



# CHRIST THE SAVIOUR ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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ARCHBISHOP MARK (Maymon)

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Rdr. James Kushlan, *Choir Director (interim)*

Dr. David Pawlush, *Parish Council President*

John Dotsey, *Treasurer*

**OUR “WHY”** - To experience and share Christ's love so that everyone we encounter finds healing, purpose, and eternal life.



**A**nd let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works. *Hebrews 10:24*



## SUNDAY FEBRUARY 25, 2024

SUNDAY OF THE PUBLICAN AND THE PHARISEE — TONE

**5. Beginning of the Lenten Triodion.** St. Tarasius, Archbishop of Constantinople.

**Schedule:** *Hours – 9:10am; Divine Liturgy – 9:30am;* Parish Council Oath of Office—11:15am; **40th Day Litiya** (George Kaznowsky) - **11:130am;** Church School & Fellowship;

3rd Hour: **Manny Lopez** • 6th Hour: **Angie D. w/Ava P.**

Epistle: **Adam Priestley** • Post-Communion: **Larry Smith**

## WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

*Interested in learning more?*

Contact our pastor, **Fr. Stephen Vernak**

*Email:* pastor “at” ctshbg.org

*or:* [www.ctshbg.org/visitors](http://www.ctshbg.org/visitors)



## HYMNS & READINGS

**Troparion of the Resurrection, Tone 5** — Let us, the faithful, praise and worship the Word,/ co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit,/ born for our salvation from the Virgin;/ for He willed to be lifted up on the Cross in the flesh,/ to endure death,/ and to raise the dead//by His glorious Resurrection.

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

**Kontakion of the Publican and the Pharisee, Tone 4** — Let us flee from the pride of the Pharisee!/ Let us learn humility/ from the Publican's tears!/ Let us cry to our Savior:/ “Have mercy on us, //O only merciful One!”



**PROKEIMENON – Tone 5:** Thou, O Lord, shalt protect us / and preserve us from this generation forever. (*Resurrection*)

*V. Save me, O Lord, for there is no longer any that is godly!*

**EPISTLE:** (*2 Timothy 3:10-15*) *Timothy my son:* you have carefully followed my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, love, perseverance, <sup>11</sup> persecutions, afflictions, which happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra—what persecutions I endured. And out of them all the Lord delivered me. <sup>12</sup> Yes, and all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will suffer persecution. <sup>13</sup> But evil men and impostors will grow worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived. <sup>14</sup> But you must continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned them, <sup>15</sup> and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

**ALLELUIA VERSES:** *I will sing of Thy mercies, O Lord, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim Thy truth from generation to generation. • For Thou hast said: Mercy will be established forever; Thy truth will be prepared in the heavens.*

**GOSPEL:** (*Luke 18:10-14*) *Jesus told this parable:* “Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. <sup>11</sup> The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, ‘God, I thank You that I am not like other men—extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this tax collector. <sup>12</sup> I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I possess.’ <sup>13</sup> And the tax collector, standing afar off, would not so much as raise his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, ‘God, be merciful to me a sinner!’ <sup>14</sup> I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be [a] humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.”

**COMMUNION HYMN:** Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! *Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

## UPCOMING SERVICES & EVENTS

### Fast Free Week

**Feb 27, Tue:** OCCGH Board Meeting –7pm (*Camp Hill*)

**Feb 28, Wed:** Bible Study (Zoom) -12pm; **Vespers - 6:30pm;** Confession & Choir Rehearsal

**Mar 2, Sat:** Diocesan Women's Retreat (*Stroudsburg*); Orthodoxy 101 – 3:30pm; Vespers – 5pm;

**Mar 3, Sun: PRODIGAL SON. Hours – 9:10am; Divine Liturgy – 9:30am;** Church School & Fellowship;

3rd Hour: **Ray Rieck** • 6th Hour: **Eleanor Herman**

Epistle: **Rdr. Matthew Lubecki** • Post-Communion: **Janice Zuro**

## PARISH NEWS

**2024 Parish Directory Updates:** Send updates *i.e.* email, address, cell # or photo to [office@ctshbg.org](mailto:office@ctshbg.org). If you are new to the parish, please go to [www.CTSHBG.org](http://www.CTSHBG.org), Parish Resources tab & then Directory Questionnaire to submit your info. Deadline - **Sun, March 17.**

