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SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES FOR THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD 2019

21ST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Propers: / 141-142/143

Saturday, November 2nd

5:30 PM **Divine Liturgy**

Intentions of our Parishioners



Turn
clocks
BACK
tonight!

Sunday, November 3rd

9:00 AM **Divine Liturgy**

+Mae Maimone

by Susan and Michael Cwiekalo

10:30 AM **ARS Meeting (Library)**

Monday, November 4th—No Liturgy

Tuesday November 5th

8:30 AM + Theresa Niello

by Shubeck Family

Wednesday, November 7th

8:30 AM +Anna Sochko

by Mark Lifosky

6:00 PM **KNITTERS & CROCHETERS**

Thursday, November 7th HOLYDAY

VIGIL (Solemn) Feast of St. Michael

7:00 PM +Michal Sikoriak, +Vasil

Hlinka By Helen Sikoriak

Friday, November 8th—HOLYDAY

9:00 AM +Anna Rudo

By Marlene Porter

NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH, 2019

22ST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Propers: / 146-147/148

Saturday, November 9th—FLEA MARKET

5:30 PM **Divine Liturgy**

Intentions of

Uncle Moe and Noelle

Sunday, November 10th—TAYLOR HAM

9:00 AM **Divine Liturgy**

Intentions of our Parishioners

10:30 AM **Annual Parish Calendar**

Meeting (Library)



Sanctuary Lamp This Week.

November 2/3, 2019

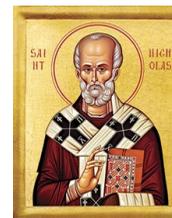
In Memory of

+ANASTASIA PREGO

By Wayne and Andrea Kobelas

Blessed Repose and Eternal Memory!

ARS Meeting TODAY—Sunday, November 3rd at 10:30 AM. ALL members are kindly asked to be present for this important meeting which, among other planning issues, will include the election of officers. Kindly convene at 10:30 AM in the Parish Library. *Thanks!*



Save the Date! ST NICHOLAS CELEBRATION, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8TH!

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! PLUS, a display of religious art from Artist (and Altar Server) David Ciampicini! AND, most importantly, a visit from Saint Nicholas Himself! A registration form will be in next weeks bulletin! But, for now, **SAVE THE DATE!**

Terrific Troika! — Pete Kowal, event Chair, expresses heartfelt gratitude to all volunteers—parishioners and friends of St. Thomas—who helped make the recent Troika Dinner a delicious and successful event! From singing and dancing, to decorating, serving, cooking and cleaning, everyone worked so well together—that was the real success! The Troika Dinner will provide seed money for the upcoming **Slavonic Festival on Saturday, May 2, 2020.** Also, **Many thanks** from Patti Dudas, Dessert Chair, for all the wonderful desserts donated during the Troika dinner! Your tasty treats were greatly appreciated and thoroughly consumed! *(Please be sure to always label ingredients, especially for those with nut allergies! Thanks!)*

Can you help Feed the Hungry during the Holidays? Divine Mercy Food Pantry can once again use our assistance in collecting canned fruit (Doles or Motts, 6-packs); Ravioli or stew with pull top lids; 12 ounce orange juice or fruit juice in plastic bottles; Progresso Soups with pull top lids; Peanut Butter; Tuna in can with pull top lid; Granola bars (any flavor). Please add these to your shopping list and bring them to church! Drop them in the rear vestibule and they'll be taken to the Food Pantry. *Thanks!*

The Greatest Gift that we are ALL capable of giving is the gift of **PRAYER!** I invite you to think about this... when a dedicated soul comes back to St. Thomas Parish for Christian burial, perhaps having outlived all friends and relatives here, what an honor it would be to welcome them back, greet family in attendance and offer any other assistance we could! Like the Myrrh-Bearers who tended to Our Lord's burial, can YOU give the gift of prayer and time as well? *Give some thought to this... there will be more information next week!*

Planning Meeting, Sunday, November 10th—it's that time again! A designated representative from every club or organization is asked to attend our annual Planning Meeting on Sunday, November 10th at 10:30 (Library) in order to plan our 2020 parish calendar. Planning will help minimize the occasions of overlapping events and other conflicts. *Thanks!*

INCOME FOR LAST WEEKEND:

Sunday Offering/Donations	\$	1508.00	Monthly/Initial	\$	75.00
Candles	\$	61.00	ECL	\$	12.00
Flowers	\$	xxx.00	Holy days	\$	48.00
Maintenance/Fuel	\$	117.00	ECF	\$	20.00
Catholic Charities	\$	15.00	Total	\$	\$ 1856.00

Additional Income (Bingo) \$881.00 **GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY OF SPIRIT!**

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!