



THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE DORMITION

OF THE MOST HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

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Our Mission is to joyfully
bring all people into the
knowledge, love and
service of the Holy Trinity,
Who dwells amongst us.

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Sunday Divine Liturgy
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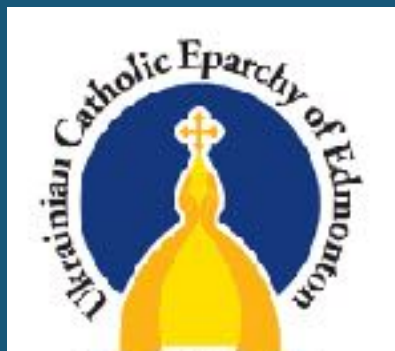
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A PARISH OF THE UKRAINIAN
CATHOLIC EPARCHY OF
EDMONTON

Sunday, February 6, 2022

**Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee; Octoechese Tone 4;
Post-feast of the Encounter; Our Venerable Father Boucolus,
Bishop of Smyrna; the Holy Priest-Martyr Sylvanus, Bishop of
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Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee

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.

Two weeks before the beginning of the Fast, as part of our preparation for Great Lent, Holy Week, and Pascha, the Church prescribes the reading of Saint Mark's Gospel. From Monday to Friday the focus is on the end times, and the Savior's death and burial.

taken from "Saints of the Day" from OCA.org



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Saint Bocolus, Bishop of Smyrna

Saint Bocolus, Bishop of Smyrna, was a disciple of the holy Apostle and Evangelist John the Theologian, and became the first Bishop of Smyrna (Asia Minor).

By the grace of God, Saint Bocolus converted many of the pagans to Christ and baptized them. As a wise and experienced guide, he defended his flock from the darkness of heresy.

He died in peace between the years 100-105. He entrusted his flock to Saint Polycarp (February 23), one of the Apostolic Fathers, who was also a disciple of the holy Apostle John the Theologian. At the grave of Saint Bocolus grew a myrtle tree, which healed the sick.

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Saint Silvanus the bishop of Emessa

Saint Silvanus the bishop suffered in the city of Phoenician Emesa (Homs) in 312 along with Saint Luke the deacon and Mocius the Reader. After tortures, imprisonment and exhaustion by hunger, they were thrown to the wild beasts. The holy martyrs died praying, untouched by the animals. Christians took up the bodies of the holy martyrs by night and buried them with reverence.

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All about the Special "Covid Friendly" Annual General Meeting

Similar to last year, we will have this year's AGM by mail and email. Next week (if all goes according to plan) you will receive an email and/or an envelope via the mail. (If we have your email address we will only send it that way to save on postage.) Receiving this you will find several documents, and be asked to answer three questions:

- A) Do you accept the financial statements of the parish as presented (which will be attached),
- B) Will you accept the new slate of officers for the Parish Pastoral Council as presented by the Nominating Committee, and
- C) Do you approve of the new Parish Bylaws as proposed by the Bylaw Committee. You will also have the opportunity to give us your comments. Upon receiving the replies we will then proceed as directed by you and the other parish members.

To have your vote count we must receive your reply by mail, in person on paper at the church, or by email on or before Sunday, March 6th.

Your comments on any and all parish issues are also welcome.

The following is the proposed slate of Executing Officers as proposed by the Nominating Committee for the upcoming AGM vote:

- Chair of PPC – **Alex Schabel**
- Vice Chair – **Steve Konowalec**
- Treasurer – **Sheila Leiding**
- Secretary – **Sharilynn Shakeshaft**
- Three Year Member-at Large – **Roman Workun**
- Two Year Member-at-Large – **Bill Shostak**
- One Year Member-at-Large – **Helen (Halyna) Sirman**

Finance Committee Members

- Finance Committee Chair – **Iryna Laschuk**
- Alex Schabel – (proposed Chair of PPC)
- Sheila Leiding – (Proposed Treasurer)

