

SUNDAY OF THE PUBLICAN AND PHARISEE
MEETING OF OUR LORD WITH SIMEON AND ANNA



Icon of the Publican and Pharisee

HOLY GHOST UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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February 1 – February 9, 2020

Sunday of the Publican & Pharisee

Epistle: 2 Tim 3:10-15 & Heb 7:7-17

Gospel: Luke 18:10-14 & 2:22-40

Saturday	February 1	6:00 p.m.	+Helen Morykan by Pearl Kiniuk
Sunday	February 2	Sunday of the Publican & Pharisee – Meeting of Our Lord with Simeon	
		9:30 a.m.	(Ukrainian) For the Parishioners
		11:00 a.m.	(English) +Greg Neff by Jane Atherholt
Monday	February 3	8:00 a.m.	+Charles Morykan by John Godisho
Tuesday	February 4	8:00 a.m.	+Helen Morykan by Larry & Carol Riki
Wednesday	February 5	8:00 a.m.	+Walter & Lillian Kiniuk by Pearl Kiniuk
Thursday	February 6	8:00 a.m.	+Stella & Joseph Bodnar by Dan & Loretta Bodnar
Friday	February 7	8:00 a.m.	+Walter Kiniuk by Pearl Kiniuk
Saturday	February 8	6:00 p.m.	+Richard Suter by the Stoken family
Sunday	February 9	Sunday of the Prodigal Son	
		9:30 a.m.	(Ukrainian) For the Parishioners
		11:00 a.m.	(English) +Joseph & Stella Bodnar by Loretta & Dan Bodnar

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

Gospel: Luke 15:11-32

ALTAR & ETERNAL LIGHT CANDLE: In memory +John & Agnes Gutowski offered by Loretta & Dan Bodnar

SUNDAY COLLECTION: \$1,508.00

Thank you for your generous support

Please remember to pray for the sick and all those who have requested our prayers

Betty Terleski	Olga Turczyn	Slava & Orest Harasymovich	
Mae Kulczykcki	Msgr Peter Waslo	Bishop John Bura	
Maryann Kramer	Craig Stoken	Ted Veresink	Fr. David Clooney
Olga Bryksa	Donna Hale	Michael Sidlar	Julie Ponist
Lillian Opp	Frank Maitiski	Ruth Hutnik	Sr Joann Sosler OSBM
Kim Lightcap	Dot Neff	Fr Mark Fesniak	Sr Thomas SSMI
Helen Potak	Kathleen Cremone	Olga Trusz	Yaroslawa Zuk
Mary Heverling	Frieda Lubosky	Barbara Hacker	Jean Lakomski
Paulette Bellis	Marlene Lightcap	Brian Atherholt	Lyudmilla Patskan
Stefania Trusz	Ivan Savkanitch	Archbishop Stephen Sulyk	Danny Phillips

THE CHAPEL SCHEDULE

- **Needle Crafters** Every Tuesday 9:30AM: Contact Debbie for more information 610-258-6588 Knitting, Crocheting, bead work sessions.
- **Alcoholics Anonymous** Monday Men's Meeting **7:00PM** Open men's meeting
- **Ukrainian American Veterans Post 42** meets monthly on the 2nd Wednesday at 7:00PM for their business & Post meeting.
- **CCD Classes** Sundays 12:15 – 1:00pm

UPCOMING EVENTS

- February 6th – 6:00pm Centennial & Picnic meeting
- February 11 & 12 PYROHY SALE

CENTENNIAL & FESTIVAL PLANNING MEETING

There will be a meeting to discuss the Centennial Event for 2021 and possibly planning for a Summer Festival on Thursday, February 6th at 6:00 p.m. in the church hall. All our welcome to attend.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The 2019 Financial Statements are available for pickup in the back of the church. They are in alphabetical order. If anyone has a question pertaining to their statement, please call Ann Bogari at 484-560-4644 after 5pm.

BLESSING OF HOMES

It is the custom to welcome the New Year and the feast of the Baptism of our Lord with the blessing of homes. If you would like to have your house blessed by Fr. Volodymyr please list your name, phone number and address on the signup sheet located in the back of the church and Fr. Volodymyr will call you to schedule.

LENTEN FISH DINNERS

The Knights of Columbus Council #345 will be having their annual Lenten fish dinners on the following Fridays: February 28th, March 6th, 13th and 27th, and April 3rd from 4:00 to 7:00 pm at St. Jane's Father Farrell Hall, 1922 Washington Blvd, Easton. The cost is \$11/Adult, \$10/Seniors, \$6/children ages 5-12 and children under the age of 5 are free. Tickets will be sold at the door but if you'd like to reserve group seating or purchase in advance please contact Jim Di Paolo at 484-821-7325 or by email at dipaolojd@rcn.com. Proceeds from this fundraiser are used for local Catholic high school scholarships. All are welcome.

PARISH REGISTRATION CARDS

Please remember to fill out the registration card from the front of your envelope box and turn it in so that updates can be made to the directory.

