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*Inquirers and visitors are
always welcome!*

**With the blessings of the
Feasts!**

*As we approach the feast of the
Nativity of our Lord, God and Sav-
ior Jesus Christ the parish
clergy, their families and the Par-
ish Council wish everyone a
Blessed Feast and Nativity Sea-
son!*

✳ As we approach the end of the year, I would like to note that St. Panteleimon Church has been blessed recently with an *endowment of 500 shares of stock* from my brother and sister-in-law, **George and Dolly Manzuk** of Sts. Peter and Paul Church in Lakewood, Ohio. Our parish president, Nick Cavaligos, will manage this fund for us through our stock broker. St. Panteleimon Church thanks George and Dolly for their generous endowment and prays that God continues to bless them for their continued exemplary stewardship to the Church! ✳ The *new icons* of St. Panteleimon and St. John the Baptist, written and donated by *Arlene Tilghman* this year (with gold leaf for all of the icons donated by *Stephen Nemic*), that adorn our iconostas are truly spiritually outstanding and inspirational. Arlene is currently writing the icon of *St. Olga*; this addition to our iconostas will be dedicated to the memory of her mother, Olga Kozal, and for the continued well-being of Olga Nemic. We hope that by Pascha of 2012 Arlene will have completed both the new *plascchanitza* (the winding sheet of Christ's burial), which is being commissioned by *Dr. Aaron Stachowiak*, and a new icon of the *Mystical Supper* (above the Royal Doors) that is being donated by *Dr. Ron and Pat Svara*. In addition, the lettering for the new St. Panteleimon's sign above the external entrance door is currently being done by Fr. John Baker and should be ready for installation this coming spring. ✳ It is with much joy that I remind you that we were blessed this year with the birth in the parish of **Gabriel Scott Eggers** and the *baptisms* of Gabriel and of **Cecelia Boswell** - Many Years! ✳ In addition, our parish celebrated the *weddings* of **Vaseili Doukas/Karen Carreras** and **Andrei Davik/Linda McTaggart** - Many Years! (On Tuesday, December 6, the nationally televised CBS "Early Show" ran a segment on older couples who have met online that featured Andrei and Linda. The three-minute interview can be found at this link: http://www.cbs.com/daytime/the_early_show/video/?pid=8HHM0GyvuTnShPaPPT_IWQnhxD2yP0Tc.)

✳ With much sadness we offered our *final farewell* to our long-time and active member, our beloved **Helen Yarmoluk** and to **Helen Dubovik**, who maintained her membership here but lived for many years in Florida - Memory Eternal! While the elderly of our parish pass away in the Lord, God continues to send us new members to maintain the stability of our parish and His presence in Summit. Through the intercessions and presence of St. Panteleimon, whose relics are enshrined in our biographical icon of him, we are able to offer up our prayers for the health and healing of those in our community, of those whom we know and love, and of those who ask us to pray for them. (*St Panteleimon Church continues to hold a service for health, healing and well-being with the anointing of holy oil on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm, to which all are invited.*) We have been truly blessed by St. Panteleimon's intercessions with all the sickness and surgeries that our parish has experienced over the last few years. We ask your continued prayers for those of our parish who have been *recently hospitalized* for surgery *Fr. Anthony Spengler* (twice), *Pat Svara* (twice), *Vaseili Doukas*, *Linda Davik* and *Helen Hruban* (automobile accident) and are currently recuperating at home. ✳ Once

again the **Manzuk Family** cordially invites everyone to the rectory following the Nativity Divine Liturgy. We know that you all have a busy day planned, but we hope we may have a few minutes of your time to offer you our thanks for a most pleasant year. Please join us! ✳ Protodeacon Robert Northrup will be distributing the 2012 offering envelopes in the near future, and I would like to remind you that St. Panteleimon Church is obligated to pay a combined assessment (National, Diocesan and Parish Health Facilitator) of over \$200.00 for each parishioner. This obviously means that no personal donation goes for the upkeep and witness of your parish until after your assessments are covered. The Parish Council at St. Panteleimon Church will pay assessments only for those whose donations cover this cost. As the current fiscal year ends, the Council asks that you keep this in mind as you show your fair share support to your parish. ✳ *Fr. Myron* is soliciting listings (\$10.00 each) for our annual **Community Christmas Greetings Cards**. Each donor's name will be included in the greeting card, which will be sent out before Christmas to everyone on our parish mailing list. The subscription deadline is Tuesday, *December 20*.



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NATIVITY SEASON ♦ 2012

THE MONTHLY BULLETIN OF ST. PANTELEIMON ORTHODOX CHURCH

✳ The **Annual Christmas Season Dinner (Yolka)** will be held on Sunday, January 8, following the Divine Liturgy. The Summit VFW Post 6863 will once again cater the meal. Tickets are \$12.00 for Adults (\$20.00 at the door) and \$6.00 for Children. Please purchase your tickets early (*see James Tilghman*) and invite your family and friends to attend. (*Parishioners are requested to donate raffle items and to drop them off in the hall.*) ✳ Donations for Christmas **pointsettias** are now being accepted at the candle desk. ✳ Our appreciation to **Foran Funeral Home in Summit** for once again sponsoring the *Liturgical Wall Calendars*.

Calendar

(revised 12/17/11)

December

20 Tue 7:30 pm Parish Council Meeting
 24 Sat **EVE OF THE NATIVITY OF JESUS CHRIST** (strict fast)
 9:30 am Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom
 6:00 pm Christmas Eve Vigil (Great Vespers and Matins)

Christ is Born! Glorify Him!

