

St Nicholas Russian Orthodox Church Bulletin
Special Holiday Edition
Christmas and Theophany 2010

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*Сердечно приветствуем всех наших прихожан и друзей
С Рождеством Христовым,
и с счастливым Новым Годом!*

Christmas Message of the Rector
December 2009 / January 2010

*A strange and most wonderful mystery do I see:
the cave is heaven;
the Virgin the throne of the cherubim;
the manger a room,
in which Christ, the God whom nothing can contain, is laid.
Him do we praise and magnify.*

– Heirmos of Ode 9 of the Canon of the Nativity of Christ

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Christ is Born! Glorify Him! It is sometimes overlooked that Christmas, the birth of our Saviour, and Epiphany, His Baptism, are all one celebration, namely the presence of our Emmanuel, which means, *God with us*, on this earth. For as Saint Paul says, *Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God* (1 John 4:2). This is the strange and wonderful mystery, unknown to angels, *even the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his saints* (Colossians 1:26), *which are now reported unto you by them that have preached the Gospel unto you with the Holy Spirit sent down from heaven; which things the angels desire to look into* (1 Peter 1:12). As Holy Week and Pascha are the completion of our Lord's work, His Nativity and Baptism are the beginning of His earthly ministry. And to whom was this grace given? Not to the world, which rejects it, but to us, His little flock. Let us therefore rejoice in the beginning of our salvation.

I shall now only add: On behalf of the Parish Council and my fellow clergy, I welcome you all to this great and joyous celebration. May you all be filled with joy and love of God and neighbor, and may God send you a most blessed New Year.

I thank you all for your prayers for me and my family, both in good times and in difficult times, and I ask your continued prayers that I may serve you well in the year to come. I thank Fr Protopriest Theodore Shevzov who shares the burden of the pastoral ministry, and also our Starosta, Leo (Dexter) Peavy and the Parish Council, as well as the Brotherhood, the Sisterhood, the Choir, the Church School teachers, and all our parishioners whose constant efforts make possible the services and ministry of this parish.

God bless you all!

Fr. George Lardas

V. Rev. Protopriest George Lardas, Rector

Christmas Message from the Starosta December 2009 / January 2010

Dear Brothers, Sisters and Friends of St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Church,

As we celebrate the Nativity of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ during this year, let us thank Him for His help and blessings for all of us throughout the past year, especially our Orthodox faith. I ask all of us to be mindful of our obligations as Russian Orthodox Christians. Please remember those who are less fortunate in our own community and around the world. We should keep these people in our prayers.

I would like to thank the Church Council, the Brotherhood and the Sisterhood for their **unselfish** efforts that make our St. Nicholas Church a wonderful place to attend. I would especially like to thank Nancy Milligan and Martin Hudobenko for their above and beyond dedication in their church roles. I wish to thank you all for your prayers, financial support and volunteer efforts.

Finally, in order for our small parish to continue to grow we ask each and every one of you to become an active participant in our church community.



If you are new to St. Nicholas, join the Choir, the Brotherhood or the Sisterhood. Attend our lively coffee hour after church or bring a favorite recipe to add to our superb Sunday lunch buffet. Help light candles, join a Festival committee or lend a hand cleaning up. It's a great way to meet and join your fellow parishioners, support our beautiful church and share in the spirit of giving.

May God bless you and your loved ones at this Christmas time and throughout the next year.

With love in Christ,

Leo "Dexter" Peavy, Starosta



Troparion of the Feast, Tone 4

*Thy Nativity, O Christ our God,
hath shined the light of knowledge upon the world,
for thereby they that worshipped the stars
were instructed by a star
to worship Thee the Sun of Righteousness
and to know Thee the Dayspring from on high,
O Lord, glory be to Thee*

Kontakion of the Feast, Tone 3

*Today the Virgin giveth birth
to Him Who is transcendent in essence
and the earth offereth a cave
to Him Who is unapproachable
angels with shepherds give glory
with a star the Magi do journey:
for our sakes is born a young Child
Who is pre-eternal God.*

Тропарь Праздника, Глас 4

*Рождество Твое, Христе Боже наш
возсия миру свет разума
в нем бо звездам служащии
звездю учахуся
Тебе кланятися Солцу правды
и Тебе ведети с высоты востока
Господи, слава Тебе.*

Кондак Праздника, Глас 3

*Дева днесь
Пресущественнаго раждает
и земля вертеп
Неприступному приносит
ангели с пастырьми славословят
волсви же со звездю путешествуют
нас бо ради родися Отроча младо
Предвечный Бог.*

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This Bulletin

The January bulletin is sponsored by the St Nicholas Russian Orthodox Church Youth Group! It is the youth of our parish that ensure that St Nicholas continues to grow. Many Years!

