



THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE DORMITION

OF THE MOST HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

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Our Mission is to joyfully
bring all people into the
knowledge, love and
service of the Holy Trinity,
Who dwells amongst us.

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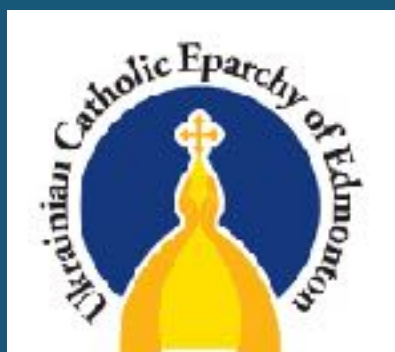
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Sunday, January 23, 2022
32nd Sunday after Pentecost - Sunday of Zacchaeus;
Octoechos Tone 3; The Three Holy and Great Hierarchs: Basil
the Great, Gregory the Theologian and John Chrysostom;
and the Holy Priest-Martyr Hippolytus

Христос народився! - Славимо Його!

Christ is Born! - Let Us Glorify Him!

Sunday of Zacchaeus

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.

(from lives of the saints: oca.org)



Feast of the Encounter.
This Wednesday. Liturgy at 7 pm. More info on page 3

Synaxis of the Ecumenical Teachers and Hierarchs: Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian, and John Chrysostom

Synaxis of the Three Hierarchs: Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian and John Chrysostom: During the eleventh century, disputes raged in Constantinople about which of the three hierarchs was the greatest. Some preferred Saint Basil (January 1), others honored Saint Gregory the Theologian (January 25), while a third group exalted Saint John Chrysostom (November 13).

Dissension among Christians increased. Some called themselves Basilians, others referred to themselves as Gregorians, and others as Johnites.

By the will of God, the three hierarchs appeared to Saint John the Bishop of Euchaita (June 14) in the year 1084, and said that they were equal before God. "There are no divisions among us, and no opposition to one another."

They ordered that the disputes should stop, and that their common commemoration should be celebrated on a single day. Bishop John chose January 30 for their joint Feast, thus ending the controversy and restoring peace.



Hieromartyr Hippolytus, and those with him

The Hieromartyr Hippolytus, and the Martyrs Censorinus, Sabinus, Chryse the Virgin and 20 others suffered during the third century.

When Saint Hippolytus, Bishop of Rome, learned of the suffering of the martyrs, he appeared before the governor despite his advanced years and rebuked the torturers for their inhumanity. The enraged governor sentenced the holy bishop to be tortured. After long torments, they tied him hand and foot and threw him into the sea.

Saint Censorinus was a high-ranking magistrate during the reign of the Roman emperor Claudius II (268-270). He was arrested and thrown into prison for his faith in Christ. By the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ he raised up a dead man. As a result, twenty soldiers and prison guards were converted to Christ. They were beheaded with Saint Censorinus. Then the virgin Chryse was brought for interrogation. She bravely confessed herself a Christian and was subjected to torture. They lashed her sides and burned the wounds with candles. Then she was stretched out on the ground and beaten with heavy clubs. Not content with this, they broke her jaw with a rock and her back with leaden balls. Although she was covered with wounds, she confessed her faith as



she was dying. So cruel was the brutality of her murderers that they tied a large stone around her neck and threw her into the sea.

Saint Chryse was thrown into the deep, but the newly-slain bride emerged from the ocean and entered the heavenly Bridal Chamber. Although her body disappeared into the water, her memory remains eternal and immortal, even more golden than her illustrious name. [FootNote: Chryse means "golden."]

Saint Sabinus was the servant of Saint Chryse. The depraved idolaters beat him mercilessly with heavy leaden balls on his neck, then they hung him up on a tree and burned his entrails. After giving thanks to God, he surrendered his soul to Christ.

With Saint Chryse suffered the martyrs Ares, Felix, Maximus, Herculianus, Venerius, Stiracius, Mennas, Commodus, Hermes, Maurus, Eusebius, Rusticus, Monagrius, Amandinus, Olympius, Cyprus, Theodore the Tribune, Maximus the Presbyter, Archelaus the Deacon, and Cyriacus the Bishop.

