

Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee; The Encounter of Our Lord God and Saviour Jesus Christ

\*\* Sunday, Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020 \*\*

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Parish Liturgical Services

Sunday, Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> \*\* Feast of the Encounter \*\* 9:30 a.m. \*\* Rosary (Eng.) \*\*\* 10:00 a.m. \*\*\* *Divine Liturgy* (Eng./Ukr.): God's blessings to all parishioners

Monday, Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup> \*\* 9:30 a.m. Div. Lit.: +Stefania K.

**Thursday, Feb. 6<sup>th</sup>** \*\* 9:30 a.m. Div. Lit.: God's blessings to Elsie Zachary

Friday, Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> \*\* OLPH School Liturgy at 9:00 am

Saturday, Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> \*\*\* 10:30 a.m. Moleben

Sunday, Feb. 9<sup>th</sup> \*\* 9:30 a.m. \*\* Rosary (Eng.) \*\*\* 10:00 a.m. \*\*\* *Divine Liturgy* (Eng./Ukr.): God's blessings to all parishioners



*Troparion, Tone 1:* 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.

*Troparion, Tone 1:* 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, Tone 3:* 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, Tone 1:* 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, Tone 1:* 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.

**Prokeimenon, Tone 3**: My soul magnifies the Lord,\* and my spirit has rejoiced in God, My Saviour.

### 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 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, Tone 1 verse:* 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

*verse:* Now, O Master, You dismiss Your servant in peace according to Your word.



## Gospel: Luke 18:10-14

The Lord said this 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."

Gospel: (Luke 2:22-40)

At that time, the parents of the child Jesus brought Him to Jerusalem to present Him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every male who opens the womb shall be called holy to the LORD"), and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the law of the Lord, "A pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons." And behold, there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon, and this man was just and devout, waiting for the Consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ. So he came by the

Spirit into the temple. And when the parents brought in the Child Jesus, to do for Him according to the custom of the law, he took Him up in his arms and blessed God and said: "Lord, now You are letting Your servant depart in peace, according to Your word; For my eyes have seen Your salvation which You have prepared before the face of all peoples, a light to bring revelation to the gentiles, And the glory of Your people Israel." And Joseph and His mother marveled at those things which were spoken of Him. Then Simeon blessed them, and said to Mary, His mother, "Behold, this Child is destined for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign which will be spoken against (yes, a sword will pierce through your own soul also), that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed." Now there was one, Anna, a prophetess, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, and had lived with a husband seven years from her virginity; and this woman was a widow of about eightyfour years, who did not depart from the temple, but served God with fastings and prayers night and day. And coming in that instant she gave thanks to the Lord, and spoke of Him to all those who looked for redemption in Jerusalem. So when they had performed all things according to the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own city, Nazareth. And the Child grew and became strong in spirit, filled with wisdom; and the grace of God was upon Him.

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

*Irmos, Tone 3:* 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.

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# \*\* ANNOUNCEMENTS \*\*



Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee - We have begun our preparations for another preparation - Great and Holy Lent. The Church, in her wisdom gives us this story as an important lesson to ensure that we begin on the right foot in our increased prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Often we have the notion that this parable is about "a bad man who thinks he is

good" and "a good man who thinks that he's bad." This isn't what the parable says.

This parable is about what we do and why. The Pharisee is doing all the right stuff. He is in fact doing good, providing for the poor, saying his prayers and carrying out all his religious practices faithfully. But in so doing he has still missed the point. His prayer is a list of his good deeds that he presents to himself, not a prayer to the Lord. He does not have a relationship with the Lord and has confused the roadmap for the journey itself. The tax collector, who is a great sinner, is the one who actually prays. And this is why he goes home justified. His genuine encounter with the Lord is what has moved him to repentance, not the other way around. Repentance is a result of our relationship with God, not a prerequisite. If you recall last week's reading, Zacchaeus repents after the Lord calls him down and eats with him. Zacchaeus, being found by God, moves him to change who he is.

And so, as we begin to prepare for the Fast, we are reminded that the difficult discipline of fasting must always remain a means to an end and not the end itself; it is the roadmap and not the destination. Our increased prayer, fasting and almsgiving is us preparing and cultivating the soil of our hearts for the Lord to act and plant the seed and cause the growth. Without a genuine relationship with God, we

fast unto our own condemnation. In order to drive this point home, the Church lifts the discipline of fasting for this week! Let us use this week, and every week, to deepen our relationship with the Lord by deepening our humility and repentance!



**A warm welcome** - to all parishioners, your families, visitors and guests. Thank you for joining us in this Divine Liturgy. Have a blessed week!



