

**ST. JACOB OF ALASKA ORTHODOX CHURCH**

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**January 6, 2008**

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Sunday, January 6. **32<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 7. THE HOLY THEOPHANY OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST.** Ven. Macarius of Mt. Athos (1431).

Divine Liturgy of St. Basil , 9:30am.

*Epistle: Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7*      *Gospel: Mt: 3:13-17.*

Great Blessing of Waters

Wednesday, January 9. St. Gregory, Bishop of Nyssa (4th c.).

Reader's Daily Vespers, 5:30pm, followed by a light meal and Study on the Lord's Prayer.

Saturday, January 12.

Great Vespers of the Resurrection , 5pm.

Sunday, January 13. **33<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 8.** Sunday After the Theophany. Afterfeast of the Theophany. Martyrs Hermylus and Stratonicus of Belgrade (ca. 315). Ven. Irenarchus, Recluse, of Rostov (1616). Ven. Eleazar of Anzersk Island (Solovki—1656). Martyr Peter of Anium, at Hieropolis (309-310). St. James (Jacob), Bishop of Nisibis (350). St. Hilary, Bishop of Poitiers (4th c.). Ven. Maximus Kavsokalyvites (Mt. Athos— 1320).

3<sup>rd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Hours, 9:10am.

Divine Liturgy of St. Basil , 9:30am.

*Epistle: Eph 4:7-13*      *Gospel: Mt: 12:4-17.*

Parish Council Meeting

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**Theophany and House Blessings**

Today we celebrate The Theophany of our Lord God and Savior Jesus Christ. This great feast completes the Church's understanding of the Incarnation celebrated at Nativity: the worship of the Trinity truly becomes manifest in the baptism of our Lord.

**Troparion - Tone 1**

When You, O Lord were baptized in the Jordan  
The worship of the Trinity was made manifest  
For the voice of the Father bore witness to You  
And called You His beloved Son.

And the Spirit, in the form of a dove,  
Confirmed the truthfulness of His word.  
O Christ, our God, You have revealed Yourself  
And have enlightened the world, glory to You!

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**House Blessings**

In Theophany, all the world is transformed by the blessed waters of Jordan; thus it is the season for the offering of our homes to God for His transformation of them. *Please contact Fr. Caleb to set up a time to have your home blessed.*

After coffee hour today, all are invited to the Konkle's home for its blessing and some light refreshments.

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**Study on The Lord's Prayer**

Deacon John will lead a study on the Lord's Prayer on consecutive Wednesdays, Jan 9 – Feb 13 (1/23 excluded) following daily vespers and a light meal. The study begins about 6:30pm and ends by 8pm.

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**Parish Council Meeting**

The Parish Council will meet next Sunday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, after coffee hour. All are welcome to attend.

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**Parents' Support Group**

The parenting support group will meet at the Abetti's home on Sunday January 13<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm. All are welcome and encouraged to come and contribute: parents, grandparents, non-parents, young and non-so-young. Baby-sitting will be available; please bring a dish for a potluck meal.

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**Parish Finances, (Sept 07 – Dec 07)**

Budget: \$18,477

General Offerings: \$16,098

Thank you for your generous contributions!

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**Important Dates**

Feb 2 Sat      The Meeting (Entry) of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ in the Temple  
Mar 9 Sun      Forgiveness Sunday  
Apr 27 Sun      Pascha