



# CHRIST THE SAVIOUR ORTHODOX CHURCH

Orthodox Church in America • Diocese of Eastern Pennsylvania  
5501 Old Locust Lane, Harrisburg, PA 17109  
WWW.CTSHBG.ORG • office “at” ctshbg.org

ARCHBISHOP MARK (*Maymon*)

V. Rev. Stephen Vernak, *Pastor*

Rt. Rev. Daniel Kovalak, *Attached*

Dn. John Shingara, *Attached*

Rdr. James Kushlan, *Choir Director*

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.



**N**ow may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. *Romans 15:13*



## SUNDAY FEBRUARY 16, 2025

SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON — TONE I. **Nicholas, Equal-to-the-Apostles, Archbishop of Japan.** Martyrs Pamphilius, the Presbyter; Valens, the deacon; and Paul, Seleucus, Porphyrius, Julian, Theodulus, Elias, Jeremiah, Isaiah, Samuel, & Daniel, at Caesarea in Palestine. St. Maruthas, Bishop of Martyropolis in Mesopotamia. Persian Martyrs in Martyropolis in Mesopotamia.

**Schedule:** Hours – 9:10am; Divine Liturgy – 9:30am; *Church School & Annual Parish Meeting w/ Fellowship*

3rd Hour: **Kathy Kuchwara** w/ Rdr. Matthew • 6th Hour: **Zoe Vernak**

Epistle: **John Romain** • Post-Communion: **Mary White**

## Welcome to our Visitors!

*Interested in learning more?*

*Scan this QR Code or complete  
a Visitor Card (in the pews)*



## HYMNS & READINGS

**TROPARION, RESURRECTION, TONE I** – When the stone had been sealed by the Jews,/ while the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body,/ Thou didst rise on the third day, O Savior,/ granting life to the world./ The powers of heaven therefore cried to Thee, O Giver of Life:/ “Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ!/ Glory to Thy Kingdom!//Glory to Thy dispensation, O Thou Who lovest mankind!”

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

**KONTAKION, PRODIGAL SON, TONE III** – I have recklessly forgotten Thy glory, O Father;/ and among sinners I have scattered the riches which Thou hadst given me./ Therefore I cry to Thee like the Prodigal:/ “I have sinned before Thee, O compassionate Father;// receive me a penitent, and make me as one of Thy hired servants!”

**PROKEIMENON, TONE I** – Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us / as we have set our hope on Thee!

*V. Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the just!*

**EPISTLE** (*1 Corinthians 6:12-20*) – *Brethren:* All things are lawful for me, but all things are not helpful. All things are lawful for me, but I will not be brought under the power of any. <sup>13</sup> Foods for the stomach and the stomach for foods, but God will destroy both it and them. Now the body is not for sexual immorality but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. <sup>14</sup> And God both raised up the Lord and will also raise us up by His power. <sup>15</sup> Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a harlot? Certainly not! <sup>16</sup> Or do you not know that he who is joined to a harlot is one body with her? For “the two,” He says, “shall become one flesh.” <sup>17</sup> But he who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with Him. <sup>18</sup> Flee sexual immorality. Every sin that a man does is outside the body, but he who commits sexual immorality sins against his own body. <sup>19</sup> Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own? <sup>20</sup> For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God’s.

**ALLELUIA VERSES** – *God gives vengeance unto me, and subdues people under me. ▪ He magnifies the salvation of the King and deals mercifully with David, His anointed, and his seed forever.*

