

February 10, 2019
Upcoming Services:

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

Sun. Feb. 10, 9:00 am. - Divine Liturgy, Hours at 8:45
Fri. Feb. 15, 9:30 am. - Divine Liturgy, the Meeting of our Lord
Sat. Feb. 16, 5:00 pm. - Great Vespers
Sun. Feb. 17, 9:00 am. - Divine Liturgy, Hours at 8:45
Sat. Feb. 23, 5:00 pm. - Great Vespers
Sun. Feb. 24, 9:00 am. - Divine Liturgy, Hours at 8:45

Reader Schedule:
Sun, Feb. 10 - Greg Kuzmenchuk
Sun, Feb. 17 - Cynthia Neff
Sun, Feb. 24 - Kurtis Lauser

Zacchaeus Sunday:

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 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.

Birthdays:

February 12 - Vicki Kozlowski

Upcoming Events:

Sun, Feb. 10 - Swearing-in of 2019 Church Officers: Executive board and Sisterhood officers will be sworn-in following Liturgy.

Sun. Feb. 17, Sisterhood Meeting
after coffee hour

Tue, Feb. 19 -7:00 pm. Executive Board Mtg.
In the church hall

Mon, Mar. 4, - 7:00 pm. Bazaar planning Mtg.

Monday, March 11, Great Lent begins

Preparing for the Spring Bazaar
Holy Ghost is having a Spring Bazaar on April 6, 9am - Noon. "Carry Out Food" only - Religious Items - Church Tours. Volunteers are needed the day of the bazaar to help with bulk order sales, greet arriving people, and clean up afterwards.

Spring Bazaar Cooking Schedule

Feb. 22, Fri. - Potato prep., 8:00 am

Feb. 23, Sat. - Pierogies, 8:30 am

Mar. 8, Fri. - Potato prep., 8:00 am

Mar. 9, Sat. - Pierogies, 8:30 am

Mar. 22, Fri. - Sauerkraut prep., 8:30 am

Mar. 23, Sat. - Sauerkraut Pierogies, 8:30 am

Apr. 1 & 2 - Nut roll making

Anniversaries:

February 14 - Charles & Iryna Bernhardt

Notices:

Sisterhood Membership Drive
Please see Linda Kozlowski or Illaria to pay \$10 sisterhood dues in January for the upcoming year. Everyone is welcome to join.

Foods Available

Pierogies - potato & cheese - \$6 / box of 15
Pierogies - sweet potato - \$6 / box of 15
Nut Rolls - \$12 per roll

2019 Church Board Members, Elect

President: Tabitha Bentley
Vice President: Robert Steele
Treasurer: Lauren Houck
Financial Secretary: Greg Kuzmenchuk
Recording Secretary: Christina Haines
Auditors: Lillian Maskula, Brenda Euler, & Joseph Yevich
Trustees: Ambrose Kozlowski, Mary Seip Jayme Houck, Ron Hershey, Katie Thomas, Valerie Crescenz & Joe Crescenz

All food sales are suspended after Feb. 28 until the Bazaar.

Prayer Corner:

For the Health of: Lillian Maskula, Sandy Knisley, Erin Bove, Florine, Charline Ene, Linda, Salwa, Richard Ziegler & Bill Brown

Bulletin Additions

Provide bulletin additions to Wesley Hatch by Friday at 9 pm

February Charity - Coatesville Public Library