

Glory to Jesus Christ!  
Слава Иисусу Христу!

St. Mary ~ Holy Protection  
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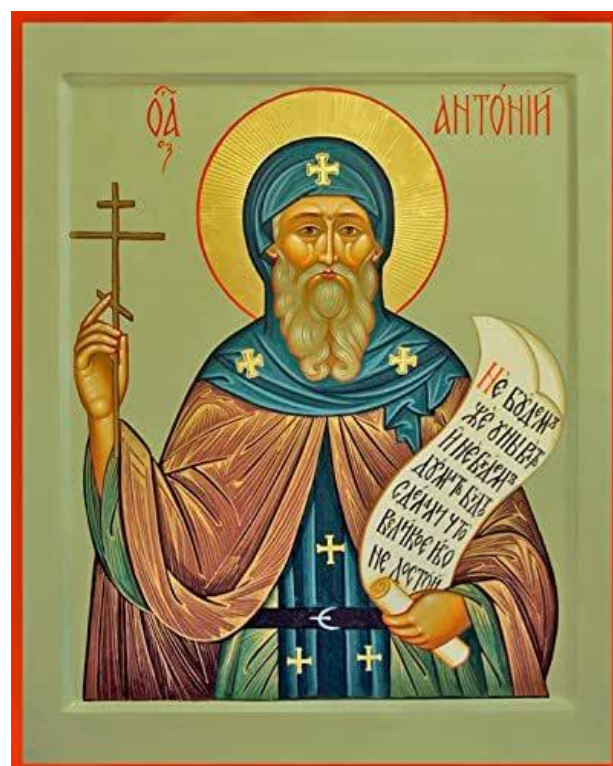
Glory Forever!  
Слава на вѣки!

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## 17 January 2021 / 7529 33<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Sunday of Zacchæus

*Our Venerable and Divinely Inspired Father Anthony the Great of Egypt*



### LITURGY SCHEDULE:

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| Sat. | Jan. 16 | 17:00 Vigil: 33 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost: Sunday of Zacchæus<br><i>Suffrages for +Daniel Kontir – Donald &amp; Ellen Diguglielmo</i>   |
| Sun. | Jan. 17 | 10:30 33 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost: Sunday of Zacchæus<br><i>Suffrages pro populo, esp. for the health and well being of Laura Henry – Anthony Macchiaroli; + Mary Knouse - Marge Hulyk</i>               |
| Sat. | Jan. 23 | 17:00 Vigil: Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee<br><i>Suffrages for +Jack Overdorff – Daniel and Kathy Overdorff</i>  |
| Sun. | Jan. 24 | 10:30 Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee<br><i>Suffrages pro populo, esp. for health and well being of Suzanne Hurst – James and Patricia Krisner, her parents; for + Mary Knouse – Kathy Knaus Shondelmyer</i> |

**NO FASTING THE WEEK OF THE PUBLICAN AND THE PHARISEE:**

**JANUARY 25 – 29!**



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Adults: \$1020

Children: \$12

Initial Off.: \$79

Candles: \$90

COLLECTION

Holy Day: \$290

Fuel: \$25

**TOTAL: \$1516**

Cemetery Donation: \$5000



The name **ZACCHÆUS**, a contraction of the name Zachariah, is based on the Hebrew word for *pure, clean; upright, righteous*.

«Zacchæus desired the 'right thing': he wanted to see and approach Christ. He is the first symbol of repentance, for repentance begins as the rediscovery of the deep nature of all desire: the desire for God and His righteousness, for the true life. Zacchæus is 'short' – petty, sinful and limited – yet his desire overcomes all this. It 'forces' Christ attention; it brings Christ to his home. Such, then, is the first announcement, the first invitation [of the Great Fast]: ours is to *desire* that which is deepest and truest in ourselves, to acknowledge the thirst and hunger for the Absolute which is in us whether we know it or not, and which, when we deviate from it and turn our desires away, makes us indeed a 'useless passion.' And if we desire deeply enough, strongly enough, Christ will respond.»

