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January 21, 2007

32nd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - Tone 7. *Sunday of Zacchaeus*, Commemorating Venerable Maximus the Confessor; Martyr Neophytus of Nicaea; and Martyrs Eugene, Candidus, Valerian, and Aquila, at Trebizond

Readings: Epistle: 1 Timothy 4:9-15
Gospel: Saint Luke 19:1-10

- 8:00 a.m.**—Orthodox Radio on AM 720 WW II
- 9:00 a.m.**—Church School Classes
- 9:30 a.m.**—Prayers of Repentance, Confessions
- 9:40 a.m.**—Reading of the Third and Sixth Hours
- 10:00 a.m.**—Divine Liturgy, Sermon, Student and Senior A cappella Choirs
- 11:45 p.m.**—Fellowship
- 12:15 p.m.**—Junior "O" Club meeting



Calendar:

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| <p>Jan 22, Mon: 34th Annual March for Life in Washington D.C.; Parish Council meeting—7:00 p.m.</p> <p>Jan 23, Tue: Great Vespers—7:00 p.m.</p> <p>Jan 24, Wed: Divine Liturgy, Blessed Xenia of Petersburg—9:30 a.m.</p> <p>Jan 27, Sat: Vespers—7:00 p.m.; Parish Council meeting—8:00 p.m.</p> <p>Jan 28, Sun: 720 AM Radio—8:00 a.m.; Church School—9:00 a.m.; Divine Liturgy with the Bishop Tikhon as the main celebrant—10:00 a.m.; Fellowship—11:45 a.m.</p> <p>Jan 29, Mon: Great Vespers—7:00 p.m.</p> | <p>Jan 30, Tue: <i>Holy Day</i> Divine Liturgy Three Hierarchs—9:00 a.m.; Church Choir Rehearsal—7:30 p.m.</p> <p>Jan 31, Wed: Orthodox Council of Churches—7:30 p.m.</p> <p>Feb 1, Thu: Great Vespers—7:00 p.m.</p> <p>Feb 2, Fri: Divine Liturgy, Meeting of the Lord—9:30 a.m.</p> <p>Feb 3, Sat: Set up for the Super Bowl Party—9:00 a.m.; Vespers—7:00 p.m.</p> <p>Feb 4, Sun: 720 AM Radio—8:00 a.m.; Church School—9:00 a.m.; Divine Liturgy—10:00 a.m.; Fellowship—11:45 a.m.; Super Bowl Party—6:00 p.m.</p> <p>Feb 5, Mon: Men's Club Meeting—7:30 p.m.</p> |
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Today's Prayers: Please remember those mentioned here in your daily prayers in the morning and in the evening, at home and in church. The detailed prayer list is published once a month in the parish mailing. However, the names will be mentioned during the Liturgy of Preparation every Sunday. Parishioners are urged to update or delete their prayer listings.

Those Ailing: **Alex Kuzupas; Mary Essock; Nina Shvartsakh; Joe Krajsa**, friend of the choir; **Eva Kondratich**, Aunt of Evelyn Krempasky; **Tanner Carmen**, great nephew of Betty Pellegrini; **Dorothy Pellegrini**, cousin of Paul Pellegrini; **Alexander Galvin**, 4-yr old grand-nephew of Evelyn Krempasky; **Gregory Burch; Anna Pampalona** sister of Janet Kuzupas;

Health and well-being of: Cousins of Angie Mioff-McGreevy: **Andrea Atkins, Brianna Atkins, Anna Thompson; Michael Egan**, Anna Doray's son-in-law, who is being deployed to Iraq; **Nicholas Serio**, in Iraq; **Katherine Pilc; Russ Sass;**

Newly Departed from This Life: **Olga Boyko**, 93, Olyphant—Jan 2; **Andrew Podolak**—Dec 23rd, uncle of Dottie Sysak; **Peter Krempasky**—Dec 22nd, brother of George Krempasky; **Deacon Peter Homik**, Cleveland, OH—Dec 15th;

Anniversaries of Those Departed from This Life:

