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SUNDAY FEBRUARY 4, 2018

SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON — Tone

2. Afterfeast of the Meeting. Ven. Isidore of Pelusium (ca. 436-440). Rt. Blv. George, Great Prince of Vladimir (1238). Ven. Kirill (Cyril), Abbot and Wonderworker of Novozérsk (Novgorod—1532)\Hieromartyr Abramius, Bishop of Arbela in Assyria (ca. 344-347). Ven. Nicholas the Confessor, Abbot of Studion (868).

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

Gospel: Luke 15:11-32

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Confessions: Saturdays Following Vespers
Also by appointment

Vespers: Saturdays at 6pm

Vigil: Eve of Feasts at 7pm, except Sundays when at 6pm.

Divine Liturgy: Sundays at 9:30am
Feast Days at 9:30am

UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS:

Sun, Feb 4:

Hours and Divine Liturgy – 9:10am. Coffee Hour.

Wed, Feb 7:

Akathist – 9:15am; Prison Ministry – 7:30pm

Thurs, Feb 8: Orthodox Clergy Brotherhood Meeting 10-1pm; Wrightstown Board – 7pm.
Fri, Feb 9: Sisterhood Social at Rectory – 7pm.
Sat, Feb 10: Memorial Service – 8:30am. Baptism of Margaret Crosby – 10am. Vespers and Confessions - 6pm

Church Cleaning: The signup sheet for church cleaning for 2018 is in the vestibule. Please consider taking a week or two or even a month. It is the Lord's House, but it is our responsibility. Its condition is a reflection of our care and concern for Him.

House Blessing: Please contact Fr. Martin to schedule your house blessing. Three scheduled for this week so far. See Father at the Annual Meeting or call/email. Check parish calendar online. It is accurate as of Sunday morning.

Parish Meeting: Thank you to the 42 people who attended the meeting last week. Your presence is indicative of the commitment we have at St. Mark's. Special thank you to Tony Kasmer, Charla Bendas and Alan Litvin for their service on the council over the past several years. Welcome to Andy Skordinski and Dulany Gibson. We will install the new Council today. May God continue to grant us another good year in His service!

Thank you's: We received acknowledgements from Samaritan's Purse and the Bucks County Homeless Shelter for our recent donations to Operation Christmas Child and our Christmas Food Festival Tithe. They are posted on the Bulletin Board in the Church Hall.

Scrip: Profit \$39.50, YTD \$39.50. Thank you for your participation.

Wrightstown Food Cupboard: The need, unfortunately, continues so please continue to bring the following items: Coffee, tea, juice, baby food, tuna and canned meat, desserts (brownie mixes, cake mix, frosting, pie and pie crust mixes).

Birthday

Mihai Andrei
Marek Szeliga

Names Day

Dorothy Martiak

Vigil Lights

From Irene Arhipov

For the Health of: Sergei, Stephanie, Peter, Alexandra, Mary, Mary, Ludmila, Alan

In Memory of: Ivan, Dimitri, Peresvet, Lydia, Lydia, Anna Ludmilla

From Tatyana

For the Health of: Michael, Tatyana, Irene, Anna, Lucy, Joel, Olga, Masha, Pavel, Svetlana

In Memory of: Nicolay, Anna, Alexandra, Ola, Rita, Alexey, Ivan, Vasily

Please remember in your prayers

Living: *Captive Hierarchs Paul and John, orphans of St. Thekla's, Pdn. Joseph, Priest John, Mats. Myra, Elena, Laryssa, Lisa and Mary, Peter, Stephanie, Samuel, Anthony, Sergei, Michael, Tatyana, Vera, Anna, Krastyo, Tom, Michael, Martin, Matthew, Nicoletta, Anita, Carmen, Nathan, and for Marina and the child she is bearing, George*

Departed: Bishop Mark (Forsberg), Maurice, Frederick, Kirk, Archpriest Stephen, Archpriest Vladimir

Two weeks from today is Forgiveness Sunday! Memorize these beforehand and pray them daily during Great Lent!

*Open to me the gates of repentance, O Giver of Life,
For my spirit rises early to pray towards Thy holy Temple,
Bearing the temple of my body all defiled;
But in Thy compassion, purify me by the loving kindness of Thy mercy.*

*Lead me on the path of salvation, O Mother of God,
For I have profaned my soul with shameful sins,
And have wasted my life in laziness.
But by your intercessions, deliver me from all impurity.*

*When I think of the many evil things I have done, wretch that I am,
I tremble at the fearful day of judgment.
But trusting in Thy loving kindness, like David I cry to Thee:
Have mercy on me, O God, according to Thy great mercy.*