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MYSTERY OF HOLY CONFESSION: Before & after Saturday evening Vespers. Other Sacraments by appointment.

GOING TO THE HOSPITAL? Please notify Father when you are admitted if you want him to visit. Kindly notify Father also when you are discharged.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2021 DIVINE LITURGY 10:00 AM

GLORY TO JESUS CHRIST! GLORY FOREVER!
SLAVA ISUSU CHRISTU! SLAVA NA V'IKI!

THE SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON: Regular Sunday Antiphons and the Beatitudes. Tropar for Tone 5 on p. 93. Glory.... Kondak of the Prodigal Son on p. 175. Now & ever... "Zastupnice." Prokimen & Alleluia verses for Tone 5 can be found on p. 95.

EPISTLE: I Corinthians 6:12-20. **GOSPEL:** Luke 15:11-32.

SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES

For the week of February 28:

Tues., March 2: (6:30 PM) *Abbreviated Unction Service*. This is a Sacrament of the Church.

Sat., March 6: (9:00 AM) Divine Liturgy for the *1'st All Souls' Saturday*. Antiphon "Bless the Lord, O my soul" on p. 8. Requiem Propers can be found on pp. 235-240. Additional Propers for the All Souls' Saturdays can be found on p. 176. Followed by a *Panachida* and the *Reading of the Diptychs* of the Departed.

Sat., March 6: (6:00 PM) Great Vespers for the *Sunday of the Last Judgment (Meatfare)*. Propers for Tone 6 and the Last Judgment.

**Sunday, March 7:
Sunday of the Last Judgment (Meatfare)**

10:00 AM: **Divine Liturgy** for the *Sunday of the Last Judgment (Meatfare)*. Regular Sunday Antiphons and the Beatitudes. Tropar for Tone 6 on p. 96. GLORY... Kondak of the Last Judgment on p. 177. NOW & EVER... "Zastupnice." Remaining Propers can be found on pp. 177-178.

THE ETERNAL LAMP burns with prayers for the *Health & Salvation* of **Maura Andronic**. Requested by *Carolyn Kyanko*.

THE RIGHT SIDE ALTAR LAMPS (Diakonikon) burn with prayers for **Laney & Anna Ross**. Requested by *Laney & Cindi Ross*.

THE TETRAPOD LAMPS burn with prayers for *Special Intentions*. Requested by *Theresa Reese*.

LENTEN SYNAXARION. We will continue reading the Lenten Synaxarion each week before the Sunday Divine Liturgy, at approximately **9:50 AM**. Why not come a little early each week and reflect upon the themes of the pre-Lenten, Lenten and Paschal Sundays?

"THE WATERS OF BABYLON" is sung for 3 consecutive Sundays before the beginning of Great Lent to help us realize that we are in exile in the far-off land of sin. Great Lent will be the time for us to come to ourselves and return to our loving, heavenly Father.

SUNDAY CONFESSIONS. Father Michael plans to be available every Sunday after the Divine Services to hear your Confessions. The only exceptions would be on the Sundays when there is a Parish Council Meeting or when there is some unforeseen circumstance. Everyone should be planning to make their Lenten Confession this time around.

ALL SOULS' SATURDAY observances begin *NEXT Saturday, March 6*. If you wish to be included in these commemorations, please submit your list of departed loved ones and your donation to Father *before this coming Saturday*, using the special envelopes that are available in the back of church. If there is no change in your list, simply write "*Same as Last Year*" on your envelope. Father keeps your list of names from year to year in the Diptychs book.

NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 7 is **Mission Sunday**. Please use the envelope in your box to support the missionary work of the **Orthodox Christian Mission Center** (OCMC). Help spread the light of Orthodoxy throughout the world!

OUR A.C.R.Y. CHAPTER will hold a meeting *next Sunday, March 7*, after the Divine Services. All those who plan to attend should be masked and maintain 6 ft. of physical distancing.

PLAIN & DECORATED BLESSED CANDLES from the Feast of the Meeting of Our Lord in the Temple are still available in the classroom in the back of church.

DIAPER DRIVE. We will be collecting disposable diapers to help needy mothers in the area throughout the month of March. Diapers of different sizes would be most appreciated. Please bring your donations to our church. Someone will then deliver the diapers to Mt. Calvary U.P. Church in St. Clairsville, where they will be distributed.

YOUTH EVENT. The next "*The Vine and the Branches*" online Diocesan Youth event for **youth ages 5-18** (Kindergarten up to 12th Grade currently) is scheduled for *next Sunday, March 7, 2021* at **6 PM**. Over 100 youth from across the Diocese attended each of the Events in the Fall of 2020. His Eminence Metropolitan Gregory is calling all our youth ages 5-18 to come together again online on March 7 in order to strengthen their faith and connect with their peers around the Diocese. Don't miss out on the opportunity to be together with His Eminence, our priests, and one another, and be encouraged in your faith. If you wish to register, please let Father Michael know, and he will e-mail you the hyper-link. Registration closes on **Thursday, March 4**, so get registered **TODAY!!**

The schedule includes time for a message from the Metropolitan, games to help us get to know each other, activities on the theme of *The Vine and the Branches*, some entertainment from around the Diocese (special guest appearances!), and time just to see and talk with one another. Youth will be together for part of the Event, as well as in smaller “breakout rooms” grouped by age. Youth Ages 5-12 will be online from **6 PM—7:30 PM**. Youth Ages 13-18 will be online from **7 PM—8:30 PM**. Once you register for the event, a full schedule and the links to join the Event will be sent to you. His Eminence is looking forward to seeing all of you!!!

A VIRTUAL DIOCESAN LENTEN RETREAT is being planned for **Saturday, April 3, 2021** from **12:00 PM to 1:30 PM**. This year’s topic is: **“Nepsis-Watchfulness: Being Attentive in a Distracted Age.”** Keynote presentation by Father Jonathan Bannon. This online spiritual gathering is open to **ALL adults and teenagers**, and is being sponsored by the National Senior ACRY. Admission is **FREE**, and you may register now at: **<https://www.acrod.org/retreat>**.

CHECK THESE OUT:

Ancient Faith Radio has always been a outstanding source for listening to Orthodox podcasts and liturgical music. Now they have just added a live-streaming ENGLISH LANGUAGE MUSIC CHANNEL. There is no charge for this service, and you can get the Ancient Faith app at your app store.

Patristic Nectar Publications has produced an audio version of the SYNAXARION (Lives of the Saints), which is available to use free of charge. Go to their website at: patristicnectar.org/app and follow the instructions for installing their app on your devices.

A NEW PSALTER GROUP is **NOW** being formed. Instructions and opening & closing prayers will be provided for those wishing to join our group. Copies of the Psalter are available in the gift shop for those who need a copy. If you have any questions about the group, or wish to sign-up, please contact Pan’i Kelley ASAP.

THE CHURCH will be open from **Noon to 4 PM** today.

