In Blessed Repose...please remember the soul of +STEVE HASCHIN, originally a member of Sts Peter and Paul Byzantine Catholic Church in Elizabeth, then Our Lady of Perpetual Help Byzantine Catholic Church in Tom’s River, and more recently, a resident in Chicago, IL, who fell asleep in the Lord last week and was buried from our parish on Saturday. To his family and friends, especially to Helen Hudak and Deacon Tom Shubeck, of our parish, we extend our heartfelt condolences. May his memory be eternal!

CHRISTMAS MEMORIAL CANDLES AVAILABLE FOR SPONSORSHIP—there will be two opportunities to remember your loved ones in a special way at Christmas: five (5) Altar Candles are still available for memorial of $75 each; and three (3) Hanging Icon Votive Candles are available for sponsorships of $40 each. All candles will burn on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and the weekend after Christmas. Please contact Ann Marie at the Parish Office, or leave a message, before December 15th. Please note YOUR name and the name of the person (living or deceased) you wish to remember. Thanks!

BISHOP’S APPEAL: By now, every parishioner should have received a letter from Bishop Kurt and the 2019 Bishop’s Appeal. If you have NOT received a pledge card, please call Fr. Jim or Ann Marie in the Parish Office (732-382-5300) for an extra copy. Please send your donation directly to the chancery with checks payable to “Eparchy of Passaic.” Or, you may go online and make your contributions directly at www.eparchyofpassaic.com, then click on the “Giving” tab. Our goal this year is $12,400. IF each family makes a pledge of $200, we will ONCE AGAIN reach our goal AND get a guaranteed refund of $4,960.00! That would be a great blessing for us, as it was last year! THANKS!

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**St. Nicholas Celebration Registration for Sunday, December 8th**

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- **# Adults at $15**
- **#Seniors at $8**
- **#Students at $10**
- **# Children (under 12)**
- **# Children (under 5)**

Please return by Sunday, December 1st (drop in collection basket)

Make checks payable to “St. Thomas Church.”
Many Thanks for the following donations… a few kind parishioners have made some very generous donations for improvements around the parish! They wish to remain anonymous, but we must acknowledge their kindness! The first is a donation of approximately $7,000.00 for the installation of new partitions and an ADA-compliant commode in the Parish Hall Ladies Room. The second donation is $4,000.00 for the installation of new partitions (coming very soon!) for the Parish Hall Men’s Room. Both donations were unexpected and were motivated by people who just want to do something nice for their parish and to help everyone! May Our Lord bless them for their acts of kindness!

We also gratefully acknowledge a donation of $14,500.00 from our dedicated Bingo Volunteers (and patrons!) to offset the cost of some major electric work done around the parish (inside and outside) to maintain safety and security! This includes replacement of over 20 security lights, repair to outdoor parking lights, new outlets in the parish kitchen, emergency lighting in the new library, sacristy, brighter exterior lighting by the doorways, and more!