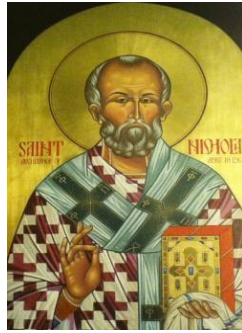


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SUNDAY JANUARY 28, 2018 - The Publican and the Pharisee

PARISH CALENDAR

FAST-FREE WEEK

Sunday January 28 – Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee

9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy

Hymns (Blue Pew Book) - Tropar Tone 1 (p. 81), Kondak (*Publican and the Pharisee*, p. 175), Alleluia (p. 83)

Epistle: 2 Timothy 3:10-15 **Gospel:** Luke 18:10-14

Panachida for Sandra Doman given by Daniel Oneschuck and Leonard Ogden

Friday February 2 – 4:00 PM – Moleben to Saint Nektarios (*with Anointing*)

Sunday February 4 – Sunday of the Prodigal Son

9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy

Hymns (Blue Pew Book) - Tropar Tone 2 (p. 84), Kondak (*Prodigal Son*, p. 175), Alleluia (p. 86)

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 **Gospel:** Luke 15:11-32

Confessions: (30 minutes) Prior to as well as following scheduled services. When you come for Confession, please prepare yourself and sit in the front pew. If you cannot make the scheduled service times, please let me know and we can set up a time that is convenient for you. Thank you!

Please Keep in Your Prayers

Living : Fr. Lawrence Barriger. Fr. Michael Polanichka. Fr. John Gido. Fr. George Hutnyan. Fr. James Gleason. Fr. Tom Kadlec. Fr. George Dursa. Fr. Jonathan Tobias. Fr. Michael Rustick. Fr. John Baranik. Fr. Nicholas Wyborski. Fr. John Zboyovski. Fr. Robert E. Lucas. Deacon James Phifer. Pani Donna Smoley. Pani Linda Barriger. Pani Constance Miloro. Pani Amy George. Pani Peggy Teklinski. Reese: Eric, Tamsen, James, Gineva, Benjamin, and Thomas. Stephen Barnett. Ann Richardson. Joseph Kacaba. Lorraine Kacaba. Lovie Swingle. Stephanie Bonk. Joseph Majcher Sr. Joseph Majcher Jr. Bill Wassel. Owen Bonn. Gloria Bracey. Susan Danchak. Michael Danchak. Jada Eiden. Madelyn Hodanich. Margaret Skotlewski. Johnny Huniyack. Anna Mae Kuklis. Maryann Ludwig. Rose Markiewicz. Mary Phillips. Karen Rolka. JoyAnn Scarnato. Amy Shimo. Faye Snell. Russell Spilka. Rita Sher. Jeff Thomas. Janet Pugh. AnnMarie Tigue. Gary Wassel. Michael Coviello. Mary Kay Wroblewski.

At home : Michael Andreosky. Elizabeth Basalyga. Ann Richardson. Anna Senich.

Assisted Living : Marion Sosnowski. Delores Naglak. Susan Danchak.

Eternal light : In memory of John Polanichka given by the Bonk Family.

Parish Life

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND OUR CHURCH:

January 21, 2018

FILL UP THE BREADBASKETS OF NEPA!

Please remember those families who rely upon food donations to help make ends meet! We have a food donation container in the Church Hall, and ***we need your help*** to fill this container with non-perishable food items: cans, dry goods, etc.

"Then the King will say to those on His right hand, 'Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: for I was hungry and you gave Me food...'"

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| \$437.75 | General Collection |
| \$8.00 | First Sunday |
| \$86.00 | 7 Day Light |
| \$38.00 | Holy Days |
| \$283.00 | Church Dues |
| \$113.00 | Maintenance and Repairs |
| \$10.00 | Taper Candles |
| \$14.00 | Eternal Light |
| \$3.00 | Flowers |
| <u>\$20.00</u> | <u>Christmas Donation</u> |
| \$1,012.75 | Total Collection |

PARISH NEWS

SPRING 2018 PIROHI SCHEDULE

| Wednesday Prep | Thursday Pinching | Friday Sales |
|----------------|-------------------|--------------|
| February 7 | February 8 | February 9 |
| February 28 | March 1 | March 2 |
| March 14 | March 15 | March 16 |
| March 28 | March 29 | March 30 |

- **HOUSE BLESSINGS 2018!** – If you would like your home blessed, please sign the sheet in the vestibule, and include your phone number, address, and available time(s). THANK YOU!
- The **Altar Society** will meet **next Sunday, February 4**, immediately following Divine Liturgy.
- The **Men’s Club** will meet **Sunday, February 11**, immediately following Divine Liturgy.
- **Church School** will resume **Sunday, February 11**, immediately following Divine Liturgy.
- The **Parish Board** will meet **Sunday, February 18**, immediately following Divine Liturgy.

Eternal Memory!

Allison McCarthy, daughter of the newly-reposed John Polanichka, passed away last Monday (1/22/18). Please keep the soul of Allison, and the comfort of her family in your thoughts and prayers. Vičnaja jej pamjat!

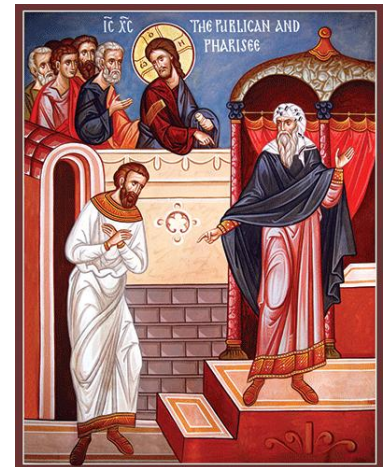
THE PARABLE OF THE PUBLICAN AND THE PHARISEE

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Kontakion (Tone 3)

As the Publican, let us bring cries of sorrow to the Lord, *
and let us fall before Him as sinners at the Master’s feet. *
For He desires the salvation of all men; * He grants
forgiveness unto all that repent * and He has for our sake
taken flesh, * though He is God co-eternal with the Father.



“ The Sunday after the Sunday of Zacchaeus is devoted to the Parable of the Publican and the Pharisee. At Vespers the night before, the LENTEN TRIODION (the liturgical book used in the services of Great Lent) begins.

Two men went to the Temple to pray. One was a Pharisee who scrupulously observed the requirements of religion: he prayed, fasted, and contributed money to the Temple. These are very good things, and should be imitated by anyone who loves God. We who may not fulfill these requirements as well as the Pharisee did should not feel entitled to criticize him for being faithful. His sin was in looking down on the Publican and feeling justified because of his external religious observances.

The second man was a Publican, a tax-collector, who was despised by the people. He, however, displayed humility, and this humility justified him before God (Luke 18:14).

The lesson to be learned is that we on our own possess neither the Pharisee’s religious piety, nor the Publican’s repentance, through which we can be saved. Therefore we are called to see ourselves as we really are in the light of Christ’s teaching, asking Him to be merciful to us, to deliver us from sin, and to lead us on the path of salvation. ”