

ADDITIONAL PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS – FEBRUARY 9, 2020 BULLETIN

For the last few months, the cantors have been making an effort to integrate more Church Slavonic into the Divine Liturgy, particularly on the first Sunday of the month. Church Slavonic is a sacred language that unites a number of Slavic peoples, regardless of their ethnic and/or linguistic heritage. The Church Slavonic language is based upon the translations of Saints Cyril and Methodius, whose efforts did not seek to entirely subject the majestic and rich Greek liturgical texts to the much simpler language of medieval Slavs, but rather to transform the Slavic language into a vehicle suitable for lofty, complex, and divine expression. Thus, Church Slavonic texts contain many words and phrases that mirror the original Greek. May we reach ever higher, and delve ever deeper into the beauty, wealth, and life-giving significance of our sacred services. If it is helpful for your comprehension of the words of the Church Slavonic prayers, you will find a side-by-side translation of the texts in the yellow pew books.

Byzan-Teen Youth Rally – The Inter-Eparchial Youth Commission Youth Rally scheduled for this year had to be postponed. The Rally is rescheduled for 2021.