IF YOU ARE NOT A MEMBER:

Think about this. Our life is short. How are we going to live it? How shall we prove our love of God and neighbor? How can we intercede for those who die and were indifferent to Christ and His Church? Let us find the answers to these questions and amend our life in a hurry, before it is too late. Remember that belonging to the Body of Christ opens Paradise for us. Therefore, O lovers of God, let us come and activate our faith and all her virtues, which we have received as gifts from God at our Baptism. When we submit an annual financial pledge or offer regular donations, that only reflects what is in our heart; and as the Gospel says, "Where your treasure is, there is your heart also." Christ is lovingly waiting for each of us. Will you respond to Him? (borrowed)

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING – The next scheduled council meeting will be SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2018 following Divine Liturgy and coffee hour. Please, all council members, make every effort to attend.

CHURCH FURNACE: We had to have one of the heating units in the church replaced at a cost of \$1,800. If you would like to donate to this necessary expense, please put your donation in the envelope found in the pews and mark it "Furnace Donation". Remember, the Lord loves a cheerful giver, and your donation will be greatly appreciated.

HALL SPEAKER SYSTEM: We are upgrading our outdated speaker system in the hall. The system, wires, and installation will cost about \$1,000. Donations towards this project will be appreciated, so if you would like to give to help defray the cost, use the donation envelopes in the pews and mark it "Sound System". Thank you.

BOOK CLUB – The next meeting of the St. Michael's Book Club will be on **Saturday**, **February 17**, **2018**. The book being dicussed is <u>Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy</u> by John LeCarre.

MITTEN TREE: The Sunday School is sponsoring two Mitten Trees. The trees are in the vestibule of the church. The children's goal is to collect mittens, scarves, and hats (new items for adults and children) to be distributed after Christmas to those who are less fortunate. Please support their endeavors by bringing your contributions in and placing them on the Mitten Tree. Thank you.

2018 CHURCH ENVELOPES: Dr. Nancy has the new church envelopes available to be picked up in church on the north side bench. Please don't forget to pick up your envelopes. **PLEASE START USING YOUR 2018 ENVELOPES NOW! THANK YOU!**

POST HOLIDAY CELEBRATION – will be **TODAY, SUNDAY JANUARY** 7th, **2018** – it will be a Pot Luck get together at the house of Dr. Tony and Dr. Nancy Munaco. We thank them for gracously agreeing to host this party. All are invited to attend. Please bring a dish to pass, and please send me a note if you are planning to attend. I hope you all will be able to make it. There will be lots of food and fun for all! The time will be 4:00 p.m.

Fr. Deacon Daniel

SAVE THE DATE – Our pre-Lenten party will be Sunday, January 21st. Mark your calendar.

CHURCH DONATION/FURNACE

Marion & Sonia Kurtyka \$100.00

CHURCH DONATION/SPEAKER FOR CULTURAL CENTER

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