

# St. Thomas the Apostle Byzantine Catholic Church

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Served by Right Rev. Archpriest James G. Hayer, with the ministry of Deacons Charles Laskowski and Father Thomas Shubeck, and Cantors Patricia Dietz, Doreen Plahovinsak and George Birchack

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Office Hours: Monday — Thursday, 12 Noon to 4PM.

## SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES FOR THIS WEEK

**SUNDAY JANUARY 8TH, 2023**

**SUNDAY AFTER THEOPHANY**

Propers: 152, 315-316/ 317

**Saturday, January 7th**

**5:00 PM** **Divine Liturgy** (live streamed)  
Intentions of our Parish Family

**Sunday, January 8th, 2023**

**9:00 AM** **ECF (Sunday School)**

**10:00 AM** **Divine Liturgy**

+Maria Rinkovska  
By daughter, Mariana  
and Viera

**11:15 AM** **RIVER BLESSING**

(Immediately following Liturgy)

**Monday, January 9th**

**7:30 PM** **B-I-N-G-O**

**Tuesday, January 10th**

**8:00 AM** +Elizabeth Skrepenak  
By Josephine and Joanne Roberts

**Wednesday, January 11th**

No Liturgy Scheduled

**Thursday, January 12th**

No Liturgy Scheduled

**Friday, January 13th**

No Liturgy Scheduled

**NEXT SUNDAY JANUARY 15TH, 2023**

**32ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

Propers: 156,157/ 158

**Saturday, January 14th**

**5:00 PM** **Divine Liturgy** (live streamed)  
+Anna Kuzma  
By Joseph and Mary Ann  
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**Sunday, January 15th, 2023**

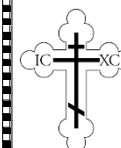
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**Former Parishioner Reposes in the Lord ...**

Please remember in your prayers the soul of +George Baruka, a former member of our parish family, and most recently Tobyhanna, PA, who fell asleep in the Lord before Christmas. He was born in Minersville, PA and was married to the late Dolores Zukowski Baruka. George was a veteran of the US Army, and he also worked at General Motors for many years. George was an active member of St Thomas the Apostle Byzantine Church in Rahway and participated in and organized many church activities over the years. He enjoyed polka music and dancing. *May his memory be eternal!*

**St Nicholas Award 2022**—Was presented to **CANTOR DOREEN PLAHOVINSAK** on Christmas Eve for carrying on the spirit of St Nicholas. A professional musician, Doreen has been an example of charity and good will at St Thomas for many years! Her sense of humor is appreciated as much as her talent and kindness which she generously shares with every one! St Nicholas is smiling today! *Congratulations!*



*You are invited!*

**Parish Volunteer Appreciation Dinner**  
**Sunday, January 29th at Amici's in Linden;**  
**12:30 PM (after Liturgy & Coffee Social)**



All parish Volunteers (Bingo, Flea Market, Kitchen, ECF Teachers, Servers, Festival, Holubki, and others) are invited to be the guests of honor at a Parish Volunteer Appreciation Dinner at Amici's in Linden on Sunday, January 29th at 12:30 PM. Divine Liturgy at 10AM, coffee social to follow, then head to Amici's and be there before 12:30.

Volunteers may SIGN-UP in the vestibule by the Gift Shop, OR call AnnMarie in the Parish Office. Volunteers are free; guests are \$15 each. Please specify # of guest (if any) attending.

**New Year's Eve THANK YOU ...**to all who participated, set-up, cleaned up and attended! Piz-za, wings, garlic knots and desserts were enjoyed by 35 people after Divine Liturgy Saturday evening (New Year's eve) last week. Many thanks, to, the to the GCU for sponsoring this evening with a donation! *God Bless all who participated in prayer and presence!*

**Don't forget donations for Raphael's Light House for mothers and babies.**  
**See special flyer with item suggestions. Everything due by Jan 29th.**

**House-Blessings 2023**— If you would like your house blessed please call the parish office (732-382-5300) or email at StThomasByz@aol.com. Please suggest a convenient time and day for Father to come. Also, please specify if you would like your house blessed from the inside (Father comes in-doors), or from the outside only (Father blesses from the porch or driveway). Either is ok. *Thanks!*

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

Sunday Offering/Donations	\$	1617.00	Monthly/Initial	\$	664.00
Candles	\$	187.00	ECF	\$	20.00
Flowers	\$	25.00	Holydays/Christmas	\$	1275.00
Maintenance/Fuel	\$	101.00	Catholic Charities/Peters	\$	50.00
ECL	\$	57.00	Total	\$	3996.00

Additional Income: Bingo \$ 1064.00

Bingo Kitchen: \$ 338.00 **.God Bless You!**