Non-elected members:

- Pastor - **Fr. Bo Nahachewsky** (by Appointment of Bishop)
- Past Chair – **Greg Ostapowich** (by definition)
- Representative of UCWLC - **Virginia Sharek** (as appointed by UCWLC)

Canadian Bishops, Assembly of First Nations, Métis National Council, and Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami Announce Rescheduled Dates for Rome Delegation

Tuesday, February 1, 2022

February 1, 2022 – The Canadian Catholic Bishops, Assembly of First Nations, Métis National Council, and Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami are pleased to announce that the delegation to Rome to meet with Pope Francis, originally planned for December 2021, is now scheduled to take place at the end of March and early April of this year.

In light of the rapid spread of the Omicron variant, both in Canada and throughout the world, a prudent decision was made in December to postpone the delegation out of concern for the safety of all delegates, recognizing the uncertainty regarding travel and the fluid nature of the situation.

Working closely with the Vatican, new dates have been confirmed. The Holy Father is now scheduled to meet with individual Indigenous delegations the week of March 28, 2022. A final audience with all participants will take place on Friday, April 1, 2022.

The health and safety of all delegates remain our first priority. In the weeks ahead, we will monitor conditions leading up to the revised travel dates and continue our dialogue with delegates, public health officials as well as the relevant government and international authorities, traveling only when we feel it is safe to do so.

We remain committed to walking toward healing and reconciliation and very much look forward to the opportunity for Indigenous Elders, knowledge keepers, residential school survivors, and youth to meet with Pope Francis.

from the [CCCB.ca](https://www.cccb.ca)

About the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) is the national assembly of the Bishops of Canada. It was founded in 1943 and officially recognized by the Holy See in 1948.

For further information, email communications@ccc.ca.

Canada's Bishops Announce Indigenous Reconciliation Fund to Support Projects Across Canada

Friday, January 28 2022

January 28, 2022 – Canada's Catholic Bishops have agreed to establish a new registered charity to support and advance healing and reconciliation initiatives. The charity is expected to manage the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund, which will accept contributions from 73 dioceses across Canada in order to fulfill the [\\$30 million financial commitment](#) made by Canada's Bishops in September.

"The Bishops of Canada are fully committed to addressing the historical and ongoing trauma caused by the residential school system," said Bishop Raymond Poisson, President of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB). "In moving forward with our collective financial commitment, we will continue to be guided by the experience and wisdom of Indigenous peoples across the country".

The Indigenous Reconciliation Fund will be managed with financial measures in place to ensure transparency and good governance. Board directors and members of the corporation will collectively bring a strong financial acumen and deep commitment to the healing and reconciliation journey. The directors of the Board include:

- Chief Wilton Littlechild, Ph.D, a Cree chief, residential school survivor, and lawyer who served as a Commissioner for the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada. Chief Littlechild has been a Member of Parliament, Vice-President of the Indigenous Parliament of the Americas, North American Representative to the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, and a Chairperson for the UN Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and the Commission on First Nations and Métis Peoples and Justice Reform.
- Giselle Marion, who holds a law degree from the University of British Columbia and was called to the Bar in the Northwest Territories in 2008. During her articles Ms. Marion worked for the Department of Justice. She is a Tłıchǵ Citizen and was born and raised in Behchokǵ, NT. She is the Director of Client Services with the Tłıchǵ Government out of the Behchokǵ office.
- Rosella Kinoshameg, an Odawa/Ojibway woman from the Wikwemikong Unceded First Nation Territory. She is a Registered Nurse with over 50 years of nursing experience, mostly working with First Nations communities doing community health, maternal child health, immunizations, home and community care. She was one of the original members of the CCCB's Indigenous Council and continues to serve as a member of the Our Lady of Guadalupe Circle.

The members of the corporation include:

- Natale Gallo, a former Supreme Director of the Knights of Columbus, where he represented Canada on the International Board of Directors.

