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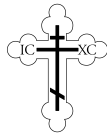
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SUNDAY, MARCH 2ND, 2014

SUNDAY OF CHEESEFARE — Tone 3. The Expulsion of Adam and Eve from Paradise. Hieromartyr Theodotus, Bishop of Cyrenia (ca. 320). St. Arsenius, Bishop of Tver' (1409). Virgin Martyr Euthalia of Sicily (257). Martyr Troadius of Neo-Cæsarea (3rd c.). Ven. Agathon of Egypt (5th c.). 400 Martyrs slain by the Lombards in Sicily (579).

Epistle: Romans 13:11-14:4

Gospel: Matthew 6:14-21



SCHEDULE OF SERVICES



Confessions:

Saturdays Following Vespers
Also by appointment

Vespers:

Saturdays at 6pm
Eve of Feasts at 7pm

Vigil

Divine Liturgy:

Sundays at 9:30am
Feast Days at 9:15am

UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS:

- Sun, Mar 2:** Hours – 9:10am, Divine Liturgy – 9:30am, Forgiveness Vespers
Mon, Mar 3: Great Compline with Canon of St. Andrew – 7pm. – **CANCELLED DUE TO WEATHER!**
Tues, Mar 4: Great Compline with Canon of St. Andrew – 7pm
Wed, Mar 5: Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts - 9:30am, Great Compline with Canon of St. Andrew – 7pm
Thurs, Mar 6: Great Compline with Canon of St. Andrew – 7pm.
Fri, Mar 7: Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts – 7pm
Sat, Mar 8: Matins for St. Theodore – 9am
Great Vespers – 6pm followed by Confessions.

LENTEN MISSION VESPERS: PAN-ORTHODOX CLERGY BROTHERHOOD OF GREATER PHILADELPHIA:

- March 9 – Sunday of Orthodoxy – St. Thomas Greek Orthodox Church, Cherry Hill, NJ
March 16 – St. Gregory Palamas – St. Herman of Alaska, Gradyville, PA
March 23 – Sunday of the Cross – SS. Peter and Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church, Wilmington, DE
March 30 – St. John Climacus – St. Michael's Russian Orthodox Church, Philadelphia
April 6 – St. Mary of Egypt – Assumption of the Holy Virgin, Philadelphia

All services begin at 4pm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Adult Education: Adult Education will focus on a Bible Study of the **Epistle to the Ephesians**. B.Y.O.B. Following the Presanctified on Wednesday mornings of Lent.

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

Parish Lenten Retreat: Saturday, March 15th. Divine Liturgy for the Departed at 9:30am, followed by brunch, followed by Presentation by Fr. Timothy Hojnicky on *Building up the Church: Practical Lessons from Recent Experience*.

Scrip Program: Due to Forgiveness Vespers, Sunday March 9. 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.

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 Margaret Ristvey

- **For the Health of**
Margaret, George, Valerie, Stephanie, Andrew, Margaret, Mary, Kay,
Delores, Helen, Peter, Joseph

From the Sedor Family

- **For the Health of**
Anastasia, Maura & Nick, Abbey & Joe

BIRTHDAYS

- ❖ Maria Colucci – Mar 3
- ❖ Kevin Swan – Mar 5
- ❖ John Wanko – Mar 2



What kind of Fast?

The Lord Answers:

Behold, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to hit with wicked fist. **Fasting** like yours this day will not make your voice to be heard on high

Isaiah 58:4

Sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly. Gather the elders and all the inhabitants of the land to the house of the Lord your God; and cry to the Lord.

Joel 1:12

Yet even now," says the Lord, "return to me with all your heart, with **fasting**, with weeping, and with mourning;

Joel 2:12

Prayer is good when accompanied by **fasting**, almsgiving, and righteousness. A little with righteousness is better than much with wrongdoing. It is better to give alms than to treasure up gold.

Tobit 12:8

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!