

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:

all of the parishioners of All Saints, their families, neighbors, and friends, Especially, Dorothy, William, William, Veronica, Claudia, Barbara, Dorothy, Barbara, George, Martha, Conor, Laura, Michael, Justin, Liam, Andrew,	Allen, Cory Joseph, Michael, George, Gregory, Patricia, Matushka Martha, Vera, Joseph, Andrew, all those serving in the Armed Forces, (Michael & Loreen), all missionaries (Christina), All clergy, monastic's, and seminarians, and their families the sick and	Suffering among them, Debbie, Clarise, Johanna, Veronica, Mary, William, those in nursing homes, hospitals and prisons, especially for those for whom we have been asked to pray, and all the departed members and family members and friends of All Saints, among the	newly departed, especially John Buckla, Michael Miller, and all those departed this life in the hope of the Resurrection. <i>If you would like the living or the departed remembered at the Divine Liturgy, please give the names to Father to remember at the Proskomedie.</i>
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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.

Fr. Thomas Hopko on the feast of Theophany:

The sixth of January is the feast of the **Epiphany**. Originally it was the one Christian feast of the “shining forth” of God to the world in the human form of Jesus of Nazareth. It included the celebration of Christ’s birth, the adoration of the Wisemen, and all of the childhood events of Christ such as his circumcision and presentation to the temple as well as his baptism by John in the Jordan. There seems to be little doubt that this feast, like Easter and Pentecost, was understood as the fulfillment of a previous Jewish festival, in this case the **Feast of Lights**.

Epiphany means **shining forth** or **manifestation**. The feast is often called, as it is in the Orthodox service books, **Theophany**, which means the shining forth and manifestation of **God**. The emphasis in the present day celebration is on the appearance of Jesus as the human Messiah of Israel and the divine Son of God, One of the Holy Trinity with the Father and the Holy Spirit.

Thus, in the baptism by John in the Jordan, Jesus identifies himself with sinners as the “Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world” (**Jn 1:29**), the “Beloved” of the Father whose messianic task it is to redeem men from their sins (**Lk 3:21, Mk 1:35**). And he is revealed as well as One of the Divine Trinity, testified to by the voice of the Father, and by the Spirit in the form of a dove. This is the central **epiphany** glorified in the main hymns of the feast:

When Thou, O Lord, wast baptized in the Jordan the worship of the Trinity was made manifest! For the voice of the Father bare witness to Thee, calling Thee his Beloved Son. And the Spirit, in the form of a dove, confirmed the truthfulness of his Word. O Christ our God, who hast revealed Thyself and hast enlightened the world, glory to Thee (Troparion).

ALL SAINTS ORTHODOX CHURCH

Olyphant, Pennsylvania



Sunday, January 6th, 2013

*31st Sunday After Pentecost
Holy Theophany of our Lord and
Savior Jesus Christ*



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 Epistles: Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Gospels: Matthew 3:13-17

Services and Activities

Today	9:00 A.M.	<u>Divine Liturgy</u> - Holy Theophany followed by Coffee Hour in the Hall.
Sat. 01/12	3:30 P.M.	Private Confession Available
Sat. 01/12	4:00 P.M.	<u>Great Vespers</u>
Sun. 01/13	9:00 A.M.	<u>Divine Liturgy</u> - followed by Coffee Hour in the Hall.
Sat. 01/19	3:30 P.M.	Private Confession Available
Sat. 01/19	4:00 P.M.	<u>Great Vespers</u>
Sun. 01/20	9:00 A.M.	<u>Divine Liturgy</u> - followed by Coffee Hour in the Hall
Sat. 01/26	3:30 P.M.	Private Confession Available
Sat. 01/26	4:00 P.M.	<u>Great Vespers</u>
Sun. 01/27	9:00 A.M.	<u>Divine Liturgy</u> - followed by Coffee Hour in the Hall

WELCOME NEWCOMERS & VISITORS!
It is our joy to have you with us today! Please join us for Coffee Hour down in the Hall!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

-Anyone who would like to donate towards the Hurricane Sandy Relief Fund please see Ken.

- Anyone who has not received a 2013 Church Calendar please also see Ken.

- Church school will resume next Sunday on **January 13th**.

January Bulletin Sponsorship: In memory of Michael Sr. and Jane Stuchlak

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-Epistle for Theophany, Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7

For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age, looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, zealous for good works. But when the kindness and the love of God our Savior toward man appeared, not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior, that having been justified by His grace we should become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

-Gospel for Theophany, Matthew 3:13-17

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan to be baptized by him. And John tried to prevent Him, saying, "I need to be baptized by You, and are You coming to me?" But Jesus answered and said to him, "Permit it to be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he allowed Him. When He had been baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting upon Him. And suddenly a voice came from heaven, saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."