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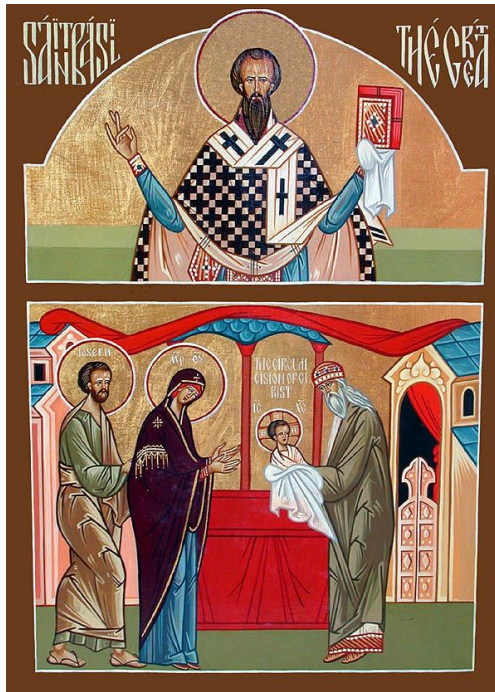
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**Sunday, January 1, 2022**

**Orthros & Divine Liturgy, 8:30am**

**St. Basil the Great • Naming & Circumcision of our Lord Jesus Christ**



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**Troparion of the Resurrection (Tone 4):** Having learned the joyful message of the resurrection from the angel, the women disciples of the Lord cast from them their parental condemnation, and proudly broke the news to the disciples, saying: ‘Death hath been spoiled! Christ God is risen, granting the world great mercy!’

**Troparion for the Circumcision (Tone 1):** Our human form hast Thou taken on Thyself without change, O greatly-compassionate Master! Though being God by nature, fulfilling the Law, Thou willingly received circumcision in the flesh, that Thou might end the shadow and roll away the veil of our sinful passions. Glory be to Thy goodness unto us! Glory be to Thy compassion! Glory, O Word, to Thine inexpressible condescension!

**Troparion for St. Basil (Tone 1):** Thy sound hath gone forth into all the earth, which hath received thy word. Thereby thou hast divinely taught the Faith; thou hast made manifest the nature of all things that be; thou hast adorned the ways of man. O namesake of the royal priesthood, our righteous Father Basil, intercede with Christ God that our souls be saved.

**Troparion for the Circumcision (Tone 3):** Now the Lord of all that is doth undergo circumcision, in His goodness cutting off the sins and failings of mortals. He this day doth give salvation unto the whole world; and the hierarch and bright daystar of the Creator now rejoiceth in the highest, Basil the wise and divine initiate of Christ.

**Troparion of All Saints (Tone 4):** Adorned in the blood of Thy martyrs, throughout all the world as in purple and fine linen, Thy Church through them doth cry unto Thee, O Christ God: Send down Thy compassion upon Thy people; grant peace to Thy habitation and great mercy to our souls.

## THE EPISTLE

My mouth shall speak of wisdom; and the meditation of my heart shall be of understanding. Hear this, all ye people.

### The reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Colossians (2:8-12)

Brethren, see to it that no one makes a prey of you by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not

according to Christ. For in Him the whole fullness of the Godhead dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness of life in Him, who is the head of all rule and authority. In Him also you were circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of flesh in the circumcision of Christ. And you were buried with Him in baptism, in which you were also raised with Him through faith in the working of God, who raised Him from the dead.

## **THE GOSPEL**

### **The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke (2:20-21, 40-52)**

And it came to pass that the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

And at the end of eight days, when He was circumcised, He was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before He was conceived in the womb. And the child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon Him.

Now His parents went to Jerusalem every year at the feast of the Passover. And when He was twelve years old, they went up according to custom; and when the feast was ended, as they were returning, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents did not know it, but supposing Him to be in the company they went a day's journey, and they sought Him among their kinsfolk and acquaintances; and when they did not find Him, they returned to Jerusalem, seeking Him. After three days they found Him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions; and all who heard Him were amazed at His understanding and His answers. And when they saw Him they were astonished; and His mother said to Him, "Son, why hast Thou treated us so? Behold, Thy father and I have been looking for Thee anxiously." And Jesus said to them, "How is it that you sought me? Did you not know that I must be in My Father's house?" And they did not understand the saying which He spoke to them. And He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and His mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom and in stature, and in favor with God and man.

# **:: CHRIST IS BORN! GLORIFY HIM! ::**

**BY THE MERCY OF THE ALMIGHTY GOD**

**JOHN X**

**Patriarch of Antioch and All the East**

My brothers, shepherds of the Holy Church of Antioch

My sons and daughters, wherever present in this Holy See,

"Glorify, my soul, the king born in a cave." The hymnologist addresses himself and the soul of each of us in this splendid season, the season of the Nativity of Christ. It is a call to every soul to contemplate the greatness of a Heavenly King who preferred the coldness of the cave to the lavish couches of kings. He is the unique King. The king Who despised earthly kingdoms and preferred the kingdom of the human soul, which He adored and loved and invited to His glory chamber as a glorious bride gazing at the groom of souls sending out light to the East.

Christ comes to His beloved world from the manger of love. From the darkness of the cave, He appears, sending a glimmer of hope to hearts hoping for the peace of the Lord of creation. From Bethlehem, the Lord of peace and the God of mercies has come to spread His solace in the hearts of this floundering humanity. To the melody of angelic glorification, the Lord of Peace comes forth, receiving gifts from the Magi, the gifts of humanity: pure gold because He is king, frankincense because He is God, and myrrh to symbolize the suffering of death. He meets that child with meekness and humility, knocking on the door of the cave of the heart. He had previously knocked on the door of the cave of the heart of Mary, His mother, with the tongue of His angel Gabriel, at the Annunciation, when the pure Virgin Lady accepted the call of her Lord and said: "Behold, I am the servant of the Lord."

We are in front of a king knocking on the door of the cave of our soul, which He only invades by the power of His love. He knocks, we hear. When knocking, He respects our will to accept or reject. He knocks humbly and asks us to exchange love for Him with full freedom, for without freedom, love would not be upright, but rather would lead to slavery that distorts the Divine image. We are in front of a King Who wanted and founded His kingdom in the soul, an internal kingdom. We are in front of a King who made His

kingdom from hearts that wanted Him. We are in front of a King Who preferred the temple of human beings to the temple of stone.

We offer our prayers to this King, pleading with Him to have mercy on the humanity that He loved. We ask Him to instill peace in hearts and silence the noise of wars with the power of His silence. The wandering humanity longs for Your peace, O child of the cave, and longs for Your silence, O Christ Crucified by human desires. With the Virgin Mother, we plead from the purity of your eyes, a consolation that soothes the heart of every sufferer, and we implore You to wound our souls with the sword of your mercies.

We pray for the peace of the whole world. We pray for this East. We pray for Syria, for Lebanon, and for Palestine. We pray for our two brothers, the Metropolitans of Aleppo, Youhanna Ibrahim and Boulos Yazigi, whose case is entering its first decade amid deplorable and reprehensible international silence. We pray for those who are afflicted by the hardships of this life and for our late brothers.

Many blessed returns to our children in the homeland and abroad. May God bestow upon you and the whole world days filled with blessings and lights from the Father of Lights. To him be glory and exaltation forever, Amen.

# Announcements and Upcoming Events

*For a full calendar of events and services at All Saints, see our website [www.allsaintsorthodox.org](http://www.allsaintsorthodox.org)*

Today:

- **Chrismations** of Santiago, Reba, and Cecelia Fajardo; **baptism & chrismation** of Solomon Fajardo. May God grant them many years!

