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## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

### TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Epistle: Ephesians 4:1-7  
Gospel: Luke 13:10-17  
Tone: Eight

Martyr Zacchaeus the Deacon

#### THE EPISTLE

Prokeimenon: Make your vows to the Lord, our God and perform them.  
God is known in Judah, his name is great in Israel.

The reading is from Saint Paul's Letter to Ephesians.

BRETHREN, I, a prisoner for the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all lowliness and meekness, with patience, forbearing one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of us all, who is above all and through all and in all. But grace was given to each of us according to the measure of Christ's gift.

#### THE EUCHARISTIC OFFERINGS

The Holy Oblations are offered at the offertory of the Great Entrance for the health and welfare of those living members, and for those departed this life of the Soldo Family.

The Canellos and Rau families offer the coffee hour refreshments today. We ask our parishioners **NOT TO WAIT** to sign up for offering the Coffee Reception; this is a vital part of our parish life! The Chart is posted in the "Coffee Room" and the items needed are on our web site (see our web page address above). The Coffee Reception does not need to be "fancy;" just "Coffee'n." See Barbara DiNovi or Sandy Eliopoulos for information, but please take your turn, perhaps with another family.

1. Today we will celebrate a Memorial Service for the late Servant of God, +CHRISTOS CANELLOS (Seven Years), husband of Elaine and father of Karen and Kristy (Rau) MEMORY ETERNAL!
2. **TODAY, NOVEMBER 18<sup>th</sup>**, is our Church School **UNITY DAY!** Students should sit with their classes in the front pews.
3. This Wednesday Eve, **November 21<sup>st</sup>**, we will celebrate the Divine Liturgy for Thanksgiving. We will begin at 7:00 PM. Please prepare by abstaining in your evening meal. Children should have a "snack" after school.
4. **Saturday, December 1<sup>st</sup>**, the Annual St. Nicholas Dinner honoring our parish elders. Vespers begin at 6:00 PM. Teen SOYO, the Fellowship and our Church School sponsor this yearly event. The "entry fee" is new un-wrapped hats, gloves, mittens, and scarves for "THE WARM THE CHILDREN FOUNDATION." Parishioners are reminded to bring in unwrapped hats, gloves, mittens, and scarves on **Saturday, Dec 1**, when you attend the St. Nicholas dinner. Parishioners will be joining with church school students to participate in this Advent Humanitarian effort. These items will **ONLY** be collected on this night. Also, that evening, contributions for raffle prizes will be collected and donated to Syrian Orthodox families in need.
5. The Annual all-parish meeting will be held on **Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>** promptly after Liturgy, in the Ivy Hall. Church School Christmas Crafts will be made during the meeting.
6. **TODAY**, the Women's Guild will hold the meeting it postponed from Thursday in the Jabara Media Room after liturgy. Get your coffee and snack and join us for this very important meeting. Then on **Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup>**, Women's Guild meeting will hold its December Meeting after Liturgy in the Jabara Media Room.
7. **Saturday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>**, the St. Ignatius Christmas gathering for all churches in our NY/NJ Deraney will be held here. All parishioners are welcome!
8. **Sunday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>**, brief gathering for Church School and guests in Ivy Hall, immediately after Liturgy.
9. **Christmas Eve Schedule: December 24<sup>th</sup>**:
  - A. As we gather at 7:30 PM, the Ninth Royal Hour will be read already beginning at 7:00 PM.
  - B. By 7:30 PM, the Choir, Teens and Church School will present the "Living Ikon" of the Nativity. The Gospels of Matthew and Luke will be read; Christmas music will be sung; and our children will present the annual Tableau.
  - C. The Great Doxology will then be chanted, with the great censuring of the entire church, which represents the Cosmic blessing of all creation at the Nativity of Christ.
  - D. The Eucharistic Divine Liturgy follows.
10. The Women's Guild will be sponsoring a coat drive in November. Please check the church hall **closet! Any Unclaimed coats will be donated.** Parishioner donations will be accepted after the festival.
11. The deadline for the January/February edition of Desert News is December 1. Do you have Parish organization news (or photos) to share? Do you have a new baby (or grand baby) in the family? Was there a wedding? Please send your info to [cbogris@aol.com](mailto:cbogris@aol.com) by December 1.
12. Please NOTE: The new calendars for 2019 are in the **NARTHEX**. One per family, please!