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## Ukrainian Catholic Church

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### **LITURGICAL SCHEDULE:**

Saturday, 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. (English)  
Sunday, 9:00 a.m. (Ukrainian and English)  
Sunday, 11:00 a.m. (Ukrainian)  
Tuesday - Friday, 8:00 a.m.  
Holy Days of Obligation:  
6:00 p.m. (English on the preceding evening)  
8:00 a.m. on the Holy Day  
Other Services as announced.

### **OFFICE HOURS:**

Tuesday 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. ; 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

### **BAPTISM AND CHRISMATION:**

Parishioners should make plans to have their children baptized and chrismated in a timely fashion. Please call the rectory before setting a date for the ceremony.

### **CONFESSIONS:**

Before weekend Divine Liturgies and Holy Days.

### **MARRIAGE:**

Please call the rectory at least six months in advance. Pre-marital counseling is mandatory.

### **SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:**

Kindly notify the rectory regarding parishioners who are hospitalized, homebound, or in nursing homes.

### **CEMETERY:**

Purchase of cemetery plots is a privilege reserved to parishioners. Please contact the rectory before any major improvements are undertaken.

### **CHURCH FACILITIES:**

Any use of church facilities must be cleared in advance at the rectory. Literature may not be placed in or around the Church without approval.

### **BULLETIN DEADLINE:**

8:00 a.m. of the Monday preceding the weekend in which the announcement is to appear.

### **WEBSITES:**

www.stjohnbaptistucc.com  
www.facebook.com/StJohnTheBaptistUCC  
stjohnbaptistucc.blogspot.com



**SUNDAY, January 1 – The Circumcision of Our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ - New Years Day**

9:00AM - For Parishioners

*Christmas Pageant performed by the Religious Education Program following the 9:00AM Divine Liturgy*

11:00AM - Special Intentions for family and friends  
req. a Parishioner

**TUESDAY, January 3**

8:00AM - Pope Francis Monthly Intention - **Christian Unity.**  
That all Christians may be faithful to the Lord's teaching by striving with prayer and fraternal charity to restore ecclesial communion and by collaborating to meet the challenges facing humanity. req. Apostleship of Prayer

**WEDNESDAY, January 4**

8:00AM - In memory of +Marion Kohut  
req. Anna and Bob Meeks

**THURSDAY, January 5 - Vigil of Theophany - Щедрий Вечір перед Богоявлінням**

9:00 am - Great Royal Hours

4:00 pm - Vespers and Divine Liturgy of St. Basil  
with Great Blessing of Water (English)

*Note: Today is a day of abstinence (NO meat or dairy)*

**FRIDAY, January 6 - The Holy Theophany of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ - Середя - Богоявлення Господне - Йордан**

10:00AM - Divine Liturgy of St. Basil with Great Blessing of Water. (Ukrainian)

**SATURDAY, January 7**

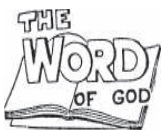
8:00AM - In memory of +Michael and +Dorothy Woyciesjes  
req. daughters, Helen, Patty and Stephanie

5:00PM - In memory of +Ed Shewchuk  
req. Richard and Pat Shewchuk

**SUNDAY, January 8 - Sunday after Theophany**

10:00AM - For Parishioners

**Annual Concert performance of the Kalyna Youth Choir**  
Directed by Svitlana Bidna, following Divine Liturgy



**READINGS (today)**

**Epistle:** Colossians 2:8-12  
**Gospel:** Luke 2:20-21, 40-52

**Blessed Beeswax Candles**

Available for \$3.00. Pick up several to burn during the holiday season.

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**Main Altar:** In loving memory of deceased members of the  
+Woyciesjes and +Husak Families req. Helen,  
Patty and Stephanie

**Tetrapod:** In loving memory of my parents +Stanley and  
+Margaret Benderski req. Helen Zebrowski

**Sacred Heart:** Apostleship Members throughout the year  
Req. Apostleship of Prayer

**Mother of God:** In loving memory of my sisters +Ann and  
+Connie req. Helen Zebrowski

**Holy Cross:** Special Intentions for the Temnycky family



**PRAY FOR US**

Please pray for the souls of the deceased members of the parish and those for whom Divine Liturgies will be offered this week. We ask that you also pray for the following parishioners who are ill or homebound:

Julia Horbatyj Olga Holl, Peter Holl, Andrew Krzywyj, Emma Kuncio, Anastazja Majkowycz, Julia Maliwesky, Walter Melnick, David Michaels, Sophia Mykolajewycz, Konstanyta Mykytyn, Dorothy Onoff-Graser, Julie Pinkasewicz, Mary Sheremeta, Maria Szorobura, Pavlo Tkach, Anna Urdianyk, Carol Werbeck, Gabriella Wicker, Kalina Woloszyn, Anna Wowk, and Nina Wozniak.



