

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

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DECEMBER 11th – 26th Sunday After Pentecost – Tone 1

(Today we remember the Holy monk-Martyr and Confessor, Stephen)

Today's Epistle Reading:

EPISTLE: Ephesians 5: 9-19

Today's Gospel Readings:

MATINS: Lk.24: 1-12/LITURGY: Luke 12: 16-21

Resurrection Troparion:

"When the stone had been sealed by the Jews; while the soldiers were guarding Your most-Pure Body; You rose on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. The powers of heaven therefore cried to You, O Giver of Life: 'Glory to Your Resurrection, O Christ! Glory to Your Kingdom! Glory to Your Dispensation, O You who loves mankind!'"

Kontakion: "As God, You rose from the tomb in glory, raising the world with Yourself; human nature praises You as God, for death has vanished! Adam exults, O Master! Eve rejoices, for she is freed from bondage and cries to You: 'You are the Giver of Resurrection to all, O Christ!'"

Our Mens' and Womens' Groups will be meeting at 10 AM on Saturday 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!
(Our very own Bob Veinovich will speak to us, as a Security Consultant, On a variety of security concerns for individuals and Churches!

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) Our Church-school continues its Charity Drive to help INTERSECTION in McKeesport by collecting TRAVEL-SIZE Toiletry Bag Donations on **especially needing gloves and shampoos.**
- (1-A) Help needed after Church filling palachinke for the breakfast in January!
- (1-B) We will take our **Second Collection** for our Christmas Needy Drive, so please help us as best you can!
- (2) **SPECIAL CONGRATULATIONS TO:** Gregory Yovetich and his Fiancée, Amanda Tribble, on their engagement!
- (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 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-H 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 +Protinica Donna Merick +Eli Vojnovich
+Vlade Baskot +Joseph Stercula +William Packosky
+Effie Lhas (Peter's Mother)
- (6) **IMPORTANT CHTeam NEWS:** we have ordered **new Divine Liturgy books**, and are again asking our faithful to **donate \$20** to have an "In Memory Of" label printed in the inside cover (like we did for the Bibles years ago)...donations made out to our St. Sava Church – thanks in advance!

ALSO: We are making plans to bring the exhibit, "*Anatomy Of Oblivion*", A pictorial history of the tragedy of the Jasenovac Camp and related genocide to our parish – but, we will need help transporting, setting up, and taking it down, then transporting it to the next venue – **Date – Jan.16th – 20th!**