**GOSPEL** (*Luke 15:11-32*) – *The Lord spoke this parable:* “A certain man had two sons. <sup>12</sup> And the younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the portion of goods that falls to me.’ So he divided to them his livelihood. <sup>13</sup> And not many days after, the younger son gathered all together, journeyed to a far country, and there wasted his possessions with prodigal living. <sup>14</sup> But when he had spent all, there arose a severe famine in that land, and he began to be in want. <sup>15</sup> Then he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country, and he sent him into his fields to feed swine. <sup>16</sup> And he would gladly have filled his stomach with the pods that the swine ate, and no one gave him anything. <sup>17</sup> But when he came to himself, he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired servants have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger! <sup>18</sup> I will arise and go to my father, and will say to him, “Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you, <sup>19</sup> and I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Make me like one of your hired servants.”’ <sup>20</sup> And he arose and came to his father. But when he was still a great way off, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and fell on his neck and kissed him. <sup>21</sup> And the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and in your sight, and am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ <sup>22</sup> But the father said to his servants, ‘Bring out the best robe and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand and sandals on his feet. <sup>23</sup> And bring the fatted calf here and kill it, and let us eat and be merry; <sup>24</sup> for this my son was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.’ And they began to be merry. <sup>25</sup> Now his older son was in the field. And as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. <sup>26</sup> So he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. <sup>27</sup> And he said to him, ‘Your brother has come, and because he has received him safe and sound, your father has killed the fatted calf.’ <sup>28</sup> But he was angry and would not go in. Therefore his father came out and pleaded with him. <sup>29</sup> So he answered and said to his father, ‘Lo, these many years I have been serving you; I never transgressed your commandment at any time; and yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might make merry with my friends. <sup>30</sup> But as soon as this son of yours came, who has devoured your livelihood with harlots, you killed the fatted calf for him.’ <sup>31</sup> And he said to him, ‘Son, you are always with me, and all that I have is yours. <sup>32</sup> It was right that we should make merry and be glad, for your brother was dead and is alive again, and was lost and is found.’”

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

## UPCOMING SERVICES & EVENTS

*Note: Fr. Stephen at Holy Transfiguration Monastery from Feb 18 – 19*

**Tue, Feb 18:** St. Ita Home School Co-op – 10am;

**Wed, Feb 19:** Bible Study (*Zoom*) - noon; **Vespers – 6:30pm;** Confession & Choir Rehearsal.

**Thu, Feb 20:** Lunch Bunch – 12:30pm *at Gilligan's Rt 22;* Parish Council Meeting – 6:30pm

**Sat, Feb 22: MEMORIAL SAT.** Orthodoxy 101 – 3:30pm; **Memorial Liturgy – 4:30pm; Vespers – 5pm; Confession**

**Sun, Feb 23: MEATFARE SUNDAY, LAST JUDGEMENT. Hours – 9:10am; Divine Liturgy – 9:30am; Church School & Pirogi Luncheon;** CRP Mtg – 12:30pm (*Hall Basement*)

*3rd Hour: Anthony Gault • 6th Hour: Eleanor Herman*

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

## PARISH NEWS

**Annual Parish Meeting:** Will be held on **Today** following Liturgy. Reports & addendums are located in the vestibule; or can be accessed via the Parish email or by scanning QR Code.



**Lunch Bunch:** **Thu, Feb 20 at 12:30pm** at *Gilligan's (Rt. 22).* Please call/text Kathy Pankiw at 717-579-6449 or email at [kzpankiw@aol.com](mailto:kzpankiw@aol.com) if you plan to attend. We hope to see you there.

**Great Lent Prayer Buddies:** Please see the sign up list in the vestibule if you are going to participate in the Great Lent Prayer Buddies, you will receive a name to pray for & someone also prays for you. You will find out your prayers buddy at Pascha. If you have any questions see Nora Lubecki.

**Pirogi Luncheon:** Sun Feb 23rd after liturgy. The "O" Club is hosting the 60th annual pirogi luncheon & to celebrate the diamond anniversary of the longest parish social event cake & ice cream will also be served! The luncheon is \$8 & a dozen pirogi to go is \$8.

**St. Tikhon's Summer Camp:** Registration opened on Fri, Feb 14<sup>th</sup>. The camp is expected to fill up fast & you can register at <https://accounts.doepa.org/> or via the church emailed. *Note:* Counselors also needed, please consider volunteering!

**House Blessing:** See the parish email to schedule your blessing (new dates added through the end of February); or contact Fr. Stephen directly.

**Meal Train Ministry:** If you are interested in being included on an email list to be notified whenever a “meal train” has been created for a family in our parish (*due to a new baby, or other health needs*), contact Natalie Kennedy.

