



# CHRIST THE SAVIOUR ORTHODOX CHURCH

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## SUNDAY FEBRUARY 15, 2009

**SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON — Tone 2.** Apostle of the Seventy Onesimus. Ven. Paphnutii (Paphnutius), Recluse, of the Kiev Caves. Ven. Paphnutius and his daughter, Ven. Euphrosyne, of Alexandria. Ven. Eusebius, Hermit, of Syria.

**Epistle:** 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 **Gospel:** Luke 15:11-32

### UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS:

**Feb 15, Sun:** *Divine Liturgy – 9:30am*; Church School – 11am; Fellowship – 11:15am;  
Sunday of Orthodoxy Choir Practice – CANCELLED for this week

*Hours Readers:* **John Pylypciw** (3<sup>rd</sup>) & **Joseph Russian** (6<sup>th</sup>) \* *Altar Servers:* **Team 1**

**Feb 17, Tues:** Choir Rehearsal – 7:30pm

**Feb 18, Wed:** Daily Vespers and Christian Ed – 6pm

**Feb 19, Thurs:** Parish Council Meeting – 7pm; Pan-Orthodox Bible Study (Camp Hill) – 7pm

**Feb 21, Sat:** Memorial Divine Liturgy – 9:30am; Vespers and Confession – 6pm

**Feb 22, Sun:** *Divine Liturgy – 9:30am*; Church School – 11am; Fellowship – 11:15am  
Sunday of Orthodoxy Choir Practice - *Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church*  
(York) at 4 pm; Snowboarding and Ski Outing to Ski Roundtop (*tentative*)

*Hours Readers:* **John Osuch** (3<sup>rd</sup>) & **Leavitt Keener** (6<sup>th</sup>) \* *Altar Servers:* **Team 2**

**Feb 25, Wed:** Daily Vespers and Christian Education – 6pm

- [AncientFaithRadio.com](http://AncientFaithRadio.com) - 24 hour Orthodox Internet Radio
- [Orthodox Radio](http://OrthodoxRadio.com) on 720 AM Radio every Sunday at 8 am

**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:** **Elizabeth (Betty) Motz; Marge Balog; Eilene Onufer; Sheila Kline** (friend of Kathy Kuchwara); **Ghebremichael Habtegioreghis; Archpriest Nicholas Yuschak; Daniel Gavigan** (Krempasky Family friend); **Archpriest Joseph Chupeck** (Nick Somple's uncle); **Helen Kurylo; Dorothy Vernak** (Fr. Stephen's Grandmother); **Fr. Anthony Demetri** (Dean of Holy Trinity Cathedral in Camp Hill); **Nicholas Essis; David DiPetro** (Yerke Family friend); **Ruth Mazurek** (Moe's wife); **Fred Martin** (Dave's brother); **Pauline Lapinsky** (J. Kuzupas' sister); **Christine Demchak** (Suzanne's sister); **Susan Strenski** (J. Kuzupas' sister); **John Fatich** (J. Kuzupas' brother); **Theodore Bacha** (Lydia Mantle's brother); **M. Olga Kovach.**

**Health and well-being of:** **Rij Family** (Janise Legg's friends); **Carl Polansky; Fr. Stephen Vernak** (traveling overseas); **Gerald & Anne Cole; Dorothy Fedetz; Diane Broskey** (Libby Hancher's Niece); **Rod Lancing** (Yerke Family friend); **M. Anna Vernak** (and the child to be born of her); **Freweini Ghebremichael** (and the child to be born of her); **Kristina Keener Paige** (and the child to be born to her); **Alexei Schmidt** ('adopted' Seminarian); **Christina Semon** (OCMC Missionary); **Alicia & Susannah Reynolds; [THOSE SERVING IN IRAQ]: Steven Hampson & John Zeiders** (Krempasky's friends); **David Riesberg** (Anna Doray's Grandson)