About This Bulletin: This Bulletin is smaller and later than last year's Holiday Bulletin due to the illness of the editor (Fr George), and the preoccupation of him and his family with the illness and death of Matushka Ann's brother, Archimandrite Joasaph (see Milestones).

Sponsor the Bulletin: If you wish to sponsor any future issues in whole or in part, please contact our treasurer, Anastasia Milligan or ask at the Candle Desk. You may donate in memory of a departed relative, or for some milestone, a birthday, anniversary or other celebration. The cost of the Bulletin is approximately \$125.

Christmas Donation Envelopes: An envelope for your annual Christmas Donation is included in this Bulletin. Please be generous in your contribution. This donation is important since we have encountered many unexpected expenses in the past year.

Special Services: Included in this Bulletin is the schedule of special services for Christmas and Theophany as well as the schedule of blessing of homes with holy water. If you have not had your house blessed in the past and would like to be included, please contact Fr George before Theophany so that we may add your name to the list.

Our Parish

General Parish Meeting: Because Lent begins so early this year, the Annual General Parish Meeting will take place after the Divine Liturgy on **Sunday 28 February** on the Second Sunday of Lent. We invite all our members to attend and participate. Please remember that those eligible to vote are those who have confessed and received Communion at least once in the past year and who are up to date in their dues. If you wish to participate, please be sure to fulfill your obligations.

Annual Dues: We ask our parishioners who are not current in their dues please see our Treasurer, Anastasia Milligan. These dues help maintain our parish and give us the privilege of voting and making our voice heard at the Annual Parish Meeting. Donations over and above the dues are also most welcome.

Inclement Weather: Winter sometimes brings stormy weather. We ask our parishioners to use good judgment and common sense not to drive when conditions are dangerous. As weather varies from place to place, it may be that services will be held as scheduled, despite the fact that conditions in your area are difficult. To find out whether services are cancelled or delayed,

call 203 / 375-4793. If you hear the usual greeting, services will be as scheduled. Otherwise the message will inform you whether services are cancelled or delayed. In general, if Fr George can arrive at the church, services will be held however many or few people are present.

Christmas Flowers Collection: During the Nativity Fast, up until Christmas, donations to the collection box in the middle of the church are for Christmas flowers, and for the decoration of the church for the Christmas season.

Children's Christmas Party (Yolka): This year's Yolka will be held after the Divine Liturgy on the second Sunday after Christmas, 17 January. All children of our parish are invited whether they are in the Church School or not. We are expecting a visit from *Djed Moroz* (Father Frost) with presents for the children. Please write the names of the children that will attend, and their ages, on the signup sheet at the Candle Desk, so that we know how many to expect. The children will sing the Troparion. We invite everyone to sing carols with us afterward.

Fr George and Matushka Ann regret that they will not be able to attend the Yolka. They and their family will be away at the wedding of Matushka's sister.

Become a Member: If you attend services but are not a member, would you please consider joining? The cost is not great - \$125 per adult, or \$250 for families with two adults and any number of children. This amounts to about \$10 a month per person. We have an introductory rate for students.

Lampada Sponsorship: Offerings may be made to sponsor the lighting the lampadas at the Divine Liturgy, either in memory of loved ones, or in gratitude for blessings received, or for any other good intention. The sponsorship of the lampadas is \$25 for all the lampadas in the church. Register at the Candle Desk if you wish to sponsor the lampadas, in whole or in part, on a Sunday of your choice.

Candle Desk Duty: We need people to watch the Candle Desk, handle donations, light the candles, and ring the bell during services – one person for Vigil and two for the Divine Liturgy. *At present we do not have enough volunteers to cover the assignments, especially for Vigil.* We ask not only our Parish Council Members, but also volunteers from the congregation to commit to being present at least one service a month other than the Divine Liturgy. Attendance at Vigil on the eves of holy days and of the Lord's Day is an obligation for all Orthodox Christians. Please see or call **Walter Wolog** (203 / 795-4610) if you wish to volunteer for Candle Desk Duty.

Consider the Church in Your Will: Please consider including St Nicholas Church in your will. There are many advantages in making the Church one of your beneficiaries. It is possible to structure the bequest so that there is little loss to the estate. Please contact our Starosta, Dexter Peavy, for more information.

Utilities: Please remember that on the first Sunday of each month there is a special collection for **utilities**.

