

January 26, 2020 – Sunday of Zacchaeus

Divine Liturgy: Tone 8

1 Tim 4:9-15 and Lk 19:1-10

February 2, 2020 – Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee-Meeting of Our Lord with Simeon

Divine Liturgy: Tone 1

2 Tim 3:10-15 & Heb 7:7-17 and Lk 18:10-14 & Lk 2:22-40

LITURGY SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Sunday	January 26	10:00am(Ruthenian)	33 rd Sunday after Pentecost Sunday of Zacchaeus Divine Liturgy & Panachida +Margaret Mihalo (Jan. 22) By husband Robert
		12:00pm (Melkite)	Divine Liturgy
Monday	January 27	7:00pm(Ruthenian)	Translation of the Relics of St. John Chrysostom Divine Liturgy +Tom Colbert by family
Wednesday	January 29	7:00pm(Ruthenian)	Three Holy Hierarchs Divine Liturgy+Salaam Batto by mother Yazi Toma Batto
Sunday	February 2	10:00am(Ruthenian)	Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee Meeting of our Lord with St. Simeon Divine Liturgy for health & blessings upon Mary Hays by mother Margaret
		12:00pm (Melkite)	Divine Liturgy
Sunday	February 9	10:00am(Ruthenian)	Sunday of the Prodigal Son Divine Liturgy +Helen Dhooghe (6 years) by friends
		12:00pm (Melkite)	Divine Liturgy
		3:00pm	40-day blessing-Frankian Family
Thursday	February 13	7:00pm (Ruthenian)	Vigil of the Falling Asleep of St. Cyril, Apostle to the Slavs Divine Liturgy -For the deceased members of the O'Connor & Colbert families By Marcella Colbert
Saturday	February 15	9:30am (Ruthenian)	1 st all Souls Saturday Divine Liturgy & Panachida for our deceased family & friends
Sunday	February 16	10:00am(Ruthenian)	Sunday of Meatfare Divine Liturgy for health & blessings

Sunday February 23

12:00pm (Melkite)

10:00am(Ruthenian)

upon Susan Hays

by mother Margaret

Divine Liturgy

Sunday of Cheesefare

Divine Liturgy for health & blessings

upon Jim Hays

by mother Margaret

Prayers for mutual forgiveness

Divine Liturgy

12:00pm (Melkite)

Monday, Feb. 24, First day of the Great Fast-Strict fast from all dairy, egg & meat products

Monday February 24

7:00pm(Ruthenian)

Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts

Tuesday February 25

7:30pm (Melkite)

Great Compline

Wednesday February 26

7:00pm(Ruthenian)

Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts

Friday February 28

6:30pm(Ruthenian)

Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts

7:30pm (Melkite)

Akathistos

Sunday March 1

10:00am(Ruthenian)

1st Sunday of the Great Fast-Sunday o

Orthodoxy -Divine Liturgy

Procession with Holy Icons

for +Marcie & +Delio Rotondo

by granddaughter Theresa

12:00pm (Melkite)

Divine Liturgy

5:00pm (Chaldean)

Holy Liturgy

Tuesday March 3

7:30pm (Melkite)

Great Compline

Wednesday March 4

7:00pm(Ruthenian)

Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts

Friday March 6

6:30pm(Ruthenian)

Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts

7:30pm (Melkite)

Akathistos

Saturday March 7

9:30am (Ruthenian)

2nd all Souls Saturday

Divine Liturgy & Panachida

for our deceased family & friends

Sunday March 8

10:00am(Ruthenian)

2nd Sunday of the Great Fast-St.

Gregory Palamas -Divine Liturgy

health & birthday blessings for

Therese Colbert

by parents Theresa & Will

12:00pm (Melkite)

Divine Liturgy

Please remember in your prayers the sick and homebound in our parish :

Peter Mytchak, Bill Torma, Elizabeth Van Den Heuvel, Leslie Bohannon, Kathryn Kowalik, Joan Ostrowski, Yuhanna Hirmiz, Marianne Oprisko, Malak Bakkal, Sr. Sandy Atha, Fr. Charlie Brown, Louis Rafaj, Bob Mihalo and Sr. Rita Crabbe.

