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DIVINE LITURGY:

SUNDAY: 9:00 a.m. (Ukrainian) **SUNDAY** 10:30 a.m. (English)

SATURDAY : 4:00 pm (English)

Confession:

Baptisms & Marriages:

Visitations & Anointing of the Sick:

Before Divine Liturgies 9:00 am and 10:30 am on Sundays or anytime upon request.

By prior arrangement (at least 1 year before the marriage date), through the parish office.

Please notify the office if a member of your family is in need of a visit.

January 3, 2016

Epistle: Colossians 3: 4-11 see explanation on page 467

Gospel: **Luke 14:16-24** see explanation on page 178

Propers for the Divine Liturgy: **Page 345**

Prayer Intentions (Dec.28 – Jan. 2)

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| MONDAY: | 5:00 p.m. | 40 th Day Stella Symochko – Fr. Peter |
| TUESDAY: | 9:00 a.m. | NO Divine Liturgy |
| WEDNESDAY: | 8:30 p.m. | Nativity of Our Lord / Різдва Христове |
| THURSDAY: | 9:00 a.m. | Nativity of Our Lord / Різдва Христове |
| FRIDAY: | 6:00 p.m. | Synaxis of the Mother of God / Собор Прсв. Богородиці |
| SATURDAY: | 4:00 p.m. | 40 th Day +Walter Mutuchky – Fr. Peter |
| SUNDAY: | 9:00 a.m. | Divine Liturgy |
| | 10:30 a.m. | Divine Liturgy – English |

Year of Mercy Columns: Jan 3: The Jesus Prayer

Early Christians came to understand that the name of Jesus had great power, and that the recitation of His name was itself a form of prayer.

Heeding St. Paul's guidance to pray without ceasing, their ancient, short prayer became known as the Jesus Prayer: "Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me a sinner."

In the Eastern churches especially, this prayer became most popular. It is silently recited over and over throughout the waking hours, usually in rhythm with breathing. This is why it is also known as the "prayer of the heart."

It is a prayer rich in theological and spiritual meaning.

The words form the essence of the Christian faith in echoing Peter: "You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God."

This prayer also emulates the words of the repentant publican who Jesus describes in Luke's Gospel: "Have mercy on me a sinner."

The Church sets aside the first month of the year to honor of the holy name of Jesus—and to remind us of the power of Christ's name and to encourage us to pray in His name. Why not make a New Year's resolution for 2016 to always have the Jesus Prayer on your lips and in your heart?

Our prayer today: *Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner.*

THANK YOU TO THE SUNDAY SCHOOL children for singing so beautifully for Christmas Eve Divine Liturgy, and to Cathy Stesco and Katherine Hucal for working with the children over the past few weeks. God Bless you. The families of the Sunday School children collected \$100 for the Sudbury Food Bank during the visit of St. Nicholas. Fun and Fellowship and plenty of food was had with over 80 people attending. Thank you St Nicholas and his star Angel.

ALTAR BOY DALMATIC SPECIAL DONATIONS: As our church needs new dalmatics for the altar boys to wear when helping with Divine Liturgy, eight new dalmatics, "Mother of God blue, and also gold," have been ordered. The estimated cost for all the dalmatics will be \$4000.00. If you are interested in helping out by making a special donation towards this project, we would greatly appreciate it. May God Bless you and your family abundantly for your generosity!

CHRISTMAS CAROLING – like every year there will be a few groups going caroling for the Church. Please use the Christmas Caroling Donation Envelop for this purpose. If you are unable to receive the carolers, please bring the envelop and place on the Sunday collection basket. Thank you!

Jordan Dinner (Schedriy Vechir) January 18, 2014 at 5:30 pm: Tickets for the Yordan Dinner are available only in advance from the parish office before January 14, 2014. They are \$15.00 per person. Students \$10.00, children under 7 – no charge. There will be no tickets sold at the door.


ЙОРДАНСЬКА ВЕЧЕРЯ – відбудеться в понеділок о год 5:30 вечора 18 січня. Просимо купити квитки на Йорданську Вечерю з канцелярії до четверга 14го січня. **Повідомляємо, що не буде можна дістати квитків на Йорданську вечерю при дверях.** Всім особам які закупають квитки на вечерю будуть приділені місця при призначеному столі.

КОЛЯДНИКИ – запрошуємо охочих жінок і мушин, щоб відвідали з Різдвяною Колядою наших парафіян. Всі хто бажає колядувати просимо повідомити парафіяльну канцелярію. Просимо також вживати зелені конвертки з написом Коляда на ту ціль.

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