**Newly Departed from This Life:** **Thomas Bushallow** (classmate of Fr. Dan) – Feb 8; **Archpriest Pavel Soucek** – Jan 15; **Dennis Finney** (Christine Priggins husband) – Jan 13; **Tillie Sheaffer** (John Barn's great-grandmother-in-law); **Michael Smoley** (Carole Buleza's father) – Dec 28; **Richard Howe** (Elizabeth's husband) – Dec 26

**Anniversaries of Those Departed from This Life:** **Mary Macevei** (friend of Dottie Barbu) Feb 15 – 13<sup>th</sup>; **Robert Smetanick** (father of Vicki Henry) Feb 15 – 10<sup>th</sup>; **Subdeacon John D. Ressetar** (brother of Fr. Dan) Feb 15 – 7<sup>th</sup>; **Sergei Kevorkov** (father of Mikhail Kevorkov and grandfather of Sergei Kevorkov) Feb 15 – 5<sup>th</sup>; **Michael Kondratick** (grandfather of Evelyn Krempasky) Feb 16 – 32<sup>nd</sup>; **Michael Carmen** (brother of Betty Pellegrini) Feb 16 – 11<sup>th</sup>; **Ann Waytovich**, Feb 16 – 1<sup>st</sup>; **Iskander H. Issis**, Feb 17 – 13<sup>th</sup>; **Aziz Shunnara**, Feb 17 – 8<sup>th</sup>; **Joseph F. Pilc** (Katherine's husband) Feb 17 – 6<sup>th</sup>; **Matushka Margaret Ressetar** (mother of Father Dan) Feb 17 – 3<sup>rd</sup>; **Ruth Berg**, Feb 19 – 4<sup>th</sup>; **Mary Fatich** (mother of Janet Kuzupas) Feb 20 – 54<sup>th</sup>; **Andrew Matychak** (Father of Mother Christophora) Feb 20 – 4<sup>th</sup>; **Matushka Helen Donovan**, Feb 20 – 3<sup>rd</sup>; **Gregory Drescher**, Feb 20 – 3<sup>rd</sup>; **Milina Cioban**, Feb 21 – 25<sup>th</sup>

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

**The Seven Day Eternal Memory Candle** is dedicated in memory of **Cameron Bryan Seitz** by his mother, Kristen Seitz.

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

**Birthdays:** Marisa Montany - **Feb 16**; Lydia Murphy (**1<sup>st</sup>**) – **Feb 18**

**Anniversaries:**

LAST WEEK'S LITURGY ATTENDANCE: **158**

## TODAY'S NEWS

**Welcome:** Fr. Sergius (Bowyer) from St. Tikhon's Monastery, who is our guest celebrant at the Divine Liturgy this morning. May God bless him and grant him many years!

**Note of Thanks:** Dotty Fedetz would like to thank all the people who offered prayers, cards and phone calls during her recuperation. Also, thanks to the Choir members and St. Mary's Altar Guild for burning candles at this time. It helped with her recuperation.

**Mission Choir Visit:** The St. Tikhon Mission choir will once again be visiting our parish on Sunday, March 1st. **We are looking for parishioners to house seminarians.** Volunteers will meet them at Vespers at Holy Apostles Mission (Mechanicsburg) on Feb 28<sup>th</sup> at 6pm, and bring them to church about an hour early on Sunday morning. Please call the church office or email Fr. Stephen if you are interested.

**CTS Quarterly Book Club:** *"Surprised by Christ: My Journey from Judaism to Orthodox Christianity"* is the story of Fr. James Bernstein--from son of a Jewish rabbi and national chess champion, to leader with Jews for Jesus in Berkeley, California, to Orthodox Christian priest. Please contact **Fr. Stephen** when he returns to purchase your copy for \$14.00. Please make checks out to Christ the Saviour. **Our next meeting will be at the Pankiw residence on Sunday April 26th at 6pm.**

**Sunday of Orthodoxy (Pan-Orthodox) Vespers: March 8<sup>th</sup> at 4pm at Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church (2500 Pine Grove Road) in York, PA.** This annual event reminds us that *"there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond nor free: but Christ is all, and in all"* (Col. 3:11) Please mark your calendars and plan on attending this important Pan-Orthodox event!!!

