

HOLY RESURRECTION ORTHODOX CHURCH

Mary Street, Belle Vernon, PA
(Serving the faithful of Belle Vernon and surrounding areas)

Glory be to Jesus Christ! Glory be Forever!

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Epistle Reading: Ephesians 4:1-6 **Gospel Reading:** Luke 17:12-19
Next Week: Colossians 3:4-11 **Next Week:** Luke 14:16-24

*Take time to read the scriptures to prepare your heart and mind for Sunday's Liturgy.

Services	Tues., Dec. 6 th	Feast of St. Nicholas the Wonderworker Divine Liturgy with Memorial Prayers for Deceased Members of the Monita, Urchick, Hatalowich, Merella, Stevenson, Turpack and Skriba Families	8 am
	Sat., Dec. 10 th	Great Vespers with Sacrament of Confession	7 pm
	Sun., Dec. 11 th	Sunday of the Forefathers Church School Divine Liturgy Yolka Program	9:15 am 10 am Coffee Hour

Announcements: All Parishioners are invited to gather together to bake the Christmas rolls on **Thursday, December 8th and Saturday, December 10th starting at 7 am.** Come on over to lend a hand, enjoy the fellowship and get into the holiday spirit. Nothing beats the aroma of freshly baked Christmas rolls. Remember, real men ALSO make Christmas rolls!

St. Barbara's Altar Guild will be holding a Christmas Cookie Sale, in conjunction with the Christmas Roll Sale on **December 8th and 10th.** We would appreciate if our good bakers of the parish would please bake and donate one or two different kinds of your special cookies for this sale. If unable to bring them to the church on the morning of December 8th, please contact Toni Costella or Martha Zeli. The success of the sale will depend on the co-operation of the parish women. Profits from this sale will be used for a charitable project. Thank you and GOD Bless!

Father Sam has started his Advent Sacramental visitations. When he calls, please try to accommodate his visit. If you believe anyone should be added to that list, let Father know.

**** Please see the reverse side of the candle list for names and addresses of our Parish Shut-ins.****

They would really appreciate a card or call during the Advent Season.

Need something special for your Advent dinner? There are frozen Perohi ready and awaiting your butter and onions. See either Mary Merella or Marie Dudzinski to purchase.

Christmas Yolka – Our children are busy rehearsing their parts for the annual Christmas Yolka. Come see our church school children perform in the annual Yolka program immediately following Divine Liturgy on **December 11th.** Bring your cameras, as we may have a “Special Visitor” arrive that day! Please help make our Yolka a festive occasion for all – please stop by the bulletin board in the Social Hall and sign up to lend a hand to welcome St. Nicholas! *“Oh, who loves, Nicholas the saintly”...*

Christmas Altar Candles: Gifts are now being accepted for the Christmas Altar Candles. If you would like to make a gift in memory of loved ones or in honor of loved ones – place your offering in an envelope marking it “Christmas Candles” and leave it at the Candle Stand.

Be An Angel – let's help the Domestic Violence Services of Southwestern Pennsylvania make the holidays an enjoyable and peaceful time for victims of domestic violence and their children from Washington, Greene and now Fayette County. This year's Guild Christmas Project **“Be An Angel”** is off and running. Visit the bulletin board in the vestibule to select a Wish List item. Please return all gifts to Patty Snodgrass on **Sunday, December 4th or December 11th.** The Domestic Violence Services of Southwestern Pennsylvania thanks you in advance for your generosity and concern. God Bless!

Let's **“Be An Angel”** for another local worthy cause – if you happen to be cleaning out your closets and find that you have some “gently” worn articles of clothing that you no longer are wearing or want – please consider donating them to the West Newton Area Churches Clothing Drive. Their Thrift Shop is located on Main Street in West Newton and is open Tuesdays (10 am – 2 pm), Wednesdays (2 pm - 6 pm) and Saturdays (10 am – 2 pm). All denominations of the churches in the West Newton area are pooling their resources of volunteers and clothing donations to help local families in these tough economic times. Depending on your personal circumstances, you may either purchase or receive these articles of clothing. They are currently interested in winter clothing donations. Please bring your generous donation to the Social Hall and Lori Slavic will take it to the Thrift Shop. Thank you in advance.

Did you know? According to local fire regulations, the social hall doors need to remain closed after Divine Liturgy. If you happen to be the “last man” out on Sundays or there during the week, please make sure that the social hall doors are closed before you leave. Thanks!