All these Roman martyrs suffered in the year 269. The relics of the Hieromartyr Hippolytus were put in the church of the holy Martyrs Laurence and Pope Damasus at Rome. Saint Hippolytus was a disciple of Saint Irenaeus, Bishop of Lugdunum (Lyons in France), and he is also renowned as a Christian theologian who wrote many treatises against the heretics.

Venerable Zeno the Faster, of the Kiev Caves

Saint Zeno the Faster and Lover of Labor of the Far Caves of Kiev lived in the fourteenth century. In the Third Ode of the Canon to the Monks of the Far Caves, he is described as "resplendent in fasting." His memory is also celebrated on August 28 and the second Sunday of Great Lent.

Major Feast: The Meeting of the Our Lord in the Temple

Forty days after Christ was born He was presented to God in the Jerusalem Temple according to the Mosaic Law. At this time as well His mother Mary underwent the ritual purification and offered the sacrifices as prescribed in the Law. Thus, forty days after Christmas, on the second of February, the Church celebrates the feast of the presentation called the Meeting (or Presentation or Reception) of the Lord.

The meeting of Christ by the elder Simeon and the prophetess Anna (Lk 2.22–36) is the main event of the feast of Christ's presentation in the Temple. It was "revealed to Simeon by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ" (Lk 2.26) and, inspired by the same Spirit, he came to the Temple where he met the newborn Messiah, took Him in his arms and said the words which are now chanted each evening at the end of the Orthodox Vespers service:

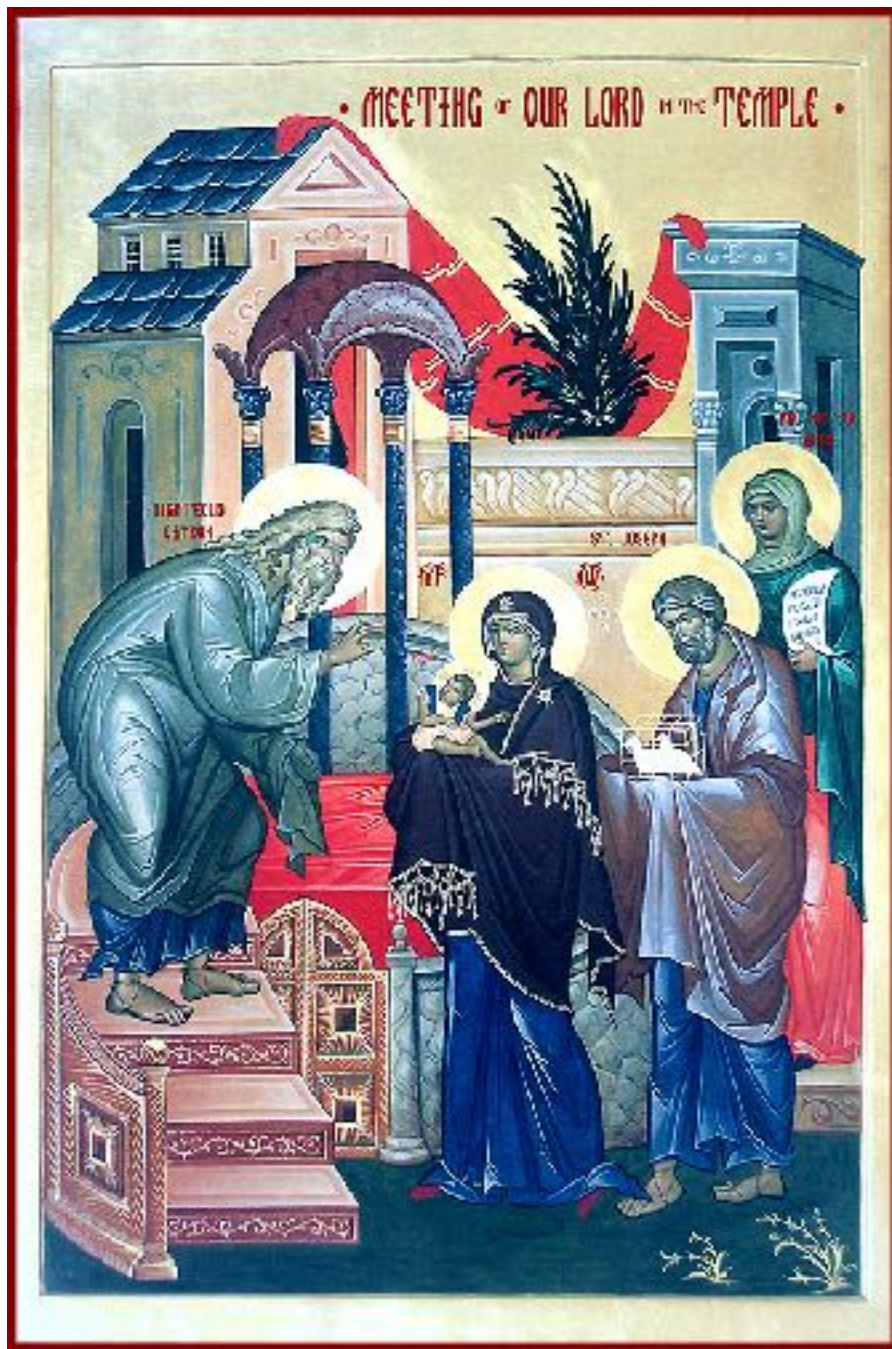
Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace, according to Thy word; for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation which Thou hast prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for the revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to Thy people Israel (Lk 2.29–32).

