Glory to Jesus Christ! Слава Исусу Христу! St. Mary ~ Holy Protection Byzantine Catholic Church

Glory Forever! Слава на вики!

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6 February 2022 (7530) SUNDAY OF THE PUBLICAN AND THE PHARISEE

Postfestive Day of the Encounter. Our Venerable Father Bucolus, Bishop of Smyrna. The Holy Martyr Silvanus, Bishop of Emessa and Companions. Our Venerable Father and Confessor Photius, Patriarch of Constantinople.





LITURGY SCHEDUE:

- Feb. 05 17:00 Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee Sat. Suffrages for pro populo.
- Feb. 06 10:30 Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee Sun. Suffrages for +Rev. Deacon Richard Ciganko – The Ciganko Family
- Sat. Feb. 12 17:00 Sunday of the Prodigal Son Suffrages for +John Krynicky – daughter Joanne
- Sun. Feb. 13 10:30 Sunday of the Prodigal Son Suffrages pro populo

THERE IS NO FASTING DURING THE WEEK FROM THE SUNDAY OF PUBLICAN AND PHARISEE TO THE SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON.



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pen to me the doors of repentance, O Giver of Life. As we worship in Your temple this day, teach us how to purify the temples of our bodies, and in Your compassion, purify me by the goodness of Your mercies.

et us strive to imitate the virtues of the pharisee, and let us follow the humble path of the publican. In each of them let us hate excessive pride and the weight of sin.

The Pharisee thought that he would race swiftly on the chariot of virtues; but the Publican outran him on foot by yoking humility with compassion.

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HUMBLING OURSELVES – St Ephrem the Syrian: A man begins to go astray when he withdraws from humility. He who has abandoned God does the evil spirit oppress, as he did King Saul. The enemy's snares are smeared with honey. He who is attracted by the sweetness of honey becomes caught in the snares and filled with all manner of woe. Love humility and you will never fall into the devil's snare, for soaring on humility's wings you will always remain above the enemy's snares. Arrogance is like a very tall but rotten tree. All of its branches are brittle, and if someone climbs upon it, he immediately falls from the height he has attained. Blessed is he who is enriched with good hope and illuminated with good thoughts: his glory is great and everlasting. Let us strive for sober attention, that we may recognize our sins and be constantly humbled, that we may not nurture, like the serpent, a high opinion of ourselves or wickedness. Let us love sobriety, that we may have a pure heart and that we may preserve the temple entrusted to us undefiled by sinful corruption. Wondrous is prayer accompanied by sighs and tears, especially if the tears are shed in secret. He who prays in his mind with faith beholds the Lord before himself. For in Him do we live, move, and have our being. If your heart has been hardened, weep before the Lord, that He may shine upon you the illumination of knowledge and grant that with an ardent heart you may be carried up to Him.



- ❖ Бѣчнам памать! Kindly remember in your prayers Richard Reagan who has fallen asleep in the Lord. «In blessed repose, grant O Lord, eternal rest to your departed servant Richard and remember him forever.
- Our next FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON will be Sunday, 20 February immediately after the Divine Liturgy. A sign-up sheet is located in the Narthex. Please indicate the food item that you will be bringing. Wisdom! Be attentive! During the Great Fast, these luncheons will be meatless!
- ❖ FORGIVENESS VESPERS will be served on SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27th at about 13:00 in the nave of the Church. A «meager meal» will be served after the Divine Liturgy in the Church basement for those attending Vespers. Clean Monday February 28th, the first full day of the Great Fast is a day of strict abstinence from meat and dairy products. The Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts will be served that night at 18:30.