



CHRIST THE SAVIOUR ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Sunday, February 10, 2008

37th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 4. Sunday of Zacchaeus. Hieromartyr Haralambos, Bishop of Magnesia in Thessaly, and Martyrs Porphyrius, Baptus and three women Martyrs. Synaxis of the Hierarchs of Novgorod: Joachim, Luke, Theodore, Herman, Arkádii, John, Gabriel, Martyrii, Anthony, Basil, Moses, Simeon, Evfimand Aftonii. Rt. Blv. Princess Anna of Novgorod. Ven. Prokhor of the Kiev Caves.

Epistle: **1 Timothy 4:9-15**

Gospel: **Luke 19:1-10**

UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS:

Feb 10, Sun: Church School and Adult Education – 9am; Divine Liturgy – 10am; **Panakhida for the Kantor/ Horack Families** (*immediately after Liturgy*); Fellowship – 12pm.

Hours Readers: Nick Zuro (3rd) & Joseph Russian (6th)

Feb 16, Sat: Vespers and Confessions – 6pm

Feb 17, Sun: Church School and Adult Education – 9am; Divine Liturgy – 10am; Fellowship – 12pm.

Hours Readers: Bill Kuchta (3rd) & Dimitri Ressetar (6th)

***** NOTE: This week (Feb 17th - 23rd) is Fast Free! *****

Feb 18, Mon: Parish Council Meeting – 7pm.

Feb 19, Tue: Choir Rehearsal – 7:30pm.

Feb 21, Thu: "O" Club Meeting at the Brown Residence – 7pm.

Feb 23, Sat: Maintenance Saturday – 9am; Vespers and Confession – 6pm.

Feb 24, Sun: Church School and Adult Education – 9am; Divine Liturgy – 10am; Fellowship – 12pm.

Hours Readers: John Osuch (3rd) & Paul Miller (6th)

- **Christian Education Class** meets every Wednesday (*unless otherwise noted*) at 6pm
- **Pan-Orthodox Bible study** meets every Thursday, 7pm @ Holy Trinity Camp Hill
- **Orthodox Radio** on 720 AM Radio every Sunday at 8 am
- **AncientFaithRadio.com** - 24 hour Orthodox Internet Radio

Welcome to our visitors!!! Please join us for fellowship in the Church Hall and be sure to sign our guest registry in the vestibule before you exit the church. **Please note:** Only those guests who are Orthodox Christians and have properly prepared themselves through fasting, prayer, and confession may approach to receive the Eucharist.

PRAYER LIST: Please remember the following persons during your daily morning and evening prayers. **Names will be listed for 2 weeks unless otherwise requested.** Submit names to the office by Wednesday for inclusion.

Those Ailing: **Beth Yeingst** (Evelyn Krempasky's friend); **Geoffrey Gyrisco** (John R. Barns' friend); **Julia Sheaffer** (daughter of John R. Barns' nephew); **Janet Clark** (Dotty Fedetz's friend); **Gary Kneiss & family** (former parishioner); **Met. THEODOSIUS** (former Primate of the OCA); **Christopher Vreeland** (son of Mary Ellen Osuch's co-worker); **M. Sherry Carrigan**; **Paul Pellegrini**; **Vera Bortniak**; **Ann Waytovich**; **Yolanda Lauria** (Kristen Seitz mother); **John Fatich** (Janet Kuzupas' brother); **Sbdn. Richard Hathaway** (former parishioner); **Dr. Alexander Kalenak** (Anna Doray's brother); **Theodore Bacha** (Lydia Mantle's brother); **M. Olga Kovach**

Health and well-being of: Those affected by the tornadoes in the Southern US; **Elizabeth Pellegrini**; **M. Stephani Colby** (wife of newly departed Dn. Mark); **Bobbie Heberle** (Jean Dotsey's mother); **[IN IRAQ]: Fr. George Hill** (Orthodox Army Chaplain); **SFC Bill Donner** (Libby Hancher's Nephew); **Nicholas Serio**; **Steven Hampson** (Krempasky family friend); **Brandon John Onufer** (Evelyn's grandson)

Newly Departed from This Life: **Carol Boyer** (Ann Cole's friend) – Feb 2; **Anna Martin** (Dave's mother) – Jan 28; **John Horek** (M. Sonya Evans brother) – Jan 25; **Paul Dotsey** – Jan 21; **Henry P. Korpusik II** (friend of Willard and Sue Brown) – Jan 18; **Charlotte Horack** (Ruth Kantor's mother) – Jan 12; **Igumen Gennady (Eykalovich)** – Jan 10; **Helen Henry** (John R. Barns aunt); **Florence Miller** (Paul Miller's mother) – Jan 5; **Fr. Dn. Mark Colby** (friend of the Newhouse's) – Jan 5; **Marlene Demchak** (Suzanne's sister-in-law) – Jan 4;

Anniversaries of Those Departed from This Life: **Raisa Nechay Sadowsky**, Feb 12 – 11th; **Mary (Kalenak) De Butt**, Feb 13 – 19th; **Mary Macevei**, friend of Dottie Barbu, Feb 15 – 12th; **Robert Smetanick**, father of Vicki Henry, Feb 15 – 9th; **Subdeacon John D. Ressetar**, brother of Father Dan, Feb 15 – 6th; **Sergei Kevorkov**, father of Mikhail Kevorkov and grandfather of Sergei Kevorkov, Feb 15 – 4th; **Michael Kondratick**, grandfather of Evelyn Krempasky, Feb 16 – 31st; **Michael Carmen**, brother of Betty Pellegrini, Feb 16 – 10th

Candle Offerings: For information on how to purchase commemoration candles, please go to the candle desk or speak with one of the vestrymen.