At this time as well Simeon predicted that Jesus would be the "sign which is spoken against" and that He would cause "the fall and the rising of many in Israel." He also foretold Mary's sufferings because of her son (Luke 22.34–35). Anna also was present and, giving thanks to God "she spoke of Jesus to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem" (Lk 2.38).

In the service of the feast of the Meeting of the Lord, the fact emphasized is that Christ, the Son and Word of God through Whom the world was created, now is held as an infant in Simeon's hands; this same Son of God, the Giver of the Law, now Himself fulfills the Law, carried in arms as a human child.

Receive him, O Simeon, whom Moses on Mount Sinai beheld in the darkness as the Giver of the Law. Receive him as a babe now obeying the Law. For he it is of whom the Law and the Prophets have spoken, incarnate for our sake and saving mankind. Come let us adore him!

Let the door of heaven open today, for the Eternal Word of the Father, without giving up his divinity, has been incarnate of the Virgin in time. And as a babe of forty days he is voluntarily



brought by his mother to the Temple, according to the Law. And the elder Simeon takes him in his arms and cries out: Lord now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, O Lord, who has come to save the human race—glory to Thee! (Vespers Verses of the Feast).

The Vespers and Matins of the feast of the Meeting of the Lord are filled with hymns on this theme. The Divine Liturgy is celebrated with the lines from the canticle of Mary forming the prokeimenon and the words of Simeon being the verses for the Alleluia. The gospel readings tell of the meeting, while the Old Testament readings at Vespers refer to the Law of the purification in Leviticus, the vision of Isaiah in the Temple of the Thrice-Holy Lord, and the gift of faith to the Egyptians prophesied by...

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Major Feast: The Meeting of the Our Lord in the Temple continued.

... Isaiah when the light of the Lord shall be a "revelation to the Gentiles" (Lk 2.32).

The celebration of the Meeting of the Lord in the church is not merely a historical commemoration. Inspired by the same Holy Spirit as Simeon, and led by the same Spirit into the Church of the Messiah, the members of the Church also can claim their own "meeting" with the Lord, and so also can witness that they too can "depart in peace" since their eyes have seen the salvation of God in the person of his Christ.

Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos, Full of Grace! From you shone the Sun of Righteousness, Christ our God, enlightening those who sat in darkness! Rejoice and be glad, O righteous elder; you accepted in your arms the Redeemer of our souls who grants us the resurrection (Troparion).

By Thy nativity, Thou didst sanctify the Virgin's womb. And didst bless Simeon's hands, O Christ our God. Now Thou hast come and saved us through love. Grant peace to all Orthodox Christians, O only Lover of man (Kontakion).

It is customary in many churches to bless candles on the feast of the Meeting of the Lord.



Fr. Bo will be celebrating a Festal Divine Liturgy on Wednesday at 7 pm. He will be blessing candles, so if you would like to bring some and have them blessed, please do.

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"Zacchaeus, quickly come down."

Zacchaeus climbed a tree to find Jesus. Jesus came to find Zacchaeus to save him. It was a very good day for them both. Help Zacchaeus through the maze of branches.