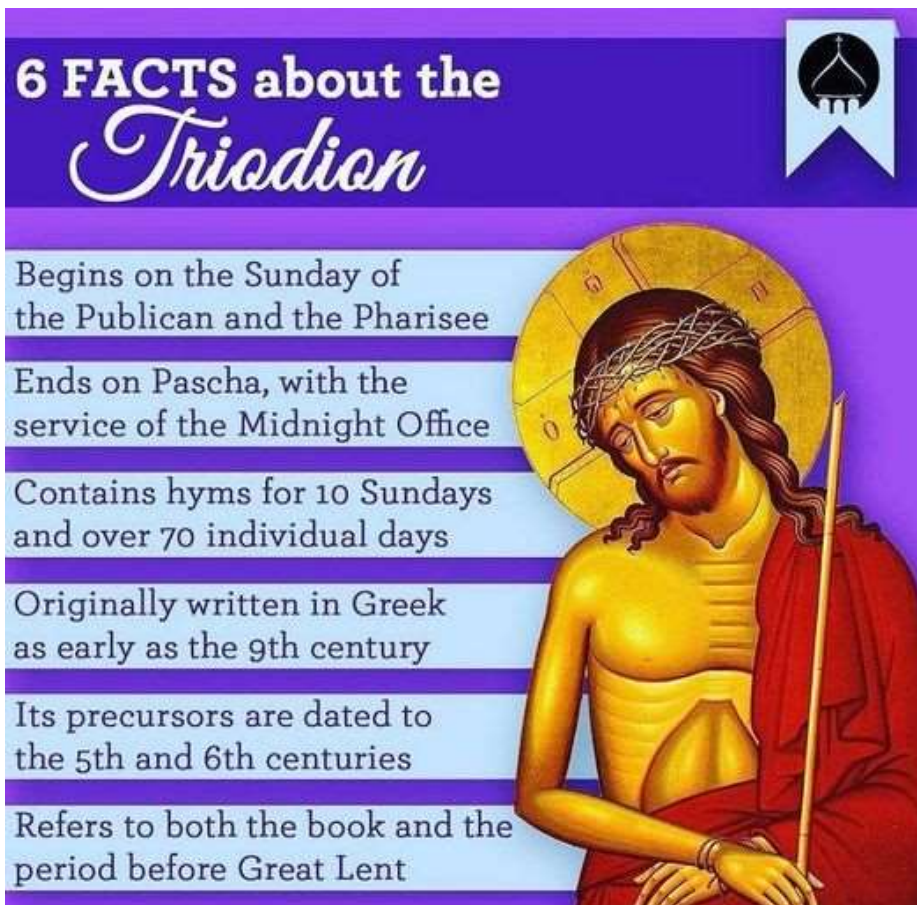
INVENTORY CLEARANCE SALE. Our Parish Bookstore is having a **Book Sale**, right in time for you to get a discount on your Lenten reading! **“Buy 1 — Get 1 Free Sale”** (*of equal or lesser value.*) Sale excludes all Prayer Books and Orthodox Study Bibles.

MORE COOKIES! Dr. Lazo continues to bring cookies in for us. They are available downstairs in the freezer in the kitchen. Help yourself!

CHURCH ATTENDANCE
Saturday Vespers (2/20) — 4
Moleben to the Most Holy Theotokos (2/23) — 5

IT'S STRANGE

- It's strange how twenty dollars seems like such a large amount when you donate it to church, but such a small amount when you go shopping.
- It's strange how two hours seem so long when you're at church, and how short they seem when you're watching a good movie.
- It's strange that you can't find words to say when you're praying, but you have no trouble thinking what to talk about with a friend.
- It's strange how difficult it is to read one chapter of the Bible, but how easy it is to read a popular novel.
- It's strange how everyone wants front-row-tickets to concerts, but they want to sit in the last row at Church.
- It's strange how we need to know about an event for Church 2-3 weeks before the day so we can include it in our agenda, but we can adjust it for other events in the last minute?
- It's strange how difficult it is to learn a fact about God and share it with others, but it's easy to repeat gossip.
- It's strange how we believe everything that magazines and newspapers say, but we question the words in the Bible?



6 FACTS about the
Triodion

Begins on the Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee

Ends on Pascha, with the service of the Midnight Office

Contains hymns for 10 Sundays and over 70 individual days

Originally written in Greek as early as the 9th century

Its precursors are dated to the 5th and 6th centuries

Refers to both the book and the period before Great Lent



A Christian's guide for **Great Lent**



attend church services



set a daily prayer schedule, in the morning and the evening



read the Bible, the lives of the saints or other spiritual books



offer yourself time for reflection



observe the fasting rules during Lent



be patient and kind to those close to you and strangers



ask for forgiveness and forgive those who do you wrong



offer your time and talent to the community



be grateful for simple things



see the image of Christ in others