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Services

Strict Fast: Please do not forget that the Nativity Fast continues up to Christmas. The day before Christmas (Wednesday 6 January) and the day before Theophany (Monday 18 January) are both strict lenten days, on which we abstain from meat, eggs, dairy products, and fish. The evening meal on Christmas Eve should be fully lenten.

Holy Supper: The traditional Holy Supper on Christmas Eve will be held at 5 pm before the Christmas Vigil on Wednesday 6 January in the Church Hall. Although Matushka Ann is organizing this supper, she needs help. Please see her beforehand if you would like to participate. Bring your favorite lenten dishes. We also need volunteers to help with cleanup.

Christmas: Vigil for Christmas will be at 6:30 pm Wednesday 6 January, and Divine Liturgy at 10 am on Thursday 7 January.

Christmas Trapeza: The Divine Liturgy on Christmas day will be followed by a festive meal and singing of carols and Christmas songs. Matushka Ann is organizing this meal, but would be appreciative of help. Please see her if you would like to participate.

Saint Basil's Day and New Year: Vespers for the Circumcision of our Lord and St Basil and the Old Calendar New Year will be at 6:30 pm Wednesday 13 January. The Vespers will be followed by a moleben for the New Year. There will be no services on Thursday 14 January.

Early Vigil: On the third Saturday of the month we serve Vigil in the afternoon so that those who cannot drive at night, but wish to attend the evening service, may do so. Therefore Vigil will be at 3 pm on Saturday 16 January. This is an opportunity for those people to pray and confess and prepare for Holy Communion the following day.

Theophany: Vigil for Theophany will begin at 6:30 pm Monday 18 January, and Divine Liturgy will be at 9:30 am Tuesday 19 January.

Blessing of Waters: There will be two Blessings of Waters, the first during Vigil on Monday evening 18 January, and the second at the end of the Divine Liturgy on Tuesday 19 January.

Blessing of Homes: Starting on Theophany Day, Tuesday 19 January, Fr George will be blessing homes with Holy Water. The schedule of house blessings is attached to this bulletin. Please note that because Lent begins early this year we will attempt to complete the blessing of homes by Saturday 13 February.

Molebens: To mark the lesser holy days in January, we will serve a moleben on Monday 11th for the Holy Innocents Killed by Herod, with prayers for the innocents killed by our society through abortion. The other molebens will be at 6:30 pm: Friday the 15th for St Seraphim of Sarov; and Wednesday the 27th for St Nina, all at 6:30 pm; and Saturday the 30th for St Antony the Great at 5 pm.

Liturgical Notes

Red: The altar cloths and vestments remain red until Christmas Eve, Wednesday 6 January.

White: On Christmas Eve, Wednesday 6 January we change all altar cloths and vestments to white. We also decorate the church with poinsettias and lights.

Gold: After the leave-taking of the Feast of Theophany, Wednesday 27 January, we change the altar cloths and vestments to gold.

Blue: On the eve and on the day of the Feast of the Presentation of our Lord, Saturday and Sunday 13 and 14 February, the altar cloths and vestments are blue.

Black: We change all the altar cloths and vestments to black during Forgiveness Vespers, which is immediately after the Liturgy on Sunday 14 February. The black cloths will have been placed under the blue ones ahead of time. We use black from Sunday nights through Friday afternoons of Lent. While the black cloths are used, the red ones are hidden underneath for the next Lenten weekend services.

Dark Red: The altar cloths and vestments are red from Friday evenings through Sunday evenings of Lent. While the red cloths are used, the black ones are hidden underneath for the next Lenten weekday service.

Sisterhood

Pelmeni Dinner and Work Party: The annual *pelmeni* dinner will be held after the Divine Liturgy on Sunday 24 January. **The Pelmeni work party will be on Saturday morning 23 January.** Please support the Sisterhood fundraiser by attending the dinner. If you cannot attend, frozen *pelmeni* can be purchased in the church hall.

Bliny: Our annual *Bliny* luncheon will be after the Divine Liturgy on the Sunday of Meat Fare at the beginning of Cheese-Fare Week (*Maslenitsa*), 7 February. Please support the Sisterhood by attending and participating in this delicious meal.

Choir

Choir Rehearsal: There will be a choir rehearsal at 2 pm on Saturday 16 January before the early Vigil. New singers are welcome. Please see Matushka Ann Lardas, our Choir Director if you are interested in singing in the choir.

