

Lenten Prayer of St. Ephrem

O Lord and Master of my life, take from me the spirit of sloth, despair, lust of power, and idle talk.

But give rather the spirit of chastity, humility, patience, and love to Thy servant.

Yea, O Lord and King, grant me to see my own transgressions, and not to judge my brother, for blessed art Thou, unto ages of ages. Amen.

Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee

Beginning of the Lenten Triodion

Commemorated on [February 17](#)



The Sunday after the Sunday of Zacchaeus is devoted to the Publican and the Pharisee. At Vespers the night before, the TRIODION (the liturgical book used in the services of Great Lent) begins.

Two men went to the Temple to pray. One was a Pharisee who scrupulously observed the requirements of religion: he prayed, fasted, and contributed money to the Temple. These are very good things, and should be imitated by anyone who loves God. We who may not fulfill these requirements as well as the Pharisee did should not feel entitled to criticize him for being faithful. His sin was in looking down on the Publican and feeling justified because of his external religious observances.

The second man was a Publican, a tax-collector who was despised by the people. He, however, displayed humility, and this humility justified him before God (Luke 18:14).

The lesson to be learned is that we possess neither the Pharisee's religious piety, nor the Publican's repentance, through which we can be saved. We are called to see ourselves as we really are in the light of Christ's teaching, asking Him to be merciful to us, deliver us from sin, and to lead us on the path of salvation.



Sunday, February 17, 2019

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Gospel: St. Luke 18:10-14

Epistle: 2 Timothy 3:10-15

38th Sunday after Pentecost / Sunday of the Publican & Pharisee/ Greatmartyr Theodore Hieromartyr Ghemogen, Pat. Of Moscow

February Bulletin Sponsor: Father Andrew
In honor of my spiritual father, Archpriest James Gleason, on the occasion of his 50th Anniversary to the Holy Priesthood

Liturgical & Events Schedule

Sunday, February 17

9:05 am Hours followed by Divine Liturgy / Memorial Sunday / Social / Choir Rehearsal

Monday, February 18

6:30 pm Orthodoxy 101 Class

Wednesday, February 20

10:00 am: Deanery Meeting in Canton

Thursday, February 21

5:00 pm Chamber Event here at our parish

Saturday, February 23

4:00 pm Great Vespers

Sunday, February 24

9:05 am Hours followed by D.L. / B-day prayers / Choir Rehearsal

VIGILS- FEBRUARY 3

Susan Guzy (1) Special intention

Sandy Martin (1) Special intention

David & Roddie Mazurik (4) Special intention

Laura Kovach (1) in loving memory of my dad

Twarek family(5) God's blessings and healing to Todd, Health of Diane, Brad, Ida, Betty, Health of Steve, John, Stella, Julia, Ron, Jake, Helen, Special intention, Special intention

Dorothy & Lew Poggali and family, 7 branch lampada for February 24 in Loving memory of our mother, Sophia Monak on her 110th birthday. Mother you are so dearly loved and missed. Blessings to Ruthe Flewelling and Janice Timko, sisters.

CANDLE / BULLETIN SPONSORS OFFERED FOR FEBRUARY

Chandelier: Laura: (\$50) In loving memory of her mother Margaret Mazur Malfara

Altar Candles: (\$50) Susan Guzy: In Loving Memory of the Felenchak and Guzy Families

Candles on the Tomb: (\$25) Basil: In Loving memory of grandparents Lucas and Mary and Uncle Michael Yuhas

Eternal Light & Icon Screen: (\$25) Mike & Diane Tryon: In loving memory of Tina Chavez my Dialysis friend!

Bulletin: (\$50) Open Fr. Andrew: In honor of my Spiritual Father on the occasion of the 50th Anniversary of his ordination

CANDLE / BULLETIN SPONSORS OFFERED FOR MARCH

Chandelier: (\$50) Fr. Andrew in memory of Metropolitan Nicholas

Altar Candles: (\$50) Fr. Andrew: in memory of his father George

Candles on the Tomb: (\$25) Open

Eternal Light & Icon Screen: (\$25) Open

Bulletin: (\$50) Open

FEBRUARY SPECIAL COLLECTION ZOE FOR LIFE



Please be generous!