This week at All Saints:

- Confession, anointing, and any other pastoral blessings are available after each posted service or by appointment.
- **Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Jan. 3-5:** Royal Hours for Theophany, 9am
- **Thursday, Jan. 5:** Theophany Divine Liturgy & Blessing of the Waters, 7pm.
- **Friday, Jan. 6:** Theophany Orthros (Matins), 9am.
- **Saturday, Jan. 7:** Vespers, 7pm.
- **Sunday, Jan. 8:** Matins and Divine Liturgy, beginning at 8:30am.

**MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!** The Kishler family would like to thank all of you for your cards, gifts, and warm Christmas greetings. We are grateful for your love, support, and kindness. May we all continue to grow together in God's love this holy season and throughout the new year!

**THEOPHANY & HOME BLESSINGS:** We will celebrate **Theophany Divine Liturgy and the Blessing of the Waters on Thursday, Jan. 5, beginning at 7pm.** Festal Matins will be Friday, Jan. 6 at 9am. Please contact Fr. Andrew or Fr. Pat to schedule your house blessing!

**CHURCH SCHOOL** for children and adults will resume Sunday, January 15.

# Volunteer Schedule

Date	Reader	Prospora	Greeter	Coffee	Food
Sun, Jan 1	Doug J	Sandy A	Sandy A	Zach C	A-F
Thurs Jan 5 <i>Theophany</i>	Jim K	Debbie K	Azizeh C	n/a	n/a
Sun, Jan 8	Paul K	Pat K	Nancy L	Lydia A	G-K
Sun, Jan 15	Jason L	Domitille	JoAnne T	Domitille	L-P
Sun, Jan 22	Joseph L	Cristina P	Domitille	Alina S	R-Z
Sun, Jan 29	Richard C	Dn Walid	Sandy A	Zach C	A-F

***For Sunday coffee hour, the church has been divided into four parts alphabetically (A-F, G-K, L-P, and R-Z). On your assigned week, please bring something simple to share with everyone for coffee hour.***

*If you have children, please monitor them as they go through the coffee hour line, and help them clean up after themselves.*

***Weekly clean-up will be the responsibility of those providing coffee hour. And of course, things go faster when we all pitch in and help!***



# DAILY BIBLE READINGS

JANUARY 1-7, 2022

ADAPTED FROM THE  
LECTIONARY OF THE THEOPHANY SERVICES

**Sunday, January 1: St. Basil the Great & the Circumcision of our Lord**

Genesis 17:1-14 / Proverbs 8:22-30 / Proverbs 10:31-11:12

John 20:1-10 / Colossians 2:8-12 / Luke 2:20-21

**Monday, Jan. 2: St. Seraphim, wonder-worker of Sarov**

Joshua 3:6-17 / Acts 13:25-33 / Matthew 3:1-17

**Tuesday, Jan. 3: Holy Prophet Malachi; Genevieve of Paris**

4 Kingdoms 2:6-14 / Acts 19:1-8 / Mark 1:1-11

**Wednesday, Jan. 4: Synaxis of the 70 Holy Apostles**

4 Kingdoms 5:1, 9-14 / Romans 6:3-11 / Luke 3:1-22

**Thursday, Jan. 5: Holy Martyrs Theopemptus and Theonas**

Isaiah 49:8-15 / Titus 2:11-15, 3:4-7 / John 1:19-34

**Friday, Jan. 6: Theophany of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ**

Isaiah 1:16-20 / Genesis 32:1-10 / Exodus 2:5-10

Judges 6:36-40 / 3 Kingdoms 18:30-39 / 4 Kingdoms 2:19-22

Titus 2:11-15, 3:4-7 / Matthew 3:13-17

*At the Water Blessing:* Isaiah 35:1-10 / Isaiah 55:1-13 / Isaiah 12:3-6

1 Corinthians 10:1-4 / Mark 1:9-11

**Saturday, Jan. 7: St. John the Baptist & Forerunner**

Ephesians 6:10-17 / Matthew 4:1-11

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