**2024 Wall Calendar Update:** Arrived!!! One per family please!

**2023 Tax Statements:** Mailed out on **Mon, Jan 29.** If you have any questions regarding your statement please email the office or Bethann

**With Gratitude:** I would like to thank everyone, for their well wishes, cards, emails, & text messages, during this trial. Thank you for allowing me to see the Love of Christ in real time. Blessings to you all *Manny Lazarus & Sam Lopez*

**Orthodoxy 101: Saturdays at 3:30pm** in the church hall, starting Sat, Feb 24 at 3:30pm. **Note:** Zoom option available (see parish email).

**Pascha Bread Sale (Parishioner ONLY):** \$6 for plain & \$7 for raisin. Contact John Dotsey to order by **Sun, Mar 3.** Pick up date is following Liturgy on **Sun, Mar 10.**

**Easter Nut Roll Sale (Parishioner ONLY):** Nut, poppy, & apricot rolls - \$15.00 each. Deadline: **Sun, Mar 17<sup>th</sup>.** Pick-up - Wed, Mar 27 or Sun, Mar 31. Contact Debbie Hisiro at 717-903-8604 or [dhisiro@verizon.net](mailto:dhisiro@verizon.net) to order.

### **SAVE the DATES:**

- **Annual Pierogi Luncheon** - Meat-fare Sunday, **March 10.**
- **Triumph of Orthodoxy Vespers** - **Sat, March 23 at 5pm** in Reading, PA
- **St. Tikhon Mission Choir** - **Sun, April 7** to sing the Divine Liturgy.
- **St. Jerome's Book Club** - **Sun, April 21 at 1pm** Book: "*The Lenten Spring*" by Thomas Hopko.
- **OCCGH Golf Tournament** - **Sat, July 13** at Eagles Crossing Golf Course in Carlisle. See Carl Hisiro and parish email for details.

**Lunch Bunch:** All are welcome to March Lunch Bunch at 12:30pm, **Thu, March 7,** 12:30pm at Gilligans on Eisenhower Blvd. Call or text Kathy Pankiw at 717-579-6449 or email [kzpankiw@aol.com](mailto:kzpankiw@aol.com) if you can come!

**Women's Retreat "The Gift of Compassion, from God to Us – Through Us, to others":** Will be held on **Sat, March 2** at Holy Trinity Church in Stroudsburg. Open to all women of our Diocese & beyond. No charge, lunch & snacks provided. RSVP to Sara Rusk - rusksara21@gmail.com by **Feb 24<sup>th</sup>**.

**Fellowship Hour:** All parishioners are encouraged to host a week. Coordinating with other families to decide on a menu. *Plan on approximately 150 people.* **Look for email reminders for any updates to the schedule.** Contact **Christine Velott** with any questions at 570-516-6657 or sensefille "at" gmail.com.

Feb 25: Shingara, Priestley, Cole, DiFlorio families  
Mar 3: McMahon, Kenny, Choma, & Rieck families  
Mar 10: Meatfare Sunday (Annual Pierogi Luncheon)

## PARISH PRAYER LIST

*Names will be listed for 2 weeks unless requested.*

**NEWLY DEPARTED [40<sup>TH</sup> DAY]:** **Joseph Myers** (Gregory Spears nephew) - Feb 20[3/30]; **Joseph "Moe" Mazurek**, Feb 11 [3/21]; **Carl Demchak**, (brother of Suzanne) - Feb 6 [3/16]; **Pat Kochenderfer** (friend of Debbie Hishiro) - Feb 5 [3/15]; **Michael Harahus** (uncle of Sandy Wood) - Feb 5 [3/15]; **Ruth Robinson** (friend of Dotty Fedetz); **Stanley J. Zbicki Jr.** (family of Libby Hancher) - Jan 18 [2/26];