Fr. DAN'S NEW ADDRESS

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**SUNDAY OF THE PUBLICAN AND PHARISEE
THE PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD IN THE TEMPLE**

Troparion and Kontakion:

Troparion (1): Though the stone was sealed by the Jews and soldiers guarded Your immaculate body, You arose, O Savior, on the third day, and gave life to the world. And so the heavenly powers cried out to You, O Giver of life: Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ! Glory to Your kingdom! Glory to Your saving plan, O only Lover of Mankind!

Troparion (1): Hail, Mother of God, Virgin full of grace. From you has shown forth the Son of Justice, Christ our God, shining upon those who are in darkness. Rejoice also, you just Elder, Simeon; for you received in your arms the Redeemer of our souls, Who has given us Resurrection.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Kontakion (3): Let us bring to the Lord the sighs of the Publican, and as sinners let us approach the Lord, for He desires the salvation of all. He grants forgiveness to all who repent. For us He became man while remaining God, co-eternal with the Father. Now and for ever and ever: Amen.

Kontakion (1): O Christ our God, through Your birth You sanctified the Virgins womb; and blessed, as it was proper, the hands of Simeon. Today, You have come to bring us deliverance. Give peace to nations at war, and strengthen our civil authorities, for You alone love mankind.

Prokimenon:

Prokimenon (1): Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, as we have hoped in You.

Verse: Rejoice in the Lord, O you just; praise befits the righteous.

Prokimenon (3): My soul extols the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.

Verse: Because He has looked upon His lowly servant; from this day forward all generations shall call me blessed.

Epistle:

Reading of the Second Epistle of St. Paul to Timothy.

(2Tim 3,10-15)

Brethren: You have followed my teaching, way of life, purpose, faith, patience, love, endurance, persecutions, and sufferings, such as happened to me in Antioch, Iconium, and Lystra, persecutions that I endured. Yet from all these things the Lord delivered me. In fact, all who want to live religiously in Christ Jesus will be persecuted. But wicked people and charlatans will go from bad to worse, deceivers and deceived. But you, remain faithful to what you have learned and believed, because you know from whom you learned it, and that from infancy you have known [the] sacred scriptures, which are capable of giving you wisdom for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

Alleluia Verses:

Verse (1): God gives me vindication, and has subdued peoples under me.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Verse (1): Making great the salvation of the king, and showing mercy to His anointed, to David, and to his posterity for ever.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Verse: Now, Master, You can dismiss Your servant in peace; You have fulfilled Your word.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Verse: A revealing light to the Gentiles, the glory of Your people, Israel.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Gospel:

(Lk 18,10-14)

The Lord told this parable: "Two people went up to the temple area to pray; one was a Pharisee and the other was a tax collector. The Pharisee took up his position and spoke this prayer to himself, 'O God, I thank you that I am not like the rest of humanity - greedy, dishonest, adulterous - or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week, and I pay tithes on my whole income.' But the tax collector stood off at a distance and would not even raise his eyes to heaven but beat his breast and prayed, 'O God, be merciful to me a sinner.' I tell you, the latter went home justified, not the former; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted."

It is truly right... (Or the Hirmos of the Feast):

O Virgin Mother of God, hope of Christians, protect, watch, and save those who have placed their hope in you.

Hirmos: We, the faithful, see the figure of Christ in the shadow and the letter of the law which says: Every male who opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord. Therefore, we extol the first-born of the Eternal Father and the Virgin Mother.

Communion Verse:

Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest.

I will take the chalice of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Faults of the Pharisee

Many are the faults of the Pharisee. First of all, he is boastful, and without sense, for he praises himself, even though the Sacred Scriptures cry aloud, "Let a neighbor praise you, and not your own mouth: a stranger and not your own lips" (Prov. 27:2). ... Our virtue, therefore, must not be contaminated with fault, but must be single-minded and blameless and free from all that can bring reproach. For what profit is there in fasting twice a week, if you so doing serve only as a pretext for ignorance and vanity, and if it makes you prideful, haughty and selfish? You tithe your possessions and make a boast of it; but in another way you provoke God's anger, by condemning men generally on this account and accusing others. And you yourself are puffed up, though not crowned by the divine decree for righteousness, but on the contrary, heap praises upon yourself. For I am not, he says, as the rest of mankind. Moderate yourself, O Pharisee: "Set a guard, O Lord, over your mouth, keep watch over the door of your lips" (Ps. 140:3).

You speak to God Who knows all things. Await the decree of the Judge. None of those skilled in the practice of wrestling ever crowns himself; nor does any man receive the crown of himself, but awaits the summons of the arbiter. Lower your pride, for arrogance is both accursed and hated by God. Although, therefore, you fast with puffed up mind, your so doing will not avail you; your labor will be unrewarded; for you have mingled dung with your perfume. Even according to the law of Moses a sacrifice that had a blemish was not capable of being offered to God; for it was said unto him, "Of sheep, and ox, that is offered for sacrifice, there must be no blemish therein" (Lev. 22:21). Since, therefore, your fasting is accompanied by pride, you must expect to hear God saying, this is not the fast that I have chosen (Cf Isa. 58:5) ... You offer tithes, but you wrong in another way Him Who is honored by you, in that you condemn men generally. This is an act foreign to the mind that fears God.

St. Cyril of Alexandria