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Schedule for the Week of January 12 - 18, 2020

Sunday Jan 12	Sunday after Nativity – Свв. Богоотец. 8:15 AM Nocturns, Hours, Confessions 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy / Литургия
Monday Jan 13	6:30 PM Vespers
Tuesday Jan 14	New Years / St Basil 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy 5:30 PM Vespers for St. Seraphim
Wednesday Jan 15	St Seraphim of Sarov 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy
Friday Jan 17	Royal Hours for Epiphany 8:30 AM
Saturday Jan 18	Saturday before Epiphany 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy w/Blessing Of Water / Литургия, Освящение Воды 5:30 PM Vigil
Sunday Jan 19	Epiphany / Богоявление Господне 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy / Литургия Blessing of Water / Освящение Воды

Тайна Воплощения

“И Слово стало плотью и обитало с нами, полное благодати и истины; и мы видели славу Его, славу как едиnorodного от Отца “ (Ин. 1,14).

Велико это чудо, христиане, что Бог стал человеком! Здесь открывается беспредельная Божественная Премудрость и сила. Еще большее чудо, что Бог стал человеком, чтобы спасти человек; здесь открывается беспредельная Божественная Благодать и Любовь. Человек, вследствие преступления Адамова, отступил от Бога,

Христос Раждается, Славите Его!

Again, dear brothers and sisters in Christ, we thank you all for helping in the celebration of the Nativity of Christ. The Sisterhood, the choir directors and singers, reader, acolytes, and all who assisted in bringing about the festivities for the Feast day. It was much work to set up, and we appreciate all your efforts and sacrifices to bring it about. May the joy of the Christmas Feast remain with all of us in our hearts and souls.

Fr John & Brethren

And we wish to share with you greetings from our Metropolitan Hilarion:

Dear Fathers,
Many thanks for your prayers and greetings with the Nativity of Christ!
I wish you God's blessings, good health and all long and joy-filled life!
With love in Christ,
+ Metr. Hilarion

стал чадом гнева Божия, рабом греха, пленником диавола, наследником вечного мучения... Бог сжалился над созданием Своих рук, Сам сошел на землю, воплотился, чтобы спасти этого человека, т.е. показать ему путь к спасению, открыть ему врата Царства Небесного, соединить его с Богом и Отцом, избавить от рабства греху, от плена диавольского, от вечных мучений:

“Сын Человеческий пришел взыскать и спасти погибшее” (Мф. 18,11). Вот цель Домостроительства Воплощения.
(Илия Минятей, еп. Кефалонитский)

Святой Иосиф обручник

Иосиф Обручник – обрученный муж Пресвятой Девы Марии. Он по прямой линии происходил из рода царя Давида, но находился в бедности и, проживая в глухом Назарете, занимался плотничеством. О жизни его, кроме обстоятельств рождения Христа, известно мало, хотя апокрифическая, т.е. не принятая Церковью в канон Священного Писания, литература и пытается восполнить этот пробел. По-видимому, он скончался вскоре после посещения Иерусалима с 12-летним Иисусом Христом, так как о нем после того уже не упоминается. Под его именем известно апокрифическое евангелие «История Иосифа плотника».

On the Sunday after the Nativity of Christ we celebrate the Memorial of the Kinsmen of the Lord: The Holy and Righteous Joseph the Betrothed, Prophet King David and James, Brother of the Lord.

Righteous Joseph the Betrothed was descended from the lineage of Prophet King David. In his first marriage with Salome (Solomonias), he had four sons and two daughters. Having become a widower, Righteous Joseph led a life of strict temperance. As an eighty-year old elder, he was chosen by the high priests to be the protector of the virginity of the All-holy Theotokos, for she had made a vow of virginity. An Angel announced to him the Incarnation through her of the Son of God. Saint Joseph was present during the worship of the newborn Divine-Infant by the shepherds and also by the Magi. On the orders of the Angel, he fled with the Theotokos and the God-Infant Jesus into Egypt, thereby saving them from the wrath of wretched King Herod. In Egypt he lived with the Ever-virgin Mary and the God-Infant, earning his livelihood working as a carpenter. Saint Joseph reposed at about one hundred years old.

The Holy Prophet King David was a forefather by flesh of our Lord Jesus Christ. The youngest son of Jesse, in his youth Prophet David shepherded a flock of sheep that belonged to his father. He was distinguished by his deep faith and he zealously

fulfilled the will of God. Thus, during the time of an invasion of the Philistines, he vanquished in single combat the giant Goliath, which decided the outcome of the war in favor of the Israelite people. Having endured many wrongs from King Saul, who saw him as a favorite of the people and his rival also, Prophet David displayed his own decency and magnanimity. He built a new capital, Jerusalem (“the City of Peace”), and in it, a new tabernacle. Prophet King David reposed in extreme old age with steadfast faith of the coming into the world of the promised the Messiah, our Lord Jesus Christ. In Divine Services and personal prayers his Divinely-inspired Psalter or Book of Psalms is widely used.

The Holy Apostle James, Brother of the Lord, was the eldest son of Joseph the Betrothed from his first marriage with Solomonias. He is remembered in the holy days after the feast of the Nativity of Christ together with his father, Joseph, and the Prophet King David, since by tradition, he accompanied the Holy Family during the Flight into Egypt. There he dwelt with the God-Infant Jesus, the Theotokos and Joseph, helping them. Afterwards, he returned with them to Israel. After the Ascension of the Lord, the Holy Apostle James was the first bishop of Jerusalem, gaining the great esteem not only of Christians but also among Jews. He accepted a martyr’s death for Christ. They threw him off the roof of the Jerusalem Temple since he had publicly preached to the people about the God-manhood of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Through the prayers of the Holy Kinsmen of the Lord--the Holy and Righteous Joseph the Betrothed, Prophet King David and James, Brother of the Lord--Lord Jesus Christ our God, have mercy on us. Amen. (from the Synaxarion)