40 DAY REMEMBRANCE

Feb. 17: Police officer Dale from OH

Feb. 24: Terror attack victims in Syria

March 3: Two military soldiers killed in Afghanistan / Officer Sean from AL / Jane Naiser

March 10: Pani Patricia Patrick / Archpriest John Mason / Police officer killed in Ohio

March 17: State Trooper from VA / Police officer from Milwaukee

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Prayer List (Updated Feb. 13)

Clergy: His Beatitude, Metropolitan Theodosius; His Beatitude, Metropolitan Herman; William Bass; Ted Bobosh, John Duranko (*Father's home pastor*); Joseph Gibson; James Gleason (*Father's Spiritual Father*); Emilian Hutnyan; John Jones; Josef Von Klarr; Vladimir Lecko; John Matusiak; Peter Tutko; Sub-deacon Wylie Meath

Matushkii: Pani Patricia Duranko; Barbara Kopka; Virginia Lecko; Sonya Tutko

Parishioners / & their Family: Carol Chevenger (*Roddie's mom*); Kristi Clabaugh (*Andy's mom*); Christopher Dixon (*son-in-law of Mary H.*); Victoria Dixon (*Mary H. Daughter*); John Richard Elcishko; Debbie Garnek (*sister of Roddie*); Michael Glovinsky (*Basil's Nephew*); Ernest Gresh (*Basil's nephew*); Julia Guzy; Joseph Habegger (*Laura Kovach's brother-in-law*); Margi Habegger (*Laura's sister*); James Heffernan (*father-in-law of Jennifer Heffernan*); Judy Heffernan; Maria (*Terrie's mom*); Michael Kouznetsov (*Son of Mary Hiser*); Helen Lis; Stanley Lis; Walter Litzie (*Fr.'s Cousin*); David Martin; Greg Mazur; Judy Mazurik (*sister-in-law of Paul Mazurik*); Helen Jean Rofnar (*Cousin to Rose's*); John Rofnar (*Cousin to the Rose's*); Joe Rose; Margaret Rose (*daughter*); Steven Schirtzinger (*Christi's brother*); Nancy Sitzler (*mother of Amber Twarek*); Baby Stella Miller (*Chico's granddaughter*); Mason (*granson of the Cassell's*); Peter Truta (*cousin of Jean H.*) Diane Tryon; Greg Tryon; Larry Twarek (*Greg's T. Uncle*); Kristen (*Daughter of the Cassell's*); Eleanor W; Lauren Jerome & her unborn baby (*Daughter of Jean H*); Nikki and her unborn baby; Brianna and her unborn baby (*Trudy's daughter*)

Other Requests: Victor Abrahamowicz (*Friend of Mary Hiser*); David Bobb (*friend of Nikki*); Steven Brancho (*friend of Fr*); Anna Burch (*friend of Wayne*); Frank Cannon; Diane Cannon (*Friends of Halupki festival*); Linda Crockett (*Vendor*); Danielle (*friend of the Cassell's*); Shawntee Day (*Friend of Christi*); Chris Fallon (*Bishop Matthias's sister-in-law*); Ben Franklin (*friend of Laura Kovach*); Theodore Geletka (*St. Michael Orthodox Church, Broadview Heights choir director*); Tom Hutnyan (*Brother of Fr. Emil*); Baby Lucas Goodman (*friend of Christi Soski*); Donald Gresh (*neighbor to Basil*); Elliott Joy (*Police chief's son*); Alicia Kelly (*friend of Tammy B.*); Tommy Leonchick (*Friend of Fr's*); Jake Lipstraw (*friend of Natalie*); Michael Lucak (*son of the Protodeacon Dennis*); Dana Mahler (*Friend of Christi*); Jim Mahler (*neighbour of Laura*); Dan Mallory (*neighbor of Basil*); Violet Mattingly (*neighbor of Greg Mazur*); Pauline Meath (*Friend of Fr.'s*); Todd Pollick (*Friend of the Twarek's*); Beth Reinhard (*friend of Diane Tryon*); Emily Sarisky (*Fr's friend*); Cheryl Schell (*Co-worker of Jennifer Heffernan*); Nick Shortridge (*Friend of Christi*); Matthew Sterling (*neighbor of Diane T*); Janice Timko; Becky Vermillion (*friend of Laura*); Donald Williams (*Friend of Joe S.*); Alisha Zura & new born Evelyn (*friend of Natalie*); Cheyenne Welch & her two unborn babies (*wife of Former Sgt. of Marblehead Police Dept*); Katie & her unborn baby (*manager at Bruno's*)

