



# THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE DORMITION

OF THE MOST HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

ПАРАФІЯ УСПІННІЯ ПРЕСВ. БОГОРОДНИЦІ

A PARISH OF THE UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC EPARCHY OF EDMONTON

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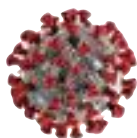
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## January 24, 2021

Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee, Tone I;  
Our Venerable Mother Xenia the Roman



At Dormition everyone is always welcome....

...unless you are feeling sick.

Get well first, then come and join us again.

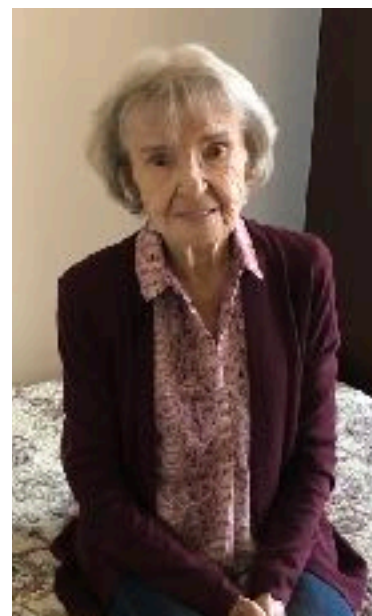
Please say a prayer for the newly departed servant of God

✦ **Anne Prokop**, passed away this Thursday evening.

Anne's funeral date has not been set, but due to Covid, it will not be open to the public. Please also pray for her family as they mourn her passing.

I had the privilege to anoint her in the afternoon of the day she passed. She was not in good condition, in obvious discomfort, yet she was constantly asking how my family and how the rest of the parish was doing. She was always extremely involved in taking care of the people around her, especially in her many years leading our parish's pastoral care. When (if) I grow up, I want to be as beautiful as she is. We will all miss her.

In blessed sleep grant eternal rest, O Lord, to the soul of Your departed servant, Anne, and make her memory eternal. Vichnaya Pamyat.



Also we have heard that Anne Tymko's sister + Stephania Chrapko has also fallen asleep in the Lord. Apparently she was 103 years old. Family we are keeping you in our prayers as well.

In blessed sleep grant eternal rest, O Lord, to the soul of Your departed servant, Stefania, and make her memory eternal. Vichnaya Pamyat.



Today we begin our parish's

## First Solemn Communion Program.

If you know of anyone else who is interested in having their child participate in this program please contact Fr. Bo today.

Also please say a prayer each day for these courageous young people as they step forward in their faith life.



