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HOLY MYSTERIES

VISITATIONS OF THE SICK AND INFIRM – If you are going into the hospital for any reason, please inform Father Stephen at the Rectory. Our hospitalization code for Christiana and Wilmington Hospitals is **UKR.**

EMERGENCY CALLS – Please call the Rectory anytime (day or night) in an Emergency!

BAPTISMS – Celebrated by appointment.

CROWNING IN MARRIAGE – Please discuss timing with Father prior to setting a date. At least six months notice is needed. There are three 2-hour courses that must be

BULLETIN DEADLINE – The deadline for getting information printed in the Weekly Bulletin is Wednesday.

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS – For the Needs of the Parish; 2nd Youth Ministry

November 16, 2025
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Schedule of Services and Activities
Week of November 16 - 23, 2025
Celebrating our 98th year of Service to the Lord

Sunday, November16 – 23rd Sunday – Tone 6
8:30 AM – Confessions
9:10 AM – Prayers before Holy Communion
9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy for the Faithful
25th Anniversary of Theodore and Joanne Segletes
Panakhyda: +Victor Melnychenko (3 Yr.) – Joseph Stevens
Coffee Hour – Religious Education

Thursday, November 30
7:00 PM – Boy Scouts

Friday, November 21 – St. Michael and the Archangels
7:00 AM – Divine Liturgy

Saturday, November 22 – UOL Retreat – Life and Spirituality of St. Nektarios
9:00 AM – Registration
10:00 AM – Moleben to Saint Nektarios
10:30 AM – Movie: "Man of God"
12:00 Noon – Lunch – Stump the Priests
1:00 PM – The Spirituality of St. Nektarios - Protopresbyter Milorad Orlic

Sunday, November 23 – 24th Sunday – Tone 7
8:30 AM – Confessions
9:10 AM – Prayers before Holy Communion
9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy for the Faithful
Panakhyda: + for those Who Died in the Artificial Famine in Ukraine
Coffee Hour – Religious Education
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SCRIPTURE READINGS

23rd Sunday – Matins: Matthew 28:16-20; Liturgy: Ephesians 2:4-10; Luke 8:41-56
Monday – 1 Thessalonians 2:20-3:8; Luke 12:13-15, 22-31
Tuesday – 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13; Luke 12:42-48
Wednesday – 1 Thessalonians 4:1-12; Luke 12:48-59
Thursday – 1 Thessalonians 5:1-8; Luke 13:1-9
Friday – ST. Michael – Matins: Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43 Liturgy: Hebrews 2:2-10; Luke 10:16-21 Day: 1 Thessalonians 5:9-13, 24-28; Luke 13:31-35
Saturday – 2 Corinthians 11:1-6; Luke 9:37-43
24th Sunday – Matins: Mark 16:1-8; Liturgy: Ephesians 2:14-22; Luke 10:25-37

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Statement Hierarchs of the UOC of USA – Veteran's Day

Beloved Clergy, Faithful, and People of Goodwill,

Christ is in our midst! He is and ever shall be!

Each year on Veterans Day, our nation pauses in solemn gratitude to honor the men and women of the Armed Forces of the United States of America - those who have offered their strength, their youth, and in many cases their very lives in service to the nation we call home. They stood - and continue to stand - as guardians of the ideals of *freedom, dignity, human rights, and the sanctity of life.*

Many of these brave veterans live quietly among us: in our neighborhoods, our parishes, and sometimes even sitting in the next pew on Sunday morning. Their service did not end when their military duty was completed; they continue to lead by example, demonstrating discipline, integrity, courage, and responsibility. Their lives teach us what it means to be *responsible citizens*—grateful for the freedom we enjoy and committed to defending it in word and action.

This year, we are especially honored to observe Veterans Day at the Spiritual Center of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA in South Bound Brook, NJ, at the Ukrainian American Veterans National Monument - a sacred place of remembrance and prayer. It stands as a solemn reminder that countless men and women of Ukrainian descent served with distinction in every branch of the U.S. Armed Forces, defending liberty not only for this nation but for people throughout the world. We offer heartfelt gratitude for their sacrifice and for the legacy of devotion they have left us.

To our veterans: You defended what is most precious. You guarded what is most vulnerable. You showed what it means to place others before yourself.

