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| SUNDAY | Dec 22 | Tone 3 | 8:45-9:30am: Confessions, 9:40am: 3rd Hour, 10:00am: Divine Liturgy (SSCM), Refreshments after Liturgy (Team 2) |

| Ep. 28th | Gos. 31st | Week after Pentecost |

| **Please join in the chanting** | Prefestive Day of Christmas |

Call the parish phone number to make an appointment. (919) 239-4877
WELCOME VISITORS
If you are new to our area or just visiting, please stop and introduce yourself. We are happy to have you share with us in the celebration of the Divine Liturgy.

If you do not have a church home, or your church is not a home for you, we cordially invite you to become part of our parish family.

If you wish to register with our parish, please contact Michelle Rubush or email sscyrilmethodius@gmail.com.

GLORY TO JESUS CHRIST! GLORY FOREVER!

**Byzantine Catholic Greetings**
- Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!
- Slava Isusu Christu! Slava na viki! *(Slavonic)*
- Doxa si o Kyrios! Panda doxa! *(Greek)*
- Laudetur Jesus Christus! Semper Laudetur! *(Latin)*
- ¡Gloria a Jesucristo! ¡Gloria por siempre! *(Spanish)*
- Gloire à Jésus Christ ! Gloire pour toujours ! *(French)*
- Sia lodato Gesù Cristo! Sempre sia lodato! *(Italian)*

**PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR OUR PARISH FAMILY:**
Please remember in your prayers:
- Rev. Father Mark Shuey, Dawn Shuey, Veronica, Patricia Baures, the Dunbar Family, the Parsons Family, Elizabeth Macario, Gloria and Nicholas, Jim, Richard, Matthew Rubush, Mary and Michael, James, Mary Sudik.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of our faithful departed, +John Morgan+; +Natalie Morgan+; +Michael Carter+; +Don Urgo+; +Deacon Charles+, +Barbara+, and +Ivan Burger+; +Joseph Dunbar+; +Eveline Dunbar+; +Winifred Ann Reamey+; +Anne Carret+; +Donald Carret+; +Kalil Wakim+; +Rev. Fr. Richard Rohrer+; +Gloria Shuey+

Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord .... and let perpetual Light shine upon them.

**Unable to attend Divine Liturgy?**
For those who are traveling or unable to attend Divine Liturgy on Sunday you can view the Sunday Divine Liturgy live/streaming broadcast at 9am from St John the Baptist Byzantine Catholic Cathedral, Pittsburgh (Munhall), PA. This church is where Archbishop William Skurla presides. You will need to download the App at this website: [https://www.stjohnsbyzantinecathedral.com/watch-live](https://www.stjohnsbyzantinecathedral.com/watch-live)

Also, you can watch and listen to the live 9am Sunday Liturgy from Holy Ghost Byzantine Catholic Church, Pittsburgh (McKees Rocks), PA on the internet at [www.WEDO810.COM](http://www.WEDO810.COM) radio. This is the website for the Radio Divine Liturgy: [https://www.archpitt.org/radio-divine-liturgy/](https://www.archpitt.org/radio-divine-liturgy/)
Project Rachel

1 in 4 people is touched by abortion. Odds are that someone you know is suffering from the effects of an abortion. You can be instrumental in bringing the love and forgiveness of Jesus Christ to those in great need by passing along this information!

Abortion is one of the most common procedures in the US, experienced by millions of women, many of whom are Catholic. Abortion creates a wound in post-abortive woman (and men) resulting in spiritual and emotional problems. The Project Rachel ministry assists women and men who have been wounded by abortion to find truth and healing. Check their website for the next retreat. If you have experienced an abortion and would like more information about the retreat contact Project Rachel at (919) 852-1021 or email projectrachel@nc.rr.com For more information go to www.projectrachelnc.org. (website).

Calls and appointments are kept strictly confidential.

Birthchoice

Pregnant and need help? Call 919-828-LIFE. There are many resources for when you find yourself pregnant and not sure what to do. Our society today often pressures women to abort when this destructive step is not necessary. Did your partner give you the money for an abortion: Is there no one in your family to whom you can turn? There are plenty of people who care; you just haven't met them yet. We are pro-choice; choose life! You do not have to end the life of your child.

Bulletin Online!

