

Glory to Jesus Christ!
Слава Иисусу Христу!

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Glory Forever!
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31 January 2021 / 7529: SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON

The Holy Wonderworkers and Unmercenary Healers Cyrus and John



LITURGY SCHEDULE:

- Sat. Jan. 30 17:00 Vigil: **Sunday of the Prodigal Son** Suffrages for
+Jack Overdorff – Daniel and Kathy Overdorff
- Sun. Jan. 31 10:30 **Sunday of the Prodigal Son** Suffrages pro populo
esp. for +Christopher Davis - Ken & Pat Gillott
- Mon. Feb. 01 18:30 **The Encounter of our Lord with Simeon and Anna.** Suffrages for + George Rusinko – Michael and Aimée Kakos
- Tues. Feb. 02 09:30 **The Encounter of our Lord with Simeon and Anna.** Suffrages for + Michael Rusinko – Michael and Aimée Kakos
- Sat. Feb. 06 09:30 **1st All Souls Saturday w/ Panachida**
17:00 Vigil: **Sunday of the Last Judgment** Suffrages for
+ Jack Overdorff – wife Joann
- Sun. Feb. 07 10:30 **Sunday of the Last Judgment** Suffrages pro populo,
esp. for +Deacon Richard Ciganko – The Ciganko Family



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COLLECTION

Adults: \$1448
Candles: \$53

Children: \$14
Holy Day: \$22

Initial Off.: \$4
TOTAL: \$1541

Psalm 137 vs. 1 – 6: By the rivers of Babylon there we sat and wept, remembering Zion; on the poplars that grew there we hung up our harps. For it was there that they asked us, our captors, for songs, our oppressors, for joy. «Sing to us,» they said, «one of Zion's songs.» O how could we sing the song of the LORD on foreign soil? If I forget you, Jerusalem, let my right hand wither! O let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth if I remember you not, if I prize not Jerusalem as the first of my joys.



Each day the Savior speaks to us and instructs us with His own voice. Let us listen to what the Scriptures teach us about the Prodigal who became repentant; in faith let us imitate his praiseworthy conversion. In the humility of our hearts, let us say to our God Who sees all our secrets: 'O Father of mercy, we have sinned against You; we are no longer worthy to be called Your children. But because of Your great love for all, receive me, repentant, and make me as one of Your hired servants.'

IKOS of Sunday Matins

As the Thief I cry out: 'Remember me.' As the humble Publican, I strike my breast and say: 'Be merciful.' As the Prodigal, deliver me from all iniquity, O God of mercy, so that I may sing the praise the Your boundless compassion.

Ode 9 Sunday Matins

ALL SOULS' SATURDAYS: On the day before the Sunday of the Last Judgment (Meat-fare Sunday) and in close connection with the theme of this Sunday, there is a universal commemoration of the dead «*from all the ages*». Before we call to mind the Second Coming of Christ in the services on Sunday, we commend to God all those departed before us, who are now awaiting the Last Judgment. In the texts for this Saturday there is a strong sense of the continuing bond of mutual love that links together all the members of the Church, whether alive or dead. For those who believe in the risen Christ, death does not constitute an impassable barrier, since all are alive in Him; the departed are still our brethren, members of the same family with us, and so we are conscious of the need to pray insistently on their behalf.»



from the Lenten Triodion of Mother Mary and Metropolitan Kallistos





St. John

St. Cyrus

These Saints lived during the years of Diocletian. Saint Cyrus was from Alexandria, and Saint John was from Edessa of Mesopotamia. Because of the persecution of that time, Cyrus fled to the Gulf of Arabia, where there was a small community of monks. John, who was a soldier, heard of Cyrus' fame and came to join him. Henceforth, they passed their life working every virtue, and healing every illness and disease freely by the grace of Christ; hence their title of "Unmercenaries." They heard that a certain woman, named Athanasia, had been apprehended together with her three daughters, Theodora, Theoctiste, and Eudoxia, and taken to the tribunal for their confession of the Faith. Fearing lest the tender young maidens be terrified by the torments and renounce Christ, they went to strengthen them in their contest in martyrdom; therefore they too were seized. After Cyrus and John and those sacred women had been greatly tormented, all were beheaded in the year 292. Their tomb became a renowned shrine in Egypt, and a place of universal pilgrimage. It was found in the area of the modern day resort near Alexandria named Abu Kyr.



~ ANNOUNCEMENTS ~

- ❖ The **2020 Contribution Statements** are available in the Narthex. Those who get weekly Sunday bulletins will receive theirs along with this week's mailing.
- ❖ **PRE-CANA 2021 IMPORTANT UPDATE:** All couples planning to enter into a **sacramental marriage** in 2021 are required to attend the Pre-Cana Program. **Due to the pandemic, it will be asynchronous via "Populi" at bcs.edu. Videos will be available April 1 – 30, 2021.** For information about registration, fees, etc., see Father for a registration form. **One's completed form and required fee are due to Father by the end of February.**