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| <p>Michael Yancheff, husband of Anna Yancheff, January 23rd is the 4th anniversary;</p> <p>William Keysock, uncle of Elizabeth Howe, January 24th is the 2nd anniversary;</p> <p>Rodney Evgeny Morgan, January 25th is the 2nd anniversary;</p> | <p>John O'Buck, grandfather of Betty Middlesworth, January 25th is the anniversary;</p> <p>Michael S. Essis, January 26th is the 29th anniversary;</p> <p>James W. Ettinger, January 27th is the 21st anniversary;</p> |
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Candle Offerings:

Correction: On January 14th, the **Seven Day Eternal Lamp votive candles** were offered for **James DiFlorio Sr** by his son Joshua DiFlorio. January 17th was the 16th anniversary of his departure from this life.

The **Seven Day Eternal Lamp votive candles** today is offered for **Matthew and Viviana Leija Urias Sysak** by their parents, in gratitude and thankfulness for the blessing of their marriage by Fr. Dan and Fr. Michael on Dec 27th at Christ the Saviour Church.

Many Years (*Names for the singing of MANY YEARS after the Sunday Divine Liturgy will be accepted for publication in the weekly bulletin. Please email ctsocahbg@aol.com with the information.*)

- George and Gail Kruse** celebrated their 5th anniversary on January 19th;
- Kathy Kuchwara** will celebrate her birthday on **January 23rd**.
- Gregory and Lyudmila Sysak** will celebrate their wedding anniversary on **January 23rd**.

ACCEPTING the Orthodox Christian Faith through the Office of the Reception of Converts and the Sacrament of Chrismation was **Douglas Lewis Cain** on **January 7**. His sponsors are Daniel Bretz and Donna Bretz. We sing Many Years to Douglas Lewis, the "newly illumined".

TODAYS NEWS

SHARE THE LIGHT SUNDAY: Our bishops are nourishing the growth of a National Media Ministry, and have designated today as the day when all of our churches will join together in support of this good work. Be a part of creating a National Orthodox Outreach. Your full support by way of financial gifts and spiritual prayers will help make the voice of Orthodoxy available to all who hunger for the spiritual food of the timeless Orthodox faith.



34th ANNUAL MARCH FOR LIFE: His Beatitude, Metropolitan Herman, and other hierarchs and clergy once again will lead Orthodox Christians for Life at the annual March for Life in Washington, DC tomorrow. The annual event mourns the legalization of abortion in 1973 and affirms the sanctity of human life at all stages of development.

All Orthodox Christians are encouraged to attend. Marchers will gather under the large white banner with the icon of Christ and the children and the words "Orthodox Christians for Life" at the Mall near 7th Street at 11:30 a.m., regardless of the weather. Marchers are encouraged to bring appropriate icons, banners, or signs. The program activities start at noon, with the march to the steps of the US Supreme Court commencing at approximately 1:00 p.m. A brief service for the aborted unborn children will be held near the Supreme Court.

NEXT SUNDAY, January 28th, His Grace, Bishop Tikhon will be with us. He will be present for the Saturday Vespers at 7 p.m. and then meet with the parish council.

After celebrating the Sunday, Divine Liturgy with co-celebrants Father Dan and Father Michael assisted by Deacon Joseph, Bishop Tikhon will meet with the parish during the fellowship to discuss assigning a priest to succeed Father Dan. Everyone is welcome.

PARISH NEWS

BASKETBALL TEAMS are being formed at the parish. Needed are boys and girls between the ages of 10 and 18 to have two or four teams with six or more on each team. If you are interested, please see Josh, Nick or Father Dan.

If we get a team or two, coaches will be Josh DiFlorio and Nick Schilling. They will teach the basics to all new players.

The goals are to play teams at Holy Trinity Cathedral and to attend the F.O.C.A. National Tournament in Pittsburgh the weekend of April 20, 21, and 22.

BLESSING HOMES: Those who would like to have their homes blessed should call 652-1825 or 545-5054, and we will see if some of the blessings could be taken care of with a

possible schedule. Father Neal might be available, also, but on a limited basis. Also, Father Timothy Hojnicky is willing to do some homes on the West Shore – call 763-4297.

