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THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD Thursday, December 24 & Friday, December 25, 2020



HOLY LITURGIES DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON:

Christmas Eve, Thursday, December 24th, 4:30 PM
Christmas Day, Friday, December 25th, 11:00 AM
Saturday, December 26th, 4:30 PM
Sunday, December 27th, 11:00 AM
New Year's Eve, Thursday, December 31st, 4:30 PM
New Year's Day, Friday, January 1st, 11:00 AM

Please continue to pray for our convalescing friends, including Maggy Atallah, Jean Benoit, Nadia Casab, Jeanette Farewege, John & Nancy Gazzal, Daniel Klockowski, Rose Pawlinga, Brian Sagrestano, and Karen Zalatan. Please notify Fr. Shofany in case of illness.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS FOR DEC 19-23. THANK YOU!

Weekly Collection Dec 19/20: \$ 563.00 Fuel Donations: \$ 300.00

Christmas Flowers Donations: \$ 115.00 Christmas Donations: \$ 100.00

Memorial Mass Offerings: \$ 10.00 Contribution from The Russo Family: \$ 200.00

† MEMORIAL MASSES †

CHRISTMAS EVE, DECEMBER 24

- † Eugene Hutchinson, By Remza Abbadessa
- † Julia Nassimos, By Richard & Joanne Tehan
- † Julia Nassimos, By Mary Angela Fiorentino
- † Raymond & Bahia Chanatry and their deceased Children, By Doris Hutchinson & Family

CHRISTMAS DAY, DECEMBER 25

- † Eugene Hutchinson, By Remza Abbadessa
- † Julia Nassimos, By Janet Martin Agosto

NEXT SATURDAY, DECEMBER 26

- † Eugene Hutchinson, By Remza Abbadessa
- † Julia Nassimos, By Janet Martin Agosto

NEXT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27

- † Eugene Hutchinson, By Olga Hutchinson Byrne & Family
- † Julia Nassimos, By Janet Martin Agosto



TAX DEDUCTIBLE WAYS TO HELP YOUR MELKITE CHURCH

The Bishop's Appeal: As we prepare our hearts and our homes to receive the greatest gift in human history - the Nativity of Christ our God - let us not forget our Melkite Church by which Christ comes to our families and loved ones. Support all the vital works of our Church in America, and for our suffering brothers and sisters.

Remember the Melkite Church in Your Will: Please consider giving the lasting gift of the Melkite Faith to your children's children to help ensure that our beautiful Melkite heritage continues to flourish for generations to come. Simply add the following statement to your last will and testament:

I hereby bequeath to the Melkite Eparchy of Newton the following sum \$______. Contact Bishop Samra personally to inform him of your generous bequest at 3 VFW Parkway, West Roxbury MA 02132.

Sincere acknowledgment to the following parishioners for their monetary donations: (1) Angela Elefante, (2) Michael & Virginia Lynch in memory of Joseph & Rose Reesh, Georgia Reesh Lindfield, (3) Michelle Roth in memory of Doris & Louis Zalatan, Anthony Zalatan, Ed & Marjory Roth; (4) Mary Nassimos, in memory of Carmen & Sophia Nassimos, Julia Nassimos, and in honor of Fr. Saba Shofany. Thank you and many blessings.

The ear that listens to life-giving reproof will dwell among the wise. Whoever ignores instruction despises himself, but he who listens to reproof gains intelligence. The fear of the LORD is instruction in wisdom, and humility comes before honor. (Proverbs 15:31-33)

Dear Brothers and Sisters.

Beloved ones let us Praise the Lord, for great is his steadfast love toward us. He born of a woman, born under the Law, so that He might redeem those who were under the Law, that we might receive the adoption as sons and endure his true light, which gives peace, love faith hope and joy to every soul.

May every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning." Be upon you all our beloved parishioners.

"And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God." - Luke 2:13 "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." - Luke 2:14

Fr. Saba Shofany & Family The Parish Advisory Council