

# Holy Transfiguration Orthodox Church

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Sun. Dec. 27, 2020 9:00am Divine Liturgy at Church, **Sunday after the Nativity: Joseph the Betrothed, David the King, and James the Lord's Brother**

## TODAY'S READINGS:

Gal. 1:11-19

Matt. 2:13-23

## WEEKLY CALENDAR:

Today:

**Nativity Feast, Fast Free until January 5<sup>th</sup>**

Mon. Dec. 28 5:30pm

Virtual Home Vespers

Tue. Dec. 29 5:30pm

Virtual Home Vespers

Thu. Dec. 31 5:30pm

Virtual Vespers, Feast of Circumcision, St. Basil

Fri. Jan. 1 9:00am

Divine Liturgy at church-**Feast of Circumcision, St. Basil, New Year**

Col. 2:8-12 (Circumcision)

Luke 2:20-21,40-52

Heb. 7:26-8:2 (Saint Basil)

Luke 6:17-23

Sat. Jan. 2 5:00pm

Home Saturday Vespers (virtual)

Sun. Jan. 3 9:00am

Divine Liturgy at Church, **Sunday before/ Forefeast of Theophany**

II Tim. 4:5-8

Mark 1:1-8

Mon. Jan. 4 5:30pm

Royal Hours

Tue., Jan. 5, 5:30pm, Eve of **Theophany**, Wed. Jan. 6, 9 am Liturgy at church (advance planning)

Welcome to all our visitors who join us for services!

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**2021 Calendars are in!** Please pick one up at church for the coming year!

**Celebrations:** Thomas Crosby, Dec. 28<sup>th</sup>; John Crosby Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>; Many Years!

**Memory Eternal:** **Panteleimon** (Xenios' uncle); **Richard**, (Daniel Cowan's father-in-law); **Sergei** (Elena Bruce's first husband); **Maryann** Kendall (visitor from Holy Ghost), **Luke**, son of Fr. Steven and Anne Hosking, Aaron's brother. Please remember them for the coming 40 days.

## **The December Stewardship Tray:**

During the months of November/December we are supporting both the Diocese of the West and the stewards of the OCA. To send a donation, please put "Stewardship Tray" in the memo line, and "diocese" or "Stewards".

**Weather/Coronavirus Changes:** For either spontaneous need to close, monitor tv: WTNH (8).

**Theophany:** Feast of Theophany, Wednesday, Jan. 6<sup>th</sup>. For those desiring to take **Holy Water** home with them and unable to attend Liturgy, please plan to bring and leave your holy water bottle either this Sunday or Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please tape your name to the container. We will bless water on the Feast, after Liturgy, at which time we will fill all the containers left at church. There may be water remaining in the font on the Sunday after, Jan.10, but it would be safer to leave a container at church. **Houseblessings:** We have been strongly discouraged from house-blessings until such time as the pandemic subsides. Advance notice will be given for planning purposes when we are able to do so.

**Preparation for the 2021 Annual Parish Meeting:** Due to our present circumstances the names of the **Nominating Committee**, the **Budget Committee** and the **Bylaws Committee** members, appointed by the Parish Council, will be posted via e-mail. If you would like to serve on any of these committees before their work begins, you are most welcome to! Please contact a member of a specific Committee, Tom Eisenmann, or Fr. Steven. If you would like to serve on the parish council, contact any member of the nominating committee. Anyone wishing to propose an amendment to the parish bylaws is to submit his/her proposal, in writing, to any member of the bylaws committee by January 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Remember that to be a **voting member** of the parish means that we participate in the life of the parish by receiving the sacraments of Confession and Holy Communion in the parish, and we take responsibility for the support of the parish by meeting our commitment of financial support by December 31<sup>st</sup>. (Anyone unable to meet his/her financial commitment is asked to speak, confidentially, either to our Council President Tom Eisenmann or to Father Steven.)

**Confessions: Please again consider scheduling before year-end:** Here is a link also to a presentation about video/phone confession that may help our faithful better understand this option. [https://youtu.be/bO\\_gAhXOOw0](https://youtu.be/bO_gAhXOOw0) Please make every effort to get to private confession between now and the end of the year.

Храмовые службы теперь благословляются дважды в неделю. Щелкните [здесь](#), чтобы запросить посещение церковной службы.

(Видеозаписи домашних вечерних служб доступны [здесь](#) на нашем сайте.)

Сегодня- Литургия (церковь) – Неделя по Рождестве Христовом- память Иосифа Обручника, Давида царя и Иакова, брата Господня

[Послание к Галатам 1:11-19 и от Матфея 2:13-23]

Че. 17:00 Сб. 17:00 Домашняя Вечерня

Пя. 9:00чу Литургия- Обрезание Господне / Памят Свят. Василия Великого / Новый Год

[Послание к Колоссянам 2:8-12 и от Луки 2:20-21, 40-52] (Обрезание Господне)

[Послание к Евреям 7:26-8:2 и от Луки 6:17-23] (Святой Василий)

Сб. 17:00 Домашняя Вечерня

Вс. 9:00 Литургия (церковь) – Воскресенье перед праздником Крещения

[Второе Послание к Тимофею 4:5-8 и от Марка 1:1-8]

По 17:30 Отличные часы