# Christ the Saviour Cathedral

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of the
**Ecumenical Patriarch of Constantinople**

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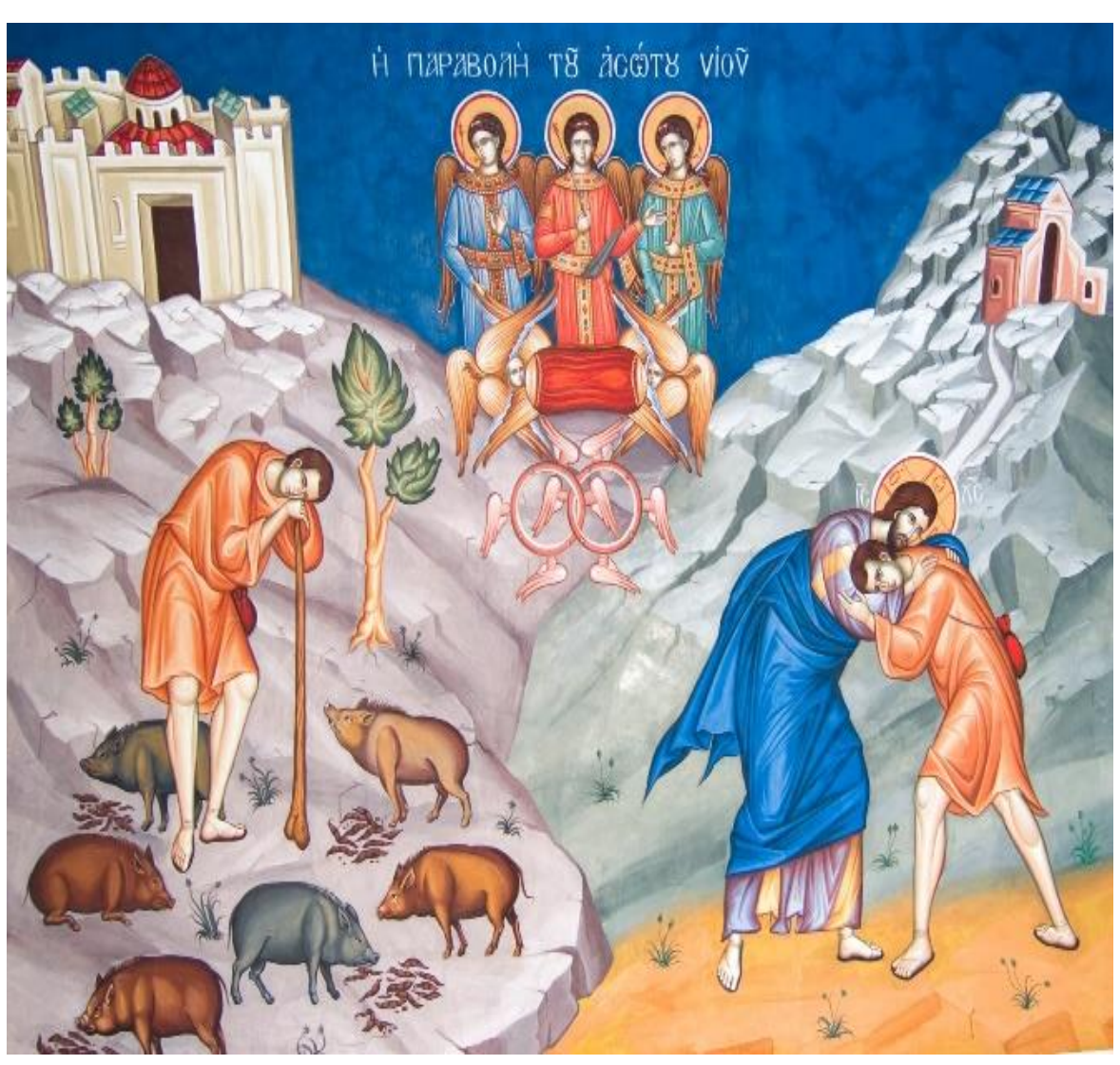
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Vol. 79 No. 1803 **Sunday, February 20th, 2022**

# *Sunday of the Prodigal Son*



**Divine Liturgy – 9:00 am**
**Sunday School - 10:20 am**

Panachida for ***+Metropolitan Nicholas (Birthday Remembrance)*** ***+John Zizan*** offered by wife, Donna; ***+Rudolf and Margaret Gregory*** offered by Terry and Linda Gregory; and ***+husband Nicholas, parents Stephen and Martha Matolyak, brother George and departed family members*** offered by Anna Polak

Resurrection Tone 2
Tropar & Kondak: pages 84 &175
Epistle: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20
Gospel: Luke 15:11-32

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**Services for the Week of February 20th**

**Wed. 2/24** … +Anna Burik-Schober offered by Eleanor Dussling; + Mary Nemchuk offered by Nicholas Nemchuk; and +Margaret Lesko offered by her family (Perpetual)….…..…….8:00 am

**Sat. 2/26** … **1st All-Souls Saturday**……………………..………..………………**9:00 am**
Great Vespers……………………………………………………………6:00 pm

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## DIOCESAN PRAYER PROGRAM (Year 2)

Metropolitan Gregory has issued Part II of the new Diocesan Prayer Program. He is asking the faithful throughout the Diocese to pray for our Diocesan Clergy, Seminarians and prayers for more vocations. