

### *Celebrating Theophany Every Day*

The Feast of Christ's Theophany (or Epiphany) is celebrated with great solemnity in the Byzantine Church. The word "theophany" means a divine "manifestation" or "revealing." Jesus of Nazareth - a carpenter - was revealed on the banks of the Jordan River to be the Son of God and the long-awaited Messiah - the "Christ." A voice came from the heavens that said, "This is My beloved Son, My favor rests on Him." (Matthew 3: 17)

Let us imagine ourselves standing on the banks of the River Jordan. We are witnessing the baptism of Jesus at the hands of Saint John the Baptist and the revelation of Jesus as God in the flesh. What a privilege that would have been!

Yet, God is revealed to us each and every

day. God manifests Himself to us not just on the banks of the River Jordan but at the bus stop, the grocery store, and in the work place. His image is within each of us. He is in our co-workers, our spouses, our children - even in our enemies.

The real challenge of Christian discipleship is to endeavor to see the image of Christ in all people and to allow them to see that same Godly image within us. The celebration of the Great Feast of Theophany is not a one-day occasion commemorating an event that took place some two thousand years ago. Rather, it is living, day-to-day, the conviction that God is within each human being, and that each human being ought to be treated as though he or she is the living image of Christ.

## SUNDAY BEFORE THE THEOPHANY/EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD



*Icon of the Theophany of Our Lord -- January 6th*

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Sunday – January 3, 2021

Христос Рождається! Славимо Його! ✱ Christ is born! Glorify Him!

Sunday Services will be Live Streamed at 9:00 AM and 11:30 AM

Platform: <https://www.facebook.com/holyfamilyshrine/>

OUR CHURCH IS OPEN FOR LITURGIES

<b>Sunday January 3</b> <b>9:00 a.m.</b> <b>11:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Sunday before Theophany</b> (+Helen Caldwell from Friend) (For the Parish)
<b>Wednesday January 6</b> <b>**6:00 p.m.**</b>	<b>Theophany Liturgy and Blessing of Water</b> <b>Also Service will be Live Streamed</b> <b>Platform: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/holyfamilyshrine/">https://www.facebook.com/holyfamilyshrine/</a></b> (For the Parish)
<b>Thursday January 7</b> <b>**10:30 a.m.**</b>	<b>Різдво Господа нашого Ісуса Христа</b> (+Jaroslaw Bodnaruk from Lesia)
<b>Friday January 8</b> <b>9:00 a.m.</b>	(+Wolodymyr Hetmansky from Family)
<b>Sunday January 10</b> <b>9:00 a.m.</b> <b>11:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Sunday after Theophany</b> (For the Parish) (+Fr. David Clooney from the Iwaskiw Family)

**ST. PHILIP’S FAST CHARITY PROJECT 2020**

Please bring a new unwrapped baby item to donate to the Front Royal Pregnancy Center. We invite everyone to purchase and donate **NEW, UNOPENED BABY ITEMS**. The pregnancy center will accept anything that could be used by babies and mothers, including bottles, clothing, strollers, car seats, “pack and plays,” and knitted hats and jackets. But the following items are especially needed:• Diapers (Sizes: Newborn, 4, and 5)• Baby Formula Similac Sensitive Powder Formula (8 or 12 oz. cans) Similac Pro-Advance Powdered Formula (8 or 12 oz. cans) Maternity Clothes Pants and Skirts (Sizes: L and XL) Dresses (Sizes: S, M, L, and XL) **PLEASE PLACE YOUR DONATIONS IN THE CHURCH VESTIBULE NO LATER THAN JANUARY 10, 2021**

**Prayer List**

Our prayer list of the sick or elderly and friends of our parish: **Theresa Aranda, Liana Arnold, Fr. Frank Avant, Susan Avant, Charles Belanger, Barbara Blendy, Bluey Family, Yevhenia Borys, Taisia Bullard, Michele Burns, Mary Connors, Jack Davis, Darlene Dossick, Solomia Dutkewych, Ruth Fedack, Bernard F, Damian Fedoryka, Frank Fisanich, Lilian Garland, Thomas Gutmann, H.H., Josie Hacker, Catherine Hetmansky, 1LT Catherine Hetmansky Hayes (Active Duty Iraq), Julia Hetmansky, Bernadell Rita Higgins, Daniel Horeczko, Nila Iwaskiw, Kateryna Jurach, Oksana K, Sarah Kelt, Dorothy Kozmoski, Suzanne Krumpelman, Fr. Mykhailo Kuzma, Michael Joseph Little, Michele Pretka Litvar, Yaroslava L., Mufada and Family, Sallie Miller, John Moeller, Deborah Pickering, Alexandra Pohorecka, Ron#119, Michael Joseph Radigan, Roman Rusynko, James Salandro, Maria Sawkiw, Lisa Schaible, Christopher Sell, Shliakhta Bogdana, Shliakhta Mark, Shliakhta Andrew, Gerald Stasko, Timothy Stock, Lindsey Sydnor, Thomas Sydnor, Helen Lefcheck Torre, Jarrelyn Trusen, Cindy Turchek, Lisa Pretka Turner, Gloria and Luis Vega, Jennifer Wilson, Michael Zabych.** 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.