Milestones

Eternal Memory: On Friday night 11 December, Myriam,, in Holy Baptism, **Alexandra, Norwood**, the mother of our parishioner Joy Paschalidis, resident of Trumbull, reposed in the Lord at St Joseph's Manor after a long illness. The Pannychida was served at St Nicholas Church on Monday evening 14 December, and her funeral on Tuesday morning 15 December. Burial was at Maple Grove Cemetery in Easton. Her Third Day was Monday 14 December, and her Ninth Day Sunday 20 December. We ask prayers for her repose especially on the Fortieth Day, Wednesday 20 January.

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On Friday morning 18 December, **Archimandrite Joasaph** (McLellan), head of the Russian Ecclesiastical Mission in Jerusalem, the brother of Matushka Ann Lardas, aged 47, reposed in the Lord after a six-month struggle with cancer at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston. His Third Day was on Sunday 20 December, and his Ninth Day was on Saturday 26 December. We ask prayers especially for his repose on the Fortieth Day, Tuesday 26 January. His pannychida was held at Holy Epiphany parish in Boston on Sunday evening 20 December, and his funeral was at Holy Trinity Monastery in Jordanville NY on Monday 21 December. He is buried in the monastic cemetery near the main church.

You can see pictures from the memorial service and the funeral at:

<http://russianorthodoxchurch.ws/synod/2009/12archimioasaf.html>

http://russianorthodoxchurch.ws/synod/2009/12archimioasaf_funeral.html (Russian)

<http://russianorthodoxchurch.ws/synod/eng2009/12enarchimioasaf.html>

http://russianorthodoxchurch.ws/synod/eng2009/12enarchimioasaf_funeral.html (English)

We pray for the repose the souls of the departed and for those that grieve and seek the consolation of God. *Vjehnjaja Pamjat'!*

Prayer Requests

Reminder: If you need a hospital visit or wish Fr George to visit a sick relative, please call and let us know. Hospitals no longer give out information to non-relatives without express permission, so if you want the priest to know your or your loved one's condition you must inform the hospital or nursing home in writing.

Pray for our Soldiers: Although we do not have any members of the St Nicholas community on active duty now, there are many Orthodox Christians in the Armed Forces and serving in the War. Please keep them and all our soldiers in your prayers.

Asking Prayers: Please remember to pray for the sick – Bishop Daniel, Archbishop Paul (Pavlos), Archimandrite Joasaph (Matushka Ann's brother), Protopriest Theodore Shevzov, Protopriest Laurence Girard, and our parishioners, Matushka Zinaida Belaieff, Nina Boldyreff, Tamara Dimitruk, Emilia Hramov, Ann Franklin, Martin Hudobenko, Nadezhda Jakovenko, Martha Madzik, Kiril (Charles) Nettle, Mary Nettle, Olga Paradiso, Vera Peebles, Galina Penchuk, Valery Petrov, child Viacheslav Rakov, Galina Rudina, Angelina Schneider, Michael Shigalkowski, Elena Skorik, Irina Stettinin, Reader Nicholas Trahan, Anastasia (Esther) Whitney, Denis Zimbalkin, Veronica Wlodarski (non-

Orthodox), Tatiana Sergievsky (Orthodox), and her daughter Sophia Sallitan (non-Orthodox). Prayers have also been requested for the following (all Orthodox): Helen Raduk, Reader Isaac Lambertsen, Monk Laurence, Yvette (Eve) Girard, Sophia, Inna, Peter Nelson, Desislava Dimitrova, Margaret, and Janet, the daughter of our parishioner Vera Peebles, and also the servants of God David and Ambrose and Matthew, and Elisabeth Zarna (Fr George's aunt – cancer). Prayers are asked also for Melina and Alexia who were injured in a car crash, which killed their mother, Presvytera (Matushka) Eleni. Prayers are also asked for Nicole, a college student who is very ill, and for the servant of God Nicholas – intention unspecified (all Orthodox).

Is Anyone Sick? “Let him call the presbyters,” as it says in the Epistle of St James. If you know anyone who needs attention please let Fr George know. **Is Anyone Better?** If you have submitted any names for the list of prayers for the sick and that person has recovered, please let us know so we can keep the list a manageable length.

Administrative

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The Bulletin by Email: It costs over 1.00 to produce copies of the Bulletin. Please consider receiving the Bulletin by email, which costs nothing. If wish to change to email, please contact glardas@cs.com. We also invite our readers to support this Bulletin by donations. **Do you wish to be taken off our mailing list?** Please contact us and we will remove your name from our monthly bulletin mailing.

Deadline for Submissions: Notices from parishioners or parish organizations must be submitted to Fr George by the 18th of the month for inclusion in the next Bulletin.

