

Glory to Jesus Christ!  
Слава Иисусу Христу!

St. Mary ~ Holy Protection  
Byzantine Catholic Church  
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Glory Forever!  
Слава на вики!

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**15 JANUARY 2023 / 7531 32<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

*Our Venerable Fathers Paul of Thebes and John the Hut-Dweller.  
Repose of the Blessed Romanian Bishop-martyr Titus Liviu Chinczu (1955).*



#### LITURGY SCHEDULE:

Sat. Jan. 14 17:00 Vigil: **32<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

*Suffrages pro populo*

Sun. Jan. 15 10:30 **32<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST** *Suffrages for*  
**+Gregory Harhai – The Fullman Family**

Sat. Jan. 21 17:00 **SUNDAY OF ZACCHÆUS**

*Suffrages for +Freida Kutch – Angela Greene*

Sun. Jan. 22 10:30 **SUNDAY OF ZACCHÆUS** *Suffrages pro populo*



**01 / 08 / 2023**

Adults: \$1066

Christmas: \$60

Theophany: \$190

**COLLECTION**

Candles: \$30

Init. Off.: \$45

**TOTAL: \$1391**



**"Lord, I love you!"** These are the final words whispered by Pope Benedict XVI hours before his death; words of one whose life was consumed by his ongoing encounter with and total surrender to the Lord, personal and public. Saturday, 31 December 2022, Pope Benedict XVI

passed through the doors of death into the fullness of eternal life. The world and the church mourn the loss of this humble, gentle servant of God.

Born Joseph Ratzinger in Marktl am Inn, Germany in 1927, Benedict XVI — philosopher, theologian, bishop, member of the College of Cardinals, pope — was a man of deep piety, towering intellect, advocate of an ecclesiology of communion, ecumenist and committed disciple of interfaith dialogue. And he loved music, especially the works of Mozart. Benedict XVI's life was rooted in a radical, transformative encounter with Christ. In his encyclical, "*Deus Caritas Est*" (2005), he wrote simply and with his customary clarity about the meaning of being a Christian: *We have come to believe in God's love: in these words the Christian can express the fundamental decision of his life. Being Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction.*

Being a Christian is an ongoing encounter of transformation in him, with him, through him. It is a transformation of one's pierced heart because of immersion in the most intimate personal encounter with the Lord, especially in prayer. Benedict XVI was a man of prayer who loved and cherished the life of prayer as priest, bishop and pope. He knew, loved and lived the great liturgical traditions of the church, cognizant that the church at prayer transforms each person and, consequently, the Body of Christ, the church!

How may one become more familiar with the life and thought of Pope Benedict XVI? Read his great trilogy, *Jesus of Nazareth* (2007, 2011, 2012). In this short, three-volume work, readers will observe not only his scholarship, but feel the presence of one who desired to share with the world his search for a personal encounter with the Lord. We pray for Pope Benedict XVI, and we invoke the powerful intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, who, together with the saints, Benedict saw as the paradigms of personal encounter and surrender to the mystery of God. Finally, let us ask for the grace, once each day, to utter the words, "**Lord, I love you!**"

*adapted from a press release by Peter I. Vaccari, President of CNEWA*



## ~ Announcements ~

- Our parish is most grateful to Mr. & Mrs. Michael Kakos for their incredibly generous gift to the church for the maintenance of our parish cemetery. «*May God grant to His servants Aimée and Michael peace, health, and happiness for many blessed years!*» *ad multos annos! εὖ πολλά ἔτη!*
- ❖ **LIFTING THE VEIL A Mystical Understanding of the Divine Liturgy Wednesdays, January 11<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> @ 8 - 9 PM ET.** The Divine Liturgy makes present the events of salvation history and allows us to participate in the worship of God along with the whole cosmos. In this series, guided by Scripture and saints such as Maximos the Confessor and Symeon of Thessaloniki, we will explore the Church's mystical interpretation of the Divine Liturgy and how it draws us to participate in the entirety of salvation. **Instructor:** Fr. Thomas Moses.

Participation is *gratis*, but registration is required; please use the following link:

**[https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_xJectRE\\_ThKqgIuW\\_TaGVQ](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_xJectRE_ThKqgIuW_TaGVQ)**