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- Claude Bédard, National President of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul in Canada.
- Barbara Dowding, former National President of the Catholic Women's League of Canada.

The fund will publish annual reports and will be subject to an audit by an independent accounting firm each year. Any administrative costs will be on top of the \$30 million being raised and will not be deducted from this principal amount.

While specific disbursement guidelines will be informed by additional input from Indigenous partners, we intend the funds to contribute to the following priorities:

- Healing and reconciliation for communities and families;
- Culture and language revitalization;
- Education and community building; and
- Dialogues for promoting indigenous spirituality and culture.

Regional and/or Diocesan Granting Committees will be established to identify projects that further the fund's priorities, review applications and request funds to support such projects. These committees will include Indigenous and Catholic membership and it is our recommendation that they be chaired by local Indigenous partners

We recognize that there has been considerable disappointment with a previous Catholic fundraising campaign tied to the Indian Residential School Settlement Agreement. While the CCCB was not party to the agreement, we have recognized the shortcomings of this campaign and learned critically important lessons to ensure that the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund is fully funded and well managed with appropriate oversight. Additional information on the "best efforts" campaign led by the Catholic Entities Party to the Indian Residential School Settlement can be found here: <https://www.cccb.ca/indigenous-peoples/indian-residential-schools-and-trc/>.

The establishment of this national framework builds on existing fundraising from local Catholic entities including the [Archdioceses of Winnipeg and St. Boniface](#), the [Bishops of Saskatchewan](#), and the [Archdiocese of Vancouver](#). The CCCB will continue to provide regular public updates on this work as part of the ongoing journey towards healing and reconciliation.

taken from [CCCB.ca](#)

Table for Two - At Home

Table for Two, presented by the Edmonton Eparchy is an evening for couples, married or dating, which provides the ideal opportunity to focus on each other.

Again, due to COVID we have been sidelined. Therefore, for those in Edmonton and area (Sherwood Park, Leduc, Beaumont, St. Albert) we are providing the opportunity to order a sumptuous meal for two created by a red seal chef, which will be delivered right to your home! All you have to do is set the table, light the candles and follow the instructions to heat your meal.

Each of the courses will come with discussion starters which invite couples to explore & deepen their relationship with each other and with God. You can take as much time as you would like.

As you are enjoying your coffee, tea or wine at the end of your meal, you will have the opportunity to watch and listen to a short presentation from a couple who will share their experience of faith within their marriage.

*We are looking for drivers to help deliver the meals (5-6 deliveries). Contact Bernadette if you are willing to help out: education@edmontoneparchy.com

WHEN: Sunday, Feb 13, deliveries made between 1:00 pm. and 3:00 pm.

WHERE: At home 😊 (Edmonton area)

HOW MUCH: \$75 per couple.

Register here by Feb. 7: Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/table-for-two-tickets-216408292027> (or search Table for Two on Eventbrite Edmonton)

We look forward to hosting you virtually!





The Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Edmonton is looking to hire several illustrators to support a new religious education program, titled Image to Likeness, that will be used by the Ukrainian Bilingual Program in Edmonton and Sherwood Park Catholic Schools and will also be available to parishes and families of the Ukrainian Catholic Church (Byzantine Rite Eastern Catholic Church) around the globe. Eventually, the project will provide religious educational content for children grades Kindergarten to 12. The project is scheduled to deliver a pilot in September 2022 for Kindergarten and Grade 1, followed by subsequent grades to be gradually completed by December 2024.

Click here for all the pertinent info: <https://eeparchy.com/2022/02/03/illustrators-needed-for-childrens-religion-program/>

#221 OUR LADY'S SCOUTS has taken some lovely strides forwards lately thanks to our wonderful new volunteer families.

We now have a **"URL"** and **website**. Well... the URL: **OurLadysScouts.ca** now points to our parish's scouts page, but hopefully soon we will get it populated.

