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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES AND EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 1ST
23RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
Propers: 152 / 153

Saturday, October 31st
5:00 PM **Divine Liturgy**
For our Parish Family

TURN CLOCKS BACK TONIGHT!

Sunday, November 1st
9:00 AM **ECF (Sunday School)**
9:00 AM **BIBLE STUDY**
10:00 AM **Divine Liturgy**
+Betty Slawich
By Joe and Joan Bresnock
11:15 AM **Coffee Social**

Monday, November 2nd
5:00 PM **Rosary and Jesus Prayer**
7:30 PM *B I N G O !*

Tuesday, November 3rd
8:30 AM **Divine Liturgy**
+Anne Kapiec
By Friends

Wednesday, November 4th—*No Services*

Thursday, November 5th
7:00 PM *Special* **PRAYER SERVICE**

Friday, November 6th
10:00 AM *Intercessory* **PRAYER SERVICE**

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 8TH
24TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
FEAST OF ST MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL
Propers: 156-157, 265 / 158

Saturday, November 7th
5:00 PM **Divine Liturgy**
For our Parish Family

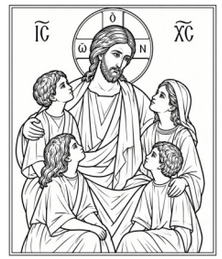
Sunday, November 8th
9:00 AM **ECF (Sunday School)**
9:00 AM **BIBLE STUDY**
10:00 AM **Divine Liturgy**
+Geri Mataro
By Joan and Joe Bresnock
11:15 AM **HOT FOOD SOCIAL** *with Festival Check Presentation*

Sanctuary Lamp next Week
November 7/8, 2026



In Loving Memory of
+MICHAEL A. LISNOCK
+MICHAEL A. LISNOCK, JR.
+FATHER MICHAEL CHUBIRKO, SDB
By Susan and Douglas Wood
BLESSED REPOSE AND ETERNAL MEMORY!

Cash Collection for St Joseph's concludes this weekend! God bless you for your generosity of spirit! More to come!



Blessing and Commissioning of Sunday School Teachers—Our dedicated catechists (teachers) of the Eastern Christian Formation Program, (ECF, or "Sunday School") will be formally blessed and commissioned TODAY!

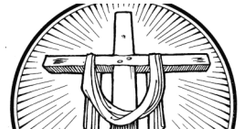
David Brighouse, *Coordinator*
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Katie Soper

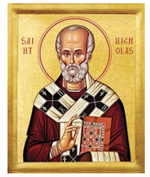
Junior Catechist Helpers:
Miyah Knight and David Brighouse, Jr

HOT FOOD SOCIAL & FESTIVAL CHECK PRESENTATION NEXT SUNDAY!
On Sunday, November 8th, EVERYONE will be treated to a HOT LUNCH after Liturgy! Following lunch, Festival Co-Chair Persons, Pete Kowal and Ruth Raftery will present a check to Fr Jim for St Thomas Parish from this years Festival proceeds! We'll also talk about how we can celebrate next year's festival—our 40th Anniversary! *Don't miss it! Wear your RED shirts!*



What is Halloween? Halloween actually has significant Catholic roots. The name itself comes from *All Hallow's Eve* – that is, the Vigil of All Saints' Day a Holy day in the Roman Catholic Church. The word "Halloween" is taken an older English term, "hallows," meaning "holy"; and "e'en", referring to the word "eve" or "evening". When we think of Halloween, we often think of ghosts and skeletons, but these things are intended to remind us of our own mortality, as well as the hope of Resurrection and Eternal Life in Christ! So, enjoy Halloween – make it fun for your kids, students, grandchildren and neighbors – but don't forget that it originated as a HOLY DAY and a reminder of the hope that the Saints give us that we too may one day enter into the Kingdom of God prepared for us from the beginning of time.





Save the Date! **ST NICHOLAS CELEBRATION, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6TH!**
Come join your parish family for the annual dinner honoring our Special Patron Saint, Saint Nicholas of Myra—known around world as Santa Claus! Dinner includes a homemade pork meal, with all the trimmings, dessert and beverage! PLUS, children's program! AND, most importantly, a visit from Saint Nicholas Himself! A registration form will be in next weeks bulletin! But, for now, ***SAVE THE DATE!***

INCOME FOR LAST WEEKEND: (including those mailed in —thank you!)

Sunday Offering/Donations	$	1231.00	Monthly/Initial	$	20.00
Candles	$	80.00	Charities/Missions/Peter's Pence	$	xxx.00
Religious Education	$	xxx.00	Holydays/Easter	$	50.00
Maintenance/Fuel	$	90.00	Flowers	$	5.00
ECL	$	6.00	Total	$	1482.00

Bingo: 168 Players $2403.00 Bingo Kitchen: $454.00 ***God Bless You!***

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