### WEEKLY BULLETIN

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# SAINT ELIA ORTHODOX CHURCH

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His Eminence Alexander, Archbishop of Toledo, Bulgarian Diocese, OCA Very Rev. Mitred Archpriest Father Don Anthony Freude, Parish Rector Rev. Protodeacon James M. Gresh, Attached

# FEBRUARY SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES

33rd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - Tone 8 Afterfeast of the Meeting of our lord in the Temple Sunday of Zacchaeus

Saturday, February 5

5:00 pm Great Vespers and Confessions Sunday, February 6

9:10 am 3<sup>rd</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>Hours: Sue Ellen Turscak

9:30 am Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

**Epistle Reader: Sue Ellen Turscak** 

Epistle: 1 Timothy 4:9-15 Gospel: Luke 19:1-10

# "O God, be merciful to me, a sinner"

 $34^{TH}$  SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - Tone 1 Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee

Saturday, February 12

5:00 pm Great Vespers and Confessions Sunday, February 13

9:10 am 3<sup>rd</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>Hours: Bud Graham

9:30 am Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

Epistle Reader: Bud Graham

Epistle: 2 Timothy 3:10-15 Gospel: Luke 18:10-14

40<sup>th</sup> Day Panakhida for the repose of the soul of Sandra Lucia Dodovich, mother of Tony Dodovich

Fast Free Week: February 13-19

35<sup>™</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - Tone 2 Sunday of the Prodigal Son

Saturday, February 19

5:00 pm Great Vespers and Confessions Sunday, February 20

9:10 am 3<sup>rd</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>Hours: Sandy Graham

9:30 am Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom Epistle Reader: Sandy Graham

Epistle: 2 Timothy 3:10-15 Gospel: Luke 18:10-14

40<sup>th</sup> Day Panakhida for the repose of the soul of Larissa Anne Freude-Newman, wife of David Newman, daughter of Fr. Don and Popadia Donna, sister of Anthony (Anya), Juliana, and Teta "L" of Luke, Anthony, Eve, Leo

MEMORIAL SATURDAY - MEATFARE SATURDAY Friday, February 25

6:00 pm Vespers of the Deceased and Universal Panakhida

**MEATFARE SUNDAY - Tone 3 - Sunday of the Last Judgment** 

Saturday, February 19

5:00 pm Great Vespers and Confessions Sunday, February 20

9:10 am 3rd & 6th Hours: Reader Michael Luc

9:30 am Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

**Epistle Reader: Reader Michael Luc** 

Epistle: 1 Cor. 8:8-9:2 Gospel: Matthew. 25:31-46

40<sup>th</sup> Day Panakhida for the repose of the soul of Archpriest John Bohush, grandfather of John Bohush (Ana), great-grand father of Natalia and John

### Sunday of Zacchaeus

#### Commemorated on February 6

The paschal season of the Church is preceded by the season of Great Lent, which is also preceded by its own liturgical preparation. The first sign of the approach of Great Lent comes five Sundays before its beginning. On this Sunday the Gospel reading is about Zacchaeus the tax-collector. It tells how Christ brought salvation to the sinful man, and how his life was changed simply because he "sought to see who Jesus was" (Luke 19:3). The desire and effort to see Jesus begins the entire movement through Lent towards Pascha. It is the first movement of salvation.

Our lenten journey begins with a recognition of our own sinfulness, just as Zacchaeus recognized his. He promised to make restitution by giving half of his wealth to the poor, and by paying to those he had falsely accused four times as much as they had lost. In this, he went beyond the requirements of the Law (Ex. 22:3-12).

The example of Zacchaeus teaches us that we should turn away from our sins and atone for them. The real proof of our sorrow and repentance is not just a verbal apology, but when we correct ourselves and try to make amends for the

consequences of our evil actions. We are also assured of God's mercy and compassion by Christ's words to Zacchaeus, "Today salvation is come to this house" (Luke 19:9). After the Great Doxology at Sunday Matins (when the Tone of the week is Tone 1, 3, 5, 7) we sing the Dismissal Hymn of the Resurrection "Today salvation has come to the world," which echoes the Lord's words to Zacchaeus.

Zacchaeus was short, so he climbed a tree in order to see the Lord. All of us have sinned and come short of the glory of God (Rom. 3:23). We are also short in our spiritual stature, therefore we must climb the ladder of the virtues. In other words, we must prepare for spiritual effort and growth.

