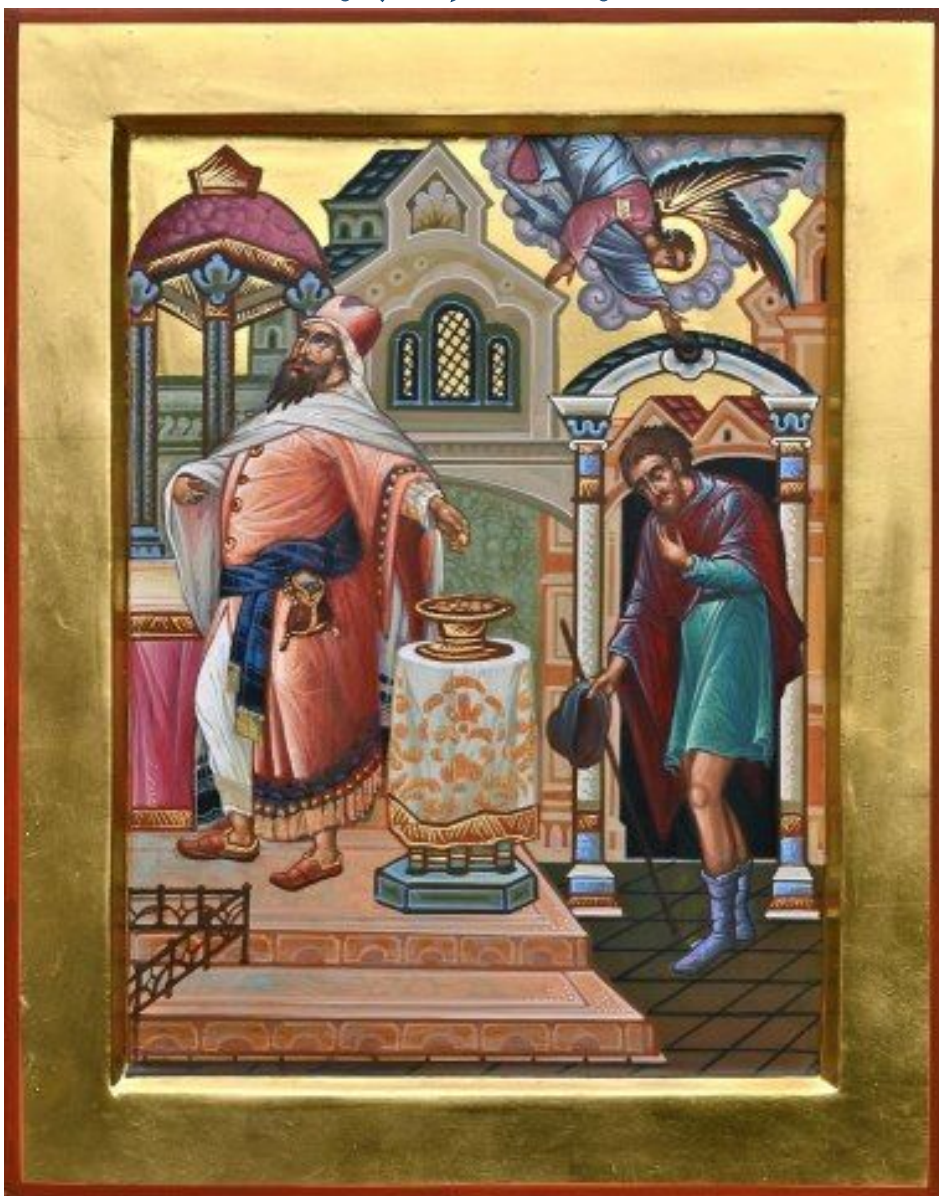


The Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee
February 17, 2019 – Sunday Bulletin



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February 17, 2019

9:15 AM Confessions; 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy
Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee – Tone 5

Beginning of the Lenten Triodion

Afterfeast of the Meeting of our Lord

Ven. Isidore of Pelusium, monk (436-440). Martyrs Jadorus and Isidore (249-251). Hieromartyr Abramius, bishop of Arbela in Assyria (ca. 344-347). Ven.

Nicholas the Confessor, abbot of the Studion (868).

Readings: Epistle - 2 Timothy 3:10-15 ■ Gospel Luke 18:10-14
40th day Panakhida ("Memorial Litiya") for Helen Yurchyk

THE PUBLICAN AND THE PHARISEE

The Gospel reading for the *Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee* is taken from Luke 18:10-14. Two men went to the temple to pray -- a publican and a Pharisee. The Pharisee was a very religious man. He fasted, prayed, and gave away ten percent of his goods. Yet he boasted about his accomplishment, and as a result, God rejected his prayers. The publican, on the other hand, was truly evil -- a genuine sinner. He sought to make a change in his life, however, by confessing his sinfulness and begging God for mercy. As a result, he was justified and accepted by God.

Like the Pharisee, we too are filled with pride and boastfulness; unlike the publican, we often refuse to acknowledge our sinfulness, confess it, and beg for mercy.

