

## РАСПОРЕД БОГОСЛУЖЕЊА

*за јануар 2015.*

- 05.01. - (недеља) - Св. Литургија у 10:00 часова
- 06.01. - **БАДЊИ ДАН** (уторак) - Св. Литургија у 10:00 часова  
.....Вечерње и освећење бадњака 18:00 часова
- 07.01. - **БОЖИЋ** (сриједи) - Божићно јутрење у 0:01 часова  
.....Божићна Литургија и причешће верних у 10:00 часова
- 08.01. - **САБОР ПР. БОГОРОДИЦЕ** (четвртак) - Св. Литургија у 10:00 часова
- 09.01. - **СВ. АРХИЋ. СТЕФАН** (петак) - Св. Литургија у 10:00 часова
- 11.01. - (недеља) - Св. Литургија у 10:00 часова
- 14.01. - **ОБРЕЗАЊЕ ГОСПОДЊЕ; СВ. ВАСИЛИЈЕ ВЕЛ; НОВА ГОДИНА** (сриједи)- Св. Литургија у 10.00 часова
- 18.01. - **КРСТОВДАН** (недеља) - Св. Литургија у 10:00 часова
- 19.01. - **БОГОЈАВЉЕЊЕ** (понедељак) - Св. Литургија и велико водоосвећење у 10:00 часова
- 20.01. - **ЈОВАЊДАН** (уторак)- Св. Литургија у 10:00 часова
- 25.01. - (недеља) - Св. Литургија са освећењем славског жита и колача. Након литургије Светосавска академија
- 27.01. - **СВ. САВА СРПСКИ** (уторак) - Св. Литургија у 10:00 часова

**МИР БОЖИЈИ! - ХРИСТОС СЕ РОДИ!  
СРЕЋНА И БЛАГОСЛОВЕНА НОВА ГОДИНА!**

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**CHRIST IS BORN! GLORIFY HIM!  
HAPPY NEW YEAR!**



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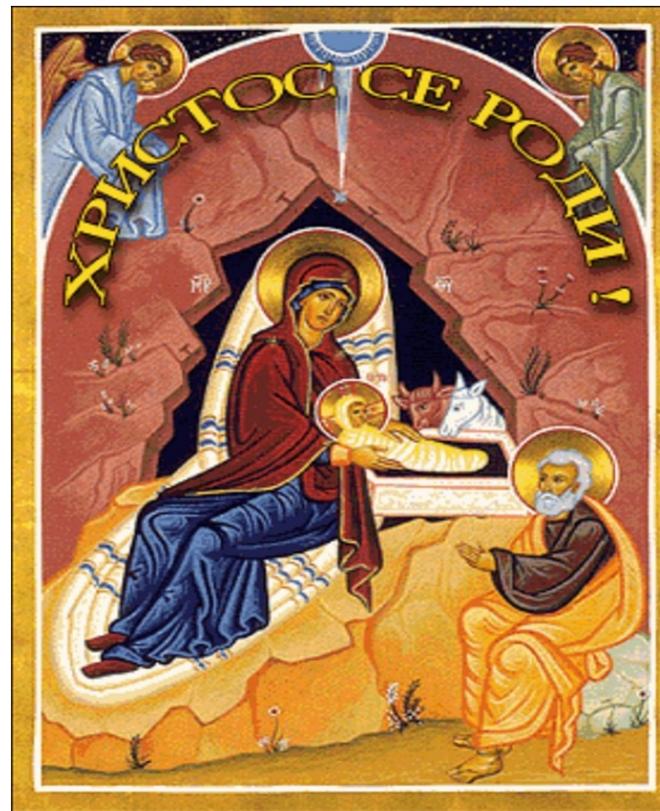
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## +++The Nativity of our Lord and God and