Military: Craig Cassell; Nathan Brown

Captives: Metropolitan Paul (*Orthodox Archdiocese of Aleppo*); Archbishop John (*Syriac Archdiocese of Aleppo*); for the UN & IOCC humanitarian aid workers in & around Syria; those suffering persecution in Iraq, Syria, Israel, Egypt, Ukraine and throughout the world; those held captive throughout the world.

DANBURY FOOD PANTRY - MARCH

Suggested donation of peanut butter & jelly (and other non-perishable goods) will be collected through March 10.

February donations will be delivered to the food pantry Thursday March 14.

| February | | | |
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| | Cleaners | Readers | Social |
| 3 | Wayne | Wayne | <i>Open</i> |
| 10 | Susan | Ron | Terri C |
| 17 | Jen / Cole | Tim | <i>Open</i> |
| 24 | Jean | Natalie | <i>Open</i> |

ATTENDANCE

Sunday, February 3

22 Total (19 members, 2 children, 1 guest; 14 Communicants; Vespers - no attendance taken)

Sunday, February 10

23 Total (18 members; 2 non-regulars; 2 children; 1 guest; 15 Communicants; Vespers - 10)

WEEKLY TITHING ONLY

Pledged per month: \$4,100

Sunday, Feb. 3: \$644

Sunday, Feb. 10: \$834

OTHER INCOME

Sunday, Feb. 3: \$50 Altar Candles for Feb., \$10 Lampada, \$10 Candles, \$50 Vigils, \$25 Eternal Light; \$40 Special Collection (Zoe for Life); \$100 Food Pantry; \$50 towards office supplies

Sunday, Feb. 10: \$50 for chandelier; \$15 in candles; \$90 in Vigils; \$10 restoration; \$331 Special collection (Zoe for Life)

TOTAL FINANCIAL'S FOR JANUARY 2019

Income: \$10,459

Expenses: \$12,306

TOTAL: **-\$ 1,847**

(Note: Negative balance reflects taxes paid for entirety year.) We had a good January. THANK YOU!

MARBLEHEAD PURSE BINGO SPONSORED BY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Tickets are \$40 which includes 16 games of bingo and a buffet dinner. Cash bar will be available. Pre-order for Wine is now available.

Tables will be reserved for tickets purchased in groups of eight only. It will be at St. Mary's Byzantine Hall on Saturday March 9. Doors open @ 5:30 & dinner @ 6:00pm. (Dinner provided by 1812 Food & Spirits. Bingo begins @ 7:00pm.

Call and pay by Credit card at MPCOC 419-702-7492

VIGILS- FEBRUARY 10

Susan Guzy (1) Special intention

Laura Kovach (1) in loving memory of dad (2/3)

Sandy Martin (1) Special intention

David & Roddie Mazurik (4) Special intention

Darlene, Nick & Gabe Mazurik (1) Special intentions

Twarek Family (5) God's blessings and healing to Todd, Health of Diane, Brad, Ida, Betty, Health of Steve, John, Stella, Julia, Ron, Jake, Helen, Special intention, Special intention

2 Timothy 3:10-15 (Epistle)

But you have carefully followed my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, love, perseverance, persecutions, afflictions, which happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra – what persecutions I endured. And out of them all the Lord delivered me. Yes, and all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will suffer persecution.