As Orthodox Christians, let us honor them not only with respectful words, but with tangible acts:

Speak gratitude to the veterans in your lives.
Offer assistance where needed.
Teach the younger generations that freedom is never without sacrifice.

The Lord Himself teaches us that *greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends* (John 15:13). Veterans live this Gospel truth.

May this day inspire all of us to perform our duty, to serve where we are called, and - by God's grace - to give of ourselves for the good of others. May our parishes be places where veterans find prayer, support, and heartfelt appreciation.

With prayers for peace, healing, and God's abundant blessings upon our nation's heroes, we remain
In Christ's service,

+Antony
Metropolitan UOC of the USA

+Daniel
Archbishop UOC of the USA

May the Lord grant our veterans peace, strength, and many blessed years! Вічна їм пам'ять to those who have fallen, and heartfelt gratitude to those who ***continue to inspire us.***

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Happy Veteran's Day
A Prayer for Veterans Day

O, God of love and mercy, we ask for blessings on Wasyl Bernhard, Alexander Czernik, Kenneth Dalaski, Donald Hrynyshyn, Ivan Otamas, John Plachuta, Valeria Podoguts, Michael C. Synczyshyn and all those who have served and are serving their country in the Armed Forces of the United States of America. We ask for healing for the veterans who have been wounded, in body and soul, during conflicts around the globe. We pray especially for the young men and women, in the thousands, who are coming home from Iraq and Afghanistan with injured bodies and traumatized spirits. Bring solace to them, O Lord. May we pray for them when they are unable to pray.

Have mercy on all our veterans from World War I and II, Korea, Vietnam, Iraq, and Afghanistan and all other armed conflicts. Bring peace to their hearts and peace to the regions they fought in. Bless all the soldiers who served in non-combative posts. May their calling to serve continue in their lives in many positive positions. Give us all today a creative vision to see a world grown weary with fighting, with the goal of affirming the life of every single human being - in peace. For You are a Merciful and Loving God in Holy Trinity and to You we give glory – Father, Son and Holy Spirit – unto the ages of ages. Amen.

NOVEMBER 21 - The Sobor [Assemblage] of the Chief of the Heavenly Hosts Michael and the Other Heavenly Bodiless Powers. The Archangels: Gabriel, Raphael, Uriel, Selaphiel, Jehudiel, Barachiel, and Jeremiel

The Celebration of the Sobor [Assemblage] of the Leader of the Heavenly Hosts Michael, and the Other Heavenly Bodiless Hosts was established at the beginning of the IV Century at the local Laodician Council, which occurred several years before the First Ecumenical Council. The Laodician Council by its 35th Canon condemned and renounced as heretical the worship of angels as creators and rulers of the world and it affirmed their proper Orthodox veneration. A feast day was established in November -- the ninth month from March (with which month the year began in ancient times) -- in accordance with the 9 Ranks of Angels. The eighth day of the month was decreed for the intended Sobor [Assemblage] of all the Heavenly Powers -- in conjunction with the Day of the Dread Last-Judgment of God, which the holy fathers called the "Eighth Day" -- since after this age in which the seven days [of Creation] have elapsed will come the "Eighth Day" -- and then "shall come the Son of Man in His Glory and all the holy Angels together with Him" (Mt 25:31).

The Angelic Ranks are divided into three Hierarchies: highest, middle, and lowest. In the Highest Hierarchy are included the three Ranks: the Seraphim, Cherubim and Thrones. Closest of all to the Most Holy Trinity stand the six-winged **Seraphim** [Seraphimy] (Flaming, and Fiery) (Is 6:12). They blaze with love for God and impel others to it. After the Seraphim there stand before the Lord the many-eyed

Cherubim [Cheruvimy] (Gen 3:24). Their name means: outpouring of wisdom, enlightenment, since through them -- radiating with the light of Divine-knowledge and understanding of the mysteries of God, there is sent down wisdom and enlightenment for true Divine-knowledge. After the Cherubim, stand God-bearing through grace given them for their service, the

Thrones [Prestoly] (Col 1:16), mysteriously and incomprehensibly upholding God. They serve the uprightness of God's justice.

