

The Saint Sava Serbian Orthodox Church Of McKeesport & Duquesne, Pa

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DECEMBER 4th – 25th Sunday After Pentecost – Tone 8

(Today we celebrate the Entrance in the Temple of the Theotokos)

Today's Epistle Reading:

EPISTLE: Ephesians 4: 1-6 **MATINS:** Lk. 1: 39-49/**LITURGY:** Luke 10: 25-37 & 38-42

Today's Gospel Readings:

Resurrection Troparion:

"You did descend 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!"

Troparion of the Feast: "Today is the prelude of the good will of God, of the preaching of the salvation of mankind! The Virgin appears in the temple of God, in anticipation proclaiming Christ to all. Let us rejoice and sing to her: 'Rejoice, O Fulfillment of the Creator's dispensation!'"

Kontakion: "The most-pure Temple of the Savior; the precious Chamber and Virgin; the sacred Treasure of the glory of God is presented today to the House of the Lord. She brings with her the grace of the Spirit, which the angels of God do praise. Truly this woman is the Abode of Heaven!"

Our Mens' and Womens' Groups will be meeting at 10 AM on Saturday the 10th (Women) and the 24th (Men) – with our Topic, "Am I Growing Closer to Christ?"

Our Church-Health Activities & Welcoming Committee will be sponsoring A Palachinke Brunch on January the 15th – stay tuned for more details!

THIS CHRISTMAS LENTEN SEASON: Confessions are encouraged of our faithful – to be spiritually strengthened for life in today's world!

Saturday evenings: from 5-5:45PM – before Vespers, or by appointment during the week – please call Fr. Stevo for times!

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

- (1) TODAY:** join us as we hold our Annual Parish Meeting after Holy Liturgy – and for the luncheon after as well!
- (1-A)** Our Church-school is sponsoring a Charity Drive to help INTERSECTION in McKeesport by collecting TRAVEL-SIZE Toiletry Bag Donations on **Sunday, December 4th** – the following donations are kindly requested:
Shampoo - deodorant - body soap - toothpaste & brush
Gloves for the cold
- (2) SPECIAL CONGRATULATIONS TO:** Richard and Alyssa Young, expecting their first child in the Spring; and Nicholas Brady and Lindsay Jones, engaged to be married on November 11th here at our Church! God grant you all Many Years!!!
- (3) TUESDAY: Nut-roll baking at 9:30 – COME AND HELP OUT!!**
- (4) Please pray for the health and well-being of the following loved one:**
John Belich-H Dushan Rocknage Milena Vojnovich Steve Kracinovsky
Eva Orr Child Mason Novak Melanie Trkula George Pilipovich
Katie Repasky Danijela Belo Melva Buzzelli-NH Brian & Dorian Vojnovich
Eugene Gould-NH Dorothy Medic-NH Betsy Cannon-NH Nancy Belich
Stephanie Hooper Margaret Ivkovich-NH Gary Trbovich Marsha Cugalj
All our Parish "Shut-ins"
- (5) Also pray for the souls of those who have fallen asleep in the Lord:**
+George Shumkaroff +Becky Suzich +Beverly Stipanovich +Child Benjamin
+Protnica Donna Merick +Eli Vojnovich +Vlade Baskot +Joseph Stercula
+William Packosky +Peter Evanovich +Effie Lihás (Peter's Mother)
- (6) GET READY TO HELP:** We will be doing several Charitable Drives for The upcoming Holiday Seasons – and we will need your help! Stay tuned for more details!