PRESENTATION OF CHRIST GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

CURRENT JANUARY 2022





The joyful celebration of the secular New Year reminds us of the promise of new beginnings. Will we start a new fitness routine? Will we begin looking for a new job?

Such an example can be seen in our parish youth ministry. Our younger children aging through their appropriate youth groups has led to a new interest in restarting a ministry for teenagers. Under the capable advisorship of Stellanie Kyros, this vital demographic plans to meet several times in the months of January and February along with children from the Holy Dormition parish in Oakmont.

Their next gathering is on January 28 at 6:30 PM in our parish fellowship hall. All youth age 13 (or 7th grade) through age 18 (or 12th grade) are welcome to join us for pizza, and to make bagged lunches for the needy.

The children are not the future of our church. They are the present. They are the greatest present we have received from God. And it is our greatest responsibility to nurture them in their faith, so that we can entrust them with our Church's future. May God bless and guide all our youth workers as they take on this task!

See you at Church!

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Fr. Dean

YPRESENT YPAPANTI FEAST DAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

FEBRUARY 1

Great Vespers 6:30PM

FEBRUARY 2

Matins 8:30AM Divine LIturgy 9:30AM

PHOTOS

Our Sunday school students supported our community by making pillows for the shut-ins.









Our Angel Tree project was a great success!

May God bless everyone who participated, and especially Paulina for organizing!







LITTLE LAMBS SUNDAY SCHOOL

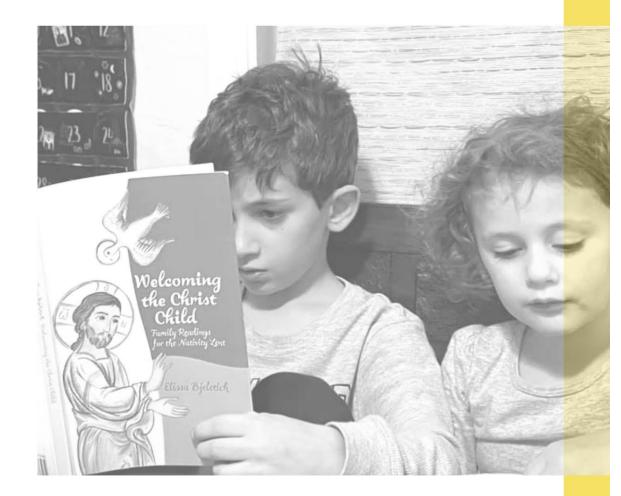
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Each lesson includes a prayer, the Saint of the Day, an activity, a story, and a song related to the monthly theme.

Continuing In Person in January!!!

WELCOME BACK, STUDENTS!!!

January 2022



Continuing in January, we return to Sunday School in person after Divine Liturgy

> THE THEME FOR 2022 IS "LEARNING ABOUT THE DIVINE LITURGY."



Every year, on the Feast of Theophany, Orthodox Christians around the world have a blessing of the waters to celebrate the Baptism of Christ and the revealing of the Holy Trinity to mankind.

We then receive the blessing of this Holy Water to renew ourselves in Christ and to remind ourselves that through Christ all things are again made clean. We also extend this blessing to our homes and businesses to wipe away temptations and attacks that might lead us away from Christ.

If you wish to have Fr. Dean bless your home and/or business, please contact Fr. Dean directly at <u>FatherDeanKokanos@gamil.com</u> or on his cell phone.



CATER YOUR SUPER BOWL PARTY with Hoagies from Fuzzy's





To preorder a delicious hoagie BY JANUARY 30th, please go to the Presentation of Christ Church website, Facebook Page, or Scan the QR code ← with your smartphone.

Turkey Hoagie: American Cheese, Provolone Cheese, Turkey. Lettuce, Tomato, Onion on the side.

Deluxe Italian Hoagie: Swiss, Provolone, Ham, Pepperoni, Salome. Lettuce, Tomato, Onion and dressing on the side.

Roast Beef Hoagie: American Cheese, Provolone Cheese, Roast Beef. Lettuce, Tomato, Onion on the side.

Cheese Hoagie: American, Provolone, Brick, Pepper, Cheddar, Munster Cheese. Lettuce, Tomato, Onion on the side.

Pick up hoagies at the Olympia Community Center, 1575 Electric Ave, East Pittsburgh, PA, 15112 on Saturday February 12, 2022 from 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM

hy I love my Church... THE WORDS THAT MAKE UP THIS CROSS WERE TAKEN FROM THE QUESTION ON THE 2021 STEWARDSHIP CARD, "WHY DO I LOVE COMING TO YPAPANTI?" THESE WORDS ON THE CROSS MAKE UP WHO WE ARE -WE ARE THE BODY OF CHRIST! Growth Fami Family esus Lord Neighbors Worsh Family Glo v God Chris Love Worship Jesus Glorify God Slove bors Christ Worship Glorify God Cross OSS Love Q Christ **TOP 10 MOST COMMON ANSWERS** JESUS WORSHIP LOVE **CHURCH FAMILY IT'S HOME GLORIFYING GOD** CLERGY GROWING WORSHIP **OUR NEIGHBORS** CHURCH BEAUTY

					31	30 Feast of the 3 Hierarchs 8:30 AM Matins 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy Church School after Liturgy
29	28 6:30 PM GOYA	27	26	25 10:00 AM, Sandwich Prep for Rankin Christian Center	24	22 8:30 AM Matins 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy Church School after Liturgy
22 11:00 Food Pantry and Meal Distribution	21	20 TBD Food Pantry Prep Prep	19	18 7:00 PM, Parish Council	17	16 8:30 AM Matins 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy Church School after Liturgy
15	14	13	12 1:30 PM, Dinner Prep for NRP	11	10	9 8:30 AM Matins 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy Church School after Liturgy Vasilopita Cutting
8	7	6 Feast of Theophany 8:30 AM Matins 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy Followed by Water Blessing.	 5 9:30 AM Royal Hours of Theophany 5:30 PM Vesperal Divine Liturgy and Water Blessing 	4	ω	2 8:30 AM Matins 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy No Church School
1 Feast of St. Basil/Circumcision of our Lord (Services on December 31)	December 31 5:00 PM Matins 6:00 PM Divine Liturgy			ar!	January, 2022 Happy New Year!	Ja Haj
Saturday	Friday	Thursday	Wednesday	Tuesday	Monday	Sunday

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Under the jurisdiction of the Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew I, His Eminence Elpidophoros Archbishop of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America and His Eminence Metropolitan Savas. The mission of the Presentation of Christ is to proclaim with joy the Gospel of Jesus Christ, to teach and spread the Orthodox Christian Faith and to be a community devoted to and energized by the love of God and our neighbor.

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