

Glory to Jesus Christ!
Слава Иесу Христу!

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Byzantine Catholic Church
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Glory Forever!
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4 FEBRUARY 2024 / 7532 MEAT-FARE SUNDAY SUNDAY OF THE LAST JUDGMENT

Postfestive Day of the Encounter. Our Venerable Father Isidore of Pelusium



LITURGY SCHEDULE:

Sat. Feb. 03 10:00 **FIRST ALL SOULS' SATURDAY**

17:00 **VIGIL: MEAT-FARE SUNDAY**

Suffrages for + James Kontir – Marge Hulyk

Sun. Feb. 04 10:30 **MEAT-FARE SUNDAY** *Suffrages pro populo;*
esp. for +Fr. Deacon Richard Ciganko - wife Susan

Sat. Feb. 10 17:00 **VIGIL: FORGIVENESS SUNDAY**

Suffrages for +Joanne Krynicki – The Fullman Family

Sun. Feb. 11 10:30 **FORGIVENESS SUNDAY** *Suffrages pro populo;*
13:00 **FORGIVENESS VESPERS**

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COLLECTION


Adults: \$1304.70
Holy Days: \$45


Candles: \$61
TOTAL: \$1444.70


Fuel: \$25

Init. Off.: \$9

THE SATURDAY OF THE DEAD (BEFORE THE SUNDAY OF THE LAST JUDGMENT)

 faithful, let us commemorate today all those who have fallen asleep from times beyond memory, and all those who have lived in true faith, each one individually. Let us praise the Lord our Savior, praying to Him with fervor, that at the time of judgment they may give a good account to our God Who is to judge the earth, and so they may stand joyfully at His right hand in the company of the just, as brilliant heirs of the saints, and that they may deserve His heavenly kingdom.

 Come, all you faithful, and let us consider before the end the weakness of our earthly condition; let us humbly recognize the fragility of our bodily vessels. For we are but dust, we decay and are food for worms. Our bones dry up and there is no breath of life in us. Let us also gaze upon the tombs: where now is the glory, charm, and beauty? Where is the eloquent tongue, the noble brow, or the piercing eye? All is but dust and darkness. But You, O God our Savior, save Your servants.

 Christ is risen and has broken the bonds of Adam and all those who came after him; He has destroyed the power of Hades. Take courage, all you departed! Death has been put to death; Hades has been despoiled. Christ has triumphed on the Cross; He is risen and has given immortality to our flesh. He has raised us with Him and made us sharers of His Resurrection. He has made worthy of His glory all those who in justice and joy have placed their hope in Him.



NOW THE POWERS OF HEAVEN: During the Great Fast, the Byzantine Churches celebrate a unique form of weekday liturgy called "The Presanctified Liturgy of Saint Gregory the Great." But what is the meaning of this rite, especially in the context of the Fast? Join Fr. James Bankston as he explores Fr. David Petras' new book. **Four 90 min WEBINARs ON 1st & 3rd Thurs of Feb/Mar - 7pm EST.** Register at:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Hz8f2LXGRpmJ51VbT8dCjQ#/registration

FUNERALS DURING THE GREAT FAST: Since the 4th century, at the Council of Laodicea (Canon 49), it has been the tradition of the Constantinopolitan Churches that the full celebration of the Eucharist, being a festive and triumphant event, is felt to be inconsistent with the austerity of the weekday Great Fast. Accordingly the Divine Liturgies of Saints John Chrysostom and Basil the Great may **NOT** be celebrated; Monday through Friday, therefore, are known as **aliturghical days** – days without the Divine Liturgy. In the event of a funeral, the Parastas and Panachida are still served at the Funeral Home, but the Funeral of a Lay Person **with out** Divine Liturgy is served in the Church. Prayers for the deceased and a Panachida will be offered on the Sunday closest to the 40th day anniversary.

SUNDAYS OF THE GREAT FAST mark the return to the Anaphora of St. Basil the Great in our Sunday celebration of the Divine Liturgy. The **Typical Psalms** and the **Beatitudes** will be sung in *lieu* of the Sunday Antiphons.

THE SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY IS 18 FEBRUARY. Originally it was dedicated to the memory of Israel's holy prophets. *Anno Domini* 843, the Empress Theodora, her son Michael III, Patriarch Methodius, monks and clergy came in procession into Hagia Sophia and restored the icons in their rightful place. This became an annual feast shortly thereafter replacing the memory of the prophets. **If you have an icon that needs to be blessed, place it on the table in front of the iconostasis before the start of the Divine Liturgy.** After the Ambon prayer, the icons will be blessed and a procession around the church will commemorate the restoration and

eneration of icons to our Byzantine liturgical and spiritual life. All are invited to bring their patronal or favorite icon to carry during the procession!



~ **Announcements** ~

- The first bingo of 2024 is **FRIDAY, 9 FEBRUARY**. Parishioners are asked to donate PA Lottery scratch off tickets for a **LOTTERY TREE**. A Valentine decorated box is in the Narthex into which tickets may be deposited.
- **FORGIVENESS VESPERS** will be served **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11th** at about **13:00** in the nave of the Church. A «meager meal» will take place after the Sunday Divine Liturgy in the Church basement **for those attending Vespers**. A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex.