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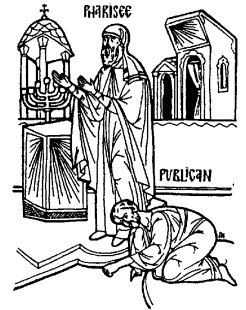
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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH, 2014

SUNDAY OF THE PUBLICAN AND THE PHARISEE — Tone 8. Leavetaking of the Meeting.

Beginning of the Lenten Triodion. Martyr Nicephorus of Antioch in Syria (ca. 257). Uncovering of the Relics of St. Innocent, Bishop of Irkutsk (1805). Ven. Pankratii (Pancratius) of the Kiev Caves (Far Caves—13th c.). Ven. Nikifor (Nicephorus—1557) and Gennádii (Gennadius—ca. 1516), of Vazheozérsk. Hieromartyrs Marcellus, Bishop of Sicily, Philagrius, Bishop of Cyprus, and Pancratius, Bishop of Taoromina (1st c.)



Epistle: 2 Timothy 3:10-15

Gospel: Luke 18:10-14



SCHEDULE OF SERVICES



Confessions:

Saturdays Following Vespers

Also by appointment

Vespers:

Saturdays at 6pm

Vigil

Eve of Feasts at 7pm

Divine Liturgy:

Sundays at 9:30am

Feast Days at 9:15am

UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS:

Sun, Feb 9th: Hours – 9:10am, Divine Liturgy – 9:30am, Coffee Hour – 11:15am:

Wed, Feb 12: Akathist followed by Adult Education- Bible Study -9:15am

Prison Ministry – 7-9pm

Sat, Feb 15: Great Vespers – 6pm followed by Confessions.

Mon, Feb 17: Orthodoxy in the Public Square – 7pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Adult Education: Beginning this week, Adult Education will focus on a Bible Study of the **Epistle to the Ephesians**. B.Y.O.B. Come for the Akathist, stay for the study.

House Blessing: If you want your home blessed please make an appointment in the next three weeks. Seven families have experienced this gift of grace.

ORTHODOXY IN THE PUBLIC SQUARE: Next Meeting on February 17 at 7pm.

Annual Parish Meeting 2014: Thank you to all who attended and offered insights and congratulations to our newly elected Council. The new council will be installed once the bishop's blessing has been received.

Scrip Program: TODAY. To place orders see Larissa Ravetto, phone (215) 766-1220 or email ravetto2001@gmail.com, or fill out an order form in the vestibule and leave it with payment with Larissa, Julia, Doug, or Jeanette.

Services on the Web: For those unable to attend Divine Services in the Church, Holy Transfiguration Monastery in Ellwood City is live streaming Sunday Vigils and Divine Liturgies and those for Great Feasts, along with Vespers twice weekly and daily Divine Liturgies. Go to their website to check out the schedule www.orthodoxmonasteryellwoodcity.org and click on "Online Chapel."

Stewardship: A way of life, not a way of fundraising. We accept everything as a gift from God and offer everything to Him in Thanksgiving. Time for service, liturgical and other; Talent, to be used for the glory of God according to His Will, not mine; Treasure, to be given away so as to make room for greater treasure. The more we give, the more we receive, as long as we give out of love, without hope or expectation of return or recognition.

Wrightstown Food Cupboard: Please make the effort to bring at least one item each week. Our parish is responsible for pasta and sauce, and all congregations are asked to donate tea, coffee, or juice. For the 125 Easter Baskets we need to collect rice and beans. Please be generous

VIGIL LIGHTS:

From the Moser Family

- **For the Health of**
Peter, Nancy, Sonia, Fr. Alexander, Fr. John, Fr. Paul, Sophia, Raymonde
- **In Memory of**
Pierre, Dn. John, Veronica, Rebecca, Charles, Stephen, Michael,

From the Perdakis Family

- **For the Health of**
Angelo, Patricia, Zografia, Raymond, Demetra, Michele, Anthony, Bruce, Jessica, Arthur, Donna, Mohammed, Lisa, Amy, Steven, Ian
- **In Memory of**
Joe N. (19), Arthur, Evangelia, Ekaterini, Alan L., Michael, Christopher, Anna, Viola, Spyridon

From a Friend

- **In Memory of**
Andrey, Varvara

Please remember in your prayers the newly departed handmaiden of God, Anna, beloved sister of Sergei Arhipov who fell asleep in the Lord on February 3rd. May her Memory be Eternal!

Six of our young people are attending the Teen Retreat this weekend! Give Thanks to God and pray for their growth in every good and perfect gift from above, Katerina, Anna, Lydia, John, Michael and Grace.



Why be humble?

The Lord Answers:

He leads the **humble** in what is right, and teaches the humble his way

Psalms 25:9

Toward the scornful, he is scornful, but to the **humble** he shows favor.

Proverbs 3:34

But this is the man to whom I will look, he that is humble and contrite in spirit, and trembles at my word.

Isaiah 66:2

Whoever humbles himself like this child, he is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

Matthew 18:4

Humble yourselves before the Lord and he will exalt you.

James 4:10

Prayer Before Reading Scripture

Illuminate our hearts, O Master Who lovest mankind, with the pure light of Thy divine knowledge. Open the eyes of our mind to the understanding of Thy Gospel teachings. Implant also in us the fear of Thy blessed commandments, that trampling down all carnal desires, we may enter upon a spiritual manner of living, both thinking and doing such things as are well-pleasing unto Thee. For Thou art the illumination of our souls and bodies, O Christ our God, and unto Thee do we send up glory, together with Thy Father, Who is from everlasting, and Thine All-Holy, Good, and Life-creating Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

