

**Myasopusna at Transfiguration Ukrainian Church, Nanticoke.** February 8, Noon to 3:30 PM. Ukrainian dance, music, song, displays, sales, food, pysanky and much more. All welcome! For tickets, call 570-735-4654 or 570-824-3880. See Flyer in hall for more info.

**St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church International Dinner Club,** 320 Mifflin Ave. Scranton, Pa. 18503 presents "A Taste of Greece" prepared exclusively for you by Chef Robert Olecki on Thursday, February 12, 2015 with seatings at 5:30 and 6:30pm. The menu will start with a Greek Salad followed by the Entrée of Braised Lamb Shank served with cous cous with golden raisins, peppers and onions, along with Eggplant Caponata. The dessert will be Galaktoboureko (Greek Custard pie). Coffee, tea, water or soda is included for \$20.00 per person and a Cash bar is available. Please call 570-343-5151 before February 9<sup>th</sup> with your reservation.

**St. John's Byzantine Catholic Church,** 310 Broadway St., Scranton, Pa. is having a **Lenten Food Sale.** They will be offering: Haluski at \$7.00 per Quart; Clam Chowder at \$8.00 per Quart and Pirohi at \$8.00 per dozen by order only. The deadline for orders is Thursday, Feb. 12, 2015 and you may pick them up on Monday, March 2, 2015 from 10am to 2 pm. Please call Sylvia at 570-343-8820. Place orders early, do not be disappointed.