We have our own **email address**. info@ourladyscouts.ca which our communications people have set up.

We have a "MailChimp" account, that hopefully will soon become active once we connect it to our new email.

We are also looking into our FaceBook and other social media, and will set those up once we have our other ducks in line.

Soon our volunteers can begin registering officially with both the parish and Scouts Canada.



**Our next meeting for Adults interested in Volunteering is
this Tuesday, February 8 at 7:15 pm**

email Fr. Bo for more information.

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- **Please pray for** several of our parishioners and family members including (but not limited to): Mickey, Sister Andrea, Kristopher, Greg, Peter, Ross, Ron, Peter, Jean, Verna, Miranda, Sarah, Marge, Ann & Louis.
 - Also, **please pray for** peace everywhere, especially among our brothers and sisters in and around Ukraine.
 - **Happy Birthday** to: **Marta & Natalia Dashkewych** who both celebrate their birthdays this week. May God grant you many happy years. Mnohaya Lita.
 - **First Solemn Communion** classes begin next weekend. Please say a prayer for our 3 candidates: Alec H, Drew H and Adam L.
 - **Our Recorded Liturgies** are going okay... sometimes our poor old computer causes us technical difficulties, but don't give up on us yet. Sorry about last week's liturgy being cut short. The recording failed after the homily.
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**Please take Covid seriously.
If you are feeling sick please stay home.**

In the parish, please keep a safe distance from each other (2+ m), sanitize your hands regularly and always wear a mask. At the end of each Liturgy we'd appreciate you helping us sanitize your pew.

At this time we are not allowed to do congregational singing. Bishop is allowing for one family to sing as a cantor only. Most of our service will be recited.

Thanks for your cooperation.



Today's gospel story is about a humble man and a proud man.

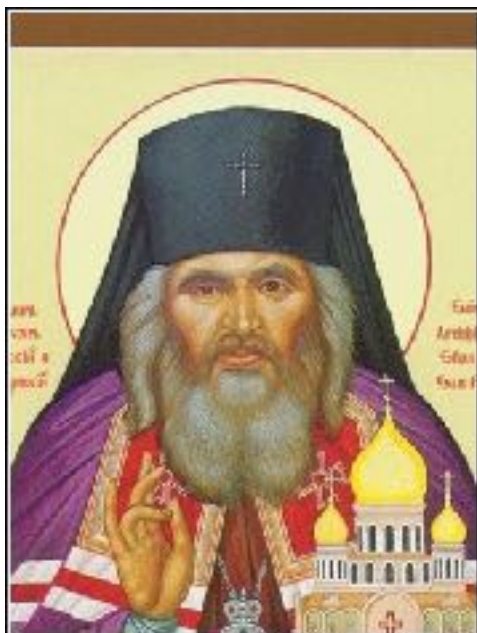
Nobody likes it when people think that they are greater than everyone else. When we act like we are the greatest, we are proud. Proud people judge others.

We are humble when we are honest and simple. Humble people recognize no one is greater than anyone else, and treat everyone with love. God made all people equal. We must recognize that we ourselves are no better than others.

Let's respect everyone around us. God made us all beautifully. When we respect others and do not judge them, then we are recognizing that they are made in God's image.

It's true; sometimes people do bad things. Their actions might be bad, but they themselves are still people worthy of our love. We also do bad things sometimes. We need to recognize that we are not perfect, and we need to grow in to the people God wants us to be.

Can you colour this picture and have your parents text me a photo of it? I'd love to see your art.



The power of God is effective when a person asks for the help from God, acknowledging his own weakness and sinfulness. This is why humility and the striving towards God are the fundamental virtues of a Christian.

— John of Shanghai and San Francisco —

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This Friday: "THE GREAT FAST FOR FAMILIES"

On Feb. 11 at 10:15 am (following 9:00 am Divine Liturgy at Holy Eucharist Parish 6425 120 Ave NW, Edmonton) the Family, Faith and Friends, Parent Group will be hosting the 3rd of 5 sessions.