- Our parish is asked to contribute 200 pieces of cookies and pastries. Please bring items marked for "Sunday of Orthodoxy" to our church that morning.
- Boosters of \$5 per name are being collected from each parish. Please sign the list in the vestibule and place donations in the basket by Sunday March 1st. Following the service a meal will be provided for a cash donation.

**Junior "O" Club Youth Bowling Event:** All parish youth ages are invited to participate in a afternoon of bowling, fellowship, and worship with our visitors from the Frackville Deanery on **Saturday, February 28<sup>th</sup>.** The event will start at 2pm at ABC Lanes (1001 Eisenhower Blvd), followed by pizza (5pm) and Vespers (6pm) at Christ the Saviour. Please sign list in vestibule if you are interested or contact Harrisburg "O" Club President, John Dotsey (717-566-0395) for more information.



**Support-a-Seminarian Program:** Once again our parish is collecting donations to help support a seminarian at St. Tikhon's. Our students name is **Derek Schmidt**, a second 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" any time from now until the end of May. **PLEASE SEE**

**an update from Derek on our website or on the bulletin board in the parish hall.**

Our parish goal = **\$6,000.00** Total collected thus far: **\$1,400.00.**



## 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 2009 is available at the parish hall.*** If you will not be at church on your scheduled date contact **Nadzia Schilling** at 652-2759.

**February 15:**

February 22:

March 1:

**Janet Kuzupas**

Evelyn Krempasky

**"O" Club Pirogi Luncheon**

**Pam Hatalowich**

Mary White

**"Building an Orthodox Christian Home":** About 20 photo-copies of this wonderful article which appeared in "AGAIN" Magazine are available at the candle desk. The entire issue is dedicated to the question of how to raise our children in godliness. For a full copy visit [www.ConciliarPress.com](http://www.ConciliarPress.com).

**Out-of-Town:** Please note that Fr. Stephen will be out of town from Monday, Feb 2 - Tuesday, Feb 17. If you are in need of assistance, please call **Fr. Daniel Ressetar** (cell: 877-6722; home: 545-5054) or **Fr. Timothy Hojnicky** (cell: 645-5281; home: 763-4297; e-mail: [thoj@hotmail.com](mailto:thoj@hotmail.com)).

### **FRACKVILLE DEANERY LENTEN MISSION VESPERS SCHEDULE:**

has been posted by the Diocese. Please take note that our clergy will be in York for Sunday of Orthodoxy (March 8th). Please make an effort to attend at least one of these services as part of your Great Lenten effort to grow in "faith, life, and spiritual understanding".

- March 15 - **Holy Apostles Mission** in Mechanicsburg at 5pm
- March 22 - **St. Michael's Church** in Mount Carmel at 5pm
- March 29 - **Holy Ascension Church** in Frackville at 5pm
- April 5 - **SS. Peter and Paul Church** in Minersville at 5pm

\* Additional information available at the Candle desk in the Vestibule

**Icon Painting Workshop:** Our parish will host an icon painting workshop lead by master iconographer **Xenia Prokovsky** from Sunday, August 16 (7pm public lecture) through Saturday August 22. The \$875 tuition includes a week of instruction, all materials needed to complete an icon, and three meals a day (*rooms have been blocked off at the Days Inn on Front Street, for a total tuition and lodging for 6 nights at \$1380.00*). Please see [www.hexaameron.org](http://www.hexaameron.org) or the flyer in the vestibule for more information and registration details. There is a maximum of 25 students who can be enrolled on a first come, first serve basis.