Mark Your Calendar

Please mark these events of the coming months in your calendar:

Sunday 7 February – *Bliny* Dinner

Sunday 14 February – Forgiveness Sunday

Monday 15 February – Lent Begins

Sunday 28 February – General Parish Meeting

Saturday 20 March – Children's Lenten Retreat

Sunday 21 March – Children's Communion Breakfast

Sunday 28 March – Palm Sunday

Sunday 4 April – Pascha

Wednesday 7 April – Annunciation



RETROSPECTIVE 2009

The year 2009 was the year of our 80th Anniversary to which our Metropolitan Hilarion came. We had two myrrh-streaming icons of the Mother of God. We had two baptisms, one wedding, and four funerals. One wedding of a parishioner was held elsewhere and five friends, relatives and parishioners were buried elsewhere. One parishioner was tonsured reader, and both priests of our parish were awarded the *palitsa*. At the Anniversary, Metropolitan Hilarion gave out twenty *gramotas*. May God preserve and prosper our parish in the year to come.

Baptisms: Andrew, son of Vadim and Elena Pawliouk; and Larissa, daughter of Nicholas and Elena Niejelow. Congratulations to the parents and sponsors. Many years!

Weddings: At St Nicholas – James Boemmels and Leah Dudley Brown; Elsewhere – Pavel Shurba and Tatiana Belochub. Congratulations to the newlyweds!

Funerals: At St Nicholas – Nina Denisevich, Joachim Wertz. Adam Honcharik, Nina Kendall, Anna Winogradow, and Alexandra (Myriam) Norwood. Buried elsewhere – Kyra (Katherine) Isaieff Madden. Alexandra Dvorsky Fedorko, Ognjan Dimitrov, Evgenia Iordanidis, and Archimandrite Joasaph (McLellan). Eternal be their memory! *Vechnaja pamjat'*.

Tonsure: Reader – James Lardas.

Award: Palitsa – V Rev George Lardas and V Rev Theodore Shevzov.

Gramotas: Katherine Callaghan, Mary Collelo, Sonya DeBiase, Joan Hudobenko, Martin Hudobenko, Eugene Kallaur, Matushka Ann Lardas, Anastasia Milligan, Katherine Pcolka, Leopold (Dexter) Peavy III, Starosta, Maria Peavy, Vera Peebles, Ann Sharog, Matushka Nina Shevzov, Howard Weinberg, Anna Winogradow, Walter Wolog, Valentina Zimbalkin; and to Archpriest George Lardas, Rector and all Parishioners of St Nicholas Church; and posthumously to Nina Kendall. Congratulations to all who received awards!



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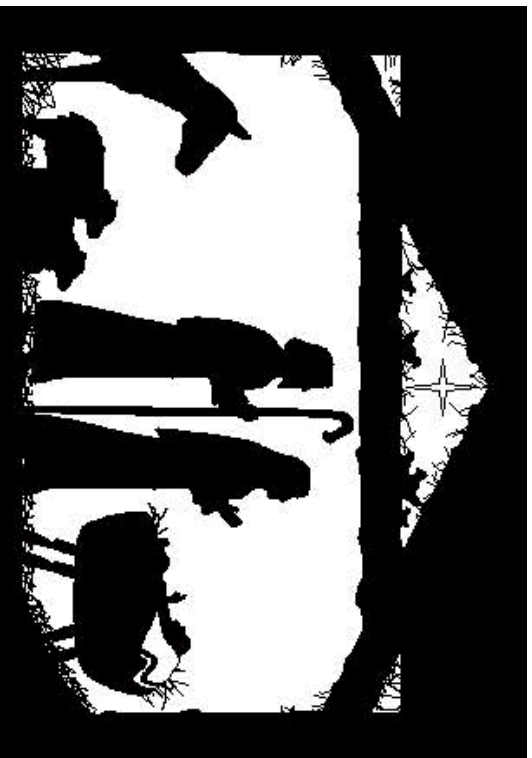
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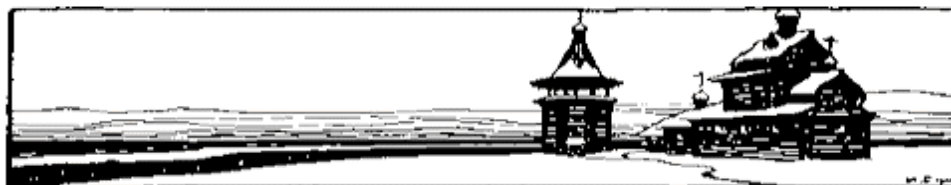
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Рождественский Пост – Суббота 28 (15) Ноября – Четверг 7 Января (25 Декабря): Постимся от мяса, яиц и молочных продуктов; разрешается рыба кроме в среду и пятницу. Пост строже от дня Св Спиридона, 25 (12) Декабря до навечерия Рождества. Навечерие строгий пост, как Великий Пост.

