



**Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Ukrainian Catholic Church
(St. Mary's)**

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Sunday Divine Liturgies: 8:30 a.m.

Holy Days as scheduled in the Bulletin

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

JANUARY 17, 2021

Sunday, January 17, 2021 Sunday of Zacchaeus

8:00AM – Confession, 8:30AM – For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners & in particular
For special intention of Fr. Ed Guilloux from Martha & John Stine

Sunday, January 24, 2021 Sunday of the Publican & Pharisee

8:00AM – Confession, 8:30AM – For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners & in particular
For special intention of Fr. Lee Roos from Martha & John Stine

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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. *Source: OCA.org*

SUNDAY OF ZACCHAEUS OUR VENERABLE AND GOD-BEARING FATHER ANTHONY THE GREAT

Troparion and Kontakion:

Troparion (8): You came down from on high, O Merciful One, and accepted three days of burial to free us from our sufferings. O Lord, our life and our resurrection, glory be to You.

Troparion (4): By your life you imitated the zealous Elias and by following straight paths you emulated the Baptist, John. O Father Anthony, you peopled the desert and strengthened the world by your pray'rs; Intercede with Christ God to save our souls.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Now and for ever and ever: Amen. Kontakion (8):

When You rose from the tomb, You also raised the dead and resurrected Adam. Eve exults in Your resurrection, and the ends of the world celebrate Your rising from the dead, O Most Merciful One. **Prokimenon (8):** Pray and give praise to the Lord our God.

Verse: In Judea God is known; His name is great in Israel.

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Epistle: Reading of the First Epistle of St. Paul to Timothy. (1Tim 4,9-15) Brethren: This saying is trustworthy and deserves full acceptance. For this we toil and struggle, because we have set our hope on the living God, who is the savior of all, especially of those who believe. Command and teach these things. Let no one have contempt for your youth, but set an example for those who believe, in speech, conduct, love, faith, and purity. Until I arrive, attend to the reading, exhortation, and teaching. Do not neglect the gift you have, which was conferred on you through the prophetic word with the imposition of hands of the

presbyterate. Be diligent in these matters, be absorbed in them, so that your progress may be evident to everyone.

Alleluia Verses: Verse (8): Come, let us rejoice in the Lord; let us acclaim God our Savior: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. Verse (8): Let us come before His countenance with praise and acclaim Him with psalms. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Gospel: (Lk 19,1-10) At that time, entering Jericho, Jesus intended to pass through the town. Now a man there named Zacchaeus, who was a chief tax collector and also a wealthy man, was seeking to see who Jesus was; but he could not see him because of the crowd, for he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree in order to see Jesus, who was about to pass that way. When he reached the place, Jesus looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, come down quickly, for today I must stay at your house." And he came down quickly and received Him with joy. When they all saw this, they began to grumble, saying, "He has gone to stay at the house of a sinner." But Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Behold, half of my possessions, Lord, I shall give to the poor, and if I have extorted anything from anyone I shall repay it four times over." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house because this man too is a descendant of Abraham. For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save what was lost."

Communion Verse: Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Dear Parishioners and Friends! We welcome you to our Sunday Liturgy with the indoor service. Please keep in mind that social distancing applies and wearing a mask during the celebration of the Liturgy is mandatory to help stop the spread of coronavirus.

Clean-up Decorations This Sunday, January 17th, following the Divine Liturgy we will have the clean-up of the Christmas decorations. I ask that you please remain in Church to help put away the decorations. The more of us stay behind, the faster it will go. Thanks!

We sincerely thank our parishioners who mail their donations when they are unable to come to Divine Liturgy. If you are financially able, please continue to support our church. You may mail your donations to

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