Parish Announcements:

- **Parish AGM:** Likely it will be done via mail and email (like last year). Assuming it is done so; you will receive an email and/or an envelope via the mail (we might send mail only to those who don't have email to save on postage). Receiving this you will find several documents, and be asked to answer three questions: A) Do you accept the financial statements of the parish as presented (attached), B) Will you accept the new slate of officers for the Parish Pastoral Council as presented by the Nominating Committee, and C) Do you approve of the new Parish Bylaws as proposed by the Bylaw Committee. You will also have the opportunity to give us your comments. Upon receiving the replies we will then proceed as directed by you and the other parish members.

We hope to have the letters & emails ready by February 13. You should receive them shortly after that.

- **Please pray for** several of our parishioners and family members including (but not limited to): Sheila's daughter & family, Owen, the Shakeshaft family, Mickey, Sister Andrea, Kristopher, Greg, Peter, Ross, Ron, Peter, Jean, Verna, Miranda, Sarah, Marge, Ann, Louis & Rosa Maria. Also, please also pray for peace everywhere, especially among our brothers and sisters in Ukraine.
- **Happy Birthday** to: **Donna Koziak** who celebrates her birthday this week. May God grant you many happy years. Mnohaya Lita.



First Solemn Communion

First Solemn Communion is an important step in our spiritual lives. It is the first major opportunity for a child to learn about their faith, and **fully participate in the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist on their own.**

Classes begin soon. If you know of any child who would like to join us, please have their parents email me as soon as possible. fr.nahachewsky@eeparchy.com



**Please
take
Covid
seriously.**

If you are feeling sick please stay home.

Please do what you can to help and support those around you, and keep safe.

In the parish, please keep a safe distance from each other (2+ m), sanitize your hands regularly and always wear a mask. At the end of each Liturgy we'd appreciate you helping us sanitize your pew.

At this time we are not allowed to do congregational singing. Bishop is allowing for one family to sing as a cantor only. Most of our service will be recited.

Thanks for your cooperation.

Also, There are several parishioner families who have been and also who are currently struggling with this virus. Please pray for their full recoveries.

Our upcoming youth initiative, the **"#221 OUR LADY'S SCOUTS"** has taken some lovely strides forwards lately thanks to our wonderful new volunteer families.

We now have a **"URL"** and **website**. Well... the URL: **OurLadysScouts.ca** now points to our parish's scouts page, but hopefully soon we will get it populated.

We have our own **email address**. **info@ourladyscouts.ca** which our communications people have set up.

We have a "MailChimp" account, that hopefully will soon become active once we connect it to our new email.

We are also looking into our FaceBook and other social media, and will set those up once we have our other ducks in line.

Soon our volunteers can begin registering officially with both the parish and Scouts Canada.



**Next Meeting:
Tuesday, February 8 at 7:15 pm**

email Fr. Bo for more information.

THE GREAT FAST FOR FAMILIES

On Feb. 11 at 10:15 am (following 9:00 am Divine Liturgy at Holy Eucharist Parish 6425 120 Ave NW, Edmonton) the Family, Faith and Friends, Parent Group will be hosting the 3rd of 5 sessions.

Join Fr. Roman Planchak as he leads us through a reflection and some practical ideas for experiencing the Great Fast way that touches our hearts as a family. We will begin with a reflection for ourselves as parents and as children of God. This will be followed by a discussion on practical ways to observe the Fast with young children.

Email education@edmontoneparchy.com if you would like to attend in person.

Only a limited number of people may join the presentation at Holy Eucharist parish. First come first serve. To join online click here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89850863656?pwd=ZUpQS1RlZUIYZGV6Zzl6L3pLc1o3QT09>

*Note - Fr. Roman will not be in person but will be joining via Zoom.

Curious about Family Faith and Friends?

Parents with young families are invited to come together for prayer, faith development, fellowship, and support. To learn more about this group and be kept up to date with events

and resources, join the Facebook Group: Family, Faith, Friends, Parent's Group <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1019387668113464>.

For other questions call or text: 780-914-9093 Christina

Table for Two, You are my Valentine



Again, due to COVID we have been sidelined. Therefore, for those in Edmonton and area (Sherwood Park, Leduc, Beaumont, St. Albert) we are providing the opportunity to order a sumptuous meal for two created by a red seal chef, which will be delivered right to your home! All you have to do is set the table, light the candles and follow the instructions to heat your meal.

