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JANUARY 9, 2022
SUNDAY AFTER THE NATIVITY
STS. DAVID THE KING, JOSEPH THE BETROTHED, AND
JAMES THE BROTHER OF THE LORD
TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Epistle Reading
Galatians 1:11-19

Gospel Reading
Matthew 2:11-23

Christ is born! Glorify Him!
Hristos se rodi! Voistinu se rodi!

Troparion (Resurrection)

When the women disciples of the Lord learned from the angel the joyous message of Your Resurrection, they cast away the ancestral curse and elatedly told the apostles: “Death is overthrown! Christ God is risen, granting the world great mercy!”

Troparion (for the Feast)

Your Nativity, O Christ our God, has shone to the world the Light of wisdom! For by it, those who worshipped the stars were taught by a Star to adore You, the Sun of Righteousness, and to know You, the Orient from on High. O Lord, glory to You!

Troparion (for the Righteous Ones)

Proclaim the wonder, O Joseph, to David, the ancestor of God: you saw a Virgin great with Child, you gave glory with the shepherds, you worshipped with the Magi, you received the news from the angel. Pray to Christ God to save our souls!

Kontakion (for the Righteous Ones)

Today godly David is filled with joy; Joseph and James offer praise. The glorious crown of their kinship with Christ fills them with great joy. They sing praises to the One ineffably born on earth, and they cry out: “O Compassionate One, save those who honor You!”

Kontakion (for the Feast)

Today the Virgin gives birth to the Transcendent One, and the earth offers a cave to the Unapproachable One! Angels with shepherds glorify Him! The wise men journey with a star! Since for our sake the Eternal God was born as a Little Child!

Nativity Hymn to the Theotokos

Magnify, O my soul, the most pure Virgin Theotokos, more honorable and more glorious than the heavenly hosts. I behold a strange, most glorious mystery: heaven—the cave; the cherubic throne—the Virgin; the manger—the place where Christ lay: the uncontainable God, Whom we magnify in song.

Our Church School Nativity Play follows Divine Liturgy today.



Welcome to all guests with us today in person and by livestream as we celebrate the Divine Liturgy. Join us for Coffee Hour following Liturgy. If you are interested in learning more about the Orthodox Faith and St. Luke parish life, please talk with Fr. John and any of us.

Thank You for a Blessed Nativity Feastday Celebration

We thank Fr. John, the Altar Servers and Choir, Nevenka Milosevich and Borka Sucevic and the Sisterhood, and all the gentlemen for their help, even with “Snowmicron” challenges.

Orthodoxy 201 – Wednesday, January 12 at 7PM on Zoom

Fr. John is leading the discussion on *The Gospel of St. Luke – Good News for the Poor* by Fr. Lawrence Farley. He will email notes and the Zoom link. Everyone is welcome to join.

January Holy Days

Fri., January 14	Circumcision of our Lord, Feastday of St. Basil the Great
Tues., January 18	Theophany Eve (Strict Fast)
Wed., January 19	10:30AM Divine Liturgy for the Feast of Theophany
Thurs., January 20	St. John the Baptist Slava/Patron Saint Day
Sun., January 30	10:30AM Divine Liturgy for the St. Sava Slava/Patron Saint Day

Orthodox Christians Prepare for the annual March for Life - [Sanctity of Life Resource page](#)

Sun., January 16	Sanctity of Life Sunday in parishes of the Orthodox Church in America
Tues., January 18	8AM Divine Liturgy at St. Nicholas Cathedral 11AM Orthodox Christians gather on the Mall in DC for rally & March

Orthodox Outreach Opportunities

- [Culmore Clinic](#), an award-winning adult medical facility serving the poor in Bailey’s Crossroads, is in need of Physicians and Nurse Practitioners. (Notice on our bulletin board)
- We helped a local family at Christmas a few years ago. Recently the mother was seriously injured in a car accident. Consider a financial gift for them: <https://gofund.me/60b52560>

God Grant You Many Years!

May God bless Annika Bidy, Kitty Rani Bhattacharya, Nora Costello, JoAnne de la Riva and Isabela Little as they celebrate their birthdays this week. Mnogaja Ljeta!