



# SS PETER AND PAUL ORTHODOX CHURCH

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## THE NATIVITY ACCORDING TO THE FLESH OF OUR LORD GOD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST

- 9:10am – Hours, Confessions
- 9:30am – Divine Liturgy of St. Basil  
*Epistle: Gal. 4:4-7*  
*Gospel: Matt. 2:1-12*
- After the Divine Liturgy everyone is welcome to break the fast in the church hall and for a traditional Christmas fellowship at The Carpathian Club.

### Schedule of Services

MONDAY, DEC. 26 – Synaxis of the Most-Holy Theotokos

9:30am – Divine Liturgy

TUESDAY, DEC. 27 – Protomartyr Stephen

9:30am – Divine Liturgy

SATURDAY, DEC. 31

6:00pm – Great Vespers with Litya

SUNDAY, JAN. 1, 2012 – Circumcision of the Lord, St. Basil the Great

9:10am – Hours, Confessions

9:30am - Divine Liturgy of St. Basil, followed by Molieben for the New Year.

*Christ is Born!*

*Let us Glorify Him!*

*Another year is ending...*

*For some of us it was full of "sickness, sorrow, and sighing", but at the same time it had so much love, light, and joy.*

*Christ is Born – and He comforts us in our sickness and sorrow!*

*Christ is Born – and He helps us in our challenges and hard labor!*

*Christ is Born – and His loving presence fills our hearts and gives us joy!*

*May Christ our true God, Who was born in a cave and lay in a manger for our salvation, grant you every blessing and joy of this Nativity Season and the coming new year!*

### Intercessory Prayer

#### THE LIVING:

Eva Benda, Valentina Benda, Cathryn Christensen, Olga DeMay, Marianne Guagenti, George Hook, Peter Mazula, Walter Milk, Helen Pirniak, Stephen & Lillian Sokol, Elizabeth Zuber.

#### THE DEPARTED:

Peter Kalada, Benedict Benda, Georgette Saba, Matilda Skripak, Andrew Bacsik, Helen Pawlush, Mary Milk, Antonina Rotko, Helen Cotrone, June Bianchini, Marianne Benda.

### Birthday Greetings

Happy Birthday to Russ Wyskanycz and to all who celebrate their Birthdays in the month of December. May God grant you good health and happiness for Many, Many, Many Years! Mnogaya Leta!

### A Heartfelt Thank You

To Elena and Vladimir Nehrebecki for the donation of two seven-day Altar Table vigil holders, and three processional liquid Altar candles. May our Lord abundantly bless you for your generosity with good health and happiness for many blessed years! Многая Лета!

### Welcome Visitors

We welcome all visitors to our Divine Liturgy. It is our joy to have you with us today. If this is your first visit to our parish, we welcome you and invite you to return as often as you are able.

While Holy Communion may only be received by prepared Orthodox Christians, our non-Orthodox guests are welcome to join us in venerating the Cross, receiving blessed bread at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy and for fellowship in our Church Hall after the service.

### Today's Memorial Offering



- *Sanctuary Lamp* – in memory of June Bianchini, on the Anniversary of her Birth – by Mom & Dad.
- *St. John's Cross* – in memory of June Bianchini, on the Anniversary of her Birth – by Mary Macinsky.



### Announcements

❖ Have you been fasting for the last 40 days?... Please note that from Christmas Day until January 4, inclusive, there is a general dispensation from all fasting. Congratulation to all of you who have had your private Confession and Holy Communion during this time

❖ The Oath of Office of our new Parish Council will be administered on Sunday, Jan. 8<sup>th</sup> at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy.

❖ The Bayonne 'R' Club has donated \$1,000 to the Church from the Flea Market. We would like to thank everyone who donated items and their time to help make the Flea Market a success.

❖ On Sunday, January 15, 2012 there will be a 75<sup>th</sup> Annual Novogodny (New Year's) Ball, sponsored by F.O.C.A. This event will be in Cherry Hill, NJ. For more information please see a flyer at the bulletin board.

❖ Save the Date! On Sunday, January 22, 2012 The Carpathian Club will sponsor a Roast Pork Dinner after the Divine Liturgy. Tickets are \$12 in advance and \$15 on the day of the dinner. For tickets please see Robert Pierce or call Steve Wanko at 201- 437- 6549. All proceeds will go to the Church. Please support this fundraiser to help our parish get through these financially difficult times.

❖ A&P and ShopRite Shopping Cards available at the candle-stand. Do your shopping as you always do it, and help our church raise funds at NO COST to you.