

POINSETTIAS
Given to the Glory of God by:

Michael and Anna Stickle

*In thanksgiving for our parish family.
In memory of Mary Anne Stickle, beloved
mother.*

The Leathers Family

*In thanksgiving for all HTOC parishioners
past and present
In memory of Innocent*

Jesse Torbic and Nick Quinting

*In memory of grandma Mka. Joy and
Grandma Lauretta.*

Irina Mikaelian

In memory of my mother Galina

Carol Supko

*In memory of Paul Supko, Wassel and
Helen Supko, and John and Clara Mick*

The Mirandas

In memory of Agnes and Adriana

Andrea Locke

In memory of James Locke

The Pelikan Family

*In thanksgiving of all the blessings given
to us.
In memory of our parents.*

Anonymous

*In thanksgiving for all the children and parents
of our parish*

Svetlana Khapilina

*In thanksgiving to Fr. Andronikus
In memory of Father John and family
grandparents.*

Anthony and Julie Cassar

In honor of the Masterson Family

Rev. Fr. and Mka. Ignatius Hunter

*In memory of Archbishop David, Fr. Dan
Ressetar, Fr. Eugene Pianovich, Wayne
Hepler, and Margaret Dawes*

The Fedkin Family

*In thanksgiving for the health of parents and
family*

Mark and Leslyn Radomsky

*In memory of George and Dorothy Radomsky
In memory of Harold and Sarah Mortimer*

Kathy Deck

In memory of Greg Heny

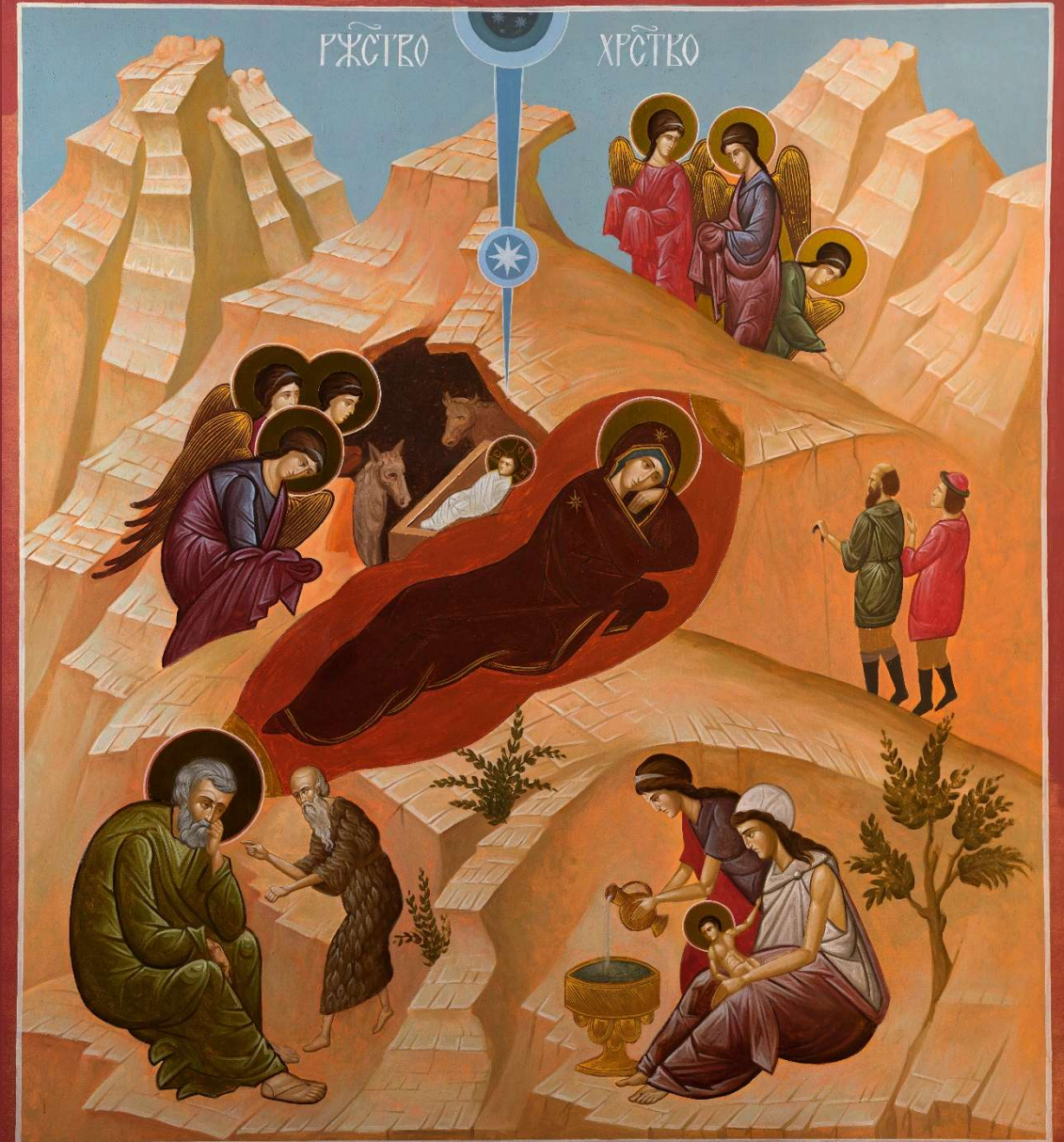
The Miller Family

*In memory of Steve Miller & Aleksander
Stryuchkov*

Holy Trinity Clergy and Staff

*In thanksgiving for all the faithful here gathered
Christ is Born! Glorify Him!*

CHRIST IS BORN!



GLORIFY HIM!

NATIVITY OF OUR LORD – December 25, 2023

ANTIPHONS

First Antiphon (Psalm 111)

I will give thanks to Thee, O Lord, with my whole heart; I will make all Thy wonders known.

Refrain: Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

In the company of the upright, in the congregation, great are the works of the Lord! *(Refrain)*

They are studied by all who have pleasure in them. *(Refrain)*

His work is glory and beauty, and His righteousness endures forever. *(Refrain)*

Glory... Now and ever... (Refrain)

Second Antiphon (Psalm 112)

Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who greatly delights in His commandments!

Refrain: O Son of God born of the Virgin, save us who sing to Thee: Alleluia!

His descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed! *(Refrain)*

Glory and wealth are in His house, and His righteousness endures forever! *(Refrain)*

Light rises in the darkness for the upright! The Lord is merciful, compassionate and righteous! *(Refrain)*

Glory... Now and ever... Only-begotten Son...

Third Antiphon (Psalm 110)

The Lord said to my Lord: "Sit at my right hand!"

TROPARIA

Nativity Troparion

Thy Nativity, O Christ our God, has shown to the world the light of wisdom! For by it, those who worshiped the stars, were taught by a star to adore Thee, the Sun of Righteousness, and to know Thee, the Orient from on high, O Lord, Glory to Thee!

"Until I make thine enemies Thy footstool!"

Repeat Nativity Troparion

The Lord sends forth from Zion Thy mighty scepter. Rule in the midst of Thy foes.

Repeat Nativity Troparion

Authority shall be with Thee on the day of Thy power, among the splendor of Thy holy ones!

Repeat Nativity Troparion

Introit of the Little Entrance

Out of the womb, before the morning star, have I begotten Thee! The Lord has sworn and will not change His mind. Thou art a priest forever in the order of Melchizedek.

Repeat Nativity Troparion

Glory... Now and ever...

Kontakion

Today the Virgin gives birth to the Transcendent One, and the earth offers a cave to the Unapproachable One! Angels with shepherds glorify Him! The wise men journey with the star, since for our sake the eternal God was born as a Little Child!

CHRIST IS BORN! GLORIFY HIM!

HYMN OF VENERATION

Instead of "Holy God...", we sing:

As many as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. Alleluia!

PROKEIMENON

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Let all the earth worship Thee and praise Thee! Let it praise Thy Name, O Most High!

READINGS

The Epistle

Galatians 4:4-7

The Gospel

Matthew 2:1-12

HYMN TO THE THEOTOKOS

Instead of "It Is Truly Meet...", we sing:

Magnify, O my soul, the most-pure Virgin Theotokos, more honorable and more glorious than the heavenly hosts!

I behold a strange, most glorious mystery! Heaven the cave! The Cherubic Throne the Virgin! The manger the place where Christ lay, the uncontainable God whom we magnify in song.

COMMUNION HYMN

The Lord has sent redemption to His people! *Alleluia...*

NEW YEAR OPEN HOUSE

On New Year's Day, Deacon Mark, Matushka Kelly, and their children will be hosting an Open House from 2pm-5pm. Everyone is welcome to join together in fellowship and love as we begin the New Year. Their address is 125 Wilderness Ln, Port Matilda

WELCOME!

We are delighted to have you worship with us, and we pray that you will be blessed through your participation in our services today!

- Help us keep in touch with you by filling out one of the connection cards in the Narthex (vestibule).
- If you are interested in learning more about the Orthodox Faith, please visit our website; information can also be found in the Narthex. Feel free to contact us with any questions! (See bottom of bulletin for contact info.)
- Please note that only those united to the Orthodox Church through Baptism, Chrismation, regular Confession, prayer, and fasting may partake of Holy Communion.

WISDOM FROM THE FAITH

Today He who holds the whole creation in His hand is born of a virgin. He whose essence none can touch is bound in swaddling-clothes as a mortal man. God, who in the beginning fashioned the heavens, lies in a manger. He who rained manna on His people in the wilderness is fed on milk from His mother's breast. The Bridegroom of the Church summons the wise men; the Son of the virgin accepts their gifts.

We worship Thy birth, O Christ.

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Show us also Thy Holy Theophany!

His Eminence Melchisedek, Archbishop of Pittsburgh and Western Pennsylvania

Father Ignatius Hunter, Rector

Protodeacon Mark Oleynik, Director of Christian Ed.

Father David Smith, Associate Rector and

Priest-in-Charge, Chapel of the Holy Spirit

Sundays: Divine Liturgy, 10am

Saturdays: Great Vespers, 6pm

Wednesdays: Vespers, 6pm

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