Seven Day Eternal Memory Votive in memory of **Matushka Margaret** by Fr. Daniel Ressetar.

Large Decorated Candles Behind the Center Table are donated in memory of the newly departed **Paul Dotsey**, by Andy and Dotty Fedetz.

Decorate Candle by the Icon of Christ is donated in memory of the newly departed **Anna Martin**, by her son David Martin.

Many Years: Names will be accepted for each week. Please submit to ctsocahbg@aol.com by the preceding Wednesday for inclusion in the Sunday bulletin.

Birthdays: **Marisa Montany** - Feb 16th

TODAY'S NEWS

Junior "O" Club Youth Bowling Event: All parish youth are invited to participate in a afternoon of bowling, fellowship, and worship with our visitors from Holy Ascension Orthodox Church in Frackville on **Saturday March 1st**. The event will start at 2pm at ABC Lanes, followed by pizza and Vespers at Christ the Saviour. Please contact Fr. Stephen or **sign to list in the vestibule if you are interested.**



Support-a-Seminarian Program UPDATE: Our students name is **Derek Schmidt**, a first year M. Div. student (OCA) from Holy Assumption Orthodox Church in Philadelphia. Please make checks payable to **Christ the Saviour Orthodox Church** and designate them for the program by marking the check memo line and envelope – "Support-a-Seminarian".

- ❖ So far we have raised **\$2,300.**
- ❖ We need **\$3,700** more to attain our goal!

Christian Education Class (WEDNESDAY NIGHTS): Our mid-week Christian Education class is beginning a new section focusing on the Divine Liturgy. We are using a book entitled **"Let Us Attend: A Journey Through the Divine Liturgy"** by Fr. Lawrence Farley. Please join us at 6pm to learn more about the meaning, purpose, and historic context of the Divine Liturgy.



Dues to our various Parish groups should now be paid:

St Mary's Altar Guild, \$5/ year. See Alice Mallick.
Harrisburg Sr "O" Club, \$36/year. See Alice Mallick.
St. Alexis Men's Club. \$24/year. See Joshua DiFlorio.

OTHER NEWS

Fellowship Hour Schedule: Parishioners are asked to help by bringing at least 48 servings of baked goods and to serve them during their assigned fellowship hour. Please check the dates below and mark your calendar accordingly. **The complete list through next May 2008 is available at the parish hall.** If you won't be at church on your scheduled date, contact **Nadzia Schilling** at 652-2759.

February 17: **Joseph Russian** **Christine Priggins**

February 24: Hatti Kaznowsky Judy Webb

March 2: Dottie Barbu TBD

March 9: **"O" Club Piroghi Luncheon**

St. Tikhon Century Association Annual Winter Festival/ Dinner Dance: Will be held NEXT Sunday February 17, 2008 at Genetti Manor in Dickson City. Dinner tickets are \$35 for adults and \$10 for children under 10. **RSVP by TODAY Sunday February 10th** by mailing your check to **St. Tikhon's Century Association** c/o Mary Sernak, 700 Delaware Street, Mayfield, PA 18433. Also, please see information at the candle desk regarding the basket raffle.

2008 OCA Mission Appeal: The Orthodox Church in America has begun its 2008 Mission Appeal. Please see the flyer, behind the candle desk in the vestibule to read His Beatitudes message, and consider supporting this program that is designed to help parishes in the mission field.

Excerpts from a Sermon on Zacchaeus Sunday **Taken from Celebration of Faith, Vol. 2. by Fr. Alexander Schmemmann (+1983)**

To prepare us for Great Lent the Orthodox Church starts announcing its approach a full month before it actually begins. How difficult it is for a person to understand that besides devotion to life's other innumerable preoccupations, there is also care for the soul, for our inner world. If we were a bit more serious, we would see just how important, essential and fundamental care of the soul really is. We would then understand the slow and mysterious rhythm of church life... We know, of course the meaning food has in our life. Some foods are good and nutritious, others are unhealthy; this one's too heavy, be careful of that one. We take great pains to ensure that the food we eat is good for us. And it is far more than pious rhetoric when we say that the souls also needs to be fed, that "man shall not live by bread alone" (Mt. 4:4)...

[However] we don't understand that the soul gets constipated much more easily than our digestive system, and that the consequences of a constipated soul are much more harmful. So much time is devoted to externals, and so little to the inner life. But we are now approaching that time of year when the Church calls us to remember the existence of that inner person and to be horrified by our forgetfulness, by the meaningless nonsense in which we are immersed, by the waste of precious time given to us so sparingly, by the unkempt and petty confusion in which we live.

This gospel story poses a question to each of us; what do you love, what do you desire – not superficially, but deeply? Stop for a moment, pay attention, enter your heart... and you will find within yourself the very same strange and wonderful desire Zacchaeus encountered, which no human being can live without, yet which almost everyone fears and suppresses with the noise and vanity of everything external. "Behold, I [Jesus Christ] stand at the door and knock," the New Testament says (Rev. 3:20). Do you hear this quiet knock? This is the first invitation of the Church... Here is the start, the first step from exterior to interior, toward that mysterious homeland which all human beings, unknown often to themselves, long for and desire.

Save the Date: **Akathist Hymn to St. Raphael of Brooklyn** **Tuesday February 26th at 7pm**

You were a guardian and a defender of the Church's teaching;
you protected your flock from false doctrines and confirmed them in the true faith.
O holy father Raphael, son of Syria and glory of North America,
always intercede before the Lord that our souls may be saved.
(Kontakion, Tone 8)



LAST WEEKS LITURGY ATTENDANCE: **140**