But evil men and impostors will grow worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived. But you must continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned them, and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

Luke 18:10-14 (Gospel)

“Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, ‘God, I thank You that I am not like other men – extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I possess.’

And the tax collector, standing afar off, would not so much as raise his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, ‘God, be merciful to me a sinner!’

I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.”

FEBRUARY CELEBRATIONS

| Birthday | | Anniversary |
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| 4- Nathaniel Bremer 5- Christi Soski 6- Alex Zarynow 10- Fr. Eli Bremer 12- Fr. James Gleason | 14- Sandy Martin 16- David Mazurik 22- Wayne Golob 24- Sonya Rose 26- Bill Glovinsky 26- Pani Bernadette Zarynow | 22-10-1973: Retired Metropolitan Herman 14- Jim & Rita Mazur 2-14-2004: The Most Blessed Tikhon 18- Joe & Sonya Rose 2-21-2014: Bishop David of Alaska |

If there are those names to be added or removed, please contact Fr. Andrew. He would like to list all members of your family Orthodox and non-Orthodox.

FOCUS to host second YES Servant Leadership Conference for HS seniors, college students

[FOCUS North America's Youth Equipped to Serve Program](#) [YES] will host its second annual Servant Leadership Conference in Detroit, MI May 24 through 27, 2019—Memorial Day weekend.

Since 2012, [YES](#) has conducted various leadership training programs to equip YES trip leaders. The 2019 Servant Leadership Conference, however, will offer students an opportunity for personal exploration, foundational servant leadership development, and empowerment. The program will bring together high school seniors and college students to seek the Lord, to see their true selves and purposes together, and to feel strengthened and courageous to live the lives they have been uniquely called to live.

FOCUS North America — the “Fellowship of Orthodox Christians United to Serve” — is a national movement of Orthodox Christians united in faith and joined by a desire to provide action-oriented and sustainable solutions to poverty in communities across America. FOCUS has operations and offers youth volunteer experiences in more than 50 cities in the USA. As an expression of Christ’s love, FOCUS North America serves the hungry, the thirsty, the stranger, the naked, the sick and the imprisoned by providing food, occupation, clothing, understanding, and shelter.

[Conference details and registration information](#) are now available on the FOCUS website. Early registration is recommended as participation is limited to the first 15 applicants. For further information please contact FOCUS at info@focusna.org.

FEBRUARY Reposed List

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| 2- Nancy Pipenur (2018) 5- Peter Kowal (2004) 6- Steve Michael Mazur (1970) 6- Elizabeth Kravetz Mc Mahon (1984) 12- Glenn Schoonmaker (2002) 12- Lawrence Beck (2018) | 17- Metropolitan Orestes (1977) 17- Stanley Guzy (1986) 20- Infant Linda Sue Alber (1969) 21- Mary Tomka Matso (1956) 22- Metro Mazur (1973) 22- Fr. Andrew Hutnyan (2004) | 23- George Elchisco Sr. (1961) 26- Elizabeth Millie (1998) 29- Mary Uka Kosteary (1996) 14- Rose Polosky (No Year provided) Helen Hritsko (1908)- (No Date) Alexandra Brendza (1909)-(No date) Steve Danchisen (1909)-(No date) |
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Archpriest John Mason
February 2, 2019 Archpriest John Mason

Archpriest John Mason, 90, fell asleep in the Lord on Thursday, January 31, 2019.

Born in Scranton, PA on November 3, 1928 to John and Anna [Rachko] Mason, he graduated from Saint Tikhon's Orthodox Theological Seminary, South Canaan, PA in 1950. In May 1951, he married the former Doris [Daria] Millian of Old Forge, PA, and on October 7, 1951, he was ordained to the priesthood at Holy Protection Cathedral, New York, NY.