**ANNIVERSARIES OF DEPARTED:** **Mary Hancher**, mother of +Ron Sr., Feb 25 – 28<sup>th</sup>; **Michael Bushko**, brother-in-law of Dotty Fedetz, Feb 25 – 14<sup>th</sup>; **Theodore Bacha**, brother of Lydia Mantle & Cathi Kemp, Feb 25 – 15<sup>th</sup>; **Mark Demchak**, nephew of Suzanne, Feb 25 – 10<sup>th</sup>; **Olga Angelo**, sister of Elizabeth Hancher, Feb 26 – 6<sup>th</sup>; **Samuel Telech**, father of Ann Cole, Feb 27 – 27<sup>th</sup>; **Josephine Krempasky**, wife of +George, Feb 27 -31<sup>st</sup>; **Anthony Hancher, Jr.**, brother of +Ron, Sr., Feb 28 – 9<sup>th</sup>; **Dorothy Kuchwara**, Kathy's sister-in-law, Feb 28 – 10<sup>th</sup>; **Nicholas Holowatch**, Fr. Timothy Hohnicki's grandfather, Feb 28 -14<sup>th</sup>; **Dorothy Vernak**, grandmother of Fr. Stephen, Feb 28 – 8<sup>th</sup>; **Janet Fogle**, Fred Leer's aunt, Feb 28 – 8<sup>th</sup>; **Dorothy Wood**, mother of Rick, Feb 28 – 6<sup>th</sup>; **Margaret Paris**, grandmother of Christina Yerke, Feb 28 – 5<sup>th</sup>; **Andrew Fedetz**, Feb 28 – 5<sup>th</sup>; **Fr. Matthew Baker**, Mar 1 – 9<sup>th</sup>; **Fr. Mark Kosev**, Mar 1 – 13<sup>th</sup>; **Cynthia Ann Mihut**, Mar 1 -27<sup>th</sup>; **Paula Shadle**, sister of Dan Bretz, Mar 1 – 5<sup>th</sup>; **Diane Williams**, sister of Deb McGinnes, Mar 1 – 3<sup>rd</sup>; **Helen Umphred**, grandmother of Larissa Shuga & Anita Spaits, Mar 2 – 8<sup>th</sup>; **Jacqui Rieck**, Ray's niece, Mar 2 – 2<sup>nd</sup>; **Christian Kinkel**, uncle of Heidi Kushlan, Mar 2 – 2<sup>nd</sup>;

**AILING - PARISHIONERS: FAMILY/FRIENDS:** **Elena** (family friend of I. Pototska); **Judith & Alfred** (grandparents of Julia McGee); **Ariadna** (Aunt of A. Preciado); **Galo** (C. Preciado's grandfather) **Samantha, Suzanne, & Natalie** (friend, family & godchild of E. Herman); **Michael** (father-in-law of C. Velott); **Fadia** (W. Botros' mother); **Blaise** (Nora & Jennifer's brother); **Lori** (sister-in-law of J. & N. Schilling); **David** (friend of C. Kemp); **Tais** (cousin of C Kemp & L Mantle & niece of D. Fedetz); **Gregory** (brother of K. Kuchwara); **Presbytera Marina Lilli-**

