





# DECEMBER 2018



# HOLY CROSS

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# ORTHODOX CHURCH

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
+ 12/2 <b>Lesser Blessing of Water</b> + 12/5-6 <b>Feast of St. Nicholas</b> +12/7-8 <b>NATIVITY FAST RETREAT</b> + 12/10 <b>St. Menas DivLit.</b> + 12/11 Parish Council + 12/14 <b>Caroling at Yakima Valley School</b> + 12/15 <b>December Memorial Service</b> + 12/18-23 <b>Nativity Vespers</b>		+ 12/19 <b>Martyr Boniface DivLit</b> + 12/20 <b>Ss. Ignatios the Godbearer and John of Kronstadt DivLit.</b> + 12/21 <b>Virgin Martyr Juliana DivLit.</b> + 12/22 <b>Great Martyr Anastasia of Rome</b> + 12/24-25 <b>Great Feast of the Incarnation of God</b> + 12/26 <b>Orthros for The Synaxis of the Most-Holy Theotokos</b> + 12/27 <b>St. Stephen the First Martyr DivLit at St. John Monastery</b> + 12/31 <b>The Leavetaking of the NATIVITY</b>		1 <NO Orthros >           6:30pm Great Vespers		
2 8:15am Orthros 9:30am Div Lit  6:00pm <b>Lesser Blessing of Water</b> 6:45pm Catechism Class	3 <NO Orthros >     6:30pm Vespers	4 5:00am Orthros 6:00am Wmn's Mtg    5:30pm Vespers	5 8:15am 3rd hour    6:30pm Great Vsprs for St.Nicholas w/Story and Refreshments following	6 St. Nicholas of Myra 4:45am Orthros 6:00am Div Lit for St. NICHOLAS  5:30pm Vespers	7 5:00am Orthros 6:15am Men's Mtg  <b>Nativity Retreat with Fr. Josiah Trenham</b> 6:30pm Session #1	8 <b>RETREAT</b> 9:30am Session #2 11:00am Session #3 12:30pm Lunch   5:00pm Great Vsprs 6:00pm Session #4
9 8:15am Orthros 9:30am Div Lit   6:00pm Vespers 6:45pm Catechism Class	10 <b>St. Menas</b> 4:45am Orthros 6:00am Div Lit for St. Menas   6:30pm Vespers	11 5:00am Orthros 6:00am Wmn's Mtg  5:30pm Vespers 7:15pm Parish Council	12 8:15am 3rd hour   6:30pm Akathist "Nururer of Children" 7:15pm Enquirer's Class	13 4:30am DivLit at monastery    5:30pm Vespers	14 5:00am Orthros 6:00am Men's Mtg  6:00pm <b>Carolling at Yakima Valley School</b>	15 8:00am Memorial Service for Dec. Departed  6:30pm Great Vespers
16 8:15am Orthros 9:30am Div Lit   6:00pm Vespers 6:45pm Catechism Class	17 <NO Orthros >    6:30pm Vespers	18 <b>St. Sebastian</b> 5:30am PrePrayers 6:00am Div. Lit   5:30pm Vespers	19 <b>Martyr Boniface</b> 5:30am PrePrayers 6:00am DivLit. For Martyr Boniface   6:30pm Vespers	20 <b>St. Ignatios the Godbearer and John of Kronstadt</b> 4:30am DivLit at monastery   5:30pm <b>Nativity Vespers</b>	21 <b>Virgin Martyr Juliana</b> 5:30am PrePrayers 6:00am DivLit for Virgin Martyr Juliana  6:30pm <b>Nativity Vespers</b>	22 <b>Great Martyr Anastasia</b> 7:00am Orthros 8:15am Divine Liturgy  6:30pm <b>Nativity Great Vespers</b>
23 <b>Sun. Before Nativity</b> 8:15am Orthros 9:30am Div Lit   6:00pm <b>Nativity Vespers</b>	24 <b>Great Feast of the NATIVITY</b> 8:00am Royal Hrs 10:00am Vesperal DivLit of St. Basil 10:00pm Festal Orthros Orthros w/ DivLit of St. John Chrysostom	25 <b>12am the liturgy for Nativity concludes Christmas Dinners</b> 6:30pm Great Vespers for The Synaxis of the Most-Holy Theotokos	26 8:00am Orthros for The Synaxis of the Most-Holy Theotokos   5:30pm Vespers for Protomartyr Stephen	27 4:30am DivLit for Protomartyr Stephen At the Monastery   < NO Vespers >	28 20,000 Martyrs of Nicomedia   < NO Vespers >	29 14,000 Holy Infant Martyrs   6:30pm Great Vespers
30 <b>Sun. After Nativity</b> 8:15am Orthros 9:30am Div Lit Ss. Joseph, James, David and Others   6:00pm Vespers 6:45pm Catechism Class	31 <b>Leavetaking of the Nativity</b> 4:45am Orthros 6:00am DivLit for the Leavetaking   6:30pm Great Vespers for St. Basil	<div style="border: 2px solid blue; padding: 10px;"> <p><i>St. John of Damascus:</i> "Let us be firm, my brothers, on the rock of faith, in the tradition of the Church, and not remove or change the boundaries established by our Holy Fathers. Let us close the road to innovators and not permit them to demolish the structure of the holy, catholic, and apostolic Church of God. If we allow, however, the introduction of any innovation, we unconsciously support the collapse of the Church. No, my brothers, you who love Christ, no, you children of the Church, you will never want to surround your Mother Church with confusion."</p> </div>				