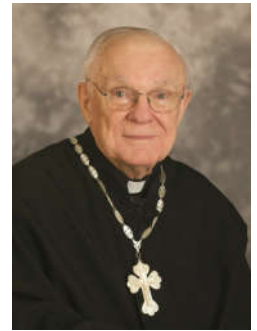
Father John served parishes in Robins, OH; Altoona, PA; Meriden CT; Akron/Mogadore, OH; Yonkers, NY; and Wilkes Barre, PA. Upon retiring to Hagerstown, MD, he continued serving at area parishes of several jurisdictions. After the repose of his beloved wife of 63 years, Father John moved back to his former parish of Saint Nicholas, Mogadore, OH, where he was attached. On Saint Nicholas Day—December 6, 2018, he became the first priest of the Diocese of the Midwest to be awarded the Order of Saint John of Chicago in honor of his 67 years in the priesthood.

During his 1970 trip to Alaska for the canonization of Saint Herman of Alaska, Father John visited the saint's grave on Spruce Island. This became a special moment in his life. Father John's steadfast leadership resulted in new churches being built in Meriden and Mogadore. He was known as a kind and loving pastor by generations of faithful.

Father John served as Dean of the Ohio Deanery for 12 years; as a member of the Diocesan Council of the Midwest Diocese for six years; and as a founding member of the [OCA Pension Board](#), on which he served for 23 years. He served as National Spiritual Advisor of the Federated Russian Orthodox Clubs [today's [Fellowship of Orthodox Christians in America](#)]. Father John was a member of the Fellowship of Orthodox Stewards and [Saint Tikhon's Century Association](#).

Father John is survived by his children, Deborah, Cuyahoga Falls, OH; Gregory [Susan] Mason, Lexington, KY; Tamara [Mark Kocsis], Long Beach, CA; and Susan, Lake Worth, FL; his daughter-in-law, Mary Susan, Raleigh, NC; his grandchildren Katrina, Nicholas [Rachel] and Natalie [Joe] Kennedy; his

step-grandchildren Jason, Rebecca and Emily; and his brother, Archpriest James [Patricia], Easton, PA. He was predeceased by his wife, Matushka Doris, in 2014; their son Serge in 2003; and his sister Kathryn in 2017



In lieu of flowers, donations in Father John's memory may be sent to Saint Tikhon's Seminary, PO Box 130, South Canaan, PA 18459, or Saint Nicholas Church Annual Parish Project, 755 South Cleveland Ave., Mogadore, OH 44260-3547.

May Father John's memory be eternal!

A Zacchaeus Moment By Fr. Steven Kostoff

“For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost” [Luke 19:10].

At this Sunday's eucharistic Liturgy, we will hear the story of the towering figure of Zacchaeus the publican [Luke 19:1-10]. This is one of the many wonderful paradoxes of the spiritual life that characterize the Holy Scriptures. The paradox is found in the fact that the “towering” figure of Zacchaeus was actually “small of stature” [verse 3]. And if indeed he had defrauded his neighbors as he alluded to [verse 8], then he was “small” in even more essential matters. Through repentance, conversion, and right action Zacchaeus grew in stature right before the eyes of those who with faith could “see” this transformation.

Zacchaeus personifies the type of change that is possible through hearing the Good News and embracing it in thought, word and deed. This passage, unique to the Gospel according to Saint Luke, is thus perfectly placed as the first announcement of the approach of Great Lent, for in the Orthodox Church, this is always the prescribed Gospel reading for the fifth Sunday before the start of Great Lent. The four pre-lenten Gospel readings to follow will then guide us to Monday, March 11, the first day of the lenten journey that will lead us to Holy Week and then Pascha on April 28.

Returning to the Gospel passage, we find the story of Zacchaeus evenly divided into two parts **Con't Pg 8**