### **MEMORY ETERNAL**

Samir Hakim, husband of Frances, father of Louis and Nicholas, uncle of Penny Pletikapich, reposed in the Lord on Sunday, January 30. Funeral Services were held at St. Elia on Wednesday, February 2, 2022. May his Memory be Eternal.

The 40<sup>th</sup> Day Panakhida will be served next Sunday, February 13, for the repose of the soul of Sandra Lucia Dodovich, the mother Tony Dodovich

## Sunday of Zacchaeus Epistle Reading 1 Timothy 4:9-15

<sup>9</sup> This *is* a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance. <sup>10</sup> For to this *end* we both labor and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is *the* Savior of all men, especially of those who believe. <sup>11</sup> These things command and teach. For he had seen the Lord that day<sup>12</sup> Let no one despise your youth, but be an example to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, din spirit, in faith, in purity. <sup>13</sup> Till I come, give attention to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine. <sup>14</sup> Do not neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you by prophecy with the laying on of the hands of the eldership. <sup>15</sup> Meditate on these things; give yourself entirely to them, that your progress may be evident.

## Sunday of Zacchaeus Gospel Reading Luke 19:1-10

### Jesus Comes to Zacchaeus' House

Then *Jesus* entered and passed through Jericho. <sup>2</sup> Now behold, *there was* a man named Zacchaeus who was a chief tax collector, and he was rich. <sup>3</sup> And he sought to see who Jesus was, but could not because of the crowd, for he was of short stature. <sup>4</sup> So he ran ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Him, for He was going to pass that *way*. <sup>5</sup> And when Jesus came to the place, He looked up and saw him, and said to him, "Zacchaeus, make haste and come down, for today I must stay at your

house." <sup>6</sup> So he amade haste and came down, and received Him joyfully. <sup>7</sup> But when they saw *it*, they all acomplained, saying, "He has gone to be a guest with a man who is a sinner."

<sup>8</sup> Then Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Look, Lord, I give half of my goods to the poor; and if I have taken anything from anyone by false accusation, I restore fourfold."

<sup>9</sup> And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he also is a son of Abraham; <sup>10</sup> for the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost."

#### THE ZACCHAEUS SONG

Zacchaeus was a wee little man And a wee little man was he. He climbed up in a sycamore tree For the Lord he wanted to see.

And when the Savior passed that way
He looked up in the tree
And said, 'Zacchaeus, you come down!
For I'm going to your house today!
For I'm going to your house today!'

Zacchaeus was a wee little man
But a happy man was he
For he had seen the Lord that day
And a happy man was he
And a very happy man was he

### REMEMBERING THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES

Subdeacon Anthony Freude, son of Fr Don and Popadia Donna Freude Egor Cravcenco, son of Serghei and Ludmila Cravcenco

### REMEMBERING OUR SICK AND SHUTINS

Metropolitan Herman

Archbishop Paul

Archbishop Benjamin

Archbishop Nathaniel

Fr. Moses Berry

Joseph Boyle (brother of Kathy Gray)

Phyllis (sister of Rose Marie Vronick)

Angelo Lambo and Florence Lambo

Subdeacon Martin Paluch

Reader William Paluch

Martin Vronick and Rose Marie Vronick

Pani Dolores Zuder

Matushka Myra Kovalak

Mitred Archpriest Daniel Kovalak

Matushka Christine Zebren

Matushka Laryssa Huntyan

Sarah Niglio

### **MEETINGS RESCHEDULED**

Parish Council and Parish Annual Meetings will be RESCHEDULED in February.

### PANDEMIC GUIDELINES

Since the beginning of the <u>Covid-19</u>
<u>Pandemic</u> we have been taking every
PRECAUTION to protect the health and
well-bring of all our people. In
accordance with the CDC St. Elia Parish
will follow these directives:

- 1)If you are sick and/or exhibit coronavirus symptoms, you must refrain from attending services.
- 2)The CDC recommends masking while indoors for both vaccinated and unvaccinated and to maintain social distancing.
- 3) The kissing of Icons, the Cross, the Gospel Book, the Chalice and the priest's hand when receiving the blessing is permitted if you are comfortable doing so.
- 4) The sanitizer and masks are available in the vestibule for your convenience

OUR STEWARDHIP - Jan	uary 30, 2022
Candles:	\$ 21.00
Memorial Offering:	50.00
<b>Sunday Offering:</b>	604.00
TOTAL:	\$ 675.00