**Fellowship Hour Sign-Up List:** Visit the “Parish Resources” tab on our website ([www.CTSHBG.org](http://www.CTSHBG.org)) or scan the QR code. *Upcoming dates:*

- Sun, Feb 23: Pirogi Luncheon (*organized by the O Club*)
- Sun, March 2: Mamay, Pawlush, Snyder, Watkins
- Sun, March 9: Charity Lenten Soup Fellowship (*organized by the Men’s Club through Palm Sunday, April 13*)



## PARISH PRAYER LIST

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

**NEWLY DEPARTED [40<sup>TH</sup> DAY]:** **Gary Keener** (son of +Leavitt & step-son of Bette Keener) – Jan 31 [3/11]; **Shawn Hudson** (cousin of Deb Hisiro) – Jan 30 [3/10]; **Sidney Callihan** (friend of Bob Drozd) – Jan 26 [3/6]; **Rosa** (aunt of +Manny Lopez) – Jan 28 [2/8]; **Ab. Anastasios of Albania** - Jan 25 [3/5]; **Helen Ziogas** - Jan 16 [2/24]; **Gregory Oleynik** (son of + Dn. Val) - Jan 10 [2/18];

**ANNIVERSARIES OF DEPARTED:** **Ann Waytovich**, Feb 16 – 17<sup>th</sup>; **Lydia Novak**, Larissa Shuga’s godmother, Feb 16 – 16<sup>th</sup>; **Miriam Sheesley**, aunt of John R. Barns, Feb 16 – 9<sup>th</sup>; **Basil “Bill” Kantor**, Feb 16 – 4<sup>th</sup>; **Mildred Metesky**, cousin of M. Theodora, Feb 16 – 3<sup>rd</sup>; **Iskander H. Issis**, Feb 17 – 29<sup>th</sup>; **Aziz Shunnara**, Feb 17 – 24<sup>th</sup>; **Joseph F. Pilc**, Feb 17 – 22<sup>nd</sup>; **M. Margaret Ressetar**, mother of +Fr. Dan, Feb 17 – 19<sup>th</sup>; **George Caba**, Feb 17-15<sup>th</sup>; **Nancy Dove**, family of M. Theodora, Feb 17 – 7<sup>th</sup>; **Ruth Berg**, Feb 19 – 20<sup>th</sup>; **Mary Fatich**, mother of +Janet Kuzupas, Feb 20 – 70<sup>th</sup>; **Andrew Matychak**, father of Mother Christophora, Feb 20 – 20<sup>th</sup>; **M. Helen Donovan**, Feb 20 – 19<sup>th</sup>; **Gregory Drescher**, Feb 20 – 19<sup>th</sup>; **Milina Cioban**, Feb 21 – 41<sup>st</sup>; **Anthony Hancher Sr.**, father of +Ron Sr., Feb 22 – 58<sup>th</sup>; **John McGreevy**, father of Evan & Johnna, Feb 22 – 3<sup>rd</sup>;

**AILING - PARISHIONERS:** **Jerry Cole; Prot. Joseph Fester; Richard Hall; John Schilling; Loretta Ivanoff; Patricia Drebot; Christine Velott; FAMILY/FRIENDS:** **M. Martha Koen** (mother of M. Anna); **Chris** (friend of Fr. Stephen); **Joanne & Matt** (friend of M. White); **Rebecca, John, Alexandra, & Tamara**, (family of B. Kuchta); **Dawit** (brother-in-law of Yorusalem); **Barbara & Galo** (C. Preciado’s mother & grandfather) **Elaine** (friend of B. Drozd); **Antony** (D. Fedetz family); **Robert; Milzna** (friend of the Ressetar’s); **Matthias; Jane, Randy & Jack** (friends of Mallick’s); **Michael** (brother of G. Woodbridge); **Ann** (sister of J. Schilling); **Elena** (friend of A. Preciado); **Gary Lelo** (friend of the “O” Club); **Ray** (father of M. Deamer); **Kh. Pamela Pier; Aleasia** (family of J. Wevodau); **Constantine; Adrienne; Paul, Jenny, Joanne, & Steve** (Hisiro family & friends); **Jeff Sr.** (father of J. Smith); **Gregory** (brother of K. Kuchwara); **Zachary** (F. Skirpan’s son); **Kay** (aunt K. Leader); **Infant Kennedy Ann, Patty, & Doug** (friends of K. Pankiw); **Brenda; Kyle** (cousin of S. Africa); **Bill, John, Travis, & Bonnie** (colleagues & cousins of G. Goss); **Elena** (family friend of I. Pototska); **Samantha, Suzanne, & Na-**

