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BULLETIN FEBRUARY 28, 2016

SUN/FEB. 28

Sunday of Prodigal Son

9:10a.m. Hours; 9:30a.m. Divine Liturgy

Coffee Hour

12:00p.m. Annual Parish Meeting

MON/Feb. 29

St. John Cassian

6:30p.m. Compline

7-8:30p.m. Adult Study Class: *Select Teachings
Of St. John Cassian For the Life of the Soul*

SAT/MAR. 5

Memorial Saturday

9:30a.m. General Memorial for All Departed;
Confessions

5:30p.m. Vigil; Confessions

SUN/MAR. 6

Meat-Fare Sunday

Last Day we partake of meats until Pascha

9:10a.m. Hours; 9:30a.m. Divine Liturgy

Coffee Hour

WED/MAR. 9

Only meat fast, dairy & fish permitted

FRI/MAR. 11

Only meat fast, dairy & fish permitted

SAT/MAR.12

9:30a.m. Akathist to our Lord; Confessions

5:30p.m. Vigil; Confessions

SUN/MAR. 13

Cheese-Fare Sunday

Last Day we partake of dairy & fish until Pascha

9:10a.m. Hours; 9:30a.m. Divine Liturgy

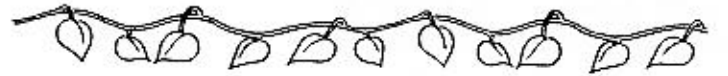
Coffee Hour

12:00p.m. Vespers & Rite of Forgiveness



Meditation

There is a principle in spiritual life which is unchanging: the more a person exercises his or her freedom in the right way, with love and sharing, forgiveness and reconciliation, the more a person becomes free. But the more a person exercises his or her freedom in the wrong way, with selfishness and arbitrariness, insensitivity and carelessness, the more a person becomes enslaved to self, the world, and human conditions. True freedom is with God who alone can liberate us from the bondage of our own will given to sinful inclinations and ways. "Where the Spirit of the Lord is present, there is freedom" (2 Cor. 3:17). True freedom is with Christ whose saving truths set us free. "If the Son sets you free, then you will be really free" (Jn 8:36).



Meditation

A journey, a pilgrimage! Yet, as we begin it, as we make the first step into the "bright sadness" of Lent, we see – far, far away – the destination. It is the joy of Easter, it is the entrance into the glory of the Kingdom. And it is this vision, the foretaste of Easter, that makes Lent's sadness bright and our Lenten effort a "spiritual spring." The night may be dark and long, but all along the way a mysterious and radiant dawn seems to shine on the horizon. "Do not deprive us of our expectation, O Lover of humankind!"

Alexander Schmemmann
Great Lent, pp. 14-15



Offerings Week of Feb. 28

Olive Oil: in memory of Michael, Justina, Anastasia and Rosalia; in memory of Euphrosyne, in memory of Vaschen and Emilia.

Flowers: for the protection and health of Daniel (birthday and names day).

The Parish Synodicon: Memory Eternal!

Feb. 28, 1969 Stephen Woychid
Feb. 28, 1969 John Semoskovich
Feb. 28, 1983 Anna Cimpko
Feb. 28, 1992 John Lapchuk
Feb. 29, 1944 John Marchisin
Feb. 29, 1960 Fr. Jacob Grigorieff
Mar. 01, 1962 Constantine Bobich
Mar. 02, 1917 Peter Palomar
Mar. 02, 1994 Traiko Josovich
Mar. 02, 2005 Helen Rzeszowski

Coffee Hour Hosts

Feb. 28 Mantzafos, Sokol, Arpastean,
Nasledysheva, Sarchisian, Staina
Mar. 06 Dunaenko, Wypych, Chirnoaga,
Moldoveanu and Nemes
Mar. 13 – No Meats: Peterson, Bakaletz,
Mattei and Erkman

Usher Schedule

Feb. 28 Edward S. & Kahka K.
Mar. 06 Timothy S. & Peter B.
Mar. 13 Jerome S. & Adrian M.

Counters

Feb. 28 Ekaterina M. & Ciprian C.
Mar. 06 Lisa K. & Daniel T.
Mar. 13 Inga G. & Peter B.

Readers

Feb. 28 Daniel T.
Mar. 06 Zachary S.
Mar. 13 John Z.

Incense For Home Usage

On sale at vestibule stand.

The Lord Bless your offering!

A check for \$500 was sent to Great Expectations/ Home for Unwedded Mothers, from the Souper Bowl Caring Sunday.

The Calendar

Mar. 14 Mon. Great & Holy Fast of 40 Days
Mar. 27 Sun. Deanery Vespers in Princeton 4:00
Mar. 27 Sun. Installation of New Parish Council
Mar. 31 Thur. Parish Council Meeting
Apr. 03 Sun. Deanery Vespers in Perth Amboy
Apr. 10 Sun. Deanery Vespers in Medford 4:00
with Archbishop Michael
Apr. 17 Sun. Deanery Vespers in Manville 4:00
Apr. 20 Wed. Abp. Michael in Manville for 6:30
For Pre-sanctified Liturgy

Openings for Parish Council

New members are sought for the Parish Council. Please speak with Father James or Peter Bakaletz.

100th Anniversary DVD's

This video is a wonderful presentation reviewing the history of our parish church. They are available at the vestibule stand. Suggested donation of \$15.

Pre-Lenten Period Three Weeks

Feb. 21st thru March 13th. In this time we start to think of how we will observe Lent and formulate practical considerations.

The Great & Holy Fast of 40 Days

March 14th thru April 30th. Our goals for this season are 1) renewal through repentance; 2) Reordering our priorities according to Christ's teachings; 3) developing a stable, growing life in union with Christ.

Names Day Greetings

St. Daniel/Mar. 4: Daniel Torrisi, Many Blessed Years!

3 Seeds of Growth – March

- 1) Check out a book from the Parish Library for Lenten Reading.
- 2) Be sure to arrange to receive the Holy Mysteries of Confession & Communion during the period of the 40 days of Great Lent – March 14th to April 30th.
- 3) Build upon the triod of prayer, fasting and good deeds as they are the provisions for a good Lenten Journey.