

~ASCENSION GIFT SHOP~

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PLEASE Parishioners do not forget the **Bishop's Appeal** for this year. Our set goal is \$6,800. Checks are to be made payable to and sent directly to the **Eparchy of Passaic** offices in Woodland Park, NJ before December 31, 2017. If you need a mailing form, envelope or brochure, please talk to Monica Ruscus, they are available in the office.

THANK YOU to everyone who helped to make the St. Nicholas Craft and Bake Sale such a great success. Your support is greatly appreciated.

YOUTH GROUP Christmas Play and a visit from Bishop Nicholas after Liturgy today. It is a VERY SHORT presentation, please stay and encourage our children and enjoy their delight.

COOKIES AND KOLACHY for sale after the program, in St. Philip's Hall.

Pointsetta sponsorship is still available. The green form is on the table outside St. Philip's Hall.

Requestes for sponsoring Icon candles for 2018 is being accepted now.

The **OLD TESTAMENT GRILLERS** will have a **Christmas Pot Luck** luncheon on Sunday December 17th. Traditional holiday favorites will be served- **Turkey and Ham**. Don't forget the side dishes and desserts to compliment the main course. Thank you so very, very much.

DECEMBER 2017

Thursday December 14- I Don't Give A Stitch Quilters 10 a.m. til 2:00 p.m.

Sunday December 17- MEN'S CLUB **Christmas Pot Luck Luncheon******

Sunday December 24- Christmas Eve Divine Liturgy 11 a.m.

Carols & Compline 9 p.m.

Divine Liturgy 10 p.m.

Monday December 25-Christmas Day Divine Liturgy 9 a.m.

Sunday Decembe 31- Holy Chrismation of Seraphima Joan & Yaroslava Macy Nicola Collins

Finance: Myron Kotyk

Ladies Guild: Ann Merkley, Monica M. Ruscus, Donna Ross, Ory Stefaniw

Liturgical: Lisa Edwards, Don Merkley, Mary Jean Sotack

Men's Club: Eric Hunter, John Alexander, Mike Olson, David Efimetz

Outreach: Betty Mae Hertz

Property: Tom McGraw, Don Merkley, Ory Stefaniw, Mary Jean Sotack

Publicity: Mary Jean Sotack, Bob Linderman

Trustees: Myron Kotyk, Don Merkley, Monica M. Ruscus

Schedule for Sunday Volunteers

☪☪☪ Our thanks to all of you who volunteer any day of the week! ☪☪☪

	This Week (Dec 10)	Next Week (Dec 17)
Ushers	Bob Linderman	Adithia Kusno
Lector	Daniel Kaczur	David Efimetz
Hospitality	Chris Noonan	Ann Kelly
Offertory Recorders	Don Merkley & Myron Kotyk	Patty Duttry & Chris Noonan

Thank you for your contributions (Dec 3, 2017)

Offertory Recorders are reminded to complete an Operating Account (...401) deposit slip to be included in the Bank Bag.
Thank you

Offertory & Monthly Dues	\$ 1,599.00	\$200.00 Mortgage donations this week
Candles	34.00	
St. Nicholas Wonderworker	5.00	Mortgage donations to date: \$56,470.05
Conception of St. Ann	5.00	
	\$ 1,643.00	

Information regarding the SACRAMENTS and SACRAMENTALS

Father Alex is available for the **HOLY MYSTERY OF RECONCILIATION** before Divine Liturgy on Sunday (10:00 a.m.) or a half hour before weekly Liturgy or by appointment.

MIROVANJA, a sacramental blessing with holy oil, which is applied to the forehead in the sign of the cross by the priest while proclaiming the appropriate greeting of the season. After kissing the hand cross, take a piece of blessed bread.

Candle and Prayer Intentions for December

Sanctuary Lamp—The lamp is burning for the blessed repose of the soul of + **LORRAINE M. PUGLIESE** requested by Monica Ruscus

Christ the Teacher—The candle burns for health and God's blessings for **MYRON ANDREW KOTYK** requested by Debbie and Myron Kotyk

Theotokos and Child— The candles burn for the blessed repose of the soul of the + **JOHN RUSCUS** requested by Monica Ruscus

Saint Nicholas— The candles burn for health and God's blessing for **KRISTEN MARIE KOTYK** requested by Debbie and Myron Kotyk

Saint John the Baptizer—The candle burns for health and God's blessings for **THE PARK AND MOORE FAMILIEIS** requested by Linda and Michael Lechman

Tetrapod— The candles burn for the health and God's blessing for the **TOMASIC FAMILY** requested by Joyce and Joe Tomasic

Protection of the Theotokos- The lamp is burning for health and God's blessings for **MARY SULLIVAN**

Please keep in your prayers those who are ill and/or infirmed or in need of prayers:

JUNE McGraw, **LISA** Margan, **JUSTIN** Blascak, **KIMBERLEY** Ann Parisi, **SYLVIA** Lechman, **KATHY** Haring, **CLAY** Krause, **STEVEN** Margan, **CORBIN, HOLLIE & RACHELLE** Haycock, **KATHRYN** Profitt, **HANK** Janke, **SANDY** Gilmore, **MARILYN** Horne, **TOMMY** LeBlanc, **MARTA** Garrett, **SUSAN** Krause, **MAURICE** Bernier, **ANN** Harmeyer, **DOROTHY** Waschko, **AMY** Claxton, **TERESA** Mayata, **KEVIN** Berry, **JOE** Catania, **ANGELITA** Quan, **BETH** Kirsch, **ARI** Simon, **MARTHA** Kim, **CAROL** Simon, **CHARLOTTE** Castleberry, **NICHOLAS** Couch, **ALEXANDER** Sherman, **SHELLY** Compton, **FE** Mendoza, **DANIEL** Anderson, **VIRGINIA** Henry, **NOAH** Cross, **MARIE** Robredo, **JUNE & DAREEN** Hall, **KATHY** Alexander, **MYRON & DEBBIE** Kotyk, **RAY & PAMELA** Williams, **LARRY & MARY ANN** Drumtra, **MARY** Sullivan, **JOAN** Griffin, **KAREN & GEORGE** Sperry, **MONICA** Ruscus, **JANIE** Young, **BRIAN** Hurtig, **DON** Merkley, **RON** Radda, **Fr. BOB** Chope, **PATTY & MICHAEL** Dunham, **JOE** Horvath, **MERLE** Phillips, **ROBERT** Sotack, Prof. **JOHN** A. Williams.

Contact Monica Ruscus 259-5890 or email: secretary@ascensionva.org to add/delete someone from this list

For our Military and their Leaders

Lord, please hold our troops in Your loving Hands, especially when they are in harm's way. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our country's time of need. Amen.

Lt. Cmdr. Alexander Kaczur, USN
Captain Jeremy Blascak, USA
Capt. Carol Burroughs, USN
SFC Theodore Cason, USA
Col. Michaela Munger-Dulong, USA
PvtE2 Jose Ramirez

Happy DECEMBER Birthday

- 1 John Labanish**
- 3 Gwendolyn Rose Picconi**
- 4 Robert G. Sotack**
- 7 Yaroslava Macy Nicola Collins**
- 7 Ann Harmeyer**
- 11 Michael Park**
- 11 Joshua Karlson**
- 19 Joe Baysura**
- 20 Kathy Alexander**
- 27 Rebecca "Becky" Kaczur**