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Sunday – December 13, 2009 – Sunday of the Holy Ancestors

Col 3:4-11 Lk 14:16-24

Слава Ісусу Христу – Слава на віки

Glory to Jesus Christ – Glory to Him forever

SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES

Sunday December 13 9:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Sunday of the Holy Ancestors (+Walter Pretka from Ferko Family) (+Fr. Emilian Sharanevych from Family)
Monday December 14 5:00 p.m.	<i>Celebrated at Seminary</i> (+Tad Warholik from Maria Petruk)
Tuesday December 15 5:00 p.m.	<i>Celebrated at Seminary</i> (Health of Petro and Anna and Maria from Zaryckjy Family)
Wednesday December 16 9:00 a.m.	(+Louise Gaus-White from Pamela)
Thursday December 17 5:00 p.m.	<i>Celebrated at Seminary</i> (Blessings for Brian and Cianflone from Kathleen Mooney)
Friday December 18 9:00 a.m.	(+Irena Ferencevych from Roman Ferencevych)
Sunday December 20 9:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Sunday Before Christmas – Sunday of the Fathers (For the Parish) (+Maria Honczarenko from Zirka Harabatch)

ST. PHILIP'S FAST – PILIPIWKA

The Fast before Christmas and the celebration of the Birth of Our Lord, Jesus Christ, has already begun. During this time we should avail ourselves to spiritually prepare for the coming of the Lord by doing good deeds, helping the poor and needy, and seeking reconciliation and healing by going to confession.

HOLY MYSTERY OF PENANCE (CHRISTMAS CONFESSIONS) TODAY

Confessions will be heard before and during the Divine Liturgies this Sunday and Next Sunday. Please avail yourselves of the opportunity to be spiritually prepared to welcome the Christ Child into your hearts this Christmas.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Our Children's Class is in session with practice for our Christmas Pageant/Vertep. Our adult program resumes this Sunday as well.

WELCOME AND GOD BLESS ZACHARY STRANSKY

We welcome our newest parishioner Zachary James Stransky, son of Francis and Julia Stransky, newly baptized and chrismated last Sunday, to our parish family. Mnohaya Lita Zachary!

CHOIR PRACTICE

In preparation for Christmas, the Choir will be practicing from 10:15 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. for the coming Sundays before Christmas.

PARISH CHILDREN'S FOOD FOR THE NEEDY CAMPAIGN – A REALLY GREAT SUCCESS

During the entire month of November the children of our parish organized a special collection after the Divine Liturgies. The money that was collected amounted to \$1000 (We found another box of change that did not get reported last week.) These funds will be given to Manna Food Center, which feeds about 3,000 hungry families in Montgomery County each month. Half of the people are children. Thank you to all who contributed.

OUR CONDOLENCES TO THE MELKOVITZ-SULLIVAN FAMILY

Our parishioner +Natalka Sullivan, 30, passed away suddenly this week. She was the daughter of Joseph and Myroslava and mother of Barrett and Ahdriana. The Funeral Services for +Natalka were celebrated on Saturday in Fredericksburg. In your charity, please remember +Natalka in your prayers, and her family, Vichnaya Yiy Pamyat!

PRAYER LIST OF THE SICK OR AGED

Our prayer list of the sick or elderly and friends of our parish: **Ray Bluey, Petro Daniluk, Catherine Hetmansky, Julia Hetmansky, Walter Hetmansky, Stevanna Karlinchak, Yaromyr Oryshkevych, Maria Kharuk Pashnytska, Chuck Pacholkiw, Anna Romaniuk, Margaret Mary Burger Rose, Paraska Seniw, Helen Skoufis, Mary Waris, John Wassil, and Ed Wisniak.** If you know of someone who should be on this list, please email or call with the name of the individual. Our intercessory prayer for the sick and the aged is truly helpful and comforting. In your Christian Charity, kindly remember our sick parishioners in your prayers and perhaps a card or note.

PIROHY FOR CHRISTMAS

Pirohy will be on sale for Sunday December 13 and December 20 while supplies last. Thank you to all who came to help with this last project for 2009! We'll be taking a break for a short time.

A NOTE OF THANKS

It never hurts to say thank you, and so, THANK YOU to all of our parishioners who regularly support our parish with contributions, as well as those who volunteer to take care of our parish and be sure that our grounds look nice, our display cases look fabulous, that help sing our services, and the special projects (bazaars, pirohy, holubsti, parish meals, ushering, collection counting, mailings, birthdays, anniversaries, and envelope stuffing) that get taken care of by our "angels and elves".

EVENTS AT HOLY FAMILY SHRINE

✂Christmas Schedule:

✂Christmas Eve Thursday December 24

4:30 p.m. Children's procession with Vespers and Divine Liturgy for Christmas
(All are Welcome and Families are encouraged to attend)

10:00 p.m. Great Compline with Christmas Divine Liturgy

✂Christmas Day Friday December 25

10:30 a.m. Christmas Divine Liturgy

✂Knights of Columbus Christmas Party January 2, 2009

✂Christmas Prospora – Sunday, January 10, 2010 after 10:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy

✂Pre-Lenten Communion Breakfast (KOC) – Sunday, February 14, 2010