**talie** (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); **Presb. Marina Thornburg** (Nora's God-daughter); **Nancy, Walt & Jerry "David"** (friends of B. Keener); **Bonnie**, (cousin of Donna Bretz); **child Julia**; **Frank** (D. Martins friend); **John** (brother of J. Barn's coworker); **Bob, Dennis Patrick** (nephew of D. Bupp); **Isabella**; **Christine Perrin**; **Melanie & Alex** (friend & uncle of C. Yerke); **Adley** (child of N. Somple's friend); **Aiden** (nephew of S. Hanna); **Robin** (son-in-law of E. Files); **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); **John** (brother of J. Krut); **Pam, Dan & Nina** (friends of D. Bupp); **Grace, Karen, Lois, & Rich** (J. Mamay's sisters & friends); **Joan Therese & Dori** (mother & niece of N. Lubecki & J. Lewis); **Lynn** (Himes daughter-in-law); **Shirley** (L. Pawlush's mother); **child Joshua**; **M. Lisa Weremedic** (wife of Fr. James); **Janice & Emil** (J. Zuro & G. Leer's aunt & uncle); **Mitchel** (Jean Dotsey's nephew); **Linda** (M. Sharon's mother); **Wendy** (M. Deamer's mother); **Mary** (mother of S. Kellachow); **Victoria, Erin & David** (friends of L. Smith); **Flora** (T. Gault's mother); **Vera** (Ressetar's family); **Bernadine, Lonnie & Fred** (Osuch family); **Maia, Mike, Jessica's & their families**; **Jonathan, Paul, Bev, Alynda, Tina, Mark, Jenny, Marilyn, Alicia, Shelby, & Jim** (family & friends of the Kushlans); **Eileen, Lori, Curt, Vera, Cassi, Mother Karitina, Alexa, Alexander, Anastasia, Saulo, & Theodore** (Lopez friends & family);

**HEALTH & WELL-BEING:** Those suffering from natural disasters, *especially those affected by the fires in California*. 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:** **Eli Mioff**; **Symeon Jekel**; **Bahliby K.**; **Evgeny (Owen) & Ludmilla (Jessica) Williams**; **Denny Bupp**; **M. Theodora**; **James Henry**; **Effie Spaseff**; **Kristen Hertzler**; **Kayli (Kalliopi) Mikita**; **Tenley Jo Zeppuhar**; **Nektaria (Mariana) Cruz**; **Katherine Kuchwara**; **Charlene Dardaris**; **Johnna**; **Terry Drebot**; **Samantha Lopez**; **Brigit (Gail) 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 FACILITIES:** **Nicholas Demopoulos**; **Millicent Russell**; **EXPECTANT MOTHER(S):** **Stephanie Pawlush**; **Rachel Dupkanick**; **Emma Hill, Natalie Kennedy**; *and the child to be born of her*; **Gabrielle (Kushlan) Russin**; *and the child born of her* **COLLEGE STUDENTS:** **Adriel Armstrong**; **Nicholas Demopoulos**, **Olivia Drozd**; **Grace & Evelyn Firestine**; **Arun Gopinath**; **Tressa Hanna**;

