

✠ ANNOUNCEMENTS ✠

- **The Nativity Fast** began **Nov 15th** and goes through **Christmas Eve**.
- 2025 OCA Calendars have arrived from St. Tikhon's Seminary Press. Fr. Aaron will distribute them at Fellowship, one per family. (extras available thereafter).
- There will be a huddle **today** to discuss the winter Adult Ed for those interested.
- Our Yolka Pageant will be performed during Coffee Hour on **Dec. 22nd**.
- Nativity Services this year: Royal Hours on Mon. **Dec. 23rd** at 8:30am, Nativity Vigil Tues. **Dec 24th** at 7pm, Nativity Divine Liturgy Wed. **Dec. 25th** 9:30am.
- Pledge forms for **2025** are in mailboxes, please return to Erin Haywood by Dec 22. Additionally, Ministry Leaders should send budget proposals to Jared.
- Donate to our parish online via PayPal (QR links below). We also pass around a collection plate shortly after the Sermon each Sunday.



Regular Giving —>



Designated Giving —>

December Birthdays:

Elena Russin(12/6); Ashley Mohler(12/14); Aleksy Russin(12/21);
Eric Eisenmann(12/22); Scott Condo(12/22); Anna Kisha(12/23);
Alexis Boston (12/24); Steve Demmer(12/27); Brenton Kiser(12/30)
Fr. Aaron Rutz(12/31)

Father's Wishlist

Incense for the various Feasts of the Church Year: \$225
Proskomedia Cutting Board w/ Cross Inlay \$200
New Cameras to allow video streaming of Divine Services \$1250

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

READERS.

Dec 15: Byzantine **Matins**
(Epistle) Shawn
Dec 22: (Hours) Seth, Alex B.
(Epistle) Rdr. Theophan

PROSPHORA BAKERS.

Please bake again by Dec 29

COFFEE HOUR

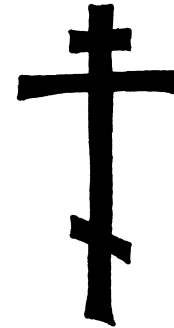
Dec 15: Hookway, Frischkorn,
Burock, Fedorko
Dec 22: Landis, Watson, Genshaw,
Moore Huba

TITHE COUNTERS

Dec 15: Jeff, Pete
Dec 22: Andrea, Mel

HOLY ASSUMPTION

Orthodox Church in America
Diocese of the Midwest



December 15th,
2024

25th Sunday
after Pentecost,
Tone 8

Sunday
of
The Forefathers

To know and love Christ, sharing His love with others.

UPCOMING SERVICES

Wednesday: Daily Vespers, 6:30pm
Saturday: Great Vespers, 5pm
Sunday: Divine Liturgy, 9:30am

Visitors, We sincerely welcome you. Please know that Orthodox practice for receiving Holy Communion is that only those who are confessing Orthodox Christians who have prepared themselves with prayer, fasting since midnight, and a recent confession come to receive from the Chalice. If you have any questions, please speak with one of our greeters, or with Fr. Aaron after the service. Contact Fr Aaron during the week at fraaronrutz@gmail.com, or 234-257-9725. Please call, text, or email Fr. Aaron for all parish needs.

TROPARIA AND KONTAKIA

Tone 8 Troparion *(Resurrection)*

You descended from on high, O Merciful One!
You accepted the three day burial to free us from our sufferings!
O Lord, our Life and Resurrection, glory to You!

Tone 2 Troparion *(Forefathers)*

Through faith You justified the Forefathers,
betrothing through them the Church of the gentiles.
These saints exult in glory,
for from their seed came forth a glorious fruit:
she who bore You without seed.
So by their prayers, O Christ God, have mercy on us!

Tone 6 Kontakion *(Forefathers)*

You did not worship the graven image,
O thrice-blessed ones,
but armed with the immaterial Essence of God,
you were glorified in a trial by fire.
From the midst of unbearable flames you called on God, crying:
“Hasten, O compassionate One!
Speedily come to our aid,
for You are merciful and able to do as You will!”

FOR OUR EDIFICATION

“We were made for good works to the glory and praise of our Maker,

and to imitate God as far as might be.”

+ St. Gregory the Theologian

PRAYER REQUESTS

	Sam
Archbishop Peter (newly departed)	Kathy
Raymond (departed)	Stacey
Bishop Matthias (departed)	Treva
Stefani (departed)	Frederick
Theodore (departed)	Tammi
Rdr. Brendan (departed)	Phil
Charles & Joanne (departed)	Fr. Jan and St. Theodosius Community
Archbishop Paul (departed)	Vasilike
Fr. Stacey (departed)	Archimandrite Joseph
Jason (departed)	Mary
Betty (departed)	Catherine, Grahame and Unborn Child
	Erin, Paul and Unborn Child
	Gabriella, Shawn and Unborn Child
	Eleni
	Aaron, Jasmine and Anastasia
	Fr. Andrew
	Hamze