Join Fr. Roman Planchak as he leads us through a reflection and some practical ideas for experiencing the Great Fast way that touches our hearts as a family. We will begin with a reflection for ourselves as parents and as children of God. This will be followed by a discussion on practical ways to observe the Fast with young children.

Email education@edmontoneparchy.com if you would like to attend in person.

Only a limited number of people may join the presentation at Holy Eucharist parish.

First come first serve. To join online click here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89850863656?pwd=ZUpQS1RlZUIYZGV6Zzl6L3pLc1o3QT09>

*Note - Fr. Roman will not be in person but will be joining via Zoom.

Curious about Family Faith and Friends?

Parents with young families are invited to come together for prayer, faith development, fellowship, and support. To learn more about this group and be kept up to date with events

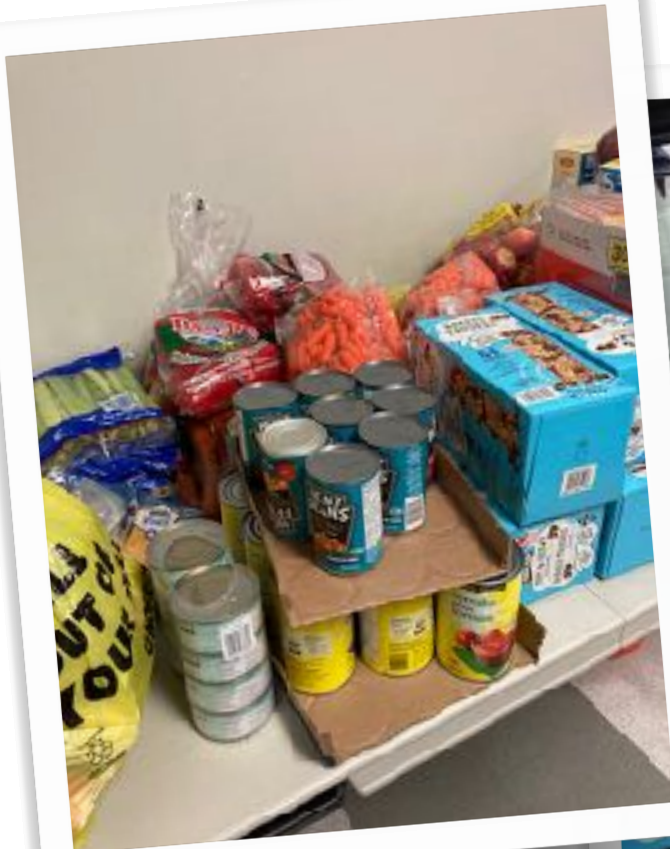
and resources, join the Facebook Group: Family, Faith, Friends, Parent's Group <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1019387668113464>.

For other questions call or text: 780-914-9093 Christina

Helping with Food at Our Lady of Peace School

On January 25th, Tuesday morning parish food bank donations and purchased groceries were delivered to Our Lady of Peace School. Our UCLWC Branch is planning to deliver more food bank items before the end of the school term. Thank you for the donations brought to our church.

The school staff were most appreciative to receive our donations.



