

# ST. MARK'S ORTHODOX CHURCH

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## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2013

**23<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 6.** Prophet Nahum (7th c. B.C.). Righteous Philaret the Merciful of Amnia in Asia Minor (792). Martyr Ananias of Persia.

**Epistle:** Ephesians 2: 4-10

**Gospel:** Luke 18:18-27



## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES



**Confessions:**

Saturdays Following Vespers  
*Also by appointment*

**Vespers:  
Vigil**

Saturdays at 6pm  
Eve of Feasts at 7pm

**Divine Liturgy:**

Sundays at 9:30am  
Feast Days at 9:15am

## UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS:

**Sun, Dec 1:** Hours – 9:10am, Divine Liturgy – 9:30am, Fellowship Hour– 11:15AM. Church School -11:30AM

**Wed, Dec 4:** Akathist to St. Alexis of Wilkes-Barre– 9:15am followed by Adult Education

**Thurs, Dec 5:** Great Vespers with Litya for St. Nicholas – 7PM

**Fri, Dec 6:** Hours and Divine Liturgy for St. Nicholas – 9:10AM

**Sat, Dec 7:** Advent Retreat 10AM-3PM. Great Vespers and Confessions – 4PM. Church School St. Nicholas Pizza and Movie Night.

**Remember the Newly Departed Pierre Djokic – 40<sup>th</sup> Day December 29.**

**Recovering** - Peter Bohlender and Nancy Letzo continue to make excellent recoveries. Peter is due home this Tuesday, Nancy is at Powerback Rehab 3484 Davisville Road, Hatboro 19040. Cards, calls and visits, when appropriate, are welcome. Your (continued) prayers are deeply appreciated. Thank God for his mercy to both. We look forward to seeing them in our midst.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**Food for Sale:** We currently have Kielbasa and Pierogi for sale. Pierogi include Broccoli, Broccoli & Spinach, Spinach, Potato & Cheese and Apricot & Cheese.

**Christmas Ethnic Food Sale: Saturday December 14 from 10AM to 1PM.** Orders must be received no later than **Friday, December 6.** Please note that although we stock more supplies than ordered, the amount will not be as great as in the past, therefore it is best to order ahead to insure availability.

Please make check payable to **St. Mark's Orthodox Church**

Send your orders to **Jeanette Ruano, 4617 Magnolia Avenue, Bristol, PA 19007. See parish website for order forms.**

**Operation Christmas Child:** Many thanks to all who donated items and money to the project. We were able to offer NINETEEN boxes and pay for their shipment.

**Advent Retreat:** As an aid to our Christmas preparation, we will have a parish retreat on Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup> from 10AM-3PM offered by Fr. Alexander Golubov, from St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Cathedral in New York, former Academic Dean of St. Tikhon's Seminary. Please make every effort to attend. Father Alexander will offer two presentations, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. A light Lenten lunch will be offered.

**Church School St. Nicholas Celebration:** After Vespers on December 7<sup>th</sup>, the Church School will have a Pizza, Popcorn and Movie night. Adults welcome.

**ORTHODOXY IN THE PUBLIC SQUARE:** will meet Monday December 16<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

**Parish Income and Expense:** Financial Reports for October are posted on the Bulletin Board in the Church Hall. October 2013 Income \$9493, Expense \$8330. Year to date Income \$76997, Expense \$82042. Please take the time to reconsider your regular level of giving to the Church.

**Question: What shall I give to the Lord for all that He has given unto me?**

**St. Tikhon's 2014 Calendar:** If you would like to order a St. Tikhon's calendar for 2014 for \$5, sign up sheets are in the vestibule.

**Scrip Program: Last month we raised \$88.09. Our year to date is \$1089.63! Next order date is December 8<sup>th</sup>, the last opportunity before Christmas.** To place orders see Larissa Ravetto, phone (215) 766-1220 or email [ravetto2001@gmail.com](mailto:ravetto2001@gmail.com), or fill out an order form in the vestibule and leave it with payment with Larissa, Julia, Doug, or Jeanette.

## VIGIL LIGHTS:

From the Moser Family:

- **In Memory of**  
Pierre, Dn. John, Veronica, Rebecca, Charles, Stephen, Michael, Ann, Ann
- **For the Health of**  
Raymonde, Fr. Alexander, Fr. John, Fr. Paul, Dn. Peter, Sophia, Peter Nancy.

From John Wanko:

- **In Memory of**  
Wanda Wanko, Peter Wanko, Peter Wanko, Jr.

From the Miloslav Family:

- **In Memory of**  
Nicolae, Ana, Ion, Stefan, Ion, Dana, Viorel
- **For the Health of**  
Tiberiu, Mihaela, Tiffany, Maria, Alin, Nichita, Ana, Ana, Thomas, Fr. Adrian, Dragos

**BIRTHDAY:**

- \* Charles Ravetto

**NAMES DAY:**

- \* Doug Yates (John of Damascus, Dec. 4)

From Sandra Prawlocki:

**In Memory of**  
Mildred, Leon  
**For the Health of**  
Daniel

From Rybny Family:

**For the Health of**  
Peter Bohlender