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**SUNDAY AFTER NATIVITY,
SYNAXIS OF THE THEOTOKOS,
SS. JOSEPH THE BETROTHED, DAVID THE KING, AND
JAMES, THE BROTHER OF THE LORD**

Epistle Reading
Galatians 1:11-19

Gospel Reading
Matthew 2:13-23

**CHRIST IS BORN! GLORIFY HIM!
HRISTOS SE RODI! VOISTINU SE RODI!**

Troparion (Resurrection)

Let us, the faithful praise and worship the Word, co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit, born for our salvation from the Virgin; for He willed to be lifted up on the Cross in the flesh, to endure death, and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

Troparion (For the Feast)

Thy 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 Thee, the Sun of Righteousness, and to know Thee, the Orient from on High. O Lord, glory to You!

Troparion (The Righteous Ones)

Proclaim the wonder, O Joseph, to David, the ancestor of God; thou hast seen a Virgin great with child; and thou didst give glory with the shepherds; thou didst worship with the Magi, and didst receive the news from the Angel. Pray to Christ God to save our souls!

Kontakion (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 Thee!"

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!

Welcome to all guests with us by livestream and in person. May you experience along with us the fullness of the Orthodox Faith through the Divine Liturgy. We invite you to stay for Coffee Hour and get acquainted with us. If you are interested in learning about the Orthodox Faith and St. Luke parish life, feel free to talk with Fr. John and Deacon Stefan.

Memory Eternal + Večnaja pamjat +

We offer prayers today for Robert Dean Gurick and Robert Alan Blakely on the 40th day since their repose. Grant rest eternal with the Saints, O Lord, to the souls of thy servants.

Thank You for a Blessed Nativity Feastday Celebration

We thank Fr. John, Deacon Stefan, the Altar Servers and Choir, Nevenka Milosevich and the Sisterhood, all who donated desserts, and the volunteers for our beautiful celebration,

Church School Nativity Play – Today

The 2023 Nativity Play which will be performed by our children after Liturgy today. God bless them as they grow in faith and understanding of the true meaning of Christmas. Thank you to John Minahan, Coordinator, and to the teachers and parents for their efforts.

Holy Days of the After-Feast of the Nativity

January 8-17 Fast-free days celebrating the Nativity of Our Lord
Monday, January 9 Feast of St. Stephen
Saturday, January 14 Circumcision of our Lord, Feast of St. Basil the Great

Orthodoxy 201 – Wednesday, January 11 – 7PM on Zoom

Everyone is invited to join in this week's teaching and discussion on the Gospel of Luke, chapter 22:35-71. Watch for Fr. John's email with the Zoom link and his notes.

Men's Prayer Breakfast – Saturday, January 14

This coming Saturday is the monthly men's gathering. Come at 9AM for food, fellowship and stimulating conversation on faith matters and events of the day.

Holy Days of the Feast of Theophany

Wed., January 18 Strict Fast Day on the Eve of Theophany
Vigil for Theophany at 7PM
Thurs., January 19 Feast of Theophany, Great Blessing of Water at 10:30AM
Friday, January 20 Feast of Saint John the Baptist (Slava – Petron Saint Day)

Friday, January 20 Annual March for Life, Washington DC – Metropolitan Tikhon & Orthodox Christians for Life from across the USA, 12 noon.

Saturday, January 21 Metropolitan Tikhon's 10th Enthronement Anniversary – Divine Liturgy at 9AM, St. Nicholas Cathedral, Wash., DC and celebration.

Sunday, February 5 Saint Sava Slava/Patron Saint Day Celebration – Divine Liturgy and Slava Prayers followed by a luncheon and celebration.