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Stephen Kelsey - Church School

Sunday, Jan 10, 31st **SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - Tone 6. Sunday After the**

Theophany. St. Gregory, Bishop of Nyssa (4th c.). St. Theosebia the Deaconess, sister of Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory of Nyssa (385). St. Theophan the Recluse, Bishop of Tambov (1894).

Epistle: Gospel:

Eph. 4:7-13 (Sun. After) Matt. 4:12-17 (Sun. After)

Thursday, Jan 14

Daily Vespers, 5:30 pm

Saturday, Jan 16

Great Vespers for the Resurrection, 6 pm

Sunday, Jan 17, 32nd **SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - Tone 7. Sunday of Zacchaeus.**

Venerable and Godbearing Father Anthony the Great (356).

Sixth Hour, 9:50 am

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

Epistle: Gospel:

1 Tim. 4:9-15 Luke 19:1-10
Heb. 13:17-21 (Saint) Luke 6:17-23 (Saint)

Monthly Parish Council Meeting, following coffee and fellowship

DEAR VISITORS

A warm welcome to those who are visiting and praying with us today. You are encouraged to come forward at the conclusion of the Liturgy at the Veneration of the Holy Cross to introduce yourself to Fr. Mark. Please plan to come downstairs for coffee and fellowship after the Liturgy and be welcomed and introduced to parishioners. We look forward to visiting with you.

HOUSE BLESSINGS

Each year after Holy Theophany, House Blessings begin. The central sign of God's sanctification of all things through Christ's baptism is the act of blessing the homes of the faithful. According to the Orthodox faith, the home is considered to be a "small church," and the table or prayer space of the home is the "home altar" where each day "daily bread" is received from God with thanksgiving in the name of Christ. During the Theophany season, the priest, who is the father of the greater "family of God," comes to each of the "small churches" bringing the blessings of God the Father and all the brothers and sisters in Christ.

House Blessings have begun and will continue through the beginning of Great Lent. Please sign up at the candle stand to let Fr. Mark know that you would like your house to be blessed.

40-DAY PANIKHIDA FOR +ARCHBISHOP JOB

On Thursday, January 28, at 6:30p.m a 40-day Panikhida for the repose of Archbishop Job will be served by clergy from the Boston Deanery at Holy Trinity Cathedral, 165 Park Drive, Boston. All are invited to attend. A reception will follow.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS FOR THE CHURCH

The Poinsettias that have made our Church so beautiful for the holidays are donated *In Memory Of* and *For The Health Of* so many of the loved ones of the Church (see the bulletin board in the Narthex). Poinsettias may be taken today, after the Theophany Liturgy on Wednesday, and after Liturgy next Sunday. Following next Sunday, we will remove the remaining poinsettias from the Church.

CONFESSION AND COMMUNION

HOLY EUCHARIST (COMMUNION) is ADMINISTERED ONLY to MEMBERS of the ORTHODOX CHURCH who have prepared themselves by prayer, fasting, and recent confession of sins. "The means to confirm and strengthen Christian Hope are prayers, especially frequent and sincere prayer, confession of our sins, frequent reading of the Word of God, and above all, frequent communion of the holy life-giving sacraments of the Body and Blood of Christ." *St. John of Kronstadt*

LOOKING AHEAD

Jan 23	Saturday	Deacon's Vespers will be served
Jan 28	Thursday	40-Day Panikhida for +Abp Job, Boston Cathedral
Feb 2	Tuesday	Feast of the Meeting of Our Lord in the Temple
Feb 7	Sunday	Meatfare - 1 year Panikhida for +Mary Rabchenuk
Feb 14	Sunday	Forgiveness Sunday - Beginning of Great Lent
Apr 4	Sunday	Holy Pascha - The Resurrection of Our Lord