During the "Jordan Season" or the days following the Feast of the Theophany we greet one another with the following:

**Christ was baptized!  
In the River Jordan!**

**Христос Хрищається!  
В Ріці Йордан!**



**Dome and Cupola Donations**

Gerald and Mary Clare \$250.00

**Envelopes for 2017**

Are available for pick up in the back of the church. If you do not see your envelopes, call the rectory during office hours on Tuesday. All parishioners are encouraged to use their envelopes on a regular basis, for us to keep accurate records of your contributions to the Church.

**Please make sure that you are using your 2017 envelopes starting today!!**

**2017 Calendars**

The **new calendars for 2017** are available for purchase in the undercroft of the Church after the weekend Divine Liturgies. **The price is \$3 each.** Calendars will also be available in the office on Tuesdays.

## Hymns



**Saturday, December 31**  
**5:00PM Divine Liturgy**  
**Lector: Donna Bush**

**Sunday, January 1**  
**9:00AM Divine Liturgy**  
**Lector: Ann Romanczyk**

(Use Purple Hymnal)

Opening: "God Eternal" Pg. 64 Vs. 1 & 2  
 "Бог Предвічний"

Communion: "Heaven and Earth" Pg. 71 Vs. 1 & 2  
 "Небо і Земля"

Closing: "Silent Night" Pg. 72 Vs. 1 & 2  
 "Тиха Ніч"

### From the Pastor deck.

Our fellow parishioner, Judge Michael Hanuszczak, is running for the position of Onondaga County Surrogate's Court Judge. This court hears matters involving wills, trusts, estates and guardianship proceedings. He has been an excellent Judge for 16 years in Family Court and although he has a "tough name" to pronounce he would be an "easy choice" for the voters. However, to appear on the ballot in November he must first obtain the nomination in early 2017. If you are able to assist then please contact him at 315-729-9252. Thank you and may God Bless You!



*Fr. Mykhaylo – Pastor*

### Christmas Brunch (Prosfora)

Will be held in the church undercroft on **Sunday, January 15, following the 10 AM Divine Liturgy**. Please, join our parish family as we continue to celebrate together, the Birth of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Entertainment will be provided by a Christmas performance with the teachers and students of the Lesia Ukrainka School of Ukrainian Studies.

*Adults - \$12.00 Students - \$5.00 Children under 8 free*

### House Blessing

If you wish to have your house blessed for the new year, please fill out the following form and drop it into the collection basket or bring it to the rectory on Tuesdays.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Days/times when **no one** will be home:

### Holy Name Society

NO Officers and Directors meeting scheduled for January 2017.

The society will pray the Jesus Prayer at 8:30 AM **next Sunday, January 8, 2017** and receive the Holy Eucharist as a group at the 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy. Any men of the parish, that would like to join the Holy Name Society, Please contact any member.

**FOOD FOR THE POOR** will be collected Saturday, January 7 and Sunday, January 8. Please bring your food donations to the usher's room. All food donations are taken to St. Lucy's pantry.



**Coffee Hour:** Sponsored by the Holy Name Society, after the 9:00AM and 11:00 AM Divine Liturgies on Sunday.

**Everyone is welcome!**



### Happy New - 2017 - Year of God.

*Heaven by definition, lies beyond the veil of this visible, seen, touchable, tangible, extremely real-to-us world.*  
*(Hebrews 11:13-16)*



*Christians are strangers on earth.* We are all continually reminded that "we aren't from around here." That our beliefs and values are different. If we get on a bus in a strange city, we look for someone who looks like us. Compare it to traveling in a large city overseas, and how it can be a scary experience if we don't speak the language - and sometimes even if we do, especially when we see people looking at us, whispering to each other, sometimes laughing at us, sometimes pointing because of our faith... Christians are truly "not from around here." That's the whole point. We are from somewhere else, a realm not visible or touchable. We've got a green card that says, "Citizen of Heaven."

In this New Year let's believe in Jesus, our God... *God is not ashamed to be the God of imperfect people who put their trust in him.* He never looks down from heaven and says, "You are not worthy or I'm through with you." He is not ashamed to be the God of those who trust in him, so, He is my Lord. He Loves us all.

***O, Blessed Mother, please help me to love Your Son, and my Lord, in this 2017 Year of God.***

*Fr. Mykhaylo – Pastor.*



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