Each of the courses will come with discussion starters which invite couples to explore & deepen their relationship with each other and with God. You can take as much time as you would like.

As you are enjoying your coffee, tea or wine at the end of your meal, you will have the opportunity to watch and listen to a short presentation from a couple who will share their experience of faith within their marriage.

*We are looking for drivers to help deliver the meals (5-6 deliveries). Contact Bernadette if you are willing to help out: education@edmontoneparchy.com

WHEN: Sunday, Feb 13, deliveries made between 1:00 pm. and 3:00 pm.

WHERE: At home 😊 (Edmonton area)

HOW MUCH: \$75 per couple.

Register here by Feb. 7: Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/table-for-two-tickets-216408292027> (or search Table for Two on Eventbrite Edmonton)

We look forward to hosting you virtually!

Some feedback from last year:

"I have to say that it was a perfect end to a lovely day spent with my dear valentine."

"I loved the little notes with conversational questions and we enjoyed reminiscing about special times shared and answering the questions. What a lovely idea!"

"It truly was a well thought out meaningful idea that I know would have given many others a special night to remember."


"If this is happening next year please add us to the email list!"

"The meal was absolutely delicious – thank you to the Chef. We thank Bishop David for his meaningful spiritual message and blessings."

"We are so appreciative that we could still celebrate Valentine's Day this way. We look forward to it every year. The food, the questions and the video were so thoughtful and made our night special. Thank you!"



Dormition Parish Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 32 Sunday after Pentecost - Sunday of Zacchaeus; Octoechos Tone 3; The Three Holy and Great Hierarchs: Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian and John Chrysostom; and the Holy Priest-Martyr Hippolytus (235) Matins Resurrectional Gospel 3. 1 Timothy 4:9-15; Hebrews 13:7-16; Luke 19:1-10; Matthew 5:14-19 10 am Divine Liturgy bilingual Ukr / Eng	31 The Holy Wonderworkers and Unmercenaries Cyrus and John (284-305) 1 Peter 2:21-3:9; Mark 12:13-17 6 pm Eparchial Youth Commission Meeting The Beginning of the Pre-Lenten Season Donna Koziak's Birthday	I Fore-feast of the Encounter; the Holy Martyr Tryphon (249-51) Romans 8:28-39; Luke 10:19-21 11 am Appointment	2 The Encounter of Our Lord God and Saviour Jesus Christ Feast of our Lord. Holy Day of Obligation. Hebrews 7:7-17; Luke 2:22-40 The end of 40 Christmas days celebration 7 pm Festal Divine Liturgy 	3 Post-feast of the Encounter; the Holy and Just Simeon Who Received God and the Prophetess Anna Hebrews 9:11-14; Luke 2:25-38 4:30 pm Appointment 7:30 pm Appointment	4  Post-feast of the Encounter; Our Venerable Father Isidore of Pelusium (408-50) Abstinence from meat and foods that contain meat. 2 Peter 1:1-10; Mark 13:1-8 11 am Appointment	5 Post-feast of the Encounter; The Holy Martyr Agatha (249-51) 2 Timothy 2:11-19; Luke 18:2-8
6 Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee; Octoechos Tone 4; Post-feast of the Encounter; Our Venerable Father Boucolus, Bishop of Smyrna; the Holy Priest-Martyr Sylvanus, Bishop of Emessa and Those with Him Matins Resurrectional Gospel 4. 2 Timothy 3:10-15; Luke 18:10-14 10 am Divine Liturgy bilingual Ukr / Eng	7 Post-feast of the Encounter; Our Venerable Father Parthenius, Bishop of Lampsacus (312-37); Passing into Eternal Life (1957) of Blessed Petro Verhun, apostolic Visitor of Forced Labourers in Germany and Martyr of Siberia 2 Peter 1:20-2:9; Mark 13:9-13 5:30 pm Appointment	8 Post-feast of the Encounter; the Holy Great-Martyr Theodore the General (286-305); the Holy Prophet Zechariah (c. 520 BC) 2 Peter 2:9-22; Mark 13:14-23 11 am Appointment 7:15 pm Scouts Meeting 	9 The Holy Martyrs Pamphilus the Priest (c. 309) and Porphyrius and Their Companions 1 John 3:21-4:6; Mark 14:43-15:1	10 The Holy Martyr Charalampus (193-211) 1 John 1:8-2:6; Mark 13:31-14:2 6 pm Camp Oselia Society Meeting Marta & Natalia Dashkewytch's birthdays	11 (no fasting) The Holy Priest-Martyr Blaise, Bishop of Sebastia (313-24) 1 John 2:7-17; Mark 14:3-9 10:15 am The Great Fast For Families 11 am Appointment	12 Our Holy Father Meletius, Archbishop of Antioch (379-95) 2 Timothy 3:1-9; Luke 20:45-21:4
13 Sunday of the Prodigal Son; Octoechos Tone 5; Our Venerable Father Martinian Matins Resurrectional Gospel 5. 1 Corinthians 6:12-20; Luke 15:11-32 10 am Divine Liturgy bilingual Ukr / Eng Hopefully our AGM mail out will be out. Tables for Two (at home)	14 The Repose of Our Venerable Father Constantine the Philosopher, in the Monastic Life, Cyril, Teacher of the Slavs (869); and our Venerable Father Auxentius (457-74); and the Venerable Maron the Wonderworker and Hermit. Hebrews 7:26-8:2; John 10:9-16 Valentine's Day 5:30 pm Appointment	15 The Holy Apostle Onesimus 1 John 3:10-20; Mark 14:10-42 7:15 pm Anticipated first online PPC Meeting with new PPC, but subject to new PPC member's schedules and enough mail in / online votes being recieved	16 The Holy Martyrs Pamphilus the Priest (c. 309) and Porphyrius and Their Companions 1 John 3:21-4:6; Mark 14:43-15:1	17 The Holy and Great-Martyr Theodore the Recruit (286-305) 1 John 4:20-5:21; Mark 15:1-15	18  Our Holy Father Leo, Pope of Rome (461) 2 John 1:1-13; Mark 15:22-25, 33-41	19 Saturday before Meatfare: All Souls Saturday; The Holy Apostle Archippus 1 Corinthians 10:23-28; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-17; Luke 21:8-9, 25-27, 33-36; John 5:24-30