### Saviour Jesus Christ



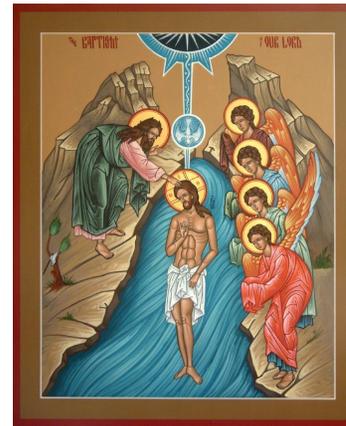
"And when the fullness of time was come, God sent His only-begotten Son" (Gal. 4:4), to save the human race. And when the ninth month had come after the archangel Gabriel appeared to the most holy Virgin in Nazareth, saying: "Hail thou that art highly favoured... thou shalt conceive and bear a son" - at that time a decree went forth from Caesar Augustus that all the inhabitants of the Roman Empire be taxed. In accordance with this decree, everyone had to go to his own town and there be inscribed. Therefore righteous Joseph came with the most holy Virgin to Bethlehem, the city of David, for they were

both of the royal House of David. But, there being a great many people in that small city for the census, Joseph and Mary could not find a lodging in any house, and found shelter in a cave which the shepherds used as a sheepfold. In this cave the most holy Virgin gave birth to the Saviour of the world, the Lord Jesus Christ. Bearing Him without pain, as He was conceived without sin of the Holy Spirit and not of man, she herself wrapped Him in swaddling bands, worshipped Him as God and laid Him in a manger. Then righteous Joseph drew near and worshipped Him as the divine Fruit of a virgin womb. Then the shepherds came in from the fields, directed by an angel of God, and worshipped Him as Messiah and Saviour. The shepherds had heard a multitude of angels singing: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill among men" (Luke 2:14). At that time there also came wise men from the East, led by a wonderful star, bearing their gifts: gold, frankincense and myrrh, and worshipped Him as King of kings, offering Him their gifts (Matt. 2:11). Thus He came into the world Whose coming had been foretold by the prophets and Who was born in the way that they had prophesied: of the most holy Virgin, in the city of Bethlehem, of the lineage of David according to the flesh, at the time when there was no longer in Jerusalem a king of the tribe of Judah, but Herod the stranger was on the throne. After many types and prefiguring's, messengers and heralds, prophets and righteous men, wise men and kings, finally He appeared, the Lord of the world and King of kings, to perform the work of the salvation of mankind that could not be performed by His servants. May His be eternal glory and praise! Amen.

## +++The Holy Protomartyr Stephen the Archdeacon

He was a kinsman of the Apostle Paul and one of those Jews who lived in a Hellenic milieu. Stephen was the first of the seven deacons whom the holy apostles ordained for the service of the poor in Jerusalem. This is why he is called the Archdeacon - the first, or chief, of them. By the power of his faith, Stephen worked many wonders among the people. The wicked Jews disputed with him, but were always confounded by his wisdom and the power of the Spirit who acted through him. Then the shameful Jews, adept at calumny and slander, stirred up the people and leaders against this innocent man. They slandered Stephen, saying that he had blasphemed against God and against Moses, and quickly found false witnesses who supported their assertion. Then Stephen stood before the people, and all saw his face "like the face of an angel": that is, his face was illumined by the light of grace as was the face of Moses when he talked with God. Stephen opened his mouth and spoke of Gods manifold works and marvels, performed in the past for the People of Israel, and of the peoples manifold transgressions and opposition to God. He especially denounced them for the slaying of Christ the Lord, calling them "betrayers and murderers" (Acts 7:52).

## +++The Theophany



When the Lord Jesus had lived for thirty years from His birth in the flesh, He began His teaching and saving work. He marked this very beginning of the beginning by His Baptism in the Jordan. St Cyril of Jerusalem says: "The beginning of the world - water; the beginning of the Gospel - the Jordan." At the Baptism of the Lord in the water, that mystery was revealed to the world that was predicted in the Old Testament and fabled in ancient Egypt and India - the mystery of the Holy Trinity of God. The Father revealed Himself to the sense of hearing, the Spirit to the sense of sight and the Son, further beyond these, to the sense of touch. The Father gave His testimony of the Son, the Son was baptized in the waters and the Holy Spirit, in the form of a dove, hovered over the waters. And when John the Baptist bore witness of Christ and said: "Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world" (Jn. 1:29), and when he immersed the Lord in the Jordan and baptized Him, there were thus revealed both the mission of Christ in the world and the path of our salvation. That is to say: Christ takes upon Himself the sin of the whole human race. He dies under it (the immersion) and rises again (the coming up out of the water), and we must die to the old, sinful man and rise again, cleansed, renewed and re-born. Here is the Saviour and here is the way of salvation. The Feast of the Theophany is also called the Illuminating, for in the Jordan there is given to us an illumining, revealing God to us as Trinity, consubstantial and undivided. That is one thing. And the other is that each of us baptized in the water is illumined by the Father of lights,