Hey, did you know that our bulletin is now online as well as in print format? If you missed picking one up at Church, you can find it on our website. Thank you, Chris and Mary Ann Meyer!

Institute of Catholic Culture

Did you know there’s an app about our faith? The app is called the Institute of Catholic Culture and the priest who runs it, Fr. Hezekias, is Melkite. The organization is dedicated to the re-evangelization of our society through educational and cultural programs offered to the public at no charge. There you’ll find hundreds of hours of audio available for free on the app or on their website: instituteofcatholicculture.org. They even have lectionary reflections (both Eastern and Roman Catholic) so you can better prepare yourself to attend Divine Liturgy.

**Ignited by Truth 2020**

CHANGE IN DATE! The 17th annual Catholic conference will be held April 18, 2020 Reynolds Coliseum, Raleigh (not the 25th as formerly announced). “Bringing to light the truth of the teachings of the Catholic Church and igniting in all hearts a love for the Faith” Join our mailing list to receive the latest updates: IgnitedByTruth.org
**Catholic Radio**

We have two options for Catholic Radio. For Eastern Catholics, online you will find [https://easterncatholicbroadcasting.com](https://easterncatholicbroadcasting.com) We also have an option for Catholic Radio locally on the air at AM 540. It features EWTN (Eternal Word Television Network) programming, including news & commentary, apologetics, the Mass, and papal events. “Light of the East” program with Rev. Fr. Thomas Loya discusses Byzantine liturgy, spirituality and traditions at 11:30 am on Sundays. Note that the current FCC license requires the power to be turned down in the evening, so the signal is very difficult to pick up during those hours (varies with the seasons). Check out Divine Mercy radio (Raleigh, Wendell, Zebulon), [www.wdmr.org](http://www.wdmr.org), for more information.

**Leaf Clearing**

A big thank you to AJ, Giuseppe, Max and Tony Tsakanikas for spending the day clearing the leaves! What a huge job and much appreciated!

**Lighting**

As you may know, lighting outside our church at night has been an issue and also a hazard. We wish to thank Jim Dunbar, Marie and Angela Taylor for working very hard to get our outside lighting updated so that people who are coming to our church in the evenings in this very busy Christmas season are able to safely make their way around outside.

Room At The Inn is in need of $25 gift cards for Target and Walmart for use as Christmas gifts for the mothers in the program.

Cards can be mailed to: PO Box 13936, Greensboro, NC 27415

Thank you for helping to make Christmas special at Room At The Inn, a shelter for single homeless pregnant women in our community!

**GCU Scholarship Applications Now Being Accepted**

GCU will be accepting applications for their annual scholarship awards from October 1 to December 31. Scholarships are available for GCU members who are college students or those studying in any secondary education program. There are also two athletic scholarships (1 female and 1 male) available for high school students. For complete details and online application please visit: [www.GCUusa.com/pages/scholarships](http://www.GCUusa.com/pages/scholarships).
St. Nicholas Market
WOW! Thank you to everyone who has been working tirelessly on the market and made this amazing event happen! Thank you to the volunteers especially the last few days who have spent hours in preparation and to all those who worked the market the past two days for setup, at the market, and clean up!

Gross estimates will be shared once things have been tallied, but based on how many things were sold out, the market was a success!

Parish Council
Our Parish Council meets the **first Tuesday** of every month. If you have any questions or concerns you’d like addressed at the next meeting, please see one of the members. They are: Joe Deaton, Marie Taylor, Paul Tooley, Angela Taylor Lance Morgan, Dan Pope, and Donna Carret.

The **Eritrean Orthodox** celebrate their Divine Liturgy in our church from 8:00am to 12:00pm on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month (Dec 21, Jan 4 and 18, Feb 1)

The **Coptic Orthodox** celebrate their Divine Liturgy in our church from 8:00am to 12:00pm on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month (Dec 14 and 28, Jan 11 and 25)

"Remember then, it is the Lord, your God, who gives you the power to acquire wealth." – Dt. 8:18

If you prefer, you may tithe directly to the church by US mail or by using Paypal.

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**CHURCH CLEANING**

If you would like to help, please see Joe Deaton or Michelle Rubush. We would like to have enough volunteers so no one is cleaning more than once every 3 months. Volunteers may do the cleaning anytime during the week when the church is not in use. Thank you!