an **Thornburg** (Nora's Goddaughter); **Lois** (mother of J. Dunnevant). **Reba** (mother of S. Africa & L. Files); **Walt & Jerry "David"** (friends of B. Keener); **Thalia, & Bonnie**, (aunt & cousin of Donna Bretz); **Barry** (L. Kalenevitch's brother); **Brandon** (family of J. Koach); **Dustin** (family of Rdr. Leo); **Child Julia; Melvin, & Frank** (D. Martins brother & friend); **Kay, Richard, & Anya** (aunt & friends of K. Leader); **Seraphima & John** (friend & brother of J. Barn's coworker); **Joyce** (mother of J. Reba); **Bob, Dennis Patrick** (nephew of D. Bupp); **Louise Bare; ); Edward** (Fr. Timothy Hojnicky's father); **May** (cousin of E. Saraff); **Isabella; Christine Perrin; Melanie & Alex** (friend & uncle of C. Yerke); **Alexandra, & Tamara** (B. Kuchta's family); **Bp. Matthias Moriak; Adley** (child of N. Somple's friend); **Aiden** (nephew of S. Hanna); **Robin** (son-in-law of E. Files); **Fred** (cousin of the Kormushoff's); **Maria** (friend of the Cain's); **Grace** (D. Fedetz sister-in-law); **Tom** (friend of D. Bupp & Kushlans); **M. Olga Klembara** (Larissa & Anita's aunt); **Joan, & Kim** (friends of the J. & A. Cole); **Hannes & Anne** (family of R. Rieck); **Pastor Charles, Mary, Peter, & Edwin**, (family & friends of the Leer's); **Joanne, Owen, Paul, Steve, & Barry** (Hisiro family & friends); **Elle** (friend of J. McGreevy); **John** (brother of J. Krut); **Pam, Dan & Nina** (friends of D. Bupp); **Igumen David (Lewis); Neal** (D. Pawlush's brother); **James** (brother of M. Koviloff); **Grace, Karen, Lois, & Rich** (J. Mamay's sisters & friends); **Joan Therese & Dori** (mother & niece of N. Lubecki & J. Lewis); **Lynn** (Himes daughter-in-law); **Deana, Sandy, & Kelly** (friends of DiFlorrio's); **Shirley** (L. Pawlush's mother); **child Joshua; M. Lisa Weremedic** (wife of Fr. James); **Janice & Emil** (J. Zuro & G. Leer's aunt & uncle); **child Fynn; Patty** (friend of K. Pankiw); **Mitchel** (Jean Dotsey's nephew); **Linda** (M. Sharon's mother); **Ap. Michael & M. Valeria Hatrak; Jacob** (brother of Pat Drebot); **Wendy** (M. Deamer's mother); **Mona** (sister of Ab. Mark); **Mary** (mother of S. Kellachow); **Mary & Nicholas** (family & friends of the Kuchta's); **Victoria, Erin & David** (friends of L. Smith); **Flora** (T. Gault's mother); **Vera** (Ressetar's family); **Bernadine, Lonnie & Fred** (Osuch family); **Mike, Jessica's & their families; Jonathan, Paul, Adam, Bev, Alynda, Tina, Mark, Jenny, Marilyn, Alicia, Shelby, & Jim** (family & friends of the Kushlans); **Alexa, Thomas, Alexander, Anastasia, Saulo, Theodore** (Lopez friends & family);

**HEALTH & WELL-BEING:** Those suffering from natural disasters. All victims of Sickness, Terror, War, Violence, Racism, Injustice & Civil Strife; **Metropolitan Paul & Archbishop John of Aleppo** *held hostage by Syrian Terrorists, for the suffering people of Israel, Palestine, Ethiopia, Eritrea, Ukraine, Haiti & Afghanistan, especially our citizens & soldiers who are in harms way*; **PARISHIONERS:** **Effie Spaseff; Kristen Hertzler; Marie Gewiss; Kayli (Kalliopi) Mikita; Tenley Jo Zeppuhar; Ava Brown; Nektaria (Mariana) Cruz; Katherine Kuchwara; Frank Bifano; Michael Zuro; Bahliby Kidane; John Coles; Rebecca Brown; John Yerke; Elizabeth; Eli Mioff; Ann & Gerald Cole; M. Theodora Ressetar; Charlene Dardaris; Johnna; Terry Drebot; Lazarus (Manny) & Samantha Lopez; Gail (Brigit) Goss; Mary Ellen Osuch; Natalie Treece; Evan M.; Tony Onufer; Ita (Stephanie) Snyder; John "Jack" Sweikert; Joseph Sembrot; Birikit & Hannah Zerat; Jeanne Zane; Katherine Kudelko; M. Ap. Daniel & M. Myra Kovalak; Lazarus (Jonathan) Dunnavent; Kathryn Kellachow; Sue Wolfe; Daniel Bretz; Robin Kuzupas; Larry Lewis** HOME-BOUND/CARE FA

