

- THIS WEEK'S EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS -
(Church Office: Tuesday – Friday ... Variable Hours This Week – please call Fr. Don)

**NOTE: from Christmas Day until January 4, inclusive,
there is a General Dispensation from All Fasting!**

**LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR THE
FEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST**

+ Friday, December 22 – GREAT (ROYAL) HOURS FOR THE FEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF CHRIST – 9 AM.

+ Saturday, December 23 – GREAT VESPERS FOR SUNDAY OF THE GENEALOGY OF JESUS CHRIST – 5 PM.

+ Sunday, December 24 – SUNDAY BEFORE THE NATIVITY OF CHRIST (SUNDAY OF THE GENEALOGY), WHICH FALLS ON THE PARAMON (EVE) OF THE NATIVITY OF CHRIST – ORTHROS (Early Morning Prayers) @ 8:30 AM & DIVINE LITURGY @ 9:30 AM ... Followed by Agape Fellowship.

... AND ...

+ Sunday, December 24 – THE EVE OF THE FEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST – FESTAL ORTHROS (Early Morning Prayers) @ 6:45 PM & DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. BASIL THE GREAT FOR THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST @ 8 PM.

+ Monday, December 25 – FEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD, GOD & SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST – “CHRIST IS BORN! GLORIFY HIM!”

+ Saturday, December 30 – NO GREAT VESPERS.

+ Sunday, December 31 – SUNDAY BEFORE THE THEOPHANY OF CHRIST, WHICH FALLS ON THE APODOSIS (LEAVE-TAKING) OF THE NATIVITY OF CHRIST – ORTHROS (Early Morning Prayers) @ 8:30 AM & DIVINE LITURGY @ 9:30 AM ... Followed By Agape Fellowship ... HAPPY NEW YEAR! ... May our Lord Bless all within our St. Mary Parish Family with Health, Joy, and peace (John 14:27) during the New Year of 2024!

**2024 LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR THE FEAST OF
THE THEOPHANY / EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST**

+ Friday Morning, January 05 – GREAT (ROYAL) HOURS FOR THE FEAST OF THE THEOPHANY / EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD – 9 AM.

... AND ...

+ Friday Evening, January 05 – THE EVE OF THE FEAST OF THE THEOPHANY / EPIPHANY – FESTAL ORTHROS (Early Morning Prayers) @ 5:45 PM & FESTAL DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM and THE GREAT BLESSING OF THE WATERS FOR THE THEOPHANY / EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST @ 7 PM.

+ Saturday, January 06 – THE FEAST OF THE DIVINE THEOPHANY / EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD, GOD & SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST!

+ Saturday Evening, January 06 – GREAT VESPERS – 5 PM.

+ Sunday Morning, January 07 – THE SYNAXIS OF JOHN THE HOLY, GLORIOUS PROPHET, BAPTIST & FORERUNNER – ORTHROS (Early Morning Prayers) @ 8:30 AM & DIVINE LITURGY @ 9:30 AM ... Followed By Agape Fellowship!

JANUARY 07 IS ALSO THE “OLD CALENDAR” CELEBRATION OF THE FEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD, GOD & SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST! We pray that all of our brothers & sisters-in-Christ who observe the “Old Calendar” cycle of Fasts & Feasts will enjoy a Most Blessed, Joyous & Peaceful (John 14:27) Feast of The Nativity ... we wish them a “Merry Christmas” and greet them with “Christ is Born! Glorify Him!”

May God bless you with Peace, Joy, & Love!