The Middle Angelic Hierarchy consists of three Ranks: Dominions, Powers, and Authorities:

Dominions [Hospodstva] (Col 1:16) hold dominion over the successive ranks of Angels. They instruct the earthly authorities, established from God, to wise governance. The Dominions influence rule by miracles, they quell sinful impulses, subordinate the flesh to the spirit, and provide mastery over the will to conquer temptation.

Powers [Sily] (1 Pet 3:22) fulfill the will of God. They work the miracles and send down the grace of wonder-working and perspicacity to saints pleasing to God. The Powers give assist to people in bearing obediences, encourage them in patience, and give them spiritual strength and fortitude.

Authorities [Vlasti] (1 Pet 3:22, Col 1:16) have authority to quell the power of the devil. They repel from people demonic temptations, uphold ascetics and guard them, helping people in the struggle with evil ponderings.

In the Lowest Hierarchy are included the three Ranks: Principalities, Archangels, and Angels:
Principalities [Nachala] (Col 1:16) have command over the lower angels, instructing them in the fulfilling of Divine commands. To them are entrusted to direct the universe, and protect lands, nations and peoples. Principalities instruct people to render honor to everyone, as becomes their station. They teach those in authority to fulfill their necessary obligations, not for personal glory and gain, but out of respect for God and benefit for neighbor.
Archangels [Arkhanhely] (1 Thess 4:16) announce about the great and most holy, they reveal the mysteries of the faith, prophecy and understanding of the will of God, they intensify deep faith in people, enlightening their minds with the light of the Holy Gospel.
Angels [Anhely] (1 Pet 3:22) are closest to all to people. They proclaim the intent of God, guiding people to virtuous and holy life. They protect believers restraining them from falling, and they raise up the fallen; never do they abandon us and always they are prepared to help us, if we so desire.

All the Ranks of the Heavenly Powers have in common the name Angels -- by virtue of their service. The Lord reveals His will to the highest of the Angels, and they in turn inform the others.

From Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition are likewise known the Archangels:
•**Gabriel** -- strength (power) of God, herald and servitor of Divine almightiness (Dan 8:16, Lk 1:26).
•**Raphael** -- the healing of God, the curer of human infirmities (Tobit 3:16, 12:15). •**Uriel** -- the fire or light of God, enlightener (3 Ezdras 5:20).
•**Selaphiel** -- the prayer of God, impelling to prayer (3 Ezdras 5:16).
•**Jehudiel** -- the glorifying of God, encouraging exertion for the glory of the Lord and interceding about the reward of efforts.
•**Barachiel** -- distributor of the blessing of God for good deeds, entreating the mercy of God for people.
•**Jeremiel** -- the raising up to God (3 Ezdras 4:36). On icons the Archangels are depicted in accord with the trait of their service:
•**Michael** -- tramples the devil underfoot, and in his left hand holds a green date-tree branch, and in his right hand a spear with a white banner (or sometimes a fiery sword), on which is outlined a scarlet cross.
•**Gabriel** -- with a branch from paradise, presented by him to the Most Holy Virgin, or

with a shining lantern in his right hand and with a mirror made of jasper in his left.
•**Raphael** -- holds a vessel with healing medications in his left hand, and with his right hand leads Tobias, carrying the fish [for healing -- Tobit 5-8].
•**Uriel** -- in raised right hand hold a bare sword at the level of his chest, and in his lowered left hand "a fiery flame."
•**Selaphiel** -- in a prayerful posture, gazing downwards, hands folded to the chest.
•**Jehudiel** -- in his right hand holds a golden crown, in his left a whip of three red (or black) branches.
•**Barachiel** -- on his garb are a multitude of rose blossoms.
•**Jeremiel** -- holds in his hand balance-scales.

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Saint Nektarius

Saint Nektarius was born in Selyvria of Thrace on October 1, 1846. After putting himself through school in Constantinople with much hard labour, he became a monk on Chios in 1876, receiving the monastic name of Lazarus; because of his virtue, a year later he was ordained deacon, receiving the new name of Nektarius. Under the patronage of Patriarch Sophronius of Alexandria, Nektarius went to Athens to study in 1882; completing his theological studies in 1885, he went to Alexandria, where Patriarch Sophronius ordained him priest on March 23, 1886 in the Cathedral of Saint Sabbas, and in August of the same year, in the Church of Saint Nicholas in Cairo, made him Archimandrite. Archimandrite Nektarius showed much zeal both for preaching the word of God, and for the beauty of God's house. He greatly beautified the Church of Saint Nicholas in Cairo, and years later, when Nektarius was in Athens, Saint Nicholas appeared to him in a dream, embracing him and telling him he was going to exalt him very high.