Jacob Herman; Shawn Jacob; Sophia Kellachow; Rdr. Vladimer Kellachow; Faniel Kesete; Flimon Kesete; Matthew Mikita; Zachary Matthews; Molly Pylypciw; Rachel Reba; Emma Rjepaj; John Romain; Melat Tesfay; Siem Tesfay; Sophia Vernak; Jessica Williams; Cassandra Zart; Ashley; David, Dave; Noah; Peter; Wessam; MILITARY: Artem; Alexander; Valery; Conrad; Daulton; Shawn; Benjamin; Rdr. Vladimir; Abel; Jacob; Gabriel; Matthew; David; Michael; Patrick; Peter; Sean; Ian, Zachary; Josiah; FAMILY & FRIENDS: Bryanna & Carol (friends of A. Zart); Irene (aunt of N. Somple); Alexis & children (family of D. Hisiro); Simeon (grandson of the Africas); Tim (son of D Fedetz & cousin of C. Kemp & L. Mantle); Elliette (friend of A. Preciado); Thomas (brother of E. Herman); Thalia, Colton & Ron (aunt & cousins of Donna Bretz); Ronda, Tom & Monta Lou (family of S. Demchak); Mike (brother of D. Pawlush); David, Jone, John, Laura, Mark & Vera (friends & family of Libby); George (brother of Frank); James, Svitlana, & Andrew (friends of T. Gault); Jeanne, Michael, John, & James (family of G. Spears); Noelle (daughter of J. Zane); Michelle (friend of M. Reba); Maria (friend of M. Theodora); David (brother of Larissa & Anita); 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, Ron, & Scott (friends of the Pankiw's); Jackie, Bruce, Shirley, Connie, Helen, Rob & Jody (family & friends of the Mallick's); Scott & Kyle, (friends of B. Lenker); M. Natasha Lazor, Cindy, & Linda, (friends of M. Myra); Rosalie; Abby, David & Dawn (cousins of Chet); Alexandra; Masha, Ethan & Wesley (M. Cameron's family/friend); Nancy & family (Snyder's friends); Cindy, Leticia, Jeremiah, Leida; Willie, Elliana, Timothy, Jessica, Amelia, Edgar, Landon, Theodore, Sofia, Evangelia, Zoe, Ryan, Stacey, Bryan, Andrew, Priest Demetrius Nicoloudakis, Megan, Jacob & family, Georgia, Maria, Blake, Keisha, Dimitrios, child Evangelia, Kyle, Martha, Nicholas, Jack, Samuel, Christian, Steve, Juan, Isaac, Samuel, Faye, Jon, (family/friends of the S. Lopez); OCMC MISSIONARIES: Jesse & Juanita Brandow (*Guatemala*); Michael & Carlyn Pak (*Mexico*) SEMINARIANS: (STS) Rdr. Seraphim & Christina Crossman - *Bridget, Ita, Martha, and Veronica*; (SVS) Rdr. Nathan & Rebecca Jekel - *John, Herman, and Raphael* CATECHUMENS: Rudelle Kerests; Emma Rjepaj; Gregory Woodbridge; Stephen Lum; Heidi Schoenhals

## MANY YEARS!

*Please submit names and dates to office "at" ctshbg.org*

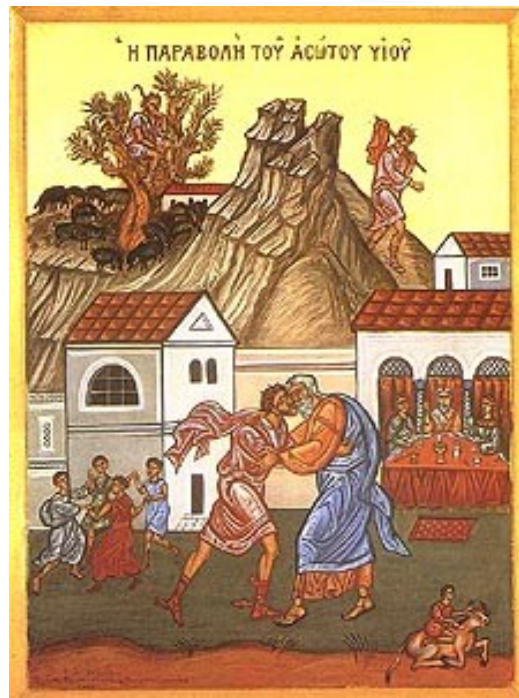
**ANNIVERSARIES:** Andrew Leer & Raghda Saad – Feb 16;

**BIRTHDAYS:** Kira Bondira (*1st birthday*) – Feb 16; Charlotte Firestine – Feb 17; Raissa Merdziuszew – Feb 17; Russell Snyder – Feb 17; Lydia Murphy – Feb 18; Stephen Velott – Feb 19; Evelyn Firestine – Feb 20; Matthew Kormushoff – Feb 20; Kara Henry – Feb 21; Sheena Hisiro – Feb 22;

## CANDLE OFFERINGS

*To reserve, please see a vestryperson*

**7** Day Votive is offered in Memory of **Anthony & Mary Hancher Sr.**, grandparents of Andrea & Bethann



SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON