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January 11, 2009

Ven. Theodosius the Great *Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom*

METROPOLITAN JONAH,

ARCHBISHOP OF WASHINGTON & NEW YORK

V. Rev. Constantine White, Dean

Rev. Valery Shemchuk, Associate Pastor

Sunday Lessons

Next Week – Tone 6: 1 Tim. 1:15-17,
Matt. 15:21-28

Schedule of Services

Wednesday	14 Jan	9am	Liturgy of St Basil Circumcision of our Lord (S) (OC)
		5pm	Vigil (E,S)
Sunday	18 Jan	9am	Liturgy (E)
		10:45 am	Liturgy (S,G)
		1pm	Prayer Service (G)
Wednesday	21 Jan	7pm	Vespers Sanctity of Life (E)

E=English, S=Slavonic, G=Georgian

General Confession in English is held on the first and third Saturdays of the month.

General confession in Russian is held on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month.

Sponsorship of the Bulletin: If you are interested in sponsoring the Sunday Bulletin, please contact the church office, (202)-333-5060, ext.10, for the dates you want. Immediate payment is not required, but advance reservations are needed. The donation is \$20 a week; \$80 a month (English); \$15 a week; \$60 a month (Russian). **Sponsors for the Russian bulletin are greatly needed!**

To place a notice in the church bulletin: Call the church office and leave a message - press 10 at menu, or e-mail the church at office@stnicholasdc.org. Notices must be submitted no later than **Wednesday** for the following Sunday.

...those who have given their lives for their homeland..." Memory Eternal.

St. Nicholas Cathedral – the National War Memorial Shrine

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**This week's bulletin is sponsored by Rich Smith in loving memory of his parents,
Barbara and Gordon Smith. May their memory be eternal!**

Work on the campaign for the church expansion.

Six teams of parishioners have been meeting in the evenings and on weekends to review the current list of parishioners for accuracy, and data entry work to organize this data has begun. Katya Haines is chairing the Communications subcommittee, and hopes to have something in each week's bulletin to keep you all up to date on the progress of the campaign. She invites you all to contact her with any questions or ideas regarding PR or communications for this project. Her email address is khaines@novell.com, and her telephone number is (703) 283-0796. She also welcomes the help of anyone who has experience in, and is interested in helping with, the design of the web site.

This week's collection is comprised of two parts: \$3,898.00 in funds deposited on December 31 and \$6,288.00 in general funds collected on January 4.

St. Nicholas Community Outreach: This Sunday our parish members are serving dinner at Christ House, a shelter for homeless men in the Adams Morgan area of DC. We have made a commitment with Christ House to serve the noon time meal every second Sunday of each month. This Sunday the servers are: Lola Lee Beno, Bruce Beno (Christ House coordinator: Olga Zoltan, ozoltan@hotmail.com).

The monthly meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Thursday, January 15, at 7:00 in the Church Annex. All are welcome to attend.

The monthly meeting of the Nation's Capital "R" Club will take place in the Church Hall on Tuesday, January 27, at 7:00 p.m. All are invited to attend. Preparation for the District Bowling Tournament, among other things, will be discussed.

Coffee Hour Hosts:

18 January	Sharon Osmolovsky	25 January	Bill and Lidia Kosar
1 February	Irina Bergener	8 February	Catherine Vangellow
15 February	Steve & Jo Lu Terrell	22 February	Bruce and Lola Beno

The Orthodox Church in America has designated the Sunday before January 22, the annual date for the March for Life, as '**Sanctity of Life Sunday.**'

On the evening of Wednesday, January 21, 2008, Metropolitan Jonah will celebrate Vespers at St. Nicholas Cathedral, Washington, DC, at 7:00 PM. On Thursday, January 22, 2009, His Beatitude, Metropolitan Jonah will join Orthodox Christian clergy and faithful from across America for the 36th annual March for Life in Washington, DC. His Beatitude will take part in the March and will be one of the first religious leaders to give a message at the rally on Capitol Hill. That evening, Metropolitan Jonah will give the invocation at the March for Life's annual Rose Dinner at the Hyatt Regency Washington.

Troparia (Tone 5): Let us, the faithful, praise and worship the Word, coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born for our salvation from the Virgin; for He willed to be lifted up on the Cross in the flesh, to endure death, and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

Theophany (Tone 1): When Thou, O Lord, wast baptized in the Jordan, the worship of the Trinity was made manifest! For the voice of the Father bare witness to Thee, and called Thee His beloved Son! And the Spirit, in the form of a dove, confirmed the truthfulness of His word. O Christ our God, who hast revealed Thyself and hast enlightened the world, glory to thee!

Glory to the Father & to the Son & to the Holy Spirit...

Kontakion (Tone 5): Thou didst descend into hell, O my Savior, shattering its gates as Almighty; resurrecting the dead as Creator, and destroying the sting of death. Thou hast delivered Adam from the curse, O Lover of Man, and we all cry to Thee: O Lord, save us!

Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen

Kontakion (Tone 4): Today Thou hast appeared to the universe, and Thy light, O Lord, has shone on us, who with understanding praise Thee: Thou hast come and revealed Thyself, O Light Unapproachable!

Sunday After Theophany Prokeimenon (Tone 1): Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set out hope on Thee. Verse: Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the just.

Epistle: Ephesians 4: 7-13: Brethren: To each one of us grace was given according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore he says: "When He ascended on high, He led captivity captive, and gave gifts to men." Now this, "He ascended" – what does it mean but that He also first descended into the lowest parts of the earth? He who descended is also the One who ascended far above all the heavens, that He might fill all things.) And He himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ, till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to be a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ.

Sunday After Theophany Alleluia (Tone 5): I will sing of Thy mercies, O Lord, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim Thy truth from generation to generation. Verse: For Thou hast said: Mercy will be established for ever, and Thy truth will be prepared in the heavens.

Gospel: Matthew 4: 12-17: At that time, when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, He withdrew into Galilee; and leaving Nazareth He went and dwelt in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: "The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, toward the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles – the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned." From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

Hymn to the Theotokos: Magnify, O my soul, the most pure Virgin Theotokos, more honorable than the heavenly hosts! No tongue is capable of praising you worthily: the angelic mind is overawed in exalting you, O Theotokos! But accept our faith, since you are gracious and know our divine love. You are the Protectress of Christians, and we praise you!

Communion Hymn: The grace of God has appeared for the salvation of all men. Praise the Lord from the heavens. Praise Him in the highest. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Bulletin Messages Continued...

Inquiry Class: Father Constantine's Inquiry Class on the Orthodox Faith resumed on January 10th at 3:30 pm in the church annex. All are welcome to attend.

2009 Calendars are here! Parish Members: Please pick up your calendar downstairs today. Non-members: Calendars are available for sale at the gift corner.