On January 15, 1889, in the same Church of Saint Nicholas, Nektarius was consecrated Metropolitan of the Pentapolis in eastern Libya, which was under the jurisdiction of Alexandria. Although Nektarius' swift ascent through the degrees of ecclesiastical office did not affect his modesty and childlike innocence, it aroused the envy of lesser men, who convinced the elderly Sophronius that Nektarius had it in his heart to become Patriarch. Since the people loved Nektarius, the Patriarch was troubled by the slanders. On May 3, 1890, Sophronius relieved Metropolitan Nektarius of his duties; in July of the same year, he commanded Nektarius to leave Egypt.

Without seeking to avenge or even to defend himself, the innocent Metropolitan left for Athens, where he found that accusations of immorality had arrived before him. Because his good name had been soiled, he was unable to find a position worthy of a bishop, and in February of 1891 accepted the position of provincial preacher in Euboia; then, in 1894, he was appointed dean of the Rizarios Ecclesiastical School in Athens. Through his eloquent sermons his unwearying labors to educate fitting men for the priesthood, his generous

alms deeds despite his own poverty, and the holiness, meekness, and fatherly love that were manifest in him, he became a shining light and a spiritual guide to many. At the request of certain pious women, in 1904 he began the building of his convent of the Holy Trinity on the island of Aegina while yet dean of the Rizarios School; finding later that his presence there was needed, he took up his residence on Aegina in 1908, where he spent the last years of his life, devoting himself to the direction of his convent and to very intense prayer; he was sometimes seen lifted above the ground while rapt in prayer. He became the protector of all Aegina, through his prayers delivering the island from drought, healing the sick, and casting out demons. Here also he endured wicked slanders with singular patience, forgiving his false accusers and not seeking to avenge himself. Although he had already worked wonders in life, an innumerable multitude of miracles have been wrought after his repose in 1920 through his holy relics, which for many years remained incorrupt. There is hardly a malady that has not been cured through his prayers; but Saint Nektarius is especially renowned for his healings of cancer for sufferers in all parts of the world.

TROPAR – Tone 1: O faithful, let us honor Nektarios, divine servant of Christ, offspring of Silivria and guardian of Aegina, who in these latter years was manifested as the true friend of virtue. All manner of healing wells forth for those who in piety cry out, "Glory to Christ who glorified you; glory to Him who, through you, wrought wonders; glory to Him who, through you, works healing for all."

Kontakion Tone 4 : In joy, let our hearts praise the latest shining star of the Orthodox, the newly erected rampart of the Church. For, glorified by the work of the Spirit, he abundantly pours forth the grace of healing to those who cry out, "Hail, Father Nektarios".

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Dear Friends of St. Sophia Seminary,

Christ is Among us!

With heartfelt joy and brotherly love in Christ, we extend to you a warm invitation to join us for a cherished tradition of our Seminary family:

"Christmas at the Seminary – A Day of Caroling"
Saturday, December 13,2025
2:00 PM – 5:00 PM
at St. Sophia Ukrainian Orthodox Theological Seminary

In the sacred atmosphere of the Nativity Fast, when our hearts quietly prepare to welcome the Light of Bethlehem, the seminarians of St. Sophia will offer an afternoon of Christmas caroling - a prayerful gift of love for our Church family.
Throughout the afternoon, the seminarians will share the timeless musical heritage of our Ukrainian Orthodox people - sacred carols (колядки) that carry centuries of faith, hope, and devotion, retelling the wondrous story of God becoming man for our salvation. These ancient melodies, born in the soul of our nation, will be beautifully interwoven with beloved English Christmas carols, uniting all gathered in one voice and one heart before the newborn Christ.