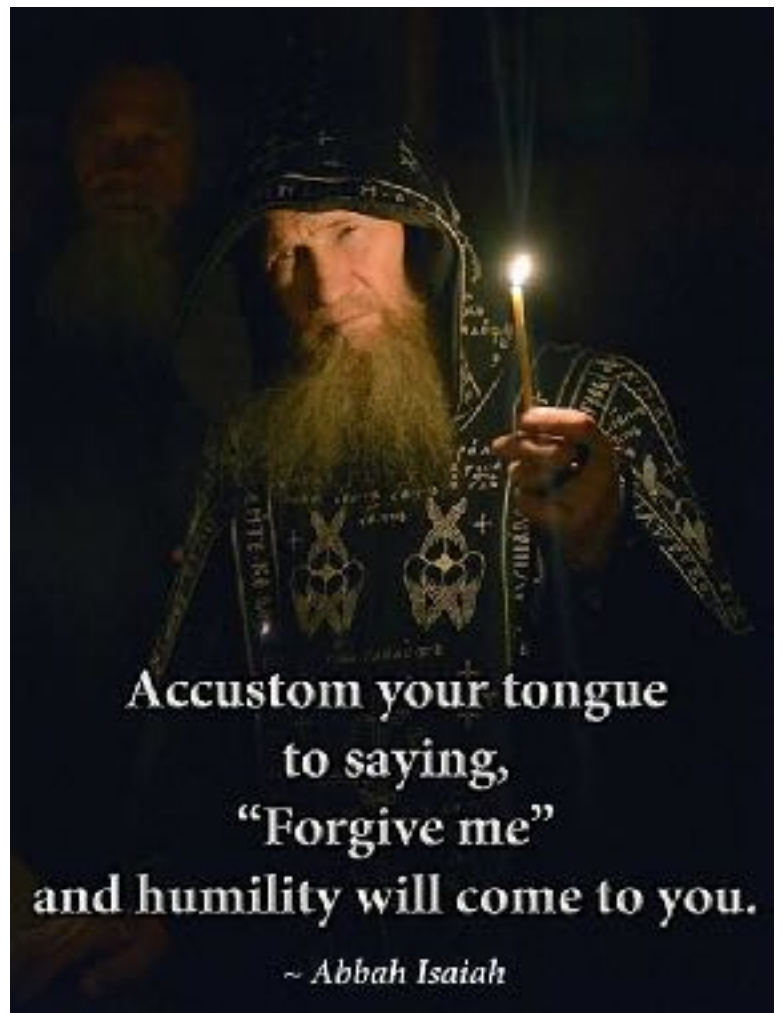
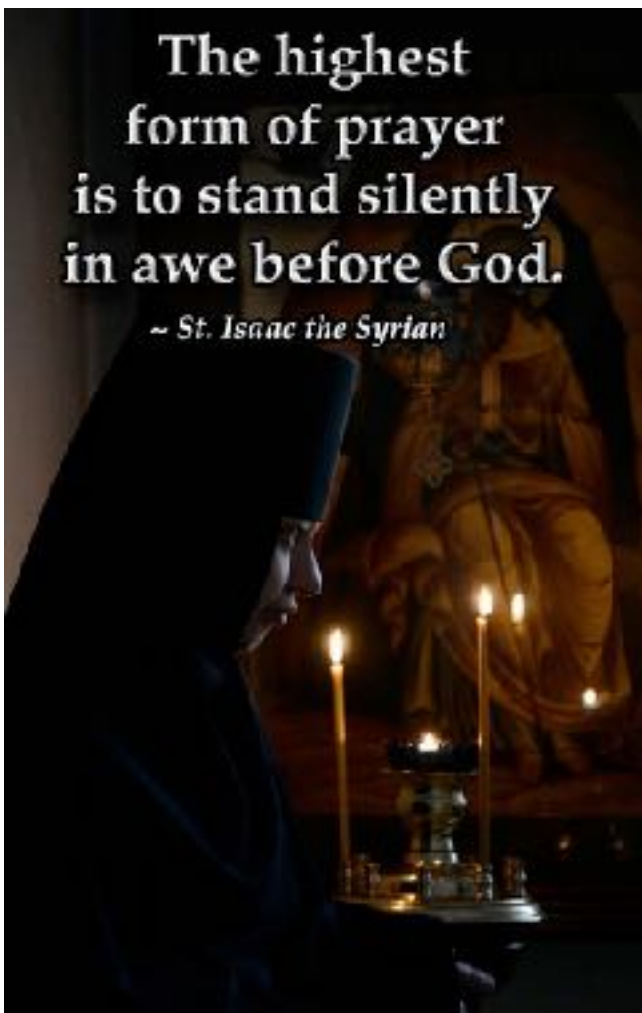
## Venerable Xenia of Rome, and her two female servants

Saint Xenia of Rome, in the world Eusebia, was the only daughter of an eminent Roman senator. From her youth she loved God, and wished to avoid the marriage arranged for her. She secretly left her parental home with two servants devoted to her, and set sail upon a ship. Through the Providence of God she met the head of the monastery of the holy Apostle Andrew in Milassa, a town of Caria (Asia Minor). She besought him to take her and her companions to Milassa. She also changed her name, calling herself Xenia [which means “stranger” or “foreigner” in Greek].

At Milassa she bought land, built a church dedicated to Saint Stephen, and founded a woman’s monastery. Soon after this, Bishop Paul of Milassa made Xenia a deaconess, because of her virtuous life. The saint helped everyone: for the destitute, she was a benefactress; for the grief-stricken, a comforter; for sinners, a guide to repentance. She possessed a deep humility, accounting herself the worst and most sinful of all.

In her ascetic deeds she was guided by the counsels of the Palestinian ascetic, Saint Euthymius. The sublime life of Saint Xenia drew many souls to Christ. The holy virgin died in 450 while she was praying. During her funeral, a luminous wreath of stars surrounding a radiant cross appeared over the monastery in the heavens. This sign accompanied the body of the saint when it was carried into the city, and remained until the saint’s burial. Many of the sick received healing after touching the relics of the saint.

Following the death of Saint Xenia, first one of her former servants died, then the other. They were buried at the saint’s feet.





# Our Journey to Pascha and Beyond

Understanding the seasons of Pre-Lent, the Great Fast, Holy Week, Easter, Bright Week, Easter Season, Pentecost and beyond.

## Pre-Lent I

We begin our pre-lenten journey here



6<sup>th</sup> Sunday before Lent:  
**THE SUNDAY OF ZACCHAEUS**

### Sunday of Zacchaeus:

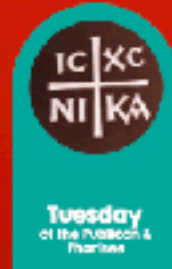
The paschal season of the Church is preceded by the season of Great Lent, which is itself preceded by its own liturgical preparation. The first sign of the approach of Great Lent comes five Sundays before its beginning. On this Sunday the Gospel reading is about Zacchaeus the tax-collector. It tells how Christ brought salvation to the sinful man and how his life was greatly changed simply because he "sought to see who Jesus was" (Lk 19.3). The desire and effort to see Jesus begins the entire movement through lent towards Easter. It is the first movement of salvation.