Sunday Collection 10am Liturgy: God bless you for your generosity!

December 29-\$8,344.00

January 12-\$1,816.00

January 5-\$1,783.00

January 19-\$2,359.00

Calendar of Events

Jan 26, Feb 9, 23, Mar 8, 22, Apr 5, 19, May 3 & 17 Eastern Christian Formation for Children after the 10am Liturgy

Feb 6 lecture "Introduccion a la tradicion, espiritualidad y fe ortodoxa" 11am in Church

Feb 8, Mar 14, Apr 11, May 9, Jun 13, Jul 11, Aug 8, Sep 12, Oct 10 and Nov 14

Meeting of the African Violets Club, 10am-12:30pm Social Hall

Feb 11 Bible Study with David Dominguez, 6:30pm potluck & 7pm Study

Feb 16, Mar 1, 15, 29 "Sharing in the Divine Liturgy" in the Social Hall after Liturgy

Feb 17-22 Iconography Workshop at Christ the Redeemer Catholic Church

Feb 24 Clean Monday-1st Day of the Great Fast-Strict Fast (no meat or dairy products)

Mar 14 Icon exhibit and conference, 1pm-6pm (more info to come)

Mar 28-Lecture: St. Theresa Catholic Ch., Sugarland, 10am-12pm "Seeing the Face of God"

Thank you too all who helped with the preparation, serving, hospitality, cantoring and clean-up last weekend at Fr. Tom Wells' ordination and first Divine Liturgy. God has blessed our parish with another vocation-we pray that He continue to call men and women in our parish to dedicate themselves to service in the Church.

St. John's Parish presented Fr. Tom for his ordination a Hospital Set (or portable tabernacle), used to bring Communion and holy oil to the sick and a pectoral cross. If you would like to donate please give your donation (any amount) to Jean Truax or Fr. Elias. Any extra monies will be given to Fr. Tom to offer Liturgies for our parish family.

Remember in your prayers:

-Louis Rafaj, who is recovering after hospitalization. May the Lord give him strength, health and healing!

-Marcella Colbert, who is hospitalized. May Christ the good physician give her healing, strength and health!

Bible Study, led by David Dominguez, will take place on Tuesday, Feb. 11 with potluck at 6:30 and 7pm study and discussion. All are warmly invited to participate. We are reading 1 Maccabees 10-14.

House Blessings

Now that the new Jordan water has been blessed, we begin the annual season of home blessing. If you would like for your home to be blessed by Fr. Elias with the new water, please contact Fr. to set up a convenient time/date. We will be blessing homes until the beginning of the Great Fast. Contact Fr. Elias at 713-256-8953 or houstonelias@gmail.com

During the Great Fast, St. John's will host a series of presentations and discussions, as part of our Parish "Continuing Faith Education" about our Liturgical tradition, its history and how we pray the Liturgy today. The presentations will take place after the 10am Divine Liturgy, at 12 noon in the Social Hall. Mark your calendars and invite your friends and family!

Divine Liturgy-The Work of the People

Feb. 16-Introduction to Liturgy: Temple & Church

Mar. 1-Sacred Space & Sacred Furnishings

Mar. 15-Preparing for Liturgy & Proskomidi

Mar. 29-Serving these Divine Mysteries: Liturgy & Life

As we begin a new year we would like to remind you that at St. John's we all have a part in caring for our church and parish. We do not have "staff" to pick up rubbish left behind, or turn off lights, etc. It is up to each one of us to be responsible for this house of God. Please don't leave the toilet running, lights on, garbage on the floors, dirty tables, etc. This parish is ours and we are responsible for taking care of it. May God help us to love more the beauty of his temple!

The "Prayers Day and Night" email box will be discontinued, however intentions can still be submitted directly to Fr. Elias or Deacon Andy.

Sunday Hospitality

Thank you to all who have brought food and refreshments for our after Liturgy Socials. A new sign up sheet for now until the end of May. Thank you for generously volunteering! God bless you!

Please sign up on the Social Hall bulletin board!