You will hear hymns that speak of angels and shepherds, of quiet Bethlehem and of the eternal mystery of God's love - the Nativity of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

As we gather in fellowship and song, we kindly invite you to bring an offering of love to support the seminarians in their daily life and formation. A flyer is attached with suggested items such as:

kitchen and cleaning supplies,
non-perishable nutritional items,
educational and basic household necessities.

Your kindness and generosity directly strengthen the future clergy of our Church - young men preparing to dedicate their lives to Christ and to His faithful people.

We hope you will come, rejoice, sing, pray, and celebrate with us. Let us together open our hearts to the Miracle of Bethlehem. May the carols we sing lift our spirits, deepen our faith, and remind us that Christ comes to dwell not only in a manger - but in each of our hearts.

With gratitude and prayers for God's blessing upon you and your loved ones during this holy season,

In Christ's love,

Administration, Faculty, and Seminarians

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men!"(Luke 2:14)

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CORRECTING BAD HABITS

Most of us must admit it is not easy to change a life's pattern and to replace bad habits with good ones. It cannot be done overnight. We begin with a conscientious effort and with a certain joy at our initial progress and success. Then we encounter little obstacles, and a let-down occurs. What we do during this critical period of time will determine whether we succeed or fail, whether they be spiritual or physical.

The way of discipline is highly recommended. However, it is a word many people dread and is never a pleasing or favorite topic. The reason is because it may involve some change and pain. But, in the end, for those who have seriously and patiently applied discipline, it will be a pleasant harvest for our efforts.

We must remember that if we fail, we can always start again. We can't afford to be a drop-out since there may be a great deal at stake spiritually and physically. To succeed, there must be an honest commitment. It is said that people who are undisciplined physically will tend to be undisciplined spiritually. Both disciplines require commitment and a firm, definite decision.

Discipline carries a price. We either pay it when it is needed or suffer the consequences at a later date. We can deal with the solution by discipline initially, or we can deal with it later at a much greater price. The choice is ours. Either embrace the pain of change now, or postpone it until later when it may become even more painful. Either way, there is a price to pay.

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Things I learned from Noah's Ark...

One: Don't miss the boat.
Two: Remember that we are all in the same boat.
Three: Plan ahead. It wasn't raining when Noah built the Ark.
Four: Stay fit. When you're 600 years old, someone may ask you to do something really big.
Five: Don't listen to critics; just get on with the job that needs to be done.
Six: Build your future on high ground.
Seven: For safety's sake, travel in pairs.
Eight: Speed isn't always an advantage. The snails were on board with the cheetahs.
Nine: When you're stressed, float a while.
Ten: Remember, the Ark was built by amateurs; the Titanic by professionals.
Eleven: No matter the storm, when you are with God, there's always a rainbow waiting.

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ANNOUNCEMNETS

A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY - is expressed to Earle Robinson, 11/18 & Nancy Billon, 11/21. May God grant them a very happy birthday and keep them for many, happy and blessed years!

CALLING ALL BAKERS!!! – It is time again for the UOL Christmas Cookies Sale!! We could use all the help that we can get. Please bring at least 60 home-made cookies (NO chocolate chip, please) to the Church on Saturday, December 20 between 8 – 9AM. Thanks!!!!

TENTATIVE CALENDER OF EVENTS - 2025
Saturday, November 22 – UOL Retreat: St. Nektarios see announcement
Sunday, December 21 – UOL Christmas Cookie Sale – St. Nicholas

GREETER MINISTRY SCHEDULE
November 16 - Sandy Cramer
November 23 - Sonya Patronik
November 30 - David and Eve Lazaration
December 8 - Zina Twardus and Nancy Tur
December 15 - Kathy and Michael Chalfont

MINISTRY SCHEDULE
(Please find a substitute if you cannot make a given week)
November 16 - Sonya Patronik and John Plachuta
November 23 – Linda Hnatow and Matthew Andreas
Novembre 30 – Linda Hnatow and Matthew Andreas
December 7 – Victor Kaliakin and Sonya Patronik
December 14 – Victor Kaliakin and Sonya Patronik
December 21 – John Plachuta and Linda Hnatow

100th ANNIVRSARY – will be held on Saturday, July 17th with a 10:00 AM – Hierarchical Divine Liturgy with a Banquet at the Claymont Ballroom. Mark your calendars! Our first fund Raiser for the event is the sale of T-shirts ($10) polo shirts ($15) and sweat shirts ($20) with the Anniversary Logo on them thanks to the art and stitching work of Michael Kapelus.

