



SAINT IRENE BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH
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TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE: December 1—December 8

Sunday, December 1—Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost (161)
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy For Parishioners, Benefactors and Friends of St. Irene
Lesson 3

Monday, December 2—The Holy Prophet Habakkuk. The Passing of the Blessed Confessor Ivan Slezyuk, Bishop of Ivano-Frankivsk

Tuesday, December 3—The Holy Prophet Zephaniah

Wednesday, December 4—The Holy and Great Martyr Barbara. St John Damascene

Thursday, December 5—Our Holy Father Sava the Sanctified

Friday, December 6—St Nicolas the Wonderworker, Archbishop of Myra in Lycia - St. Nicholas Day
7:00 p.m. Divine Liturgy

SOLEMN

Saturday, December 7—St Ambrose, Bishop of Mediolanum (Milan)
NO VESPERS

Sunday, December 8—Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost. The Conception by St Anna of the Most Holy Mother of God
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy For Parishioners, Benefactors and Friends of St. Irene

WELCOME TO ALL PARISHIONERS & GUESTS WHO HAVE JOINED US TODAY

Whether you're searching for a new church home or just visiting, we're glad you're with us today. If you are looking for God, have a prayer request, looking for more information about the Eastern Catholic Church, would like to join our parish, or would like to speak with Fr. Vasyl, we invite you to fill out a visitor's card and drop it in the offering basket as your offering today. Please join us for our coffee hour in the Parish hall following the Divine Liturgy. We want to get to know you! God bless you!

Please remember in your prayers:

For health and salvation: Bishop. Gerald N Dino, Fr. Frank Knuzel, Fr. Chris Zugger, Fr. Stephen Casmus, Tony and family, James, Ellie

For repose of the departed: +Kristina Beresh, + Fr. Michael Irwin, +Dorothy Beresh

Please let Fr. Vasyl know if you would like to add new names to the prayer list and also notify him about any sick and/or hospitalized parishioners and family members.

LITURGY INTENTIONS: you may request a liturgy intention for the deceased or living. Kindly use the envelopes located in the narthex in church and drop the envelope into the Collection Basket or hand it to Father. Please print legibly. Thank You.

November 24

Tithes: \$225.00
Attendance: 15

Thank you for your generous support and contributions to the Lord's Holy House.

Are you up to date? Check your Tithing and Contribution schedule. End of the year is coming and our parish books are closed on December 31 for 2019.

We need volunteers to help with decorating the hall for Breakfast with St. Nicholas. On Wednesday, December 4, from 10:00 a.m. the ladies will decorate the parish hall. Also we will need help with decorating of our church for upcoming Christmas. Let's make sure we meet the Newborn baby Jesus majestically. For more information see Rebecca Gufrey. Thank you for your help!

2019 ONLINE EDUCATIONAL OFFERINGS

All courses are offered as live webinars, free of charge. Register at EasternCatholic.org/events

You may want to save this part of the bulletin & paste it into your calendar.

The Gift of God by Rev David Anderson
 Preparing for the Feast of the Nativity

Wednesday, December 16 @5:00-6:00 pm PST

Baptized into Christ
 The Mystery of Initiation & Identity of the People of God
Wednesdays January 8, 15, & 22 @5:00-6:00 pm PST

As it is impossible to verbally describe the sweetness of honey to one who has never tasted honey, so the goodness of God cannot be clearly communicated by way of teaching if we ourselves are not able to penetrate into the goodness of the Lord by our own experience.
St. Basil the Great

On the occasion of the Feast of **Our Lady of Guadalupe** on December 12 at 7:00 p.m. in our church we will have Divine Liturgy.

The cards with the schedule for upcoming Christmas holidays are available in the back of the church and in the hall.



Dear Parishioners,

Please reserve this coming Saturday, December 7, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon to participate in our parish 1st Annual Breakfast with St. Nicholas.

Please check out the sign-up sheet in the parish hall, near the bottom of the steps on the corner table.

Many volunteers are needed to cook pancakes, keep the drinks filled, decorate the hall, donate food, receive donations, take pictures, assist St. Nicholas and clean up afterward.

If you have questions, please call Becky at (360) 921-2745.

This is an opportunity to welcome people to the church and provide an enjoyable experience for children and families!

We really need all of you to help to make this a success for our parish!

Thank you very much and glory to Jesus Christ now and forever!

Celebrating St. Nicholas Day!

It is our tradition to celebrate the Feast of St. Nicholas in a special way. Next Sunday, December 8, St. Nicholas will visit our parish. The celebration includes a potluck. Please bring your favorite food to share.

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"The Lord calls to him all sinners; He opens His arms wide, even to the worst among them. Gladly He takes them in His arms, if only they will come to Him."

- St. Macarius of Optina