Рождественские Святки: От Рождества до Навечерия Богоявления, 7 – 18 Янв (25 Дек – 4 Янв), поста по средам и пятницам нет. Но Навечерие Богоявления, 18 Янв (5 Янв), строгий пост, как Великий Пост.

						1 (19 Дек 2009) <i>Гражданское Новолетие</i> День постный	2 (20) Всенощная 6:30 ч веч День постный
3 (21) Неделя пред Рождеством, 30 ^{ая} По Пят, Свв Богоотцев Глас 5 Литургия 10 ч утра День постный	4 (22) День постный	5 (23) День постный	6 (24) Навечерие Рожд Царские Часы 9:30 ч утра Постный Ужин 5 ч веч Всенощная с литией 6:30 ч Строгий пост	7 (25) РОЖДЕСТВО ХРИСТОВО Литургия 10ч ут Праздничный стол 12 ч дня	8 (26) Собор Пресв Богородицы Литургии нет Поста нет	9 (27) Всенощная 6:30 ч веч	
10 (28) Неделя по Рождеству, 31 ^{ая} по Пят Глас 6 Литургия 10ч ут	11 (29) Свв Младенцев Убиенных Иродом Молебен 1 ч дня	12 (30) День постный	13 (31) Вечерня с литией и Молебен за Новый Год 6:30 ч веч Поста нет	14 (1 Янв 2010) Обрезание Господне Свят Василия Великого Новый Год 2010 Старого Стиля Литургии нет	15 (2) Преп Серафима Саровского Молебен 5 ч веч Поста нет	16 (3) Зья Суббота в месяц Спевка 2 ч дня <u>Ранняя служба</u> Всенощная 3 ч дня День постный	
17 (4) Неделя пред Богоявлением, 32 ^{ая} по Пят Глас 7 Литургия 10ч ут Детская Ёлка 12:30 ч дня	18 (5) Навечерие Богоявления Всенощ и Вел Водоосвящение 6:30 ч веч Строгий пост	19 (6) БОГОЯВЛЕНИЕ Литургия 9:30 ч утра Вел Водоосвящение 12 ч дня Начинается освящение домов	20 (7) Собор Иоанна Крестителя Богослужений нет День постный	21 (8) День постный	22 (9) День постный	23 (10) Всенощная 6:30 ч веч	
24 (11) Нед о Мытаре и Фарисее, и по Богоявлению, Нач Триоди Постной, Глас 8 Литургия 10 ч у Пелмени от Сестричества	25 (12) Сплошная седмица – Поста нет	26 (13) Сплошная седмица – Поста нет	27 (14) Св Равноап Нины Молебен 6:30 ч веч Сплошная седмица – Поста нет	28 (15) Сплошная седмица – Поста нет	29 (16) Сплошная седмица – Поста нет	30 (17) Преп Антония Великого Молебен 5 ч веч Всенощная 6:30 ч веч	
31 (18) Неделя о Блудном Сыне Глас 1 Литургия 10 ч утра	Отметьте эти наступающие события в вашем календаре: Воскресенье 7 Февраля – Годовое Общее Приходское Собрание Воскресенье 7 Февраля – Блины от Сестричества Воскресенье 14 Февраля – Прощенное Воскресенье Понедельник 15 Февраля – Начало Великого Поста Воскресенье 28 Марта – Вербное Воскресенье Воскресенье 4 Апреля - Пасха						

Замечание: Все даты в скобках по старому стилю (по юлианскому календарю).



Holiday Schedule - Christmas and Theophany – January 2010

<i>Day</i>	<i>New Style</i>	<i>Old Style</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Service</i>
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Sunday before Christmas, 30th after Pentecost, Ancestors of Christ, Tone 5

Sat	2 Jan	20 Dec	6:30 pm	Vigil
Sun	3 Jan	21 Dec	9:30 am	Hours and Confession
			10:00 am	Divine Liturgy



CHRISTMAS – The Nativity of our Lord God and Saviour Jesus Christ

Wed	6 Jan	24 Dec	9:30 am	Royal Hours, Christmas Eve – Strict fast
			5:00 pm	Holy Supper in the Church Hall (lenten)
			6:30 pm	Vigil with Great Compline and Litya
Thu	7 Jan	25 Dec	9:30 am	Hours and Confession
			10:00 am	Divine Liturgy
			12:00 noon	Festive Trapeza,

Nativity Season – The Twelve Days of Christmas: From Christmas Day to the Eve of Theophany we do not fast on Wednesday and Friday. However, the Eve of Theophany, 18 January (5 January), is a strict fast, like Great Lent.

