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SUNDAY OF THE PUBLICAN AND THE PHARISEE

February 5, 2023

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2 Timothy 3:10-15 (Epistle)

Luke 18:10-14 (Gospel)

A warm welcome to everyone joining us for worship.

If you are without a spiritual home, please make OUR HOME, YOUR HOME.

TODAY **Afterfeast of the Meeting**; Repose of St. Theodosius of Chernigiv (†1696); *Beginning of the Lenten Triodion*; Holy Martyr Agatha of Palermo in Sicily (†251); Martyr Theodula of Anazarbus in Cilicia, and with her Martyrs Helladius, Macarius and Evagrius (ca. †304); Icon of the Mother of God "Seeker of the Perishing".

READERS: Hours: Sevasti BERGSTROM

Epistle: Maria LLAMAS

9:40 am Third & Sixth Hours; Confession

10:00 am **Divine Liturgy** - [LIVE STREAM ON ST. NICHOLAS FACEBOOK PAGE](#)

11:20 am **Sunday School**

11:40 am **Fellowship**

12:15 pm **First Confession Lesson**

Saturday, February 11

5:00 pm **Great Vespers**

Sunday, February 12 Sunday of the Prodigal Son; ; St. Meletius, Archbishop of Antioch (†381); St. Aleksy, Metropolitan of Moscow, Wonderworker of All Russia (†1378); St. Meletius, Archbishop of Khar'kiv and Akhtyrsk (†1840); Ven. Mary (who was called Marinus), and her father, Ven. Eugene, at Alexandria (†6TH c.); St. Anthony, Patriarch of Constantinople (†895); St. Kristo the Gardener (Albania—†1752); The "Iberian" Icon of the Mother of God.

READERS: Hours: Marlo PERRY

Epistle: George KLEINERT

9:40 am Third & Sixth Hours; Confession

10:00 am **Divine Liturgy** - [LIVE STREAM ON ST. NICHOLAS FACEBOOK PAGE](#)

11:40 am **Fellowship**

STEWARDSHIP CORNER Sunday, January 29TH, 2023 — Collection \$1,462.80

MANY THANKS to Sean LENCKUS for hosting February 5TH fellowship hour.

FELLOWSHIP HOUR If wondering when to sign up, there is no wrong time. Great reasons to host include birthdays, wedding anniversaries or memorial anniversaries. Hosting fellowship hour can be a great way to multiply your happiness or divide your sorrow. Sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/2023FellowshipHour>

PREPARING FOR OUR LENTEN JOURNEY The Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee is the first Sunday of a three-week period prior to the commencement of Great Lent. It marks the beginning of a time of preparation for the spiritual journey of Lent, a time for Orthodox Christians to draw closer to God through worship, prayer, fasting, and acts of charity. The lesson to be learned is that we possess neither the Pharisee's religious piety, nor the Publican's repentance, through which we can be saved. We are called to see ourselves as we really are in the light of Christ's teaching, asking Him to be merciful to us, deliver us from sin, and to lead us on the path of salvation.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING Thank you to everyone that stayed last Sunday for our Annual Parish Meeting. We have some exiting things ahead of us this year. I pray that the Good Lord gives strength to both our continuing and newly elected Board Members and Auditors.

APPROACHING 2023 LITURGICAL DATES: *Meat Fare* — February 19TH; *Cheese Fare* — February 26TH; *Beginning of Great Lent* — February 27TH; *Memorial Saturday* — March 11TH and March 18TH; *Feast of Annunciation* — March 25TH; *Palm Sunday* — April 9TH; **HOLY PASCHA** — April 16TH.

WELCOME BACK TO ST. NICHOLAS PARISH Glen Seraphim JOHNSON we are happy to have you back in your spiritual home.

BECOMING CATECHUMENS Welcome to Aaron WEINERT who expressed his desire to embrace the Orthodox Faith in its fullness. We initiate the period of instruction & spiritual formation that eventually would lead him to reception into the Orthodox Church.

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MANY YEARS... *Happy Birthday* to Liana TRUFYN on February 6TH and Vessela ANDREEV on February 8TH

May God grant all our celebrants Many Happy and Healthy Years!

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS the following people, who are in need of God's healing and grace:

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| Dn. David HANNEMAN | Tom KOMPARE | Joseph ORLOVICH | Elena PAVLOV | Soldier Sergij MARTYNUK |
| Kathy HANNEMAN | Susan NICKLAS | Josephine ORLOVICH | Tetiana MAZUR | Stefan KARADJOV |
| Sevasti BERGSTROM | Sue UNDERWOOD | Gary GALLICK | Jose FELIX | Toma ANDREEV |
| Zachary MISSEN | Stevan LUNICH | Emily ROUSONELOS | Alice PISTILLI | Fr. Joseph KOPKA |
| Fr. Bogdan BODNARCHUK | Juliana MATUSIAK | Natalia SHILTSEV | Duane BRADLEY | |

If there is anyone who is in need of prayers, and you want to add them to the prayer corner, please notify Fr. Mykola.

Today Epistle (2 Timothy 3:10-15)

Brethren... But you have carefully followed my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, love, perseverance, persecutions, afflictions, which happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra – what persecutions I endured. And out of them all the Lord delivered me. Yes, and all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will suffer persecution. But evil men and impostors will grow worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived. But you must continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned them, and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

Today Gospel (Luke 18:10-14)

"Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, 'God, I thank You that I am not like other men – extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I possess.' And the tax collector, standing afar off, would not so much as raise his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

Апостол Дня (2-е Тимофею 3:10-15)

Братия... А ты последовал мне в учении, житии, расположении, вере, великодушии, любви, терпении, в гонениях, страданиях, постигших меня в Антиохии, Икони, Листрах; каковыя гонения я перенес, и от всех избавил меня Господь. Да и все, желающие жить благочестиво во Христе Иисусе, будут гонимы. Злые же люди и обманщики будут преуспевать во зле, вводя в заблуждение и заблуждаясь. А ты пребывай в том, чему научен и что тебе вверено, зная, кем ты научен. Притом же ты из детства знаешь священные писания, которые могут умудрить тебя во спасение верою во Христа Иисуса.

Евангелие Дня (Луки 18:10-14)

"Два человека вошли в храм помолиться: один фарисей, а другой мытарь. Фарисей, став, молился сам в себе так: 'Боже! благодарю Тебя, что я не таков, как прочие люди, грабители, обидчики, прелюбодеи, или как этот мытарь: пощусь два раза в неделю, даю десятую часть из всего, что приобретаю.' Мытарь же, стоя вдали, не смел даже поднять глаз на небо; но, ударяя себя в грудь, говорил: 'Боже! будь милостив ко мне грешнику!' Сказываю вам, что сей пошел оправданным в дом свой более, нежели тот: ибо всякий, возвышающий сам себя, унижен будет, а унижающий себя возвысится."

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