THE NEW-STYLE VOTIVE CANDLES, the 4-hour ones, have a plastic base. The parish council wants to give these candles a trial run. These plastic cups help make the candle burning safer. Too many glass cups are breaking apart because of the candle flame fueled by debris left inside.

ST. MARY'S ALTAR Guild Meeting – The Altar Guild will hold a brief meeting on Sunday, January 28 following the Fellowship Hour. All members are asked to attend. Please contact Jean Dotsey if you will not be able to come to the meeting.

FUTURE EVENTS

THE OCCSCP, the Orthodox Council of Churches of South Central Pennsylvania, will have a meeting Wednesday, **January 31** at 7:30 p.m. at Holy Trinity Cathedral in Camp Hill.

One item on the agenda will be Orthodoxy Sunday Vespers 4 p.m. Feb 25th because it is early this year.

ANNUAL SUPERBOWL PARTY, sponsored by the **Men's Club,** will be held in the parish hall on Sunday, **February 4th** beginning at **6 p.m.** The game will be shown on three TV sets and one projector. There will be a buffet-style meal. Cost is \$8 for Adults; Children 12 and under are free. Everyone is invited. Call the office or stop by the candle desk and Sign up by **January 30th.**

SOUPER BOWL, of caring will be held nationally by young people of our churches including the Junior "O" Clubs, on **Sunday, February 4, 2006.** The youth will be collecting dollar bills and canned goods in soup pots after the Divine Liturgy. The financial donations go to the IOCC.

THE SENIOR "O" CLUB will meet on **February 8th** at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Alice & Mike Mallick.

FYI...

TELEPHONE CALLS at the rectory 652-1825 are being recorded for church matters. Please leave a message if the concerns are important. The new telephone number at the new residence (1419 Wanda Lane, Harrisburg, PA 17109) of the Ressetar's is 545-5054. Father Dan's cell phone (mobile) number is 717-877-6722, but he doesn't have it on all the time.

In case of an emergency and Father Dan, who is now officially retired, please call Father Serb at 717-939-0251 or Father Tim at 717-763-4297.

THE 2007 Saint Tikhon's Lectionary Wall Calendars have arrived. They are in the narthex and may be picked up anytime — only one to a household please. Since our parish was organized, Zimmerman-Auer Funeral Home, Inc. have funded them.

The calendar depicts 12 icon prints of the Theotokos, the Mother of God. Two of these icons, the original ones, the Tikhvin Icon and the Sitka Icon, have visited our church for veneration.

DVD copies of **Father Dan's** biographic 13-minute retirement dinner video presentation are being distributed, by request, to those who did not see it. Please return your DVD copy after viewing it for others to see it.

THE ARK launched its 24 hour ministry Sunday, January 21, 2007 on www.receive.org! A 24-hour a day internet radio outreach designed to be a listening alternative for you and your family. The Ark is a fully functioning media resource for Orthodox Christians to provide positive, uplifting contemporary Orthodox Christian music and more. The Ark is also a wonderful teaching resource to share with the growing internet media listeners the rich theology and beautiful worship of Orthodox Christianity. Your contribution to the network is welcome.

2007 OCA SOURCEBOOK and Church Directory is now available for download on-line in PDF format. You can access it at: <http://www.oca.org/DOC-PUB-SB.asp?SearchYear=2007&SID=34>. The 2007 edition does not include advertisements. The Orthodox Christian Publications Center catalogue will be posted on the OCA web site as a separate downloadable PDF file in the near future, while the new "Orthodox Yellow Pages," also slated to make its debut on the OCA web site at the end of January, featuring advertisements from past and new vendors. For information on being listed in the "Orthodox Yellow Pages," please send a request to ads@oca.org.

COME RECEIVE THE LIGHT will broadcast the following program from 8 am- 8:30 am on AM 720—Tune in...

01/28/2007 Topic: Self Image Concerns of the day — Guest: Fr. Stanley Harakas

In today's society, we all worry about how we look physically on the outside, but is that what is important? Fr. Chris welcomes back theologian, Fr. Stanley Harakas who will discuss the "Self Image Concerns" of today and what we really should be concerned.