- **Dec 15-20** — Sudik
- **Dec 22-27** — M. Taylor
- **Dec 29 – Jan 3** — E. Tsakanikas
- **Jan 5-10** — G. Tsakanikas
- **Jan 12-17** — Kingery
- **Jan 19-24** — A. Taylor

**ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE**

- **Dec 15** — Giuseppe, Max, Tony, Rocco Tsakanikas; Stephen Cwik; Finian Jones
- **Dec 22** — Charley, Tomas, Nathan Tooley; Corbi, William Lamb; Ben Kingery
- **Dec 29** — Giuseppe, Max, Tony, Rocco Tsakanikas; Stephen Cwik; Deaglan
- **Dec 15** — Giuseppe, Max, Tony, Rocco Tsakanikas; Stephen Cwik; Finian Jones

**VOLUNTEER GREETERS**

If you cannot greet people on your assigned day, please find a replacement. Thank you!

- **Dec 15** — Sudik
- **Dec 22** — McKenny
- **Dec 29** — Marie Taylor
- **Jan 5** — Michael Taylor
- **Jan 12** — Giuseppe Tsakanikas
- **Jan 19** — Margie Tooley

**READERS’ SCHEDULE**

If you cannot read on your assigned day, please find a replacement. Thank you!

- **Dec 15** — Travis Kingery
- **Dec 22** — Scott Nashland
- **Dec 29** — Tony Blair
- **Jan 5** — Patti Kingery
- **Jan 12** — Paul Tooley
- **Jan 19** — Angela Taylor

**SOCIAL HOUR REFRESHMENTS** (after Liturgy on Sunday)

Please help make our Parish welcoming to visitors by remembering to bring refreshments, set up, and clean up, on the Sunday assigned to your household.

**Team 2: Dec 22, 2019**
Marie Taylor, Tony & Rachel Blair, Chris & Dave Urgo

**Team 3: Dec 29, 2019**
John & Nancy Driscoll, David Kovach, Mary & Mike Carpenter

**Team 4: Jan 5, 2020**
Michelle & Matt Rubush, Joe Deaton, Paul & Margie Tooley

**Team 5: Jan 12, 2020**
Jane & Jim Dunbar, Maura & Mike Sudik, Justin and Julie McCarty

**Team 6: Jan 19, 2020**
Nick & Ellen Tsakanikas, Tiphaine Lamb, Deacon Lee & Joanne Kibbe

**Team 1: Jan 26, 2020**
Pattie & Travis Kingery, Larry & Natalie McKenny, Lance Morgan

Please send any additions and corrections for the bulletin by Thursday to Donna at donna.carret@protonmail.com
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4:00pm: Divine Liturgy
(St. Nicholas Mission)

Sunday
10:00am: Divine Liturgy

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(The Reverend) Fr. Mark Shuey, Administrator
(919) 239-4877

E-Mail: ss Cyrilmethodius@gmail.com
Web Site: ss Cyrilmethodius.org

Come and Do Not Delay

Let no one delay in coming to the supper. Let us put aside all idle wicked excuses, and come to supper in which our souls are fed. Let no swelling of pride keep us back, or lift us above ourselves; and neither let unlawful superstition frighten us, or turn us away from God. Let not the delights of the senses keep us from the delights of the soul. Let us come, and let us be feasted. And who have come but the poor and the feeble and the lame and the blind? But the rich have not come there, nor the healthy, who as it were could walk well and see clearly, sure of themselves, and the more arrogant were they, the more endangered.

Let the poor come, for He who invites us, though rich, became poor for our sakes, that by His poverty we might be made rich.

Let the feeble come, for they who are in health do not need the physician, but they that are ill. Let the lame come. Let the blind come.

Compel them to come in. I have prepared a great supper, a great house: I shall allow no place there to remain empty.

The Gentiles came from the streets and the lanes. Let the heretics come from the hedges; here they will find peace. For they who make hedges are seeking to bring about divisions. Let them be drawn from the hedges; let them be plucked free of the thorns. They refuse to be compelled, and they cling to their hedges. Let us, they say, come in of our will. But this is not what the Lord commanded. Compel them, He says, to come in.

St. Augustine of Hippo

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