PYROHY – ORDERS (9-11AM) (302) 798-4588	**PICKUP**
Monday – Tuesday	**Friday**
December 1 & 2	
December 8 & 9	December 12

READERS MINISTRY SCHEDULE

November 16 - Andrew Duncan
November 23 - Thomas Sulpizi
November 30 - Pani Elizabeth Hutnick
December 7 - Linda Hnatow
December 14 - Jean Roeth
December 21 - Thomas Scholz
December 28 – John Plachuta

CLEANING OF THE CHURCH MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Week of November 17 - Earle and Jennifer Robinson
Week of November 24 - Thomas and Lynn Sulpizi
Week of December 1 - Nancy Hlywiak, Jean Roeth, Zina Twardus
Week of December 8 - Earle and Jennifer Robinson
Week of December 15 - Michael Tilson & Linda Hnatow, Irene Maskaly
Week of December 22 - John Plachuta and David Lazaration
Week of December 29 - Mark & Laura Andreas

MEETINGS

Parish Board – Wednesday, December 10 @ 6:30 PM

UOL SPIRITUAL RETREAT – will be held on Saturday, November 22. The topic: **The Life and Spiritual Legacy of St. Nektarios of Aegina.** Registration will begin at 9:00 AM with a continental breakfast. A Moleben to St. Nektarios will be served at 10AM followed by the movie: Man of God. Lunch will be served at 12:00 Noon followed by "Stump the Priests". At 1:00 PM a tk about the Spiritual Legacy of St. Nektarios will be given by the Very Rev. Protopresbyter Milorad Orlic, Pastor of St. Nicholas Serbian Orthodox Church , Philadelphia, PA and Professor of Scripture and Patristics at St. Sophia Ukrainian Orthodox Theological Seminary, South Bound Brook, NJ. A donation of $20.00/ person is requested. Please see Sonya Patronik or Father Stephen to register.

THANKSGIVING SERVICE 2014 – will take place on Tuesday, November 25th beginning at 7:00 PM at the Ascension Episcopal Church. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend!

FAITH IN ACTION – We will be collecting non-perishable foods for the local food cupboard. The labels are in the office to be placed on each of the items. Let us think about those in need this holiday season and ley them never be hungry again.

HELPERS OF ST. NICHOLAS - Our Ukrainian Orthodox Church is accepting financial contributions to help those in need in Ukraine to have a blessed Christmas. Donations can be sent by using the QR Code on the poster or mailing your check to: UOC of USA; P.O. Box 495; South Bound Brook, NJ 08873; Memo: Helpers of St. Nicholas. Every dollar helps!!

FESTIVAL OF TREES – Our Parish is sponsoring a Tree fo**r the Festival of Trees at** the Brantwyn Estate 600 Rockland Road in Wilmington, DE which benefits the Delaware Hospice. Sunday, November 6 from 10AM – 4PM. We are taking donations as well to benefit the Delaware Hospice. This will be our charitable Christmas event. Your generosity will be greatly appreciated. Any questions? Please see Sandy Cramer.

