

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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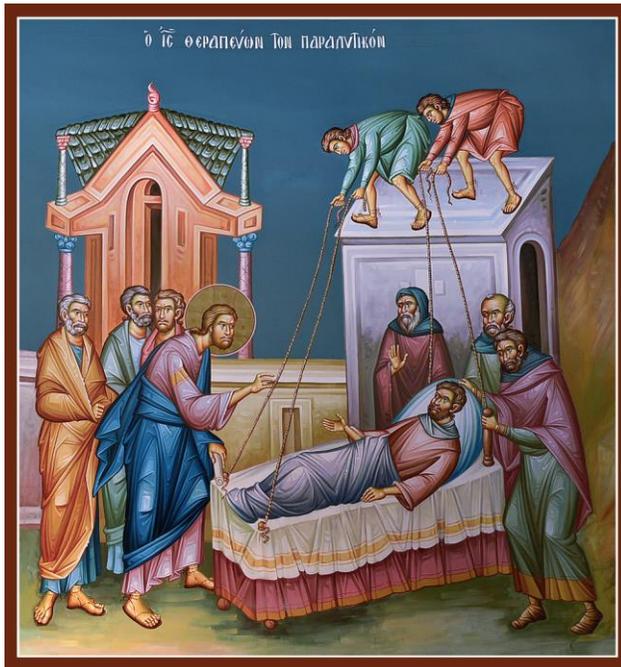
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SECOND SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST

THE MEMORY OF SAINT GREGORY PALAMAS

Our Holy Father David, Enlightener of Wales.

The Venerable Martyr Eudoxia.



LITURGY SCHEDULE:

- Sat. Feb. 28 17:00 Vigil: **SECOND SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST, Memory of St. Gregory Palamas. Second All Souls.**
- Sun. Mar. 01 10:30 **SECOND SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST, Memory of Gregory Palamas.** Suffrages *pro populo*; esp. for **+The Cantor Andrew Regalla: The Hess Family: Daniel, Jennifer, Adam, Ryan, Eric.**
- Wed. Mar. 04 18:30 **LITURGY OF THE PRESANCTIFIED GIFTS**
- Sat. Mar. 07 17:00 Vigil: **THIRD SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST Veneration of the Holy Cross. Third All Souls.**
- Sun. Mar. 08 10:30 **THIRD SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST. Veneration of the Holy Cross. Suffrages pro populo**



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Adults: \$1601

Candles: \$42

Propane: \$75

COLLECTION

Lenten Off.: \$65

TOTAL: \$1783

ATTENDANCE:

Sat. 19

Sun. 19



AS WE BEGIN THE THIRD WEEK OF THE GREAT FAST, we focus on the Cross that will be venerated at the Sunday Liturgy. Also during this third week, we read the story of the Great Flood and the salvation of Noah in the ark (Gen. 7 – 9). This is a foreshowing of our baptism, by which we are saved from sin by the mystery of water, a sign of death to sin and life to God.

KONTAKION: In Your anger, O Christ our God, during the days of Noah, You submerged the ocean of sins by Your power. In these last days, You renew the world by baptism, and in the days to come, You will purify the earth by fire. In your love for us, save us, O Redeemer of all.



Cross of Christ, hope of the ends of the earth; may you guide us across the peaceful ocean of the Fast! In Your love for us, save us from the storm of sin.

By your intercession, O holy Apostles of Christ, may we all become worthy to contemplate in all purity and worship the most holy tree of the precious Cross, which blossoms into the salvation of the world.

As we complete the third week of this holy Fast, O Christ and Word of God, enable us to contemplate the wood of Your life-giving Cross, to bow before it, to sing worthily and to glorify Your power, to exalt Your Passion, and in all purity to see Your glorious and holy Resurrection, the mystical Passover by which Adam is returned to paradise.



THE HOLY MARTYR EUDOXIA was from Heliopolis of Phœnicia (Baalbek in present-day Lebanon) and was an idolater and led an immoral life. Being beautiful beyond telling, she had many lovers, and had acquired great riches. Yet brought to repentance by a monk named Germanus, and baptized by Bishop Theodotus, she distributed to the poor all her ill-gotten gains, and entered a convent, giving herself up completely to the life of asceticism. Her former lovers, enraged at her conversion, her refusal to return to her old ways, and the withering away of her beauty through the severe mortifications she practiced, betrayed her as a Christian to Vincent the Governor, and she was beheaded, according to some, under the emperor Trajan, who reigned from 98 to 117, according to others, under the emperor Hadrian, who reigned from 117 to 138.



~ ANNOUNCEMENTS ~

- ✠ The annual **SPECIAL COLLECTION** to aid our sister churches in **Central** and **Eastern Europe** will be taken up during the month of March. The war against Ukraine is now in its 4th year! Horrific devastation and untold anguish have been inflicted upon the Ukrainian people; this year's collection to help our Byzantine Catholic brethren is more important than ever. **PLEASE BE GENEROUS!**
- ✠ **ETERNAL MEMORY!** The parish extends its deepest condolences and prayers to Nancy Shultz, whose sister Phyllis fell asleep in the Lord at her home last Friday. *In blessed repose, grant, O Lord, eternal rest to the soul of Your departed servant, Phyllis, and remember her forever.* **БЪЧНА ПАМАТЪ!**

- ✘ The Building and Maintenance Committee is selling a **\$500 LOTTERY STRIP TICKET**. The number will be taken from the PA Lottery Evening Pick 3 evening drawing on **Sunday, March 29th**.
- ✘ **LOOKING AHEAD:** Our parish will again sponsor a **SUPER BINGO** on **SUNDAY, APRIL 12th** in the parish center. Doors open at noon; games begin at 14:00 and will run until ca. 17:00. Proceeds will benefit the Church's Building and Maintenance Fund.