Please Pray for health of ... Maria Z., Jessie

P., Moris P., Mary W., Bill Ch., Piotr & Jadwiga W., Sam D., Ray O., Mary E., Sharon L., Joe S., Jeanne R., Emily H., Lawrence & Ping B., Lisa M., Michael L., Greg H., Melynda S., Dorothy N., Jayne P., Gloria N., Louise M, Elsie K., Ann D., Joyce K., Suzanne C., Clay B., Maria W., Anne D., Rose K., Maria S., all sick brothers and sisters in our families and parish community. Please let Fr. Andrzej know if you would like to add names to the prayer list and also notify him about any sick and/or hospitalized parishioners and family members.

# Thank you to all our Volunteers –

**Дякуємо** – Many thanks to everyone for your support of our parish community and all work done at the church property this past week. Thank you to



**members of UCWLC** for your work invloved in yesterday's catering and to **Mr. John Chaplin** for installing an internet connection in our parish hall. God bless you all!

**Congratulations to Members of 2020 Parish** 

**Council** – May God bless and richly reward you for your willingness to share your time and talents for the wellbeing of our parish community!



UCWLC Annual Meeting – will take place today, Sunday, Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> after the 10:00 a.m. Div. Lit.



**Next Perogy Work-Bee** – will take place this coming Tuesday Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020. We will begin at **9:00 a.m.** Please come and join us in this fundraising project.

**Zahalnycia** – this coming **Friday**, **Feb.** 7<sup>th</sup> is **not a fasting day**. According to Church tradition, we are permited to eat meat products throughout this whole week as though in opposition to the proud Pharisee who boasted that he fasts twice a week. (Fr. Julian Katrij: "A Byzantine Rite – Liturgical Year" p. 61)

**God's Squad - Next Monthly Catholic Youth Meeting** – will take place this coming **Friday**, **Feb. 7** at 7:00 p.m. at Holy Family RC parish.

**The regional Eparchial Sobor for "The Interior"** – will take place at our parish this coming Saturday starting with Moleben at 10:30 a.m.

**Special Petition for Divine Liturgy**: We also pray for the people of Ukraine, that with the help of the Holy Spirit, they may obtain social peace, political harmony and economic stability: Lord, hear us and have mercy.

**House Blessings & Pastoral Visits** – will continue this coming week. Please assist Fr. Andrzej in planning these visits by filling out the provided form with your name and time of preference.

1<sup>st</sup> All Souls Saturday (Задушна Субота) – our 1<sup>st</sup> prayers for our beloved deceased ones will take place on Saturday, Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020

**Monthly Fundraising Breakfast** – will take place on **Sunday, February 16<sup>th</sup>.** 

Great Fast (Lent) 2020 - will begin on Monday, Feb. 24th.

**Family/Faith Day Blazers Hockey Game** – will take place on Monday, Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at the Sandman Centre. Tickets are \$10.00 each.

**DIOCESE OF KAMLOOPS 75<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY: MAY 30, 2020** at Thompson Rivers University Grand Hall. Mass at 1 pm; reception at 6 pm; and Gala Banquet at 7 pm, Banquet tickets (\$50 each) can now be purchased from: St. Joseph's Christian Book and Gift Store 778-471-6100, Bianca Cinel - 250-374-7004.

**Icon Painting School "RADRUZH"** – Summer Program 2020 – interested in spending summer at the Ukrainian Catholic University in Lviv, Ukraine, writing icons? – sign up for these special courses: beginner (5-18 July) or advanced (5-25 July). For more

information, please visit the following website - http://radruzh.org/navchannja-ikonopysu/icon-painting-summer-school-2020/.

**The Most Holy Trinity Parish Stewardship**: Sunday, Sunday Jan. 26<sup>th</sup> - \$437.00 \*\*\*\* May God bless and reward you for your generosity & support.

The Gospel of Luke	From	То	Psalm(s)
17:1-10	Feb. 2, 2020	Feb. 8, 2020	Pss 112-113
17:11-19	Feb. 9, 2020	Feb. 15, 2020	Pss 114-115



#### Bishops: Ken Nowakowski & David Motiuk

**Farewell Reception for Bishop Ken** - Holy Eucharist Cathedral parish would like to invite you on Feb. 29, 2020 to a farewell reception for Bishop Ken that will begin with Divine Liturgy at 11:00 AM

with reception to follow. Let us take this opportunity to celebrate Bishop Ken's new appointment as Bishop of the Holy Family of London Eparchy and most importantly his 12 years of dedicated service, enthusiastic leadership and prayerful ministry in the Eparchy of New Westminster.



**Basic Guidelines for Reception of Holy Communion**:

1) You are a member of the Catholic Church (Orthodox faithful are welcome to receive Holy Communion); 2) You have participated in the Sacrament of Confession at least during the Easter or Christmas seasons this past year if not more frequently; 3) You attend Divine Services regularly; 4) Your lifestyle is consistent with the teaching of the Catholic Church; 5) You have kept the Liturgical fast – no food at least one hour prior to the Divine Liturgy (water and medicine does not break the fast). 6) You have been in church from the beginning of the service, or at least heard the Gospel. 7) To the best of your ability, you are in the state of Grace.

If for any of these or other reasons you cannot receive Holy Communion, you are very welcome to come for a blessing. Please indicate to the priest that you would like to receive his blessing.

# **Pastoral Ministry and Sacraments:**

**Reconciliation**: on Sundays and Holy Days: before Divine Liturgies and other days, by appointment.

Holy Communion: for the sick, by appointment, any time.

**Baptisms:** by appointment.

**Marriages:** six months' notice should be given to the parish priest, and he should be contacted before any other arrangements are made.

Funerals and Memorials: by appointment.

Anointing of the Sick (Holy Unction): Those anticipating surgery, hospitalization or treatments and who would like to receive anointing or to meet with parish priest, please call or email Fr. Andrzej in advance to arrange a time and a day.

The VII Patriarchal Assembly-Sobor in 2020 - "Emigration, settlements and the global unity of the Ukrainian Greek-Catholic Church."

The regional Eparchial Sobor for "**The Interior**" (our parishes in Kamloops, Kelowna, Penticton, Vernon and Grindrod) will take place on Sat., Feb. 8, 2020 **at Holy Trinity Parish in Kamloops.** 

10:30 a.m. - Welcome and Moleben

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - Discussion on the questions previously submitted to you for discussion at the parish level (see below)

1:00 pm. - Lunch, followed by departures

### **Regional Sobor Questions:**

**Question 1:** Connecting with our heritage – Why have you remained or what has led you to become a Ukrainian Greek Catholic? What aspects of UGCC's spiritual heritage and history, or cultural heritage and history, are especially important to you?

**Question 2:** Engaging with our present – Why are you a Ukrainian Greek Catholic today? Which spiritual practices or cultural practices are important to your engagement with your faith today? Do you know the faith stories of the other people in your parish?

Question 3: Ideas for our future – How can the Ukrainian Greek

Catholic Church's expression of our Christian faith continue to remain important in your life, in the life of your community, and for our future generations?

Although last Sunday we already had our parish pre-Sobor meeting, nonetheless there is still opportunity for those who wish to provide written answers or talk to Fr. Andrzej personally about these questions.



**ST. ANN'S ACADEMY OPEN HOUSE -** St. Ann's Academy will be hosting an open house on Feb. 7, 2020 from 9am – 12pm. They invite anyone who is interested to visit the school, where an outstanding K-12 academic education is delivered in a Christian based environment. Come discover the difference St. Ann's Academy education can make in your child's life. They are now accepting applications for all grades. Call the office at 250-372-5452, email <u>officeadmin@st-anns.ca</u>.

**OLPH PSG 2020 RAFFLE TICKET FUNDRAISER** -Ticket sales have begun and will continue until Thursday, March 12th. The Main Draw date is Thursday, March 12th at 1:30 pm at the school.

By purchasing a ticket, you will be eligible to win the following prizes: 1st Prize: \$2000.00 Sun Peaks Package includes (\$1000 Sun Peaks Grand, \$500 Sun Peaks Resort and \$500 Visa Card; 2nd Prize: \$1500 Art Knapps Kamloops; 3rd Prize: \$500.00 Aberdeen Mall Gift Card; 4th Prize: \$450.00 Evening Out Package includes (\$250 Kamloops Live Certificate, \$100 Bold Pizzeria Gift Card and a \$100 Mittz Kitchen Gift Card). The cost per ticket is \$5.00.

On behalf of Our Lady of Perpetual Help School, we wish to thank our families, parishioners and community for supporting this fundraiser. Our school and students benefit in many ways because of your continued support and generosity!

Anyone interested to participating in this fundraiser, please talk to Adrian or Teresa Wasylinko.

**Catholic Schools Week -** Let the Celebrations Begin! Beginning this Sunday, February 2nd OLPH School will join approximately 80 other Catholic Schools in British Columbia and the other Catholic schools in the Kamloops Diocese, as we begin observance of Catholic Schools Week. We invite all members of our school and parish community to join us in celebrating these events with our students! See attached schedule for the activities that will take place during this week.

**Sunday, Feb. 2nd:** Family Movie Afternoon featuring the newly released "The Lion King" starting at 12:00 noon – OLPH Parish Centre