At the Festival of Trees – The Tree in Honor of Ukraine - Sandy Cramer, who decorated the tree so beautifully, Linda Hnatow, Pani Elizabeth and Father Stephen.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL – Metropolitan Antony, Archbishop Daniel, Archimandrite Raphael, Father George Bazylevky, Father Vasyl Dovhan, Father Oleh Hucul, Father Andrew Molewski, Father James Weremedic, Father Volodymyr Wronskyj, Matushka Andrejuk, Matushka Laura Odell, Matushka Lisa Weremedic, Pani Matka Oksanna Bazylevsky, Pani Matka Maryann Ozlanski, Jonathan Angelo, Colby Atkinson, Shannon Austin, Joyce Belles, Joyce Bendoakas, Ethel Bernhard, Irene Billon, James Bolton, Maria Borowenski, Betty Bosland, Becky Bosley, Angie Brengle, Paul Brengle, Patricia Bringle, Richard Bringle, John Brick, Fedir Bukacz, Christine Cain, Mark Cello, Erik Colazo, Alex Czernik, Sharon Dalaski, Stephen Dalecki, David Dalldorf, Taylor Davis, Peter DiVirgilio, James Dudrick, Kathleen Dugan, Mary Eagleton, Maria Economou, Rose Eldridge, Archantula Fanjoy, Mary Farell, Kandi Fullerton, James Garrett, Lisa Gee, Peter Glenn, Ivan Golovniov, Kathleen Gortva, Staci Gray, Charles Gunther, David Hamilton, Richard Haslam, Rick Hastings, Victoria Herrschaft, Carla Hitchings, Greg Hitchings, Alicia Hlywak, John Hlywak, Daniel Holoviak, Jennifer Huertes, Serhii Ivashyna, Violet Jaskolka, Stephen Johnson, Bill Jones, Linda Josepinson, Michael Kapelus, Walter Katolik, Diane Keyser, Wendy Klinedinst, Tommy Knight, Judith Kocinski, Lorissa Kozakova, Francis Lano, Ed Lavender, Ron Lazaration, Joan Libera, Karen Livick, Charles Lontor, Alla Lysenko, Jeremy Madea, Andrew Makolynyk, Jean Marano, Frederick McCarthy, Fred McKirachan, Stephen McNulty, Ronald Michel, Mary Ann Michalcewicz, Michelle Michalcewiz, Lisa Miller, Matthew Miller, Mary Elizabeth Moran, Barry Morris, Elsie Moroz, Karen Needham, Julie Neff, Ann Nester, Rick Orner, Sienna Ozboya, Betty Painter, Anastasios Pantelopulos, Anthony Pantelopulos, Daphne Pantelopulos, George Pantelopulos, Linda Phillips, Joseph Pierson, Barry Pinkowicz, Janilyn Pinkowicz, Bernice Pinkowicz, Joseph Porini, Robert Powers, Joanne Procak, Joseph Ptak, Carol Purse, Chuck Redden, Patricia Redden, Sharon Reigh, Christopher Riehl, Arlene Roginski, Wyatt Roland, Andrea Roman, Jeff Rozwadowski, Glenn Runyan, Carol Rusk, Richard Scharba, Isaac Schmidt, Clay Seman, John Serth, Larissa Serth, Dawn Sheets, Justin Sheets, Emily Smitheman, Georgie Smolyar, Alexandra Sparco, Natalia Stanford, Rich Steinman, Joseph Stevens, Noel Strobino, Charles Joseph Sweeney, Evelyn Synczyszyn, Michael Synczyszyn, Pavlo Tabak, Nicholas Taylor, Sue Taylor, Elenora Thomas, Lydia Thomas, Brysen Tomei, Dominic Tomei, Mark Tomei, Violet Tomei, Aria Tonner, Mariel Trimble, Martha Vignali, Jack Vognetz, Margaret Vognetz, Marilyn Wagner, Olena Wasylevska, James Watts, Chris Way, Leah Way, Barbara Weeks, Laura Worley, Jack Ziegler & James Zook

SPIRITAUL WARFARE

The great wall of China had kept China's enemies at bay for a long time. They could never breach the walls by a frontal attack. One night, however, a guard, who was stupefied and befuddled with liquor was approached by a shepherd. This simple shepherd promised forces of evil the guard many wonderful things if he would let him inside the gate. He did, and the hordes of Genghis Khan poured through. What Genghis Khan was unable to do against the military might of China, he achieved through trickery and false promises.

Every one of us battles daily against spiritual enemies. The world is our battlefield. The most insidious enemy we face, however, is Satan. He has been conquered but still continues a guerilla warfare against souls. St. Paul confirms this by telling us our struggle is "not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world, and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms" (Ephesians 6:12). Therefore, engaging in such a clever and unseen foe in battle without vigilance and the support of God is simply asking for trouble.

St. Peter and Apostle also warns us: "Awake! Be on the alert! Your enemy the devil, like a roaring lion prowls around looking for someone to devour. Stand up to him, be firm in faith and remember that your brother Christians are going through the same kind of suffering while they are in the world" (1 Peter 5:8-10) "Do not be afraid! Remember the Lord who is great and awesome ...Our God will fight for us" (Nehemiah 4:14-20)