Prayer List: Above all, we are a praying community. Keep this list near your prayer corner, and in your daily prayers, remember our Brothers & Sisters in Christ:

The newly baptized and chrismated Michael, Joan and Christian Nibbling; recovering Mat. Tamara, Linda Stuchlak, Mat. Johanna Pianovich; Stefan Hudanish; Irene Glowatz; Robert Hepplewhite, Eva Hudanish, Betty Perechinsky, Olga Paulishak, and Matushka Anne Hester, recovering from surgery; the newborn Andrew David Schlasta, his mother Karen, and their family; catechumen Jamie Oakley Jelena Lalovic and the child to be born to her; Fr. Paul White; Dennis Davis; Peg Puthorosky; Milly Kuzmiak; Barbara Puhalla; Joseph Klimachefsky; Claudia Mikulak; Jessica Stafursky; Mary Walczak; Marion McClure; Pat; Marie; Dominick; John; Frances Terrinoni, Harry, Anna; Fr. Alexander Atty; Bob Bryer; Fr. Timothy Holowatch; Irene Zarnoski; Fr. Nilus Lerro; Colleen Kovalchik; Anne Peregrim; Maria Strubel; Annette Schlasta; Barbara, Barbara and Alexis Teddick; Ruth Huber; Karen Naughton, Janice Skolic; Elizabeth Generotti, Sonia Lopatofsky, William Semon; Elizabeth Barbone, Matthew Brown, Allen Generotti; John, Celia, Kelli, infant John Mazziotti; Debbie Masko, Justin Strubel, Mariha Telford, Fr. Claude Vinyard; the child Mary Wyslutsky; Olga Bednarek, Carol Brooks, Daria & Justin Cunningham, Ann Dahulich, Sofia Delosky, Mat. Dolores Donlick, Delores Evonitsky, Gregory Geeza, Fr. Sergei Glagolev, Olga Harvilchuck; Lliam Hepplewhite, Ann Howansky, John & Ruth Hudanish, Betty Hunyak, Cindy Jones, Mary Kuhar, Irene Kushmanich, Anastasia Lisiak, Valerie Lucia, Willy Moskwa, Irene Occhipinti, Vera Paulishak, Helen Priblo, John Puthorosky, Eleanor Siniawa, Sandra Stafursky, Barbara Teddick, Sr.; Dorothy Wansacz; Allison, Amy, Ann, Anthony, Barbara, Cathy, Christina, Christopher, David, Denise, Donna, Dorothy, Eleanor, Elena, John, Joseph, Joseph, Karen, Kevin, Mara, Maria, Martha, Michael, Natasha, Paul, Rick, Sarah, Thomas, Tom; the soldiers Anthony, Thomas, Joseph, Gregory, Peter, Michael, Herman, and Christina; for all widows, orphans, prisoners, and refugees, all those suffering chronic illness, financial hardship and worry; all Orthodox seminarians and their families; all Orthodox monks, nuns and all those considering the monastic life; all Orthodox missionaries, especially Christina, and their families. ...And for blessed repose for the souls of: Newly departed Eleanor Krushinski; Barbara (Matichak) Shekitka; Dennis Hoyniak; Susanna White; Stephen Schlasta; and all those departed this life in the hope of the Resurrection.

Typically, names remain on this list for 40 days, unless requested otherwise.

Those confined to hospitals or homes, or suffering chronic illnesses, remain on the list.

COFFEE HOUR: Today—Cohen & Cowan Families. Next week: No Coffee Hour–Joyous Nativity!

DECEMBER SPONSORSHIPS: Bulletins (\$30) – in memory of John Naughton. Web Site (\$25) –with prayers for good health for Nicholas Stuchlak, and for all the Nicholases of All Saints! Shut-In Mailings (\$25) – with prayers for all the faithful of All Saints! Thank you to all Donors and Sponsors!

Emergency Sick Calls can be made at any time. Please call Fr. David's cell phone, 878-5074, when a family member is admitted to the hospital.