Sunday after Christmas, 31st after Pentecost, Tone 6

Sat	9 Jan	27 Dec	6:30 pm	Vigil
Sun	10 Jan	28 Dec	9:30 am	Hours and Confession
			10:00 am	Divine Liturgy

Holy Innocents Killed by Herod

Mon	11 Jan	29 Dec	6:30 pm	Moleben
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Circumcision of our Lord, St Basil the Great and Old Calendar New Year 2010

Wed	13 Jan	31 Dec	6:30 pm	Vespers with Litya and Moleben for the New Year
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St Seraphim of Sarov

Fri	15 Jan	2 Jan	6:30 pm	Moleben
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Sunday Before Theophany, 32nd after Pentecost, Tone 7, Early Service

Sat	16 Jan	3 Jan	2:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
			3:00 pm	Vigil – <u>Early service</u>
Sun	17 Jan	4 Jan	9:30 am	Hours and Confession
			10:00 am	Divine Liturgy
			12:00 noon	Children's Christmas Party (Yolka), visit from <i>Djed Moroz</i>



THEOPHANY – The Baptism of our Lord God and Saviour Jesus Christ

Mon	18 Jan	5 Jan	6:30 pm	Vigil with Litya and Blessing of Waters, <i>Theophany Eve – Strict fast</i>
Tue	19 Jan	6 Jan	9:00 am	Hours
			9:30 am	Divine Liturgy
			11:30 am	Great Blessing of Waters
			2:00 pm	Blessing of homes begins (see attached schedule)

Sunday after Theophany, of the Publican and Pharisee, beginning of Triodion, Tone 8; Fast-free week 24-30 (12-17) January

Sat	23 Jan	12 Jan	6:30 pm	Vigil
Sun	24 Jan	11 Jan	9:30 am	Hours and Confession
			10:00 am	Divine Liturgy
			12:30 pm	Sisterhood <i>Pelmeni</i>

St Nina

Wed	27 Jan	14 Jan	6:30 pm	Moleben
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St Antony the Great

Sat	30 Jan	17 Jan	5:00 pm	Moleben
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Sunday of the Prodigal Son, Tone 1

Sat	30 Jan	17 Jan	6:30 pm	Vigil
Sun	31 Jan	18 Jan	9:30 am	Hours and Confession
			10:00 am	Divine Liturgy



Расписание Богослужений – Рождество и Богоявление – Январь 2010 г.

День Новый Старый Время Служба
Стиль Стиль

Неделя пред Рождеством, 30^{ая} по Пятидесятнице, Свв Богоотец, Глас 5

Суб 2 Янв 20 Дек 6:30 ч веч Всенощная
Вос 3 Янв 21 Дек 9:30 ч утра Часы и исповедь
10:00 ч утра Божественная Литургия



РОЖДЕСТВО Господа Бога и Спаса нашего Иисуса Христа

Сре 6 Янв 24 Дек 9:30 ч утра Царские Часы, *Навечерие Рожд – Строгий пост*
5:00 ч веч Постный ужин в церковном зале
6:30 ч веч Всенощная с Великом Повечерием и литией
Чет 7 Янв 25 Дек 9:30 ч утра Часы и исповедь
10:00 ч утра Божественная Литургия
12:00 ч дня Праздничный стол, колядки

Рождественские Святки: От Рождества до Навечерие Богоявления поста по средам и пятницам нет. Но Навечерие Богоявления, 18 Янв (5 Янв), строгий пост, как Великий Пост.

Неделя по Рождеству, 31^{ая} по Пятидесятнице, Глас 6

Суб 9 Янв 27 Дек 6:30 ч веч Всенощная
Вос 10 Янв 28 Дек 9:30 ч утра Часы и исповедь
10:00 ч утра Божественная Литургия

Свв Младенцев от Ирода в Вифлееме избивенных

Вос 11 Янв 29 Дек 6:30 ч веч Молебен

Обрезание Господне, Свят Василия Великого, Новый Год 2010 ст ст

Сре 13 Янв 31 Дек 6:30 ч веч Вечерня с литией и Молебен на Новый Год

Преп Серафима Саровского

Пят 15 Янв 2 Янв 6:30 ч веч Молебен

Неделя пред Богоявлением, 32^{ая} по Пятидесятнице, Глас 7, Ранняя служба

Суб 16 Янв 3 Янв 2:00 ч дня Спевка
3:00 ч веч Всенощная (ранняя служба)
Вос 17 Янв 4 Янв 9:30 ч утра Часы и исповедь
10:00 ч утра Божественная Литургия
12:00 ч дня Детская Ёлка, колядки, и визит от Деда Мороза



БОГОЯВЛЕНИЕ – Крещение Господа нашего Иисуса Христа

Пон 18 Янв 5 Янв 6:30 ч веч Всенощ с литией и Освящ воды, *Навечерие Богоявления – строгий пост*
Вто 19 Янв 6 Янв 9:00 ч утра Часы
9:30 ч утра Божественная Литургия
11:30 ч утра Великое Водоосвящение
2:00 ч дня Начинается освящение домов (см приложение для расписания)

Неделя по Богоявлением, о Мытаре и Фарисее, начало Триоди Постной, Глас 8; сплошная седмица, поста нет

Суб 23 Янв 10 Янв 6:30 ч веч Всенощная
Вос 24 Янв 11 Янв 9:30 ч утра Часы и исповедь
10:00 ч утра Божественная Литургия
12:30 ч дня Пельмени от Сестричества

24-30 (11-17) Января

Св Равноап Нины

Сре 27 Янв 14 Янв 6:30 ч веч Молебен

Преп Антония Великого

Суб 30 Янв 17 Янв 5:00 ч дня Молебен

Неделя о Блудном Сыне, Глас 1

Суб 30 Янв 17 Янв 6:30 ч веч Всенощная
Вос 31 Янв 18 Янв 9:30 ч утра Часы и исповедь
10:00 ч утра Божественная Литургия



St Nicholas Russian Orthodox Church – Blessing of Homes, Theophany 2010

*This is a **tentative** schedule. Contact Fr George at 203 / 386-9516 if any changes need to be made.
The following list is in order of visitation with **approximate** times. If there are any last-minute changes,
call Fr George on his cell phone (203 / 209-9374).*

Tuesday 19 January

Theophany

Stratford (South)

2:00 pm Paradiso
2:30 pm Franklin
3:00 pm Brockert
3:30 pm Kanonik
4:00 pm N. Bludevich
4:30 pm St. DeBiase
5:00 pm Trostonoff
6:00 pm Lardas

Saturday 23 January

Stratford (North)

10:00 am Peebles
10:30 am M. Bludevich
11:00 am Harko
11:30 am Blude
12:00 pm Pcolka
1:00 pm So. DeBiase
1:30 pm Papov
2:00 pm Rudins

Sunday 24 January

Milford (Woodmont)

2:00 pm Jurgot
2:30 pm Penchuk
3:30 pm Schneider
4:00 pm Stettinin
4:30 pm Zimbalkin
5:00 pm J. Kendall

Saturday 30 January

West Haven, Orange and Hamden

10:00 am Sergievsky
11:00 am Shurba
12:00 pm Wolog
1:00 pm Hramov

Sunday 31 January

***Bridgeport, Fairfield, Westport and
Norwalk***

*Note: This might be changed due to a
prior commitment*

2:00 pm Milligan
2:30 pm Tilley
3:00 pm Viner
5:00 pm Coroneos

Saturday 6 February

Trumbull, Ansonia and Oxford

10:00 am N Kendall
10:30 am Paschalidis
11:00 am Callaghan
12:00 pm Hudobenko
1:00 pm Madzik
2:00 pm Weinberg

By Appointment

Please contact Fr George

Abud
Ambrose
Bruder
Cole
Colello
J. Denisevich

Hildreth
Kallaur
Licamele
Losak
Mace
Ostrinski
Peavy
Podoltsev/Sakharova
Rakov
Solovyev
Tumeniuk
Von Voight

Shut-Ins

Nettle – Trumbull
Whitney – Devon

*If your house is missed on your
scheduled day, the visit can be
rescheduled for a weeknight following
the appointed day.*

*If your name has been overlooked,
please contact Fr George to be added
to the schedule.*

**Fr Theodore will also be blessing
homes:**

Shelton and Stratford

Curran
Shevzov
Skorik
Smykowski
L. Wologodzew
A. Wologodzew

Note: ***If your name does not appear on this list*** and you wish to have your house blessed, or if you are on this list and are not able to receive the blessing at the scheduled time, please call Fr George (386-9516 or 209-9374) as soon as possible so that other arrangements can be made.

The times shown are **approximate**. The actual times of visitation may vary by up to two hours depending on last minute additions or cancellations, and on weather conditions.