*Great Lent, Journey to Pascha* Fr. Alexander Schmemmann



Today, the universal church honors St. Antony of Egypt, the father of monasticism in the Christian tradition. His memory continues to be observed throughout Egypt, but not only in the country's many ancient desert monasteries — which are considered the lifeblood of the Coptic Orthodox Church — but throughout the Catholic and Orthodox world. St. Mark the Evangelist, disciple of the Apostle Peter, brought the Gospel to the Egyptian city of Alexandria — second only to Rome in the ancient world — establishing a church among the Jewish, Greek and native Egyptian communities as early as the year 42.

Although sporadically persecuted by the Romans, the Alexandrian Church grew quickly. By the early third century, its reputation as the primary center of learning, biblical scholarship and theological exploration was unchallenged in the Christian world. This church, however, was not confined to the cosmopolitan environment of Alexandria. Many Alexandrian Christians, seeking solitary lives of prayer and contemplation, fled to the desert and largely uninhabited hinterlands south of the Nile Delta. Among the first of these, according to the great church father St. Athanasius of Alexandria, was one man named Antony (251-356), who gave up his family's wealth and retreated into the wilderness.

A hermit, Antony never lacked in company. Athanasius writes that the devil tormented him relentlessly, a subject that gave hundreds of medieval and Renaissance artists delight in illustrating. Antony's cult had spread throughout Europe, even as the Egyptian church faded from consciousness after the Arab Islamic occupation of Egypt in the seventh century. While Antony is considered the father of monasticism for his loving attention to those men and women who gathered around him and who were eager to learn how to pray ceaselessly, it was St. Pachomius (d. 345) and St. Macarius (d. 391), followers of Antony, who first grouped these men and women into monastic houses. It would be a way of life that eventually spread to Asia Minor and Syria in the fourth century and to the West in the early sixth century.

May we learn from St. Antony the Great how to ward off those temptations that threaten to separate us from the love that is the Lord alone.

Michael J.L. La Civita  
CNEWA Communications Director



## ~ ANNOUNCEMENTS ~

- ❖ **ERRATUM:** The first «**ALL SOULS SATURDAY**» is **FEBRUARY 6<sup>th</sup>**, **NOT** March 6<sup>th</sup> as printed in last week's bulletin.
- ❖ The parish is most grateful for the kind and very generous cemetery maintenance donation received this week from Mr. and Mrs. Michael (Rusinko) Kakos. *May the Lord grant to His servants, Aimée and Michael, peace, health, and happiness for many blessed years. Многая літа!*
- ❖ **CONGRATULATIONS!** Paul Ruggieri filmed and edited the documentary "Out of the Woods, Battlefields of Western Pennsylvania" that aired on WQED this past Thursday. Paul has won multiple Emmy Awards for his numerous documentaries for WQED. The following link will take you to a brief preview:  
<https://www.facebook.com/WQEDPittsburgh/videos/453608642686616/>
- ❖ **FOUND IN CHURCH:** a gift card was turned in after last Sunday's Divine Liturgy. If you think it might be yours, see Father.
- ❖ **PRE-CANA 2021:** All couples planning to enter into a **sacramental marriage** through the celebration of the Mystery of Crowning in 2021 are required to attend the Pre-Cana Program sponsored by the Archeparchy's Office of Religious Education. This is only offered ONCE a year. **PRE-CANA SESSION DATES FOR 2021 ARE MARCH 13 & 20.** Topics to be covered: Communication, Forgiveness and Intimacy, Finances and Budgeting, Marriage and Sexuality, Why a Church Wedding?, Elements of a Healthy Marriage, Theology of Marriage / Crowning Ceremony. For information about registration, fees, etc., see Father for a registration form or go to: [https://www.archpitt.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/Pre-Cana\\_RegForm2.pdf](https://www.archpitt.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/Pre-Cana_RegForm2.pdf).