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## **Good Morning and Welcome!**

*January 12, 2025*

*Afterfeast of the Theophany of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ*



- Sunday, January 12<sup>th</sup>*      9:00 a.m. [Divine Liturgy \(In-Person/Virtual - Click for Zoom Link\)](#)  
*Feed a Friend*
- Wednesday, Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>*      6:00 p.m. [Daily Vespers/Adult Education \(Virtual Only – Click for Zoom Link\)](#)
- Saturday, January 18<sup>th</sup>*      5:00 p.m. *Vespers*
- Sunday, January 19<sup>th</sup>*      8:45 a.m. *General Confession*  
9:00 a.m. [Educational Divine Liturgy \(In-Person/Virtual - Click for Zoom Link\)](#)

### **Welcome**

*Welcome to all those visiting All Saints today!  
Please join us downstairs for Fellowship after Liturgy!*

### **News**

*All Saints Orthodox Church Annual Parish Meeting* will be Sunday, *February 16<sup>th</sup>*.

If any parishioner would like to *serve on the Parish council*, please see Cathy Vargas. *Thank you!*

*Parish By-Laws* have been approved by His Grace Bishop Benedict. If you would like a copy, *please contact Father Constantine.*

## Help Wanted

If you are interested in being a member of the Facilities Committee for the Parish, please see either Greg Belekewicz or Mark Ranstead. *Thank You!*

## 2025 Stewardship Form

*2025 Stewardship Form and Letter* were mailed to our membership on December 10<sup>th</sup>. Blank forms are available at Church and a link is available on the Church Website – under the Stewardship Tab. Please return completed forms as soon as possible. Any questions, please see Tom Denisky. *Thank you!*

## Adult Education

*Wednesday Vespers/Adult Education* will meet next on January 15<sup>th</sup> – at which time we will be discussing Chapter 7 of *Acquiring the Mind of Christ* by Archimandrite Sergius.

## Theology Café

The next gathering of the Theology Café will be January 14<sup>th</sup> - all are welcome, bring a friend! 7:30 PM at 107 Elizabeth St., Hartford CT. Please RSVP to Amy Hayashida by January 10<sup>th</sup>. (937-631-5989).

## Words from Father Constantine

### Afterfeast of the Theophany of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

The sixth day of the Afterfeast of Theophany falls on January 12. Divine grace shines forth so that we might be freed from the power of the devil, and cleansed of our sins in Baptism. “He who once assumed the appearance of a malignant serpent and implanted death in the creation, is now cast into darkness by Christ’s coming in the flesh....” (Ode 3, second Canon at Matins). “Through the Spirit and by the grace that comes through water, He grants a new birth to all who acknowledge His divinity, delivering them from their faults” (Ode 6, first Canon at Matins).

There was a Jewish baptism, both ritual washings and those with more spiritual significance, but not to remove sins. Thus, whoever committed adultery, or decided on thievery, or who did some other kind of misdeed, it did not free him from guilt. But whoever touched the bones of the dead, whoever tasted food forbidden by the law, whoever approached from contamination, whoever consorted with lepers—that one washed, and until evening was impure, and then cleansed. “Let one wash his body in pure water”—it says in the Scriptures—“and he will be unclean until evening, and then he will be clean” (Leviticus 15:5, 22:4). This was not truly of sins or impurities, but since the Jews lacked perfection, then God, accomplishing it by means of this greater piety, prepared them by their beginnings for a precise observance of important things.

Thus, Jewish cleansings did not free from sins, but only from bodily impurities. Not so with ours: it is far more sublime and it manifests a great grace, whereby it sets free from sin, it cleanses the spirit and bestows the gifts of the Spirit. And the baptism of John was far more sublime than the Jewish, but less so than ours: it was like a bridge between both baptisms, leading across itself from the first to the last.

## Parish Council

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be Tuesday, January 21<sup>st</sup> beginning at 6:00 p.m. - Zoom meeting.