On this Sunday we are invited to take a deeper look inward, to search the depths of our souls and to beg for mercy. We are called, through our vision of Jesus Christ, to acknowledge our sins and to fall before the face of God in repentance, making the publican's prayer our own: "God be merciful to me, a sinner!" (*Fr. Thomas Hopko*)





CHURCH BASICS

THE GREAT CANON OF ST. ANDREW OF CRETE

The Great Canon of St Andrew, Bishop of Crete, is the longest canon in all of our services, and is associated with Great Lent, since the only times it is appointed to be read in church are the first four nights of Great Lent (Clean Monday through Clean Thursday, at Great Compline, when it is serialized) and at Matins for Thursday of the fifth week of Great Lent, when it is read in its entirety (in this latter service, the entire life of St Mary of Egypt is also read).

The canon is a *dialog between St. Andrew and his soul*. The ongoing theme is an urgent *exhortation to change one's life*. St Andrew always mentions his own sinfulness placed in juxtaposition to God's mercy and uses literally hundreds of references to good and bad examples from the Old Testament and New Testament to "convince himself" to repent.

The Great Canon was written by a holy man to teach himself the right way to live. We cannot benefit from it unless we make it a priority to stand in prayer, in the church, and listen to it, with a great desire and expectation for God's grace to teach us and heal us. Our theology is first and foremost – experienced and prayed, and not only "studied." (*St. Nicholas Orthodox Church, McKinney, TX*)

LIVING ORTHODOXY (PRACTICAL APPLICATION)

The "Orthodox Way of Life" begins and ends with prayer and the rich liturgical life of the Church. **PLAN TO ATTEND** Sunday evening Vespers at the following churches in the Youngstown area during Great Lent:

GREAT LENT SUNDAY VESPER SCHEDULE

- 5:00 PM - March 17th - St. John, Campbell, OH
- 5:00 PM - March 24th - St. Mark Youngstown, OH
- 5:00 PM - March 31st - St. John the Forerunner, Youngstown, OH
- 5:00 PM - April 7th - Holy Trinity, Youngstown, OH
- 5:00 PM - April 14th - Sts. Peter & Paul, Youngstown, OH

FROM THE TRIODION – SUNDAY OF THE PUBLICAN AND PHARISEE

Great Vespers: Lord I Call. . .verses (Tone 1)

Brothers let us not pray like the pharisee: He who exalts himself will be humbled! Let us prepare to humble ourselves by fasting; Let us cry aloud with the voice of the publican: O, God, forgive us sinners! (twice)

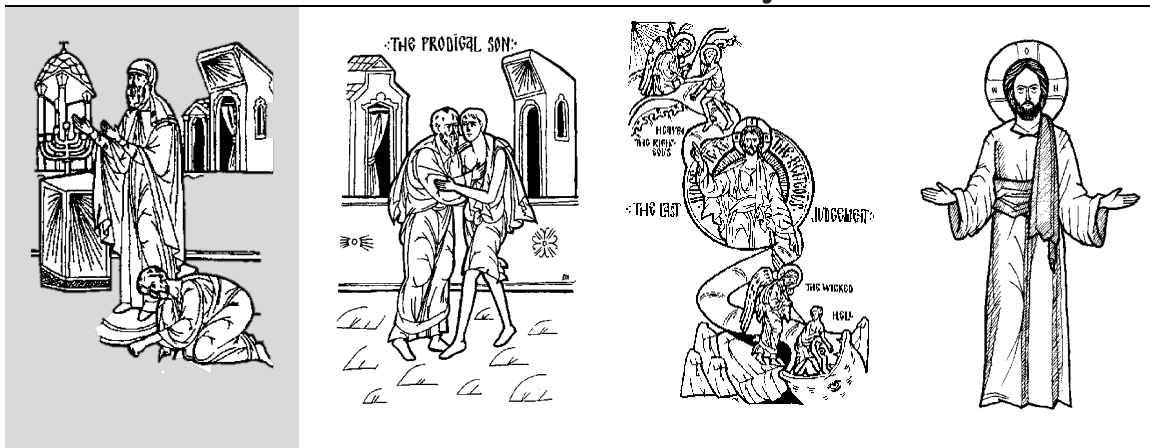
The pharisee went up to the temple with a proud and empty heart; The publican bowed himself in repentance. They both stood before you, O master: The one, through boasting, lost his reward, But the other, with tears and sighs, won your blessing: Strengthen me, O Christ our God, as I weep in Your Presence, Since you are the lover of mankind!

Kontakion — Tone 4

Let us flee from the pride of the Pharisee! And learn humility from the Publican's tears! Let us cry to our Savior, have mercy on us, only merciful One!



