

Holy Annunciation Orthodox Church

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January 7, 2018

Sunday after the Theophany/Synaxis of St John the Baptist

Troparion tone 2 (*John the Baptist*)

The memory of the righteous is celebrated with songs of praise,
but the Lord's testimony is sufficient for thee, O Forerunner.
Thou wast shown indeed to be the most honorable
of the Prophets,
for in the waters thou didst baptize Him Whom
thou didst preach.
After suffering with joy on behalf of the truth,
thou didst proclaim even to those in hell the God
Who appeared in the flesh,
Who takes away the sin of the world//
and grants us great mercy!

Birthdays-Gianna Popko-January 8
Natalia Demko-January 8

Remember in your Prayers: Archbishop Nikon,
Bishop Herman, Priest Emilian, Priest John, Priest
Nicholas, Priest James, Priest John, Kathryn, Lorraine,
Jennifer, Rose, Effie, Christina, Donna, John,
Christine, Matthew, Ivy Elizabeth, Yvette, Tyler,
David, Marie, Jenny, Paul, Paul, Annie, Erin, Clare,
John, Dianne, Joe, Bryce, Luke, Melanie, Amailia,
Stavro, Thomas, Ethan, Emmitt, Mary, Jack, James,
Alaina, Kyle, William, Ron, Elizabeth, Christina,
Missy, Bob, Carol, Leadeth, Linda, Korey, Cathy,
Maggie, Tom, Mike, Artem, Antonina, Elaine, Cali,
Mariah, James, John, Barbara, Tom, George, David,
Charlie, Joseph, Heather, Leyla, Nick, Jean, Andy,
Nicole, Ally, Reagan, Tara, Sam, Ray, Bill, Hannah,
Edward, Rick, Roy, Mary, Michael, Taylor, Pamela,
Jillian, Jean, Jesse, Kurt, Nancy, Theodore, John,
Finley, Michael, Paula, Nathan, Noah, Nikki Ann,

Matthew, Diane, Sarah, Martin, Iva, Stephen, Rory,
Thomas, Paul, Gloria, Justina, Jean, Keegan

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

Sunday January 8- Church School 8:30 am. Divine
Liturgy 9:30 am followed by fellowship

Monday January 9-Free Community Meal 5pm

Saturday January 13-Vespers and confession 6pm

Sunday January 14- Church School 8:30 am. Divine
Liturgy 9:30 am followed by fellowship and Great
Blessing of Water at the Test Track Noon.

Collection for December 31

Candles-\$31.00; Donations-\$950.00; End of Month-
\$150.00; Loose Money-\$191.00; Weekly Envelopes-
\$2,425.00; Caroling-\$540.00; Christmas off.-\$130.00;
Total-\$4,417.00

**Let us scatter our love selflessly to all, without regard
to the way they act towards us. When the grace of God
enters us, we will not be concerned about whether
they love us or not, or whether they speak to us
politely or not. We will feel the need to love all people.
It's egotism on our part to wish for others to speak to
us politely. If they don't, we shouldn't be upset. Let
them speak to us as they wish. We needn't become
beggars for love. Our aim should be to love others and
pray for them with all our soul. Then we will become
aware that all people love us without our seeking it
and without our begging for their love. They will love
us freely and sincerely from the depths of their heart
without our blackmailing them. When we love without
seeking to be loved, people will gather around us like
bees This is true for everyone. *St. Porphyrios***