

***Mercy, life, peace, health, protection,
salvation and visitation...***

...for the servants of God ***...offered by:***

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| Anne, John, Landy, Wendy and Scott | Vera Didliw |
| All our family & friends | Mary & Joe Gazal |
| Darryl, Carolyn, Michael, Katelyn, Cara | Carolyn Hill |
| Jamie, Regis & Family | Helen Joseph |
| Rick, Mary & Family | Helen Joseph |
| Grandchildren & Great Grandchildren | Helen Joseph |
| Susan Solomon | Helen Joseph |
| Aliya Davis | Helen Joseph |
| Memari Family | Elias & Mayada Memari |
| Chahin Family | Elias & Mayada Memari |
| The Papas, Roberts, Nemanic, Conte, Feaga & Baker Families - Petros & Irene Papas | |
| Paul Capar | The Ritter Family |
| Jay Guthrie | Paulette & Tom Sproch |
| Catherine Romanus | Paulette & Tom Sproch |
| Paul Capar | Paulette & Tom Sproch |
| Tom Sproch | Paulette & Tom Sproch |
| Sandy Logan | Paulette & Tom Sproch |
| Phyllis Orange | Paulette & Tom Sproch |
| David, Nicole, Noelle & Brady Byers & Constance Volchko | ~ Constance Volchko |
| Nicholas and Penelope | Matt and Fotini Wetzell |
| Don & Nancy Yoder | Don Yoder & Nancy Mauer |
| Dina Papas | Don Yoder & Nancy Mauer |

House Blessings 2019: The "Go to God" Tour

Dear parishioners of St. Michael's,

The Great Feast of Holy Epiphany (January 6) falls on Sunday this year. Following Divine Liturgy on that day we will proceed to our usual place at the Upper Twin Lake to celebrate the Feast with the invigorating Outdoor Blessing of the Waters.

The end of this cosmic prayer marks the beginning of the House Blessing season when, ideally, the homes of all our parishioners will be visited by me. This is a daunting task, not because we are so large a parish (which we are not), but because we are typically busy citizens of the world. It is very difficult to schedule times when all family members are home but also critically more important to do just that precisely because our cultural energy is pulling us away from opportunities such as this for prayer and fellowship with each other.

This year I hope to add a bit of a thought-provoking twist to our encounters by asking you to think about what it means that we are beings who are created and called to "go to God." Please do this little bit of homework that may add more direction and meaning to our time together.

Church Secretary Debbie has been called on to help produce the miracle of scheduling our visits before the arrival of the Tridion season, when we begin preparing to prepare for Great Lent and Holy Pascha. This will give us about 8 weeks to accomplish this work.

I look forward with great anticipation to your house blessing and our getting together.

Fr. John