### Fasting Note:

On the first week of the pre-lenten season there are no differences in prescribed fasting from the regular year round rule of abstinence from meat on Wednesdays and Fridays.



**Monday**  
of the Publican & Pharisee



**Tuesday**  
of the Publican & Pharisee



**Wednesday**  
of the Publican & Pharisee



**Thursday**  
of the Publican & Pharisee



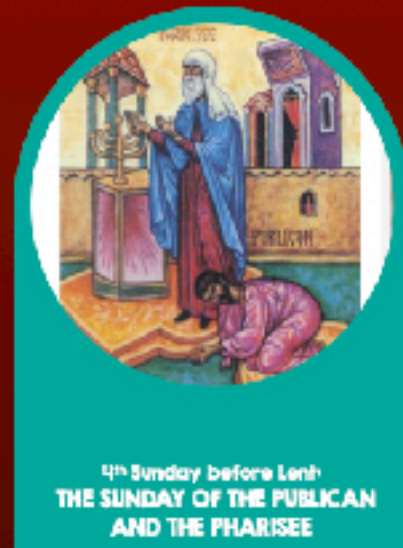
**Friday**  
of the Publican & Pharisee



**Saturday**  
of the Publican & Pharisee

### Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee:

The following Sunday is that of the Publican and the Pharisee. The focus here is on the two men who want to the Temple to pray—one a pharisee who was a very decent and righteous man of religion, the other a publican who was a truly sinful tax-collector who was cheating the people. The first, although genuinely righteous, boasted before God and was condemned, according to Christ. The second, although genuinely sinful, begged for mercy, received it, and was justified by God (Lk 18.9). The meditation here is that we have neither the religious piety of the pharisee nor the repentance of the publican by which alone we can be saved. We are called to see ourselves as we really are in the light of Christ's teaching, and to beg for mercy.



4<sup>th</sup> Sunday before Lent:  
**THE SUNDAY OF THE PUBLICAN AND THE PHARISEE**

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## Pre-Lent 2

The daily Gospel readings during the Pre-Lenten season go through the entire struggle with the scribes and pharisees, and passion of Christ. This prepares us for what will be living out during the Great Fast.



### Fasting Note:

On the third week of the Pre-Lenten Season we begin to prepare remove meat from our regular diet. The only days it is prescribed is Wednesday and Friday, but on the other days we are encouraged to reduce the amount we consume.

### All Souls Saturdays:

This is the first of 5 Saturdays during the liturgical year where the Church gathers to pray for the deceased.

### Sunday of the Prodigal Son:

The next Sunday in the preparation for Great Lent is the Sunday of the Prodigal Son. Hearing the parable of Christ about God's loving forgiveness we are called to come to ourselves as did the prodigal son, to see ourselves as being "in a far country" far from the Father's house, and to make the movement of return to God. We are given every assurance by the Master that the Father will receive us with joy and gladness. We must only "arise and go," confessing our self inflicted and sinful separation from that "home" where we truly belong (Lk 15:11-24).

### 3rd Sunday before Lent: THE SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON

### Fasting Note:

On the Second week of the pre-lenten season there is no fasting prescribed at all. This is a great time to clean out the fridge and freezer... Just don't over eat.