January 30, 2022

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Troparion: Let the heavens be glad, let the earth rejoice,* for the Lord has done a mighty deed with His arm.* He trampled death by death. He became the first-born of the dead;* He saved us from the abyss of Hades* and granted great mercy to the world.

Troparion: As equals to the apostles in the way you lived* and teachers of the whole world,* intercede with the Master of all* to grant peace to the world,* and to our souls great mercy.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Kontakion: You rose from the tomb, O compassionate Lord,* and led us out from the gates of death.* Today Adam exults and Eve rejoices,* and the prophets together with the patriarchs* unceasingly acclaim the divine might of Your power.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Kontakion: You received Your inspired and steadfast preachers, Your chief teachers* into the enjoyment of Your good things and into repose.* You who alone glorify Your saints,* accepted their labours and death* more gladly than any holocaust.

Prokeimenon:

Sing to our God, sing; sing to our King, sing.

verse: Clap your hands, all you nations; shout unto God with the voice of joy.

verse: Their utterance has gone forth into all the earth,* and their words unto the ends of the world.

Epistle: I Timothy 4:9-15 (NRSV)

Timothy my son, the saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance. For to this end we toil and struggle, because we have our hope set on the living God, who is the Savior of all people, especially of those who believe. These are the things you must insist on and teach. Let no one despise your youth, but set the believers an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. Until I arrive, give attention to the public reading of scripture, to exhorting, to teaching. Do not neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you through prophecy with the laying on of hands by the council of elders. Put these things into practice, devote yourself to them, so that all may see your progress.

Alleluia verses:

In You, O Lord, have I hoped that I may not be put to shame for ever.

Be a protector unto me, O God, and a house of refuge to save me.

God is glorified in the assembly of the saints.

Gospel: Luke 19:1-10 (NRSV)

At that time Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through it. A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. All who saw it began to grumble and said, "He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner." Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much." Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."

Communion Hymn

Praise the Lord from the heavens;* praise Him in the highest

Rejoice in the Lord, O you just;* praise befits the righteous.

Alleluia, alleluia,* alleluia. (*Psalms 32:1*)

