

# Orthodox Church of the Holy Cross

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26th Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, December 11, 2022

## In The News

Nativity Fast  
11/15 to  
12/24

Today's Flow-  
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bration of  
Nicole Tut-  
tle's birthday

Zoo Trip-p2

## Happy December Birthday

### Coffee Hour Schedule

12/11: Plachuta Family

12/18: Open

12/25: Christmas Day

*Attention! Attention!*

January coffee hour schedule is wide open!  
Sign up sheet on the Fellowship Hall bulletin board.

### Christmas Gift-Giving Campaign

**Benefits: Providence House of Catholic Charities**

Westampton, NJ

Sponsored by: Inreach/Outreach Committee

## Liturgical and Events Schedule

### Sunday, December 11

10:00 AM: Divine Liturgy followed by children's Sunday School & Social

### Wednesday, December 14

7:00 PM: Nativity Akathist (at church) followed by Woman2Woman meeting

### Thursday, December 15

7:00 PM: Parish Council meeting by Zoom

### Saturday, December 17

5:00 PM: Great Vespers

### Sunday, December 18

10:00 AM: Divine Liturgy & Children's Christmas program

### Gifts

Apple products/  
accessories  
Drones  
Funko Pop!  
Hair accessories  
Hair styling tools  
Hair dryer, curling iron,  
Flat iron  
Instant cameras  
Jewelry  
Journals  
Makeup/Perfume  
Pajamas/Slippers  
Room decor  
Scarves/Belts  
Skateboard  
Sports equipment  
Sports team apparel  
Sweatshirts/Hoodies  
Play Station (nonviolent)  
video games  
Xbox/Nintendo

### Gift Cards

Amazon  
Bookstores  
Dunkin' Donuts  
Hair and nail salons  
iTunes  
Kohl's  
Mall  
Movies  
Restaurants  
Starbucks  
Target  
Visa  
Walmart  
Wawa

Just a reminder that there are only 2 Sundays left to contribute gifts to Providence House! Here's a note from Barbara Katz, community affairs coordinator at Providence House, explaining just how those gifts are used:

*"We (the staff) are currently transforming our conference room into what will become 'the store'. The store is stocked with toys and gifts that are entirely donated by our amazing community of supporters. The donations are on display and arranged by age - there are toys and gifts ranging from infants all the way to teens. There is also a section of the store for moms so they can shop for themselves. The clients will have a designated shopping time with their case manager to shop the store for each of their children and themselves. This is why we request that the donations be unwrapped; because the parent is selecting the gifts that their children want most. And that is what makes the store so special. That and the generosity and kindness of our donors."*

So, the next 2 Sundays, please prayerfully consider donating a gift or gift card (remember, for the teens this year) and placing it in the Christmas box in the vestibule. With gratitude, Your Inreach/Outreach



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## LumiNature at the Philadelphia Zoo

With more than a million twinkling lights across 14 one-of-a-kind illuminated zones, LumiNature takes guests on a magical journey celebrating the wonder of wildlife and the beauty of our planet during the holiday season.

**When:** Thursday, December 29, 2022—6:00 PM

**Where:** Philadelphia Zoo, 3400 W. Girard Ave., Philadelphia, PA

**Prices:** Adults & Children (above age 2) - \$20.00

Children (under 2) -free

Parking : \$17.00

Make checks payable to *Judy Clyde* Deadline for payment: TODAY Sunday, December 11, 2022

Give (or mail) payment to *Judy Clyde, 9 Bon Air Drive, Marlton, NJ 08053* with below form



Name(s)	Ticket Price
1)	
2)	
3)	
4)	
Total # of tickets: _____	Total price: \$ _____

### 2023 Flowers

The sign-up sheet is on the candle desk in the Vestibule. There are still open dates. Two can sign up for one date.

Be a part of beautifying our Temple for each Divine Liturgy



Never, O Man, is that which concerns the Church put right through compromises: there is no mean between truth and falsehood. But just as what is outside the light will be necessarily in darkness, so also he who steps away a little from the truth is left subject to falsehood.

St. Mark of Ephesus

You are cordially invited to honor  
**THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION  
AS PRIEST OF HIS EMINENCE ARCHBISHOP  
MICHAEL (DAHULICH)**

**Saturday, February 4, 2023, at 10:00 AM**  
Christ the Saviour Orthodox Church,  
365 Paramus Road, Paramus, New Jersey

A commemorative buffet luncheon will be held at 1:00 pm at the Brownstone, 351 West Broadway, Paterson, New Jersey 07522.

Luncheon donation is \$50 payable to the Diocese of New York and New Jersey.

Forward payment to: Mitered Archpriest Joseph Lickwar, 109 Grand Street, Jersey City, New Jersey 07302.

Include the names of those for whom the reservations are made.

The deadline for reservation is January 20, 2023.

Call or email Mitered Archpriest Joseph Lickwar at (201) 892-7233 or [josephlickwar@gmail.com](mailto:josephlickwar@gmail.com).

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