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In the Nativity Fast

Sunday, Dec 13, 27th **SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - Tone 2. SUNDAY OF THE FOREFATHERS.** Sts. Noah, Sampson, Barak, Jephthah, Nathan, Eleazar, Josiah, Job, Samuel, David, Solomon, Elijah and all the prophets, Daniel and the three holy children; the Women, Sts. Hannah, Judith and Deborah, Hulda, Jael, Esther, Sarah, Miriam the Sister of Moses, Rachel, Rebecca and Ruth. **REPOSE OF ST. HERMAN OF ALASKA, WONDERWORKER OF ALL AMERICA (1837).** Virgin Martyr Lucia of Syracuse (304).

Epistle:

Gospel:

Col. 3:4-11

Luke 14:16-24

Gal 5:22-6:2 (St. Herman)

Luke 6:17-23 (St. Herman)

One-year Memorial Service (Panikhida) - +Martha Balko

Tuesday, Dec 15

Daily Vespers, 5:30 pm

Thursday, Dec 17, Holy Prophet Daniel and the Three Holy Youths

Daily Vespers, 5:30 pm

Saturday, Dec 19

Great Vespers for the Resurrection, 6 pm

Sunday, Dec 20, 28th **SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - Tone 3. SUNDAY BEFORE THE NATIVITY. Sunday of the Holy Fathers.** Sts. Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Moses, Aaron, Joshua. St. Ignatius the God-bearer, Bishop of Antioch. Repose of St. John of Kronstadt.

Sixth Hour, 9:50 am

Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom, **10 am**

Epistle:

Gospel:

Heb. 11:9-10,17-23,32-40

Matt. 1:1-25

Monthly Parish Council Meeting, following coffee and fellowship

PARISH FEAST DAY

Thanks to all who worked to make our Annual Parish Feast Day a great success last weekend. Through the prayers of our blessed Patron St. Nicholas, may the Lord God bless you always!

THANKS ALSO FOR THE COOKIE SALE!

Yesterday we had our 3rd annual cookie sale, which was a success. Thanks to all who made cookies and participated in the sale, and special thanks to Maria for organizing the event. Glory to Jesus Christ!

NEW YEARS DAY - FEAST OF ST. BASIL THE GREAT - AT ST. VASILIOS

St. Vasilios parish has invited our parish to join with them for their Patronal Feast Day, celebrated with Metropolitan Methodios. This is the feast of St. Basil the Great, celebrated on **New Years Day**. Matins is at 9 am, Divine Liturgy at 10 am.

THE NATIVITY FAST/CONFESSION AND COMMUNION

We continue in the Nativity Fast. All are urged to be attentive to the fast as each is able, as well as doing additional prayer, spiritual reading and caring for others. In addition, all should participate in the Sacrament of Confession during the fast periods of the Church. Regular Communion is dependent upon regular Confession.

SEASONAL NOTES

1. Today is the deadline for orders for Christmas Poinsettias and for Angel Tree presents.
2. We continue to collect can goods during the Advent Season.
3. Church calendars for 2010 are available at the prosphora stand
4. We have Christmas Cards for sale in the Kiosk downstairs.

LOOKING AHEAD

Dec 24 Thursday Christmas Eve - Royal Hours, 6:30 am

Vigil for the Nativity of Christ, 6 pm

Dec 25 Friday Divine Liturgy for the Nativity of Christ, 10 am