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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

March 8, 2026

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Hebrews 1:10-2:3 (Epistle)

Mark 2:1-12 (Gospel)

A warm welcome to everyone joining us for worship.

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

TODAY **St. Gregory Palamas**; Synaxis of the Venerable Fathers of the Kyiv Caves Lavra; St. Theophylactus, Bishop of Nicomedia (†842-845); Ven. Lazarus (†1391) and Athanasius (†15TH c.), of Múrom; Hieromartyr Theodoretus of Antioch (†4TH c.); Apostle Hermes of the Seventy (†1ST c.); Ven. Dometius (†363); The "Kursk-Root" Icon of the Mother of God.

READERS: Hours: Sean LENCKUS

Epistle: Maria LLAMAS

9:40 am Third & Sixth Hours; Confession

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

11:40 am Fellowship

6:30 pm Deanery Vespers

St. Nicholas Church 4313 18TH Avenue, Kenosha, WI

Monday, March 9

7:00 pm Orthodox Study Bible

Friday, March 3

6:00 pm Parish Board Meeting

Saturday, March 14

MEMORIAL SATURDAY

9:00 am Memorial Liturgy

2:00 pm Sacraments of Holy Baptism and Chrismation of David LUNGU

5:00 pm Vespers

Sunday, March 15 **3RD Sunday of Lent; Veneration of the Cross**; Martyrs Agapius, Publius, Timolaus, Romulus, two named Dionysius, and two named Alexander, at Cæsarea in Palestine (†303); Hieromartyr Alexander of Sidē, in Pamphylia (†270-275); Martyr Nicander of Egypt (ca. †302).

READERS: Hours: Aaron WEINERT

Epistle: Carlos MEDRANO

9:40 am Third & Sixth Hours; Confession

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

11:20 am Sunday School

11:30 am Catechumen Lesson

11:40 am Fellowship

6:30 pm Deanery Vespers

St. Nicholas Church 1000 Barber Ln., Joliet, IL

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Sunday, March 1ST, 2026

— Collection

\$2,861.00

SAINT GREGORY PALAMAS (†1359) was a monk of Mount Athos and the Archbishop of Thessaloniki, widely revered as a Pillar of Orthodoxy. He is best known for his defense of Hesychasm, a mystical tradition of "prayer of the heart" that seeks direct communion with God through inner stillness and the repetition of the Jesus Prayer.

MANY THANKS TO ♦ Marianna CARESTIA for hosting today's fellowship hour.
 ♦ James GRIMALDI for cleaning the grease trap in church kitchen and repainting it.

CHICAGO DEANERY LENTEN VESPERS You are invited to join the faithful of our Chicago Deanery parishes in Lenten prayer and fellowship as we journey together through Great Lent. All services begin at 6:00 pm.

- Sunday, March 22ND — St. George Cathedral, 917 N Wood St., Chicago, IL
- Sunday, March 29TH — St. Elizabeth Church, 545 W Indiana Ave., Chesterton, IN
- Palm Sunday, Apr. 5TH — Bridegroom Matins Holy Trinity Cathedral, 1121 N Leavitt St., Chicago, IL

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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/2026-Fellowship-Hour>

MANY YEARS... Happy Birthday to Aaron WEINERT on March 10TH & Vladimir SHILTSEV on March 14TH

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:

Dn. David HANNEMAN	Tom KOMPARE	Tatiana MAZUR	Lily NELSON	Roman FILIPOV
Kathy HANNEMAN	Nadia BILANYK	Vladimir SHILTSEV	Mike BAKER	Elena PAVLOV
Sevasti BERGSTROM	Joyce GALLICK	Alla LAVRYNENKO	Jose Felix	Nicholas JERMIHOV
Matushka Lilia LYMAR	Stevan LUNICH	Fr. Borys ZABRODSKIJ	Alice PISTILLI	Gianni ZANELLI

Today Epistle (Hebrews 11:10-2:3)

Brethren... "You, LORD, in the beginning laid the foundation of the earth, and the heavens are the work of Your hands. They will perish, but You remain; and they will all grow old like a garment; like a cloak You will fold them up, and they will be changed. But You are the same, and Your years will not fail." But to which of the angels has He ever said: "Sit at My right hand, till I make Your enemies Your footstool"? Are they not all ministering spirits sent forth to minister for those who will inherit salvation? Therefore we must give the more earnest heed to the things we have heard, lest we drift away. For if the word spoken through angels proved steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just reward, how shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation, which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed to us by those who heard Him.

Апостол Дня (Евреям 11:10-2:3)

Братия... В начале Ты, Господи, основал землю, и небеса - дело рук Твоих; они погибнут, а Ты пребываешь; и все обветшают, как риза, и как одежду свернешь их, и изменятся; но Ты тот же, и лета Твои не кончатся. Кому когда из Ангелов сказал Бог: седи одесную Меня, доколе положу врагов Твоих в подножие ног Твоих? Не все ли они суть служебные духи, посылаемые на служение для тех, которые имеют наследовать спасение? Посему мы должны быть особенно внимательны к слышанному, чтобы не отпасть. Ибо, если через Ангелов возвещенное слово было твердо, и всякое преступление и непослушание получало праведное воздаяние, то как мы избежим, вознерадев о толиком спасении, которое, быв сначала проповедано Господом, в нас утвердилось слышавшими от Него.

Today Gospel (Mark 2:1-12)

And again He entered Capernaum after some days, and it was heard that He was in the house. Immediately many gathered together, so that there was no longer room to receive them, not even near the door. And He preached the word to them. Then they came to Him, bringing a paralytic who was carried by four men. And when they could not come near Him because of the crowd, they uncovered the roof where He was. So when they had broken through, they let down the bed on which the paralytic was lying. When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven you." And some of the scribes were sitting there and reasoning in their hearts, "Why does this Man speak blasphemies like this? Who can forgive sins but God alone?" But immediately, when Jesus perceived in His spirit that they reasoned thus within themselves, He said to them, "Why do you reason about these things in your hearts? Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Arise, take up your bed and walk'? But that you may know that the Son of Man has power on earth to forgive sins" - He said to the paralytic, "I say to you, arise, take up your bed, and go to your house." Immediately he arose, took up the bed, and went out in the presence of them all, so that all were amazed and glorified God, saying, "We never saw anything like this!"

Евангелие Дня (Марка 2:1-12)

Через несколько дней опять пришел Он в Капернаум; и слышно стало, что Он в доме. Тотчас собрались многие, так что уже и у дверей не было места; и Он говорил им слово. И пришли к Нему с расслабленным, которого несли четверо; и, не имея возможности приблизиться к Нему за многолюдством, расрыли кровлю дома, где Он находился, и, прокопав ее, спустили постель, на которой лежал расслабленный. Иисус, видя веру их, говорит расслабленному: "чадо! прощаются тебе грехи твои." Тут сидели некоторые из книжников и помышляли в сердцах своих: "что Он так богохульствует? кто может прощать грехи, кроме одного Бога?" Иисус, тотчас узнав духом Своим, что они так помышляют в себе, сказал им: "для чего так помышляете в сердцах ваших? Что легче? сказать ли расслабленному: 'прощаются тебе грехи?' или сказать: 'встань, возьми свою постель и ходи?' Но чтобы вы знали, что Сын Человеческий имеет власть на земле прощать грехи," - говорит расслабленному: "тебе говорю: встань, возьми постель твою и иди в дом твой. Он тотчас встал и, взяв постель, вышел перед всеми, так что все изумлялись и прославляли Бога, говоря: никогда ничего такого мы не видали."

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