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DECEMBER 12th – 25th Sunday After Pentecost – Tone 8

(We remember St. Mardarije of Chicago and Libertyville)

<u>Today's Epistle Reading:</u> <u>Today's Gospel Readings:</u>

EPISTLE: Eph. 4: 1-6 **MATINS:** Mk. 16: 9-20/**LITURGY:** Luke 10: 25-37

Troparion: "You descended from on high, O Merciful One! You accepted the three-day burial, to free us from our sufferings! O Lord, our Life and Resurrection: 'Glory to You!""

Kontakion: "By rising from the tomb, You raised the dead and resurrected Adam! Eve exults in Your Resurrection, and the world celebrates Your Rising from the dead, O Greatly Merciful One!"

(The Troparion for St. Mardarije will also be sung!)

Fr. Stevo continues to live-stream the Designated Liturgies as well as his Weekly Pod-casts – **THURSDAYS at 11AM** – TUNE in!

REMINDER: with the Co-vid variant still lingering, **please be SMART and SAFE:** If you are vaccinated, masks are optional – you can wear one if you wish; but, if You are NOT vaccinated, you must wear a mask – thank you for your understanding!

The Christmas Lenten Fast is Here: please make time for fasting (with ALL your senses), for Holy Confessions (Saturdays at 5 PM, or by appointment!), Holy Communion, and especially the Virtue of Giving Alms to the Poor!

REMINDER: Closely related to the above Notice on the Christmas Lenten Fast, we are taking weekly collections for the poor in our community – please help as best you can!

Today's Special Announcements and Upcoming Events In Our Parish:

- (1) **TODAY:** We ask that you celebrate our Stewardship Sunday with us by bringing up your 2022 Pledge Cards at the appropriate time!
- (1-A) We will take our FIRST Needy Collection for Christmas today do your Best!!
- (2) **TUESDAY:** join us for our Men's Support Group at 7 PM at Twin Oaks our Topic, "Christmas in Today's Society"!
- (2-A) ALSO TUESDAY: Nut-roll Baking JOIN US!

 (NO MORE ORDERS BEING TAKEN Baking is being done to fill previous!)
- (3) Please pray for the health and well-being of the following loved ones:

 Stephen Kracinovsky AP Thomas Gallaway Eva Orr Katie Repasky
 Danileja Belo Helen Trkula Beverly Stipanovich Milan Drobac
 Melva Buzzelli-NH Lora Washowich William Pakosky
 Melva Dandrea Nancy Belich Eugene Gould-NH Dorothy Medic-NH
 Margaret Ivkovich Xenia Vranesevich Infant Joseph-Paul Gregory
 Melissa Snelling Igumen Patrick Maria Sokur Prot. Mirjana Trbuhovich
 Michael Repasky Heather Bedell Becky Suzich Victoria Bruce Bennett
 Betsy Cannon Dan Pacura
- (4) Also pray for the souls of those fallen asleep in the Lord:
 - +George Russell +Duke Vranesevic +Samuel Cugalj +Jennie Marino
 - +Pt. IRINEJ AP.+Adam Yonitch +George Livanos +Dragoljub Malich
 - +AP Paul Lazor +Mihailo Doder, +Dr. Filipovic,,+R.Trbuhovich, +Vaso Sokolovic,
 - +George/Mika +Barbara Tomac +Rade/Violet/George +Diana Drobac
 - +Joseph Stercula +Nick Trbovic +Ann Cervo +Dan Ikach +Amy Pacura
 - +Mimi Pavlovich +Nick Pilipovich +Sophie Vranesevic +John Ratesic
 - +Dorothy Shumkaroff +Arlene Crnkovich +Nancy/+Milan W. +Alina Esapovich
 - +Keith Bedell +Eugenia (Slutyak) Longcrier +Helen Lia +Victor Pacura
 - +Gregory Hantz +Sam Radanovic +Delores Radakovich +William Vergot
 - + Milica Kovacevich
- (5) NEXT Sunday, December 19th: Parish Advent Celebration right after Slavas for St. Nicholas in Church!!