Anointing In Sickness: The Sacrament of Anointing is available in Church, in the hospital, or in your home, for anyone who is sick, no matter how severe. It doesn't mean "Last Rites!"

<u>Marriages and Baptisms</u> require early planning, scheduling, and selection of sponsors (crown bearers or godparents). <u>See Father before setting dates and reserving reception halls!</u>

Funerals are celebrated for practicing Orthodox Christians. Please see Father for details.

The Orthodox Church totally opposes cremation; we cannot celebrate a funeral service for persons being cremated.

ALL SAINTS ORTHODOX CHURCH

Olyphant, Pennsylvania



Sunday, December 18, 2011
27th Sunday After Pentecost
Sunday Before the Nativity of Christ
St. Sebastian, Martyr of Rome, and his Companions

~ MEMORY ETERNAL: Eleanor Krushinski ~

Eleanor fell asleep in the Lord this past Thursday. There will be a viewing here in Church today from 5 – 8 PM, with the Panikhida at 7 PM. Her Funeral is tomorrow at 9:30 AM. She will be buried next to her husband in the Fern Knoll Cemetery, Dallas, PA, following the Funeral.



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Epistle: Hebrews 11:9-10,17-23,32-40; Gospel: Matthew 1:1-25

Services & Activities		
Today	9:00 AM	Divine Liturgy with Litya - Dennis Hoyniak (40 Days) and
•		Eleanor Krushinski
	5:00 - 8:00 PM	Viewing for Eleanor Krushinski, with <i>Panikhida</i> at 7:00 PM, in Church
Tomorrow	9:30 AM	Funeral of Eleanor Krushinski, followed by Burial at Fern Knoll, Dallas
The Nativity Fast from meat & dairy products continues through Divine Liturgy on Dec. 25.		
Sat. 12/24	5:00 PM	Christmas Eve Holy Supper, Here – Sign up in the vestibule today!
	7:00 PM	<u>Vigil</u> Christmas Eve – The Nativity of Jesus Christ
Sun. 12/25	10:00 AM	<u>Divine Liturgy</u> The Nativity of Christ – Christmas Day!
		Christ is Born! Glorify Him!
The period from Dec. 25 (after Liturgy) through Wed., Jan. 4, is Fast Free! Meat and dairy		
are permitted throughout this period except when you fast before Holy Communion.		
Mon. 12/26	10:00 AM	<u>Divine Liturgy</u> – Synaxis of the Theotokos; Saints
		Joseph, David, and James
	After Liturgy:	Christmas Caroling Visitation by the Youth of All Saints
Sat. 12/31	3:30 PM	Private Confession Available
	4:00 PM	Great Vespers & Litya – Circumcision of the Lord; Feast of St. Basil
Remember to have your New Year's toast before midnight		
in order to prepare to receive Holy Communion on Sun., Jan. 1.		
Better to greet the New Year the Lord's way, not just the world's way!		
Sun. 1/1/201		<u>Divine Liturgy</u> –Circumcision of the Lord; Feast of St. Basil the Great
Thursday, Jan. 5 is a Strict Fast Day. We eat nothing until after the Vigil,		
or as little as possible if your health requires you eat something.		
Thurs. $1/5$	7:00 PM	<u>Vigil and Great Blessing of Water</u> – Great Feast of Theophany,
		The Baptism of Our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ in the Jordan
		Bring your Holy Water containers!
Fri. 1/6	9:00 AM	<u>Divine Liturgy and Great Blessing of Water</u> – Great Feast of Theophany
		Bring your Holy Water containers!
Sat. 1/7	3:30 PM	Private Confession Available
	4:00 PM	Great Vespers
Sat. 1/8	9:00 AM	<u>Divine Liturgy</u> – Sunday After Theophany; followed by <u>Yolka</u> Youth
		Christmas Pageant, featuring the play, "A Charlie Brown Christmas";
		and St. Nicholas Visit! ~ Fr. David & Family's Last Sunday

If you want to offer Confession before Christmas, please speak with Fr. David, or call or e-mail him today or during the week. Confessions can be scheduled up to Christmas Eve.

