Schedule of Services for the Protection of the Mother of God
Russian Orthodox Christian Church

January 2025

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
On Sunday **January 26, 2025** Divine Liturgy will be exclusively in Church Slavonic. On Sunday **February 16** Divine Liturgy will be exclusively in English.	Please note that on the day of Nativity (Jan. 7), & on the Feast of Theophany (Jan. 19), before Communion, we will have **General Confession**	Nov. 28 marked the beginning of the Nativity Fast. We abstain from meat, dairy and egg products until Jan. 7, 2025. Beginning Jan. 2nd until the Feast no fish is consumed. Fasting is lessened for young children, the feeble, the ill, women with child and mothers who are feeding. ➡➡➡➡➡➡➡➡➡➡➡➡➡➡	1	2	**5:30 p.m.:** Compline with the reading of the Pre-Nativity Canon **Following Compline** Holy Confession 3	**5:30–6:25 p.m.:** Holy Confession for Liturgies before and during the Feast **6:30 p.m.:** Matins 4
Holy Fathers **9:30 a.m.:** Hours and Divine Liturgy **5:30–6:20 p.m.:** Holy Confession **6:30 p.m.:** Vespers 5	**Eve of Nativity** **8:00 a.m.:** Royal Hours **9:30 a.m.:** . Vespers of Nativity No Liturgy (Strict fast day - we do not partake of food until the appearance of the first star in the sky: ~4p.m. **5:30–6:20 p.m.:** Holy Confession **6:30 p.m.:** Vigil 6	**NATIVITY** of our Lord **9:30 a.m.:** Hours and Divine Liturgy **General Confession before Communion** *Christmas Pot Luck Lunch* 7	*NO FAST* 8	9	*NO FAST* 10	**5:30–6:25 p.m.:** Holy Confession **6:30 p.m.:** Vespers 11
9:00 a.m.: Brief confessions **9:30 a.m.:** Hours and Divine Liturgy YOLKA 12	13	14	*NO FAST* *7:00 p.m. Meeting of the Parish Council* 15	16	*NO FAST* **4:00 p.m.:** Holy Confession **5:00 p.m.:** Royal Hours **6:30 p.m.:** Vespers 17	**Eve of Theophany** **9:30 a.m.:** Vespers of Theophany No Liturgy *(day of fasting)* **5:30 p.m.:** Confession **6:30 p.m.:** Vigil 18
Theophany of our Lord **9:30 a.m.:** Hours and Divine Liturgy **General Confession before Communion** Blessing of Water 19	20	21	22	23	24	**4:30 p.m.:** Moleben to St. Tatiana **5:30–6:25 p.m.:** Holy Confession **6:30 p.m.:** Vespers 25
9:00 a.m.: Brief confessions **9:30 a.m.:** Hours and Divine Liturgy — exclusively in Church Slavonic. 26	27	28	29	30	31	

Christmas Pot-Luck Lunch (Jan. 7, 2025)

As in the past, after Nativity Liturgy on Jan. 7 there will be a Pot-Luck Lunch so that we can break the fast and celebrate together. We ask that each family bring a dish to share with everyone. We hope that EVERYONE will participate in the feast. Even those who will be unable to bring a dish, please stay for lunch anyway. Come celebrate with your parish family! All are welcome!!

According to our Russian Orthodox Tradition, the priest visits the homes of the parishioners and blesses them with water blessed on the Feast of Theophany (Jan. 19). We ask that those who wish their homes to be blessed sign up on the sheet which hangs on the wall near the candle kiosk.

By resolution passed unanimously by a General Meeting of our Parish, Membership Contributions (dues) are adjusted in accordance with the COLA (Cost of Living Adjustment). Starting January 1, 2025, the contribution will be as follows:

- Students, retired: $17.00 per member per month.
- Working: $36.00 per member per month.

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