

# Glory be to Jesus Christ! Glory be Forever!

February 17, 2019

(Sunday of Publican & Pharisee)

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

**Next Week:** 1 Corinthians 6:12-20      **Gospel Reading:** Luke 15:11-32

\*Take time to read the scriptures to prepare your heart and mind for Sunday's Liturgy.

**Services:** Sat., Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>      **Great Vespers**  
(Holy Sacrament of Confession to follow)      **7 pm**

Sun., Feb. 24<sup>th</sup>      **Sunday of Prodigal Son**  
Church School      **9:15 am**  
Hours      **9:45 am**  
Divine Liturgy      **10 am**

## Announcements:

I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to Fr. Stephan and my Parish Family for the outpouring of cards, calls, candles and especially prayers during this very difficult time for both my family and myself. Everyone's overwhelming support and love, through God's tender mercy, helps me through each treatment.

God Bless Everyone,

*Chrisia Johnston*

The Annual Parish Meeting is **TODAY** during Coffee Hour. Stop by to grab a cup of coffee with some leftover turkey and fixin's and hear about what's going on.

Don't forget to submit your 2019 Pledge form by **March 3<sup>rd</sup>**. Return to God the first fruits of the blessings/gifts he has bestowed upon you. Pledge to support our Parish, our diocese and national church! Also, pledging is not just financial support. Support your Parish through your talents/gifts. Pledge forms are available at the candlestand.

**House Blessings:** Father Stephan is finishing up blessing houses ~~ *Did you remember to give him a call and arrange one? Please let him know if there are any changes to your address and/or phone number.* He will contact you before he arrives. Don't worry about your mess, Father Stephan has had a lot of life experience with a house full of people and stuff. Traditionally one would want to have at least one clean spot with a clean white cloth that has a bowl of blessed water, an icon, candle, and a fresh herb that can be used for the blessing and later as seasoning.

**Looking ahead:** Please note these events on your calendars which will occur in the ensuing month or so:

- ❖ **Pre-Lenten Retreat:** On **Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>**, we will be welcoming our Retreat speaker V. Rev. Fr. Mark Meholick who will present "The Triumph of Iconography" covering a historical perspective and the theology of icons. Fr. Mark apprenticed in Iconography with Archbishop Job of Chicago from 1978-1988. He is currently the rector of St. Nicholas Orthodox Church in DuBois and SS Peter & Paul Orthodox Church in Urey, PA and in addition is the Dean of the Eastern Deanery of the Archdiocese of Pittsburgh. Registration begins at 9:30 am. Cost of retreat is \$15 which covers lunch and refreshments. To register, contact Leo Wiker at [lwiker@comcast.net](mailto:lwiker@comcast.net) or call 724-322-3334. See you there!
- ❖ **Annual Lenten BAKED Fish Dinners: What's For Dinner?** On Fridays, March 8<sup>th</sup>, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, April 5<sup>th</sup> and April 19<sup>th</sup>. from 12 Noon to 6 pm, baked fish, green beans, coleslaw, potato & cheese perohi and dessert are on the menu. Invite your family, friends and neighbors for some homemade goodness! To help this endeavor run as smoothly as possible, your help and cooperation is always needed and very much appreciated! If you are able to lend a hand please let Marie or Mary know. A big thank you in advance for everyone's cooperation for this fundraising project!
- ❖ **Paska Baking:** Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup>. (Order forms are included in today's bulletin. Order cutoff is March 24<sup>th</sup>)
- ❖ **Nutroll Baking:** Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> (or Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup> snow make-up day)

**PLEASE NOTE – WE ARE NOT TAKING ANY ORDERS**

**We are using up ingredients from the Christmas baking to make room for festival prep. The few that are made will be sold at Paska pick-up.**

**Collection:** February 10<sup>th</sup>: \$2,137