**CILITIES**: Nicholas Demopoulos; Millicent Russell; **EXPECTANT MOTHER(S)**: Karin Smith; Luam Ghebreghiorgis; Cathy Platt; Monica (Jekel) Chilbert; Chicory (Snyder) Biers; Brittany Kemp; *and the children to be born of them*; M. Tatiana Rutz; Elva Lubecki *and the children born of them* **COLLEGE STUDENTS**: Tseday Afrassa; Eden Araya; Adriel Armstrong; Olivia Drozd; Grace & Evelyn Firestine; Jacob Herman; Shawn Jacob; Sophia Kellachow; Rdr. Vladimir Kellachow; Faniel Kesete; Flimon Kesete; Matthew Mikita; Zachary Matthews; Otilia Murariu; Molly Pylypciw; Rachel Reba; John Romain; Melat Tesfay; Siem Tesfay; Sophia Vernak; Jessica Williams; Cassandra Zart; Ashley; David, Dave; Peter; Wessam; **MILITARY**: Alexander; Valery; Conrad; Shawn; Benjamin; Rdr. Vladimir; Abel; Jacob; Gabriel; Matthew; David; Michael; Peter; Sean; Ian, Zachary; Josiah; Evgeny (Owen) **FAMILY & FRIENDS**: Jeanne, Michael, John, & James (family of G. Spears); Noelle (daughter of J. Zane); Robert, Patricia & George (husband & parents of V. Baker); Michelle (friend of M. Reba); Maria (friend of M. Theodora); David (brother of Larissa & Anita); John, Vera, Joe & Kandi (family & friend of Libby); Shenia (sister of N. Schilling); Colton & Ron (cousins of Donna Bretz); Bill (C. Yerke's father); Jesse & Amelia (grandchildren of C. Dardaris); Christine (sister in law of the DiFlorio's); Steve G. (friend of J. McGreevy); Stacy & Mia (B. Keener's friends); Tony (K. Hertzler's husband); Ronald; Una; Jean & Robert (aunt & friend of Rdr. Leo); Anne (sister-in-law of R. Rieck); Mitchell, Deborah, Michael, Emily, Ezra (S. Kellachow's family); George, Matthew, Ed, George, & Terry (family & friends of J. Mamay); Kalei (family of K. Leader); Vicki, Ken, Ron, & Scott (friends of the Pankiw's); Jackie, Bruce, Shirley, Charlie, Connie, Helen, Rob & Jody (family & friends of the Mallick's); Cindy, Michael, & Kyle, (friends of B. Lenker); M. Natasha Lazor, Cindy, & Linda, (friends of M. Myra); Rosalie; David & Dawn (cousins of Chet); Alexandra; Masha, Ethan & Wesley (M. Cameron's family/friend); Nancy & family (Snyder's friends); Emma, Jeremiah, Elliana, Timothy, Jessica, Noah, Georgia, Amelia, Edgar, Landon, Theodore, Sofia, Evangelia, Zoe, Ryan, Stacey, Bryan, Curt, Thomas, Andrew, Priest Demetrius Nicoloudakis, Megan, Jacob & family, Georgia, Maria, Blake, Keisha, Dimitrios, child Evangelia, Kyle, Martha, Nicholas, Jack, Samuel, Christian, Theodore, Steve, Juan, Isaac, Samuel, Faye, Jon, (family/friends of the Lopez's); **MISSIONARIES**: Jesse & Juanita Bradow (Guatemala); **SEMINARIANS**: Fr. Kyril & M. Olivia (STS); Fr. Seraphim & M. Elena Robertson *and family* (STS); Rdr. Nathan & Rebecca Jekel *and family* (SVS) **CATECHUMEN(S)**: John Romain; Joseph Middelkoop; Rudelle Kerests; Daniel Nuemann; Chris Baird - Layla & Lyla Baird; Jeff & Karin Smith

## MANY YEARS!

*Please submit names and dates to office "at" [ctsbbg.org](mailto:ctsbbg.org)*

ANNIVERSARIES: **Jerry & Mary White** - Feb 29;

BIRTHDAYS: **Gabrielle Yerke** – Feb 27; **Sarai Hanna** – Feb 27; **Mari-  
anne Wood** –Feb 28; **Freweini Tewolde** – Feb 28; **Ezra Esayas** – Feb 28;  
**Neil Watkins** – Feb 28; **M. Laura Schmidt** – Mar 2;

## CANDLE OFFERINGS

*To donate, please see a vestryperson*

**7 Day Votive** is offered in Memory of **Andy Fedetz** on the 5th year of  
departing this life, from his wife Dotty and **Theodore Bacha** on the  
15th year of departing this life, brother of Cathi Kemp & Lydia Mantle