Dormition Parish Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>6</p> <p>Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee; Octoechese Tone 4; Post-feast of the Encounter; Our Venerable Father Boucolus, Bishop of Smyrna; the Holy Priest-Martyr Sylvanus, Bishop of Emessa and Those with Him Matins Resurrectional Gospel 4. 2 Timothy 3:10-15; Luke 18:10-14</p> <p>10 am Divine Liturgy bilingual Ukr / Eng</p> <p>5:30 pm Appointment</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Post-feast of the Encounter; Our Venerable Father Parthenius, Bishop of Lampsacus (312-37); Passing into Eternal Life (1957) of Blessed Petro Verhun, apostolic Visitor of Forced Labourers in Germany and Martyr of Siberia 2 Peter 1:20-2:9; Mark 13:9-13</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Post-feast of the Encounter; the Holy Great-Martyr Theodore the General (286-305); the Holy Prophet Zechariah (c. 520 BC) 2 Peter 2:9-22; Mark 13:14-23</p> <p>10 am Clergy Conference</p> <p>7:15 pm Scouts Meeting</p> 	<p>9</p> <p>The Holy Martyrs Pamphilus the Priest (c. 309) and Porphyrius and Their Companions 1 John 3:21-4:6; Mark 14:43-15:1</p> <p>11 am Appointment</p>	<p>10</p> <p>The Holy Martyr Charalampus (193-211) 1 John 1:8-2:6; Mark 13:31-14:2</p> <p>6 pm Camp Oselia Society Meeting</p> <p>Marta & Natalia Dashkewytch's birthdays</p>	<p>11 (no fasting)</p> <p>The Holy Priest-Martyr Blaise, Bishop of Sebastia (313-24) 1 John 2:7-17; Mark 14:3-9</p> <p>10:15 am The Great Fast For Families</p> <p>11 am Appointment</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Our Holy Father Meletius, Archbishop of Antioch (379-95) 2 Timothy 3:1-9; Luke 20:45-21:4</p>
<p>13</p> <p>Sunday of the Prodigal Son; Octoechos Tone 5; Our Venerable Father Martinian Matins Resurrectional Gospel 5. 1 Corinthians 6:12-20; Luke 15:11-32</p> <p>10 am Divine Liturgy bilingual Ukr / Eng</p> <p>Hopefully our AGM mail out will be out.</p> <p>Tables for Two (at home)</p>	<p>14</p> <p>The Repose of Our Venerable Father Constantine the Philosopher, in the Monastic Life, Cyril, Teacher of the Slavs (869); and our Venerable Father Auxentius (457-74); and the Venerable Maron the Wonderworker and Hermit. Hebrews 7:26-8:2; John 10:9-16</p> <p>Valentine's Day</p> <p>5:30 pm Appointment</p>	<p>15</p> <p>The Holy Apostle Onesimus 1 John 3:10-20; Mark 14:10-42</p> <p>7:15... the results of the AGM will not be all in till the 27th... so there is no new PPC yet to have a meeting. Therefore, no meeting this day.</p>	<p>16</p> <p>The Holy Martyrs Pamphilus the Priest (c. 309) and Porphyrius and Their Companions 1 John 3:21-4:6; Mark 14:43-15:1</p> <p>11 am Appointment</p>	<p>17</p> <p>The Holy and Great-Martyr Theodore the Recruit (286-305) 1 John 4:20:5:21; Mark 15:1-15</p>	<p>18 🐟</p> <p>Our Holy Father Leo, Pope of Rome (461) 2 John 1:1-13; Mark 15:22-25, 33-41</p> <p>11 am Appointment</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Saturday before Meatfare: All Souls Saturday; The Holy Apostle Archippus 1 Corinthians 10:23-28; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-17; Luke 21:8-9, 25-27, 33-36; John 5:24-30</p> <p>Fr. Bo & Family possibly away. To be confirmed</p>
<p>20</p> <p>Sunday of Meatfare - Sunday of the Fearful Judgement; Octoechos Tone 6; Our Venerable Father Leo, Bishop of Catania Matins Resurrectional Gospel 6. 1 Corinthians 8:8-9:2; Matthew 25:31-46</p> <p>10 am Divine Liturgy bilingual Ukr / Eng</p> <p>Marko Laschuk's Birthday</p> <p>Fr. Bo & Family possibly away. To be confirmed</p>	<p>21 🐟</p> <p>Our Venerable Father Timothy of Symbola (8th c.); Our Holy Father Eustathius, Archbishop of Great Antioch (338) 3 John 1:1-15; Luke 19:29-40; 22:7-39</p> <p>Family Day</p> <p>Melodie Sokolowski-Tower's Birthday</p> <p>Fr. Bo & Family possibly away. To be confirmed</p>	<p>22 🐟</p> <p>The Discovery of the Relics of the Holy Martyrs at Eugenius (345-408) Jude 1-10; Luke 22:39-42; 22:45-23:1</p> <p>Katherine Vizza's Birthday</p>	<p>23 🐟</p> <p>The Holy Priest-Martyr Polycarp, Bishop of Smyrna (155-56) According to liturgical prescriptions, the Divine Liturgy is not celebrated today. Joel 2:12-26; Joel 4:12-21;</p>	<p>24 🐟</p> <p>The First and Second Finding of the Precious Head of the Holy, Glorious Prophet and Forerunner John the Baptist All-Night Vigil Feast. 2 Corinthians 4:6-15; Matthew 11:2-15</p>	<p>25 🐟</p> <p>Our Holy Father Tarasius, Archbishop of Constantinople (806) According to liturgical prescriptions, the Divine Liturgy is not celebrated today. Abstinence from meat and foods that contain meat. Zechariah 8:7-14; Zechariah 8:19-23;</p>	<p>26 🐟</p> <p>Saturday before Cheese-fare; Our Holy Father Porphyrius, Bishop of Gaza (420) Romans 14:19-26; Galatians 5:22-6:2; Matthew 6:1-13; Matthew 11:27-30</p>

