

# Sunday of the Prodigal Son

January 31, 2021

8:40 AM Rosary

9:00 AM **Health/Blessings for Holy Ghost Parishioners**

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*Monday, February 1<sup>st</sup>*

NO SERVICES

*Tuesday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>* *Encounter of Our Lord with Simeon – Blessing of Candles*

9:00 AM **+ Michael & Vera Hoynes – by the Family**

**6:30PM Zoom Book Study**

*Wednesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>*

5:00 PM Confessions in the Sacristy (or by appointment)

6:30PM BIBLE STUDY

*Thursday, February 4<sup>th</sup>*

9:00 AM **H/B for John and Shannon Strube – by Katherine Taras**

10:00AM Book Study

*Friday, February 5<sup>th</sup>*

9:00 AM **+ Genevieve Benedick – by Jeannette Wolansky**

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*Saturday, February 6<sup>th</sup>*

9:30 AM **ALL SOULS SATURDAY #1– Liturgy with Panachyda for Our Deceased Loved Ones**

5:00 PM **H/B for Yaga & Dressler Families – by Annette Dressler**

***Sunday, February 7<sup>th</sup>* Sunday of Meatfare**

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## WORLD MARRIAGE DAY

World Marriage Day takes place on February 14, 2021. It is an observance sponsored by the Catholic Marriage Encounter movement observed on the second Sunday of February each year. “World Marriage Day honors husband and wife as the foundation of the family, the basic unit of society. It salutes the beauty of their faithfulness, sacrifice and joy in daily married life.”

Bishop Bohdan Danylo in conjunction with the Department of Family Life of the Eparchy of St. Josaphat would like to recognize and honor the couples of our parish who are celebrating 10, 25, 40, 50 or 60 years of marriage in 2021.

Please inform Fr. Sal of the date of your anniversary and how many years you are celebrating no later than February 4th, 2021 so that we can report the information to the Chancery Office.

**“The world is changed by your example, not your opinion.”**

## CONGRATULATIONS:

This week **Norma Kopko (2/6)** celebrates her birthday. We wish you a wonderful celebration, and a year of health and blessings flavored with pure joy, and **many blessed years... mnohaya i blahaya lita!**

## ALL SOULS SATURDAYS (SOROKOUSTY):

We cannot believe that the Great Fast is going to start next month already! First Day of the Great Fast is February 15<sup>th</sup>. Therefore, the first All Souls Saturday of 2021 will be on **February 6th**. There will be a general **Divine Liturgy at 9:30 AM with Panakhya for All +Souls** submitted to the pastor for prayers. The corresponding green envelope is dated January 1<sup>st</sup> in your new envelope boxes, or you can use any other envelope and give it to Fr. Sal.

## ENVELOPES:

Please pick up your 2021 envelopes in the Church vestibule. If you wish to have envelopes, please contact Fr. Sal.

**Sunday Epistle: 1 Cor 6:12-20**

**Sunday Gospel: Lk 15:11-32**

## POINSETTIAS:

Please help yourselves to the live poinsettias that graced our church during the holidays. They are looking for a good home and a green thumb to nurture them throughout the year. The flowers are located in front of the church for your taking.

## ZOOM BOOK STUDY:

It's not too late! This coming **Tuesday at 6:30pm**, we are thrilled to invite *you and your friends* to our Zoom Book Study. “The Good Listener” by James Sullivan. This is a must read book for anyone in relationship with others -- that means everyone! It points out how our poor listening hurts others, often unintentionally. It is short and easy to read but oh so powerful. Please text your email address to Halyna Shevchuk: 330-645-5585. She is going to send you the link.

**Our Church is open every Wednesday and Saturday between 9:00am-7:00PM. Please come and spend some time with Jesus present in the Holy Eucharist! If for some reason the Church is locked when you come, please call Fr. Sal immediately.**

The Church was a mother to you in life, providing for your spiritual needs; please remember the Eparchy of Saint Josaphat in Parma in your last will and testament. The wording to do this is as follows:

“I give and bequeath to the Ukrainian Catholic Diocese of St. Josaphat in Parma, located in Parma, Ohio, \_\_\_\_\_% of the residue of my estate [or: the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_].” Thank you!

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Listed here are 10 points for fruitful Scripture reading.

1. **Bible reading is for Catholics.** The Church encourages Catholics to make reading the Bible part of their daily prayer lives. Reading these inspired words, people grow deeper in their relationship with God and come to understand their place in the community God has called them to in himself.
2. **Prayer is the beginning and the end.** Reading the Bible is not like reading a novel or a history book. It should begin with a prayer asking the Holy Spirit to open our hearts and minds to the Word of God. Scripture reading should end with a prayer that this Word will bear fruit in our lives, helping us to become holier and more faithful people.
3. **Get the whole story! When selecting a Bible, look for a Catholic edition.** A Catholic edition will include the Church's complete list of sacred books along with introductions and notes for understanding the text. A Catholic edition will have an *imprimatur* notice on the back of the title page. An *imprimatur* indicates that the book is free of errors in Catholic doctrine.
4. **The Bible isn't a book. It's a library.** The Bible is a collection of 73 books written over the course of many centuries. The books include royal history, prophecy, poetry, challenging letters to struggling new faith communities, and believers' accounts of the preaching and passion of Jesus. Knowing the genre of the book you are reading will help you understand the literary tools the author is using and the meaning the author is trying to convey.
5. **Know what the Bible is – and what it isn't.** The Bible is the story of God's relationship with the people he has called to himself. It is not intended to be read as history text, a science book, or a political manifesto. In the Bible, God teaches us the truths that we need for the sake of our salvation.
6. **The sum is greater than the parts.** Read the Bible in context. What happens before and after – even in other books – helps us to understand the true meaning of the text.
7. **The Old relates to the New.** The Old Testament and the New Testament shed light on each other. While we read the Old Testament in light of the death and resurrection of Jesus, it has its own value as well. Together, these testaments help us to understand God's plan for human beings.
8. **You do not read alone.** By reading and reflecting on Sacred Scripture, Catholics join those faithful men and women who have taken God's Word to heart and put it into practice in their lives. We read the Bible within the tradition of the Church to benefit from the holiness and wisdom of all the faithful.
9. **What is God saying to me?** The Bible is not addressed only to long-dead people in a faraway land. It is addressed to each of us in our own unique situations. When we read, we need to understand what the text says and how the faithful have understood its meaning in the past. In light of this understanding, we then ask: What is God saying to me?
10. **Reading isn't enough.** If Scripture remains just words on a page, our work is not done. We need to meditate on the message and put it into action in our lives. Only then can the word be "living and effective."(Hebrews 4:12).