25 Sun **THE NATIVITY ACCORDING TO THE FLESH OF OUR LORD, GOD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST**
 9:30am Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great
 Nativity Gathering at the Rectory in place of Coffee Hour
Fast Free – no fasting or kneeling until Theophany Eve

29 Thu 7:00 pm OCLife Chicago (St. Panteleimon Church)

- Service for Life
- Meeting

31 Sat 6:00 pm Great Vespers and Litiya

January

Happy New Year!

01 Sun **ST. BASIL THE GREAT, THE CIRCUMCISION OF OUR LORD AND CIVIL NEW YEAR**

9:30 pm Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great

05 Thu **THEOPHANY EVE** (strict fast)

9:30 am Vespers Liturgy of St. Basil the Great

7:30 pm Vigil (Great Compline and Matins)

06 Fri **THEOPHANY – THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD** (fast free day)

9:30 am Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom (Great Blessing of Water)

08 Sun 12 noon **Annual Christmas Season Yolka Dinner**

10 Tue 7:30 pm Service for the Sick (Anointing with Blessed Oil)

15 Sun 12:30 pm Sts. Peter and Paul Church Annual Greek Dinner
 Parthenon Restaurant (open to all)

22 Sun **Sanctity of Life Sunday**

6:00 pm 4th Annual Pan-Orthodox Sanctity of Life Sunday Service and Presentation - Holy Apostles Church in Westchester

25 Wed 7:30 pm Parish Council Meeting

26 Thu 6:30 pm Quad Churches Picnic Meeting and Committee Appreciation
 Dinner - St. Luke Church in Palos Hills

29 Sun **Panikhida Sunday**

February

01 Wed 7:30 pm Great Vespers with Litiya

MEETING OF OUR LORD IN THE TEMPLE

02 Thu 9:30 am Divine Liturgy (Blessing of Candles)

Sundays	9:15 am	Reading of the Hours
	9:30 am	Divine Liturgy
		Fellowship Hour
		& Church School
Saturdays	6:00 pm	Great Vespers
Feast Days	7:30 pm	Great Vespers
	9:30 am	Divine Liturgy
<i>Private confessions will be heard 1/2 hour before and after each service.</i>		

* On Sunday, January 15, 2012, Sts. Peter and Paul Church will once again be sponsoring a seven-course dinner at the **Parthenon Restaurant** located at 314 S. Halsted in Chicago at 1:30 P.M. Since the seating is limited, the tickets will be sold on a first-come, first served-basis. Free valet parking is available in front of the restaurant. See Karen Muzyka for tickets which are \$22.00 for adults. All funds generated by St. Panteleimon Church's participation will be donated to our church.

* *Matushka Susan* thanks those who supported the *Carson Pirie Scott's Fall Community Day Sale* and the *Gertrude Hawks Christmas fund-raiser*. The candy

has arrived for pick-up. We did order additional candy, to make our goal; and this candy is available for purchase. Thank you, once again, to *Matushka Susan* for her outstanding talent as a fund-raiser for the benefit of our parish. * St. Panteleimon's is continuing to participate in a printer and copier cartridge recycle program; each empty cartridge will yield as much as \$3.00 profit. So, if you can, please bring in those used cartridges from home or work and drop them off in the bin in the church vestibule. You can make a difference by recycling! * St. Panteleimon Church once again participated in the OCCA's **Foster Children Christmas Toy Drive**. OCCA has been the largest contributor to this Chicago Department of Children and Family Services project; providing toys to 16,000 children since it began participating in 1998. * *Sanctuary candles* continue to be offered in loving memory of the **Nylen/Keyko/Dunkovich family** by *Paula Sestito* on the first Sunday of each month. * Sunday, December 18, marks the second anniversary of our beloved **Archbishop Job's** death. A *memorial video* of his Eminence's life is available on line at: vimeo.com/30930039. * **Thank you** to *Duke Jovanovich*, a friend of our parish, who has been a great help this year with church yard-work. * **Thank you** to *Nick Cavaligos, Andrei Davik* and *Jim Tilghman* for completing the installation of all of the new windows in the church basement and to *Nick* and his friend, *Tony*, for tuck-pointing the deteriorating brick-work on the front church steps; avoiding a major future project. * **Thank you** to *Kenneth von Kluck*, who recently donated a dozen books on Russian Art to our church library in memory of his mother, *Anne Rosellini*. * **Congratulations** to *Bob Kott*, while recently driving by the Summit Park and Recreation Center I noticed Bob's name posted on their large electronic sign-board announcing a book-signing for his book on "Summit". In addition, in the Illinois State Archaeological Society : *Prairie Research Institutes* newly published book, "Bottled in Illinois: Embossed Bottles and Bottled Products of Early Illinois Merchants from Chicago to Cairo, 1840-1880"; Bob is referenced as one of the authorities in this little known field of archeology and research. The book includes over 3,000 figures and illustrations. * **Thank you** to *Mark Hruban* for putting together a delightful left-over's luncheon for our parish family with the remains from our annual roasted lamb dinner. * **Thank you** to *Nicholas* and *Joann Cavaligos* for preparing the church for the festal season. * **Congratulations** to *Arlene Tilghman* who delivered a talk this past month on "Icons: Windows to the Divine" at St. Nicholas Church in Joliet. * **Congratulation** to *Fr. Herman Kincaid* who has been appointed by His Grace, Bishop Matthias, as Dean of the Chicago Deanery. *Fr. Herman* replaces *Fr. Thomas Mueller*, who had been Dean for 24 years.

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