Pre-Lenten Sundays



9:30 AM DIVINE LITURGY

February 17
**PUBLICAN &
PHARISEE**
2 Tim. 3:10-15
Lk. 18:10-14

February 24
PRODIGAL SON
1 Cor. 6:12-20
Lk. 15:11-32

March 3
LAST JUDGMENT
1 Cor. 8:8-9:2
Mt. 25:31-46

March 10
FORGIVENESS
Rom. 13:11-14:4;
Mt. 6:14-21



PRAYER LIST

Please pray for good health for our following parish family members and others: Fr. Gregory Becker, Fr. Andrew Gall, Fr. Paisius McGrath, Fr. John Nakonachny, Pani-matka Mary Ann Nakonachny, Mykola Prychodczenko, Walter Duzzny, Alice Dobransky, Nancy Tiedeman, James Bobersky, Kay Malys, Marie Pupa, Deborah Harvey, Mary Lapushansky, Stella Woytek, Kathy Duzzny, Mary Ann Owens, Pauline Witkowsky, Dr. Dinah Fedyna, Mary Goncy, Catherine Rogenski, Marianne Carmack, Kenneth, Matthew, Peter, Michelle, Basil

STEWARDSHIP ACTIVITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Don't Just go to Church, Be the Church/Thank you for your Gifts of Love

UPCOMING PARISH AND OTHER EVENTS

Please contact the church office to schedule Panikhidas, request Bulletin Dedications, or make Prospora Offerings.

TODAY SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2019 – The Publican and Pharisee: 40th day Panakhida ("Memorial Litiya") for Helen Yurchyk

MONDAY to SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18 – 24, 2019;
FAST FREE WEEK

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2019 – THE PRODIGAL SON

- Immediately following the Divine Liturgy – **Meeting of the Senior UOL**
 - 5:00 PM Clergy Association **MARDI GRAS CELEBRATION** before 2019 Lenten Season. We'll be serving up a heapin' of authentic Cajun cuisine! St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church. 220 N. Walnut Street, Youngstown, OH 44503. Free Admission (Free will offering). Silent Auction, Baskets and Gifts.
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MARCH 2, 2019 – UKRAINIAN DINNER: Two (2) Dinner Seatings: 4:30 pm and 6:00 pm. The Orthodox Center. 1025 N. Belle Vista Ave, 44905. Youngstown's Westside. All your favorite Ukrainian Foods (Stuffed Cabbage, Pirohi and much more) Baked Goods ~ Fun for the Family ~ Raffles ~ Entertainment ~ Music ~ Dancing. Tickets: \$15.00/Adults, \$7.00/Children. Anna Anderson has tickets for advance purchase for the dinner. Anyone interested in taking extra to sell, please see her. For more information, call 234-567- 5207 or email stspeterandpaul1025@gmail.com.

SUNDAY MARCH 3, 2019 – THE LAST JUDGEMENT: Youth Sunday and Fellowship Sunday. Please stop by after church for refreshments and an opportunity to visit with one another in The Orthodox Center.

MARCH 26, 2019 – COMMUNITY DINNER: Please start collecting personal care products children’s books, and recent magazines which are much appreciated. We are so Blessed to have such dedicated volunteers! If you have any questions or would like additional information on you can this wonderful outreach, please contact Dr. Dinah Fedyna.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2019 (PICKUP 9 – NOON) – NEXT PEROGIE SALE

Next sale, we ask that you order by Friday, February 15 (2/18 latest for contacting us about this bunch, pick-up on February 22, (10 AM - Noon), 2019 (no bills larger than \$20 please)! All homemade fresh to order! We will have potato & cheese for \$7 a dozen and Specialty flavors (Kraut, Potato/Kraut, Lekvar, Mushroom, Cherry, Apple, Blueberry, and Raspberry) for \$8 per dozen. Please place your order one week prior to pick-up (Friday, then pick up the following Friday, allows us to buy needed groceries over the weekend) by calling or texting (234) 567-5207. We may need to cap sales, so orders placed first get filled first. Thank you, all proceeds go towards supporting our Church.

PEROHI SCHEDULE			
Task	Time	FEBRUARY	MARCH
Potato Prep	9:30 AM		6 th (Wed)
Pinching	9:30 AM		7 th (Thurs)
Pick-up	10:00 AM--Noon		8 th (Fri.)
Potato Prep	9:30 AM	20 th (Wed)**	20 th (Wed)**
Pinching	9:30 AM	21 th (Thurs_	21 th (Thurs_
Pick-up	10:00 AM--Noon	22 th (Fri)	22 th (Fri)

2019 UOL Pan-Orthodox Lenten Retreat

Senior/Junior Retreat Program and Activities

(Ohio/Western, Pennsylvania)

8:15 AM – 5:00 PM

Saturday, March 30, 2019

Don’t just go to Church Be the Church

Why Here, Why Now, Why Me; Looking from the Inside Out; Looking from the Outside In;

It’s only a matter of time, Living a Life that Matters

Villa Maria Education and Spirituality Center, Pulaski, PA a short drive from Youngstown)

For information, please contact Fr. Ivan Tchopko, Stephanie Rimedio, or Marianne Carmack