## Fellowship Hour Sign-Up

Hosts and Hostesses needed for Fellowship Hours – please see the clipboard/sign-up sheet at the coffee window – please sign up for a Sunday or two that are convenient for you! Any questions, *please see Monica Kapral. Thank you!*

## Church Metrics – Memory Eternal!

Leonty Zinchuk – 1/12/68; Anna Rozanski – 1/12/86; Peter Busel – 1/12/94; Father Joseph Irvin – 1/13/20;  
George Savchitz – 1/16/99; Anna Moskewich – 1/17/84; Olga Starinovich – 1/18/00

## Commemorations

### Living:

Tamara, Shota, Ketevan, Keti, Levan, Lai, Salome, Natali, Sarah, Norah, James, Georgia, Svetlana, Margaret, Lawrence, Paul, John, Patricia, Robert, Kristina, Patricia, Patrick, Mariam, Joseph, Vincent, Nicholas, Eileen, Diane, Susan, Tatiana, Roger, Mike, Ron

### Departed:

Shotiko, Angelina, Gregory, Eldari, Marianne, Aleksandra, Anton, Anna, Terese, Theresa

## Troparion/Kontakion

### Troparion — Tone 1

When You, O Lord were baptized in the Jordan / the worship of the Trinity was made manifest / for the voice of the Father bore witness to You / and called You His beloved Son. / And the Spirit, in the form of a dove, / confirmed the truthfulness of His word. / O Christ, our God, You have revealed Yourself / and have enlightened the world, glory to You!

### Kontakion — Tone 4

Today You have shown forth to the world, O Lord, / and the light of Your countenance has been marked on us. / Knowing You, we sing Your praises. / You have come and revealed Yourself, / O unapproachable Light.

## Epistle: Ephesians 4:7-13

<https://www.oca.org/readings/daily/2025/01/12/2>

## Gospel according to Matthew 4:12-17

<https://www.oca.org/readings/daily/2025/01/12/3>

## Outreach Opportunitites

### Foodshare

There is a basket for donations of nonperishable food items for Foodshare in the “Donations Corner” in the Church Hall! We are also in need of brown bags with handles. Also, please avoid food items in glass containers. *Please remember to thank God for your blessings by helping those in need. God Bless and Thank you!*

## Golden Elephant

Golden Elephant Update: She is in need of cleaning supplies, hangers, dog toys, a cat box with liter and gift cards (VISA, grocery stores). Golden Elephant is also asking for prayers come January, as she will be starting school. *Thank you!*

## Reminder - Feed a Friend – Sunday – January 12<sup>th</sup>

*Please put your lunches into refrigerator in the Church Hall (Thank You!)*

Help the poor, the hungry, the homeless, and the victims of domestic abuse here in the Greater Hartford region by giving them something that's hard to come by: A Free Lunch! We'll deliver bagged lunches to Loaves and Fishes in Hartford, beginning today and every second Sunday of each month, who has numerous men, women, and children, who will appreciate the food you provide and the love that you show in making it. This is a great opportunity to get your kids to help and discuss with them the words of Christ: "When I was hungry, you fed me...."

*To participate - Make & bring a brown-bag lunch to Church which includes all of the following:*

- 1) Sandwich,
- 2) Piece of Fruit
- 3) Bag of Chips/pretzels
- 4) Canned/Bottled Drink &
- 5) Desert (pudding, cookie, etc.)

**Important Note: For the purpose of uniformity, please include all/only the items above. Also PLEASE write type of sandwich (and the presence of any allergens) on bag.**

### *Please Note*

**Any photos taken at Church events may be used on the Church website or Facebook page. If you have any questions on this, please see or contact Father Constantine. <https://www.oca.org/files/PDF/official/2018-1024-socialmediaguidelines-clergy-layleaders.pdf>**

## *Have a Blessed Week!*

### **DONATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS FLOWERS – 2024**

*Greg and Mira Belekewicz  
Marsha Coombs*

*Michael Danchak  
Thomas and Gail Denisky*

*Marion Hancock  
John Hasychak*

*Svetlana Ikonnikova  
Anita Karsky  
Mark and Monica Kapral  
Mary Beth Stenko  
Michael Stenko*

*Sophie Szymczyk  
Paul and Elizabeth Thomas  
Dave and Cathy Vargas*

**Memory of Samuel Slota  
Memory of Mary and Daniel Mainstruck  
Memory of Kevin Kingsbury  
Memory of Allan and Heather Coombs  
Memory of the Danchak Family Members  
Memory of Michael and Nina Andrenyak  
Memory of George, Alice and Gregory Denisky  
Memory of Theophil and Nina Begansky**

**Memory of Baran, Malick and Hancock Families  
Memory of John and Dorothy Hasychak  
Memory of Alexander and Patricia Hasychak  
Memory of Ikonnikov, Prosvitnov, and Tarasenkvo Families  
Memory of Aleksandra and Anton Nazaruk  
Memory of Michael B Kapral  
Memory of Fajvan Family  
Memory John and Tatiana Chukalochak and Stenko, Selepak, Holik Families  
Memory of Leon Szymczyk  
Memory of Family Members  
Memory of Henry and Valentina Romanovsky  
Memory of Austin and Patricia Vargas**

*Memory Eternal!*