## Dormition Parish January - February 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>24</b> <b>Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee,</b> Tone 1; Our Venerable Mother Xenia the Roman; • 2 Timothy 3:10-15; • Luke 18:10-14 <b>10 am D.L. Bilingual Ukrainian / English</b>  <b>2 pm D.L. Bilingual Arabic / English</b>  <b>First Solemn Communion Program is introduced to all families involved.</b>	<b>25</b> Our Holy Father Gregory the Theologian, Archbishop of Constantinople (390); • 1 Corinthians 12:7-11; • John 10:9-16	<b>26</b> Our Venerable Father Xenophon and his wife Maria; No fasting or abstinence from foods. • 2 Peter 2:9-22; • Mark 13:14-23  <b>Possible Camp Oselia Meeting</b>	<b>27</b> The Transfer of the Precious Relics (438) of Our Father among the Saints John Chrysostom; Polyeleos Feast. • Hebrews 7:26-8:2; • John 10:9-16  <b>5 pm Youth Ministry Commission Meeting</b>	<b>28</b> Our Venerable Father Ephrem the Syrian (373); No fasting or abstinence from foods. • 1 John 1:8-2:6; • Mark 13:31-14:2  <b>Probable Camp Oselia Meeting</b>	<b>29 no fasting</b> The Transfer of the Relics of the Great-Martyr Ignatius the God-bearer (of Antioch) • 1 John 2:7-17; • Mark 14:3-9  <b>Probable Recording of this week's Divine Liturgy in the late afternoon.</b>  <b>First Solemn Communion with Melkites Begins</b>  <b>Children's and Youth Online sessions.</b>	<b>30</b> The Three Holy and Great Hierarchs: Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian and John Chrysostom; and the Holy Priest-Martyr Hippolytus (235); All-night Vigil Feast. A day when the faithful are highly encouraged to participate in the Divine Liturgy. • Hebrews 13:7-16; • Matthew 5:14-19  <b>Weekly day of editing the Liturgy video, making of this bulletin, updating the website and much more. Saturdays are busy.</b>
<b>31</b> <b>Sunday of the Prodigal Son,</b> Tone 2; The Holy Wonderworkers and Unmercenaries Cyrus and John (284-305); • 1 Corinthians 6:12-20; • Luke 15:11-32 <b>10 am D.L. Bilingual Ukrainian / English</b>  <b>2 pm D.L. Bilingual Arabic / English</b>  Donna Koziak's Birthday	<b>1</b> Fore-feast of the Encounter; the Holy Martyr Tryphon (249-51); • Romans 8:28-39; • Luke 10:19-21	<b>2</b> <b>The Encounter of Our Lord God and Saviour Jesus Christ; Feast of our Lord.</b> • Hebrews 7:7-17; • Luke 2:22-40  End of the Christmas Season.	<b>3</b> Post-feast of the Encounter; the Holy and Just Simeon Who Received God and the Prophetess Anna; • 1 John 3:21-4:6; • Mark 14:43-15:1	<b>4</b> Post-feast of the Encounter; Our Venerable Father Isidore of Pelusium (408-50); • 1 John 4:20-5:21; • Mark 15:1-15	<b>5</b> 🐟 Leave-taking of the Encounter; The Holy Martyr Agatha (249-51); • 2 John 1:1-13; • Mark 15:22-25, 33-41  <b>Young Adults Meeting Online</b>	<b>6</b> <b>All Souls Saturday;</b> Our Venerable Father Boucolus, Bishop of Smyrna; the Holy Priest-Martyr Sylvanus, Bishop of Emessa and Those with Him; • 1 Corinthians 10:23-28; • 1 Thessalonians 4:13-17; • Luke 21:8-9, 25-27, 33-36; • John 5:24-30  <b>Weekly day of editing the Liturgy video, making of this bulletin, updating the website and much more. Saturdays are busy.</b>



**The parish calendars are in!**  
**You can pick yours up in the entrance of our parish.**

These calendars show the readings of the day and the saint of the day, which days are days of obligation and which days are fasting days. They are sponsored by Park Memorial.



# Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee, Tone I; Our Venerable Mother Xenia the Roman

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**Troparion:** Though the stone was sealed by the Judeans,\* and soldiers guarded Your most pure body,\* You arose, O Saviour, on the third day,\* and gave life to the world.\* And so the heavenly powers cried out to You, O Giver of Life:\* Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ!\* Glory to Your kingdom!\* Glory to Your saving plan,\* O only Lover of mankind.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever. Amen.

**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.

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## Prokeimenon:

Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, as we have hoped in You.

**verse:** Rejoice in the Lord, O you just; praise befits the righteous.

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## 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.

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## Alleluia verses:

God gives me vindication, and has subdued people under me.

**verse:** Making great the salvation of the king, and showing mercy to His anointed, to David, and to His posterity forever.

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## 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."*

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## Communion Hymn

Praise the Lord from the heavens;\* praise Him in the highest.\* Alleluia, alleluia,\* alleluia.



- Thanks to your donations and support, our UCWLC has been able to do another shop for Our Lady of Peace School. Several times each year they purchase food that the children can eat, as many of them are not properly fed at home. The above picture only shows a portion of what was bought for them.
- Please pray for several of our parishioners and family members including (but not limited to): Ross, Ron, Peter, Katie, Jean, Edward, Verna, Miranda, Sarah, Marge, Ann, Louis & Rosa Maria.
- A one-year memorial Divine Liturgy and panachyda for Rt Rev William (Bill) Hupalo and Rev Myron Chimy, osbm, will be celebrated: 7:30 am, Wednesday, January 27 at Saint Josaphat Cathedral. The faithful may attend in person or watch live via the Cathedral live stream ([stjosaphat.ab.ca](http://stjosaphat.ab.ca)). Vichnaja pamjat.

