



# THE PROTOMARTYR



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**JANUARY 2, 2011**

**GLORY TO JESUS CHRIST!  
32<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF PENTECOST**

**GLORY FOREVER!  
SUNDAY BEFORE THEOPHANY**

**Tone 7. Forefeast of the Theophany. Sunday Before the Theophany. Repose of Ven. Seraphim, Wonderworker of Sáro (1833). St. Sylvester, Pope of Rome (335). Ven. Sylvester of the Kiev Caves (Near Caves—12<sup>th</sup> c.). Righteous Juliana of Lazarévsk (Múrom—1604). Hieromartyr Theogenes, Bishop of Parium on the Hellespont (ca. 320).**

**EPISTLE:** 2 Timothy 4:5-8 (Sunday Before); Gal. 5:22-6:2 (Saint)

**GOSPEL:** Mark 1:1-8 (Sunday Before); Luke 6:17-23 (Saint)

## **Schedule of services and events of the upcoming week:**

Wednesday, Jan. 5 <i>Eve of Theophany</i> Strict Fast Day	Theophany Eve Dinner 6:00 PM <b>Compline and Great Blessing of Water 7:00 PM</b>
Thursday, Jan 6 <b>HOLY THEOPHANY</b>	<b>Divine Liturgy of Theophany 9:00 AM</b>
Friday, Jan. 7	( <i>Nativity O.C.</i> ) <b>Divine Liturgy (Slavonic) 9:00 AM</b>
Saturday, Jan 8	<b>Great Vespers 5:00 PM</b> <b>Confessions</b>
Sunday, January 9	<b>Divine Liturgy (Slav) 8:30 AM</b> <b>Divine Liturgy 10 AM</b>

**Theophany Eve Dinner:** St. Stephen's OCF is inviting all parishioners to join them for special Theophany Eve Dinner which will take place on Wednesday, January 5 at 6 PM before the service of Compline and Blessing of Water. We ask all those who plan to attend to put their names on a sign-up sheet on the candle desk or downstairs on the bulletin board.

**74th Annual Novogodny Ball** - A semi-formal event for the benefit of deserving charities and sponsored by our St. Stephen OCF (FOCA #82) will take place on Sunday evening January 16, 2011 at the Radisson Hotel Philadelphia NE. Please see Lisa Lelo, Paul Fedoronko or Larry Skvir for information & tickets for dinner and/ or dancing. You can also email novogodnyball@verizon.net or call Paul at (610) 328 - 6911. Please come celebrate the New Year with us!

**Sisterhood meeting:** there will be a Sisterhood meeting on Sunday, January 9, 2011 after church in a Sunday School classroom. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend.

**Stewardship Pledge 2011:** it is that time of the year when our Parish Council will begin preparing the budget of our Cathedral for the year 2011. First of all we want to thank all our parishioners and friends whose generous contributions continue to support the work that we do here at St. Stephen's. Most of this support came from our parishioners who submitted their stewardship pledge in the beginning of 2010 and were consistent in their donations throughout this year. Our parishioners should have received Stewardship Pledge Cards for the year 2011. We ask all those who participate in the life of St. Stephen Cathedral to prayerfully consider their level of support of our parish. We pray that through the generosity of our faithful we will be able to continue this important work of proclaiming the Gospel of Christ and sustaining the spiritual life of the Orthodox people in our area. Thank you for your support!

**Contribution Envelopes for 2011** are ready to be picked up. Please help us save on postage by coming downstairs and picking up your set of contribution envelopes. You can find them on the table by the door to the office. Please refer to the label on top of the box to find your set of envelopes. If you have any questions please talk to Fr. Victor or Janice Kolea.

**Altar Wine Sponsors Needed:** our Cathedral recently purchased additional supply of altar wine for the services of the Liturgy. We are asking our parishioners to consider sponsoring wine for the use in the Church. The cost of one case (12 bottles) is \$100. Thank you.