

## December 30<sup>th</sup> ; Fifth Sunday of Advent

**Resurrection Tropar (Tone 5):** The angelic powers were at Your tomb; / the guards became as dead men. / Mary stood by Your grave, / seeking Your most pure body. / You took hell captive, / not being tempted by it. / You came to the Virgin, granting life. // O Lord, Who rose from the dead, glory to You.

**Pokrova Tropar (Tone 4):** O Mother of God, sheltered by thy coming / we faithful people today keep feast in joy, / and looking at thy most pure image, / moved to the depths of our hearts, we say: / "Protect us with thy precious veil / and deliver us from every ill, / by entreating Christ, thy Son and our God, // to save our souls.

**Advent Kondak (Tone 2):** Great are the accomplishments of faith! / The holy Three Servants greatly rejoiced, / as they stood in the fountain of fire, as if beside the still waters; / and the Prophet Daniel appeared to be a shepherd of lions, as if they were sheep. // At their entreaties, O Christ God, save our souls.

**Pokrova Kondak (Tone 2):** The Choirs of Saints and the Virgin / stand in church praying to God for us. / Angels and hierarchs bow in adoration, / Apostles and Prophets all rejoice / in thee, O Mother of God, // who for us prays to God Eternal.

### Prokimen (Tone 4, Song of the Fathers 3 & 4)

Blessed are You, O Lord God of our fathers, and praised and glorified is Your name forever!  
v: *For You are just in all that You have done for us!*

**Epistle:** Colossians 3:4-11 (Forefathers)

**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia (Psalm 99:6)**

v: *Moses and Aaron were among His priests; Samuel also was among those who called on His Name.*  
v: *They called to the Lord and He answered them.*

**Gospel:** St. Luke 14:16-24 (Forefathers)

\*\*\* Please join us in the hall for coffee and fellowship after the service. \*\*\*

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After the service today we will be **"Greening the Church"**. Please see Vera for details.

Dear Parishioners: **the Jr UOL is having a food drive from now to February 3, 2018** which is also the date of the Super Bowl of Caring. Please contribute to these great events with your donations of non perishable food items and Contribution of your favorite soup to support this great cause.

Our next **Dinner & Wine Tasting** is scheduled for 2/9 @6PM. Please spread the word!

Our **St Mary's Seniors:** Next meeting – 1/8. Hoagies 1/23. Join us!

**We have two regular Grief Share groups:** Mondays at 10AM and Tuesday at 6:30PM. Both meet in the Library. See Joe Truchan for details.

**Reader Schedule:** 12/23 Rdr. James, 12/30 John Sokalsky, 1/6 Robert Noecker

**Greeter Schedule:** 12/23 Perkins family, 12/30 Eleanor Fox; 1/6 Judy Miller & Vera Muzychka

## Worship Schedule (also see our website)

<b>Sunday</b>	12/30	9AM	Divine Liturgy (welcome Fr. Jim!!!) Greening the Church!!!
<b>Saturday</b>	1/5	10AM 4PM	Royal Hours of the Nativity Vespers of Christmas Eve
<b>Sunday</b>	1/6	9AM 5PM 7PM	Divine Liturgy (Christmas Eve!) Holy Supper (in Hall) Grand Compline of the Nativity
<b>Monday</b>	1/7	10AM	Festal Divine Liturgy of the Nativity
<b>Sunday</b>	1/13	9AM	Deacon's Typika (Dn. Michael Abrahamson serving)
<b>Saturday</b>	1/19	10AM	Theophany: Divine Liturgy, Blessing of Waters, Blessing of Houses
<b>Sunday</b>	1/20	9AM	Divine Liturgy, Blessing of Houses
<b>Saturday</b>	1/26	4PM	Great Vespers w/ Litya
<b>Sunday</b>	1/27	9AM	Divine Liturgy
<b>Saturday</b>	2/2	4PM	Great Vespers w/ Litya
<b>Sunday</b>	2/3	9AM	Divine Liturgy
<b>Thursday</b>	2/7	6:30PM	Akathist to the Pokrova
<b>Saturday</b>	2/9	4PM	Great Vespers w/ Litya
<b>Sunday</b>	2/10	9AM	Divine Liturgy (Zacchaeus Sunday)
<b>Thursday</b>	2/14	5:30PM	Parish Vigil of the Meeting (40 <sup>th</sup> Day)
<b>Friday</b>	2/15	10AM	Divine Liturgy – Meeting (40 <sup>th</sup> Day)
<b>Saturday</b>	2/16	4PM	Great Vespers w/ Litya
<b>Sunday</b>	2/17	9AM	Divine Liturgy (Publican & Pharisee)
<b>***Fast-free Week!***</b>			
<b>Thursday</b>	2/21	5:30PM	Akathist to the Pokrova
<b>Saturday</b>	2/23	4PM	Great Vespers w/ Litya
<b>Sunday</b>	2/24	9AM	Divine Liturgy (Prodigal)
<b>Thursday</b>	2/28	5:30PM	Akathist to the Pokrova
<b>Saturday</b>	3/2	4PM	Great Vespers w/ Litya
<b>Sunday</b>	3/3	9AM	Divine Liturgy (Farewell, Meat!)

Welcome to the God-loving and God-protected Orthodox Christian parish of *Pokrova* (“St. Mary Protection of the Holy Theotokos” or “St. Mary’s”)!

**It is a blessing to have you with us today and we encourage you to come back as often as you are able.** Like us, you may find that you have found your spiritual home here (and a wonderful home, it is)!

**We are a parish of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA under the Ecumenical Patriarch of Constantinople and our doors and hearts are open to you, your family, and your friends!**

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