TODAY'S GOSPEL - Matthew 1:1-25 The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the Son of David, the Son of Abraham: Abraham begot Isaac, Isaac begot Jacob, and Jacob begot Judah and his brothers. Judah begot Perez and Zerah by Tamar, Perez begot Hezron, and Hezron begot Ram. Ram begot Amminadab, Amminadab begot Nahshon, and Nahshon begot Salmon. Salmon begot Boaz by Rahab, Boaz begot Obed by Ruth, Obed begot Jesse, and Jesse begot David the king. David the king begot Solomon by her who had been the wife of Uriah. Solomon begot Rehoboam, Rehoboam begot Abijah, and Abijah begot Asa. Asa begot Jehoshaphat, Jehoshaphat begot Joram, and Joram begot Uzziah. Uzziah begot Jotham, Jotham begot Ahaz, and Ahaz begot Hezekiah. Hezekiah begot Manasseh, Manasseh begot Amon, and Amon begot Josiah. Josiah begot Jeconiah and his brothers about the time they were carried away to Babylon. And after they were brought to Babylon, Jeconiah begot Shealtiel, and Shealtiel begot Zerubbabel. Zerubbabel begot Abiud, Abiud begot Eliakim, and Eliakim begot Azor. Azor begot Zadok, Zadok begot Achim, and Achim begot Eliud. Eliud begot Eleazar, Eleazar begot Matthan, and Matthan begot Jacob. And Jacob begot Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus who is called Christ. So all the generations from Abraham to David are fourteen generations, from David until the captivity in Babylon are fourteen generations, and from the captivity in Babylon until the Christ are fourteen generations. Now the birth of Jesus Christ was as follows: After His mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Spirit. Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not wanting to make her a public example, was minded to put her away secretly. But while he thought about these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take to you Mary your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit. And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name JESUS, for He will save His people from their sins. So all this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Lord through the prophet, saying: Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel, which is translated, "God with us." Then Joseph, being aroused from sleep, did as the angel of the Lord commanded him and took to him his wife, and did not know her till she had brought forth her firstborn Son. And he called His name IESUS.

Thanks to the kids – and you – for raising \$335 at the Prized Potato Luncheon!

Proceeds will benefit severely disabled and terminally ill orphans in the Ukraine.

NEW WHITE ALTAR COVERS NEEDED... Donations are beginning to roll in... See Father if you'd like to contribute.

COMING UP AT ALL SAINTS:

-Sat. 12/24, 5 PM: Christmas Eve Holy Supper, in the Hall – Sign up in the vestibule to attend this beautiful, traditional supper as we joyously prepare for the Infant Messiah!

-Monday 12/26, Kids' Christmas Caroling Visit to Nursing Home. After the Divine Liturgy for Saints Joseph, David & James, we will meet at the Lackawanna Health & Rehab Center and the kids will "deck the halls" and bring smiles, songs, and presents to the residents there! Don't miss it! And, please sign up on the sheet in the lower vestibule! Thanks!

-Sunday 1/8/12, Coffee Hour: Christmas Yolka & Visit from St. Nicholas! Our youth will present the play, "A Charlie Brown Christmas!" Come and cheer them on!

DIOCESAN ASSESSMENT UP \$2.00 FOR 2012. The Diocesan Assembly approved a \$2.00 increase for 2012. Please put an extra \$2.00 in your Assessment envelope sometime. Thank you! SAMPLE PLEDGE CARDS: Don't forget to turn one in! So far we have "raised" nearly \$24,000 in this "trial run"... from just 16 respondents! That is almost \$1500, voluntarily

\$24,000 in this "trial run"... from just 16 respondents! That is almost \$1500, voluntarily pledged, per member – three times the "minimum obligation" under the old Dues system!

WELCOME NEWCOMERS & VISITORS:

It is our joy to have you with us today! Please introduce yourself to Fr. David at the end of the Liturgy, and join us for Coffee Hour down in the Hall!