



Youth Guide to: CHRISTMAS 2011



O MY PEOPLE, HEAR MY TEACHING; LISTEN TO THE WORDS OF MY MOUTH.
I WILL OPEN MY MOUTH IN PARABLES; I WILL UTTER THINGS HIDDEN FROM OF OLD;
THINGS WE HAVE HEARD AND KNOWN, THINGS OUR FATHERS HAVE TOLD US.
WE WILL NOT HIDE THEM FROM THEIR **CHILDREN**;
WE WILL TELL THE NEXT GENERATION THE PRAISEWORTHY DEEDS OF THE LORD,
HIS POWER AND THE WONDERS HE HAS DONE.
HE DECREED STATUTES FOR JACOB AND ESTABLISHED THE LAW IN ISRAEL,
WHICH HE COMMANDED OUR FOREFATHERS TO TEACH THEIR **CHILDREN**,
SO THE **NEXT GENERATION** WOULD KNOW THEM, EVEN THE **CHILDREN**
YET TO BE BORN AND THEY IN TURN WOULD TELL THEIR **CHILDREN**.
THEN THEY WOULD PUT THEIR TRUST IN GOD
AND WOULD NOT FORGET HIS DEEDS BUT WOULD KEEP HIS COMMANDS.
PSALM 78:1-7

MY DEAR PARENTS,

As we many times have repeated, your role is crucial for the Christian formation of your children. Your responsibility is tremendous and should not be taken lightly.

Christmas, the great feast of the Nativity of our Lord, even though obscured by commercial spirit and consumerism, which is dominant around us, is still a great opportunity for everyone to nostalgically remember the tenderness of the feast and to instill the same kind of memories and experiences and even expand them to our children!

I look forward to celebrating with you and your beloved families, these most heartfelt services.

In Christ Born,

Fr. Nick

Sunday, December 18

5:00 PM – Holy Unction

We are anointed with the Holy Oil

Christmas Eve, Saturday, December 24

8:30 AM – Orthros & Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

6:00 PM – Christmas Vespers

Christmas Day, Sunday, December 25

8:30 AM – Christmas Orthros & at 10:00 Christmas Liturgy

(We will finish around 11:00 a.m.)

Christmas Carols: Friday, Dec. 23 & Saturday, Dec. 24 &

New Year Carols: Friday Dec. 30 & Saturday, Dec. 31

Let your children participate in caroling: an unforgettable and joyful tradition of our heritage

New Year, Sunday, January 1

11:00 AM – *Vasilopita Cutting*

Theophany, Friday, January 6

The Great Feast of Lights

9:30 AM – *Divine Liturgy*

10:30 AM – *Great Blessing of the Waters*

BUT AS FOR YOU, CONTINUE IN WHAT YOU HAVE LEARNED AND HAVE FIRMLY BELIEVED, KNOWING FROM WHOM YOU LEARNED IT AND HOW FROM CHILDHOOD YOU HAVE BEEN ACQUAINTED WITH THE SACRED WRITINGS, WHICH ARE ABLE TO MAKE YOU WISE FOR SALVATION THROUGH FAITH IN CHRIST JESUS. (2 TIMOTHY 3:14-15)