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Troparion: When the disciples of the Lord learned from the angel* the glorious news of the resurrection* and cast off the ancestral condemnation,* they proudly told the apostles:* “Death has been plundered!* Christ our God is risen,* granting to the world great mercy.”

Troparion: Rejoice, full of grace, Virgin Mother of God!* From you there dawned the Sun of Righteousness, Christ our God,* who enlightens those who dwell in darkness.* And you, O righteous Elder, be glad!* You received in your embrace* the Liberator of our souls,* who grants us resurrection.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Kontakion: Let us bring sighs of sorrow to the Lord as did the Publican* and approach the Master as sinners,* for He desires salvation for everyone.* He grants forgiveness to all who repent.* For as God, the One-who-is, co-eternal with the Father, He became flesh for us.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Kontakion: By Your birth, You sanctified a virgin womb* and fittingly blessed the hands of Simeon.* You have come also now and saved us, O Christ our God;* give peace to Your community in time of war,* and strengthen its rulers, whom You love,* for You alone,* are the Lover of mankind.

Prokeimenon:

How great are Your works, O Lord* You have made all things in wisdom.

verse: Bless the Lord, O my soul: O Lord my God, You are exceedingly great.

Epistle: 2 Timothy 3:10-15

Timothy my Son, now you have observed my teaching, my conduct, my aim in life, my faith, my patience, my love, my steadfastness, my persecutions, and my suffering the things that happened to me in Antioch, Iconium, and Lystra. What persecutions I endured! Yet the Lord rescued me from all of them. Indeed, all who want to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted. But wicked people and impostors will go from bad to worse, deceiving others and being deceived. But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

Alleluia verses:

Poise yourself and advance in triumph and reign in the cause of truth, and meekness, and justice.

You have loved justice and hated iniquity.

Gospel: Luke 18:10-14

The Lord said his parable, “Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.’ But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, a sinner!’ I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.”

Hymn to the Mother of God & Irmos:

O God-bearing Virgin, hope of Christians, protect and guard and save all those who put their trust in you.

In the law, the shadow, and the scriptures, we the faithful see a figure: every male child that opens the womb shall be sanctified to God. Therefore do we magnify the first-born Word and Son of the Father who is without beginning, the first-born Child of a Mother who had not known man.

Communion Hymn

Praise the Lord from the heavens;* praise Him in the highest.

I will take the chalice of salvation;* and I will call upon the name of the Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia,* alleluia.