The Orthodox Liturgical Music Chatroom schedule:

January 23— A Guide to the Hierarchical Liturgy; His Grace, Bishop Benjamin of Berkeley, presenter

February 2 — Conducting Tips for Beginners; Helen Breslich Erickson, presenter

February 20 — Music of the Old Believers; Dr. Nicolas Schidlovsky, presenter

To access the chat room, log on to www.oca.org and follow the links to the liturgical music section.

**Archpastoral Message of His Beatitude, Metropolitan HERMAN
Sanctity of Life Sunday - January 21, 2007**



My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

As we gaze upon the icon of the most Holy Mother of God and our Savior, we are reminded of the truths in which our faith as Orthodox Christians is rooted: the One Who is Life Itself emptied Himself and took on our human nature, that we might become partakers of His divine nature.



The Holy Virgin gave birth in time and space to the eternal God, Who came into the world to free us from sin, death, and corruption. He took on our human nature to transform us, to reconcile us to the Father, and to restore in us all that had been lost through the devil's deceit. All creation rejoiced, as we sing during the Liturgy of Saint Basil the Great, as God "made her body into a throne, and her womb more spacious than the heavens."

The icon of the Mother of God, however, reveals another truth. The Mother of God tenderly embraces her Son, caressing Him as He clings to her. Like all mothers, she protects her child from every harm and danger. She reassures Him with the same maternal love every mother offers her child. Recognizing Him as God's greatest gift to the world, she lovingly and selflessly accepts her duty to defend this precious gift of Life Itself, regardless of the costs or consequences.

Sadly, the culture in which we live seems to have forgotten that life is a gift from God -- the very God Who all too often is not acknowledged as the Source of Life, if acknowledged at all. Abortion on demand, branded as a "human right," remains the law of the land and a blatant denial of the very image of God in which all human life is created. Hastening the death of the elderly or terminally ill under the deceptive guise of "pain management" and "death with dignity" is hardly an isolated event today. Sacrificing human life in the name of freedom or as a means of "protecting" society from "criminal elements," has become an accept fact. The very thought of life as a sacred gift and the possibility of repentance is shunned outright among the "enlightened," who deem any connection whatsoever between creation and its Creator as "politically incorrect." Our society trumpets its commitment to ensuring "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness." Yet we, as people of faith, cannot blind ourselves to the fact that society has not only embraced the "culture of death," but has sadly perfected it -- at the expense of those created in God's image, not the least of which are the millions of innocent unborn children upon whom the death penalty has been proclaimed for no reason other than they exist.

I call upon you to join me in praying that our society, like the prodigal son, will come to its senses and experience a collective repentance. Let us pray that everyone, from civic and religious leaders to common citizens, will bravely denounce the culture of death that surrounds us and embrace life -- in the womb, beyond the tomb, and at every point in between -- as a sacred gift from God that must be protected by all means. If we, as people of faith, truly believe that we possess the fullness of revealed truth, then it is our duty -- rather, our divine calling -- to proclaim, in our words and actions, the truths of which the icon of the Mother of God and Our Savior reveals to us. We cannot wall ourselves off from the society in which Our Lord has planted us. While we are not "of the world," as Saint Paul reminds us, we are nevertheless "in the world" -- just as Our Lord, in the very midst of the world, proclaimed its salvation.

May He Who is Life Itself open our eyes, our hearts, our minds, and our lives to His presence in this world, and may He strengthen us to proclaim the precious gift of life that finds its life in Him.

With love in Christ,

+ HERMAN
Archbishop of Washington and New York
Metropolitan of All America and Canada

RESOURCES for Planned Giving now available on OCA web site. A wide variety of resources on planned giving is now available on the web site of the Orthodox Church in America. The resources can be accessed by logging onto the web site at www.oca.org and clicking the link titled "Planned Giving Resources".

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For every humble person is gentle, and every gentle person is invariably humble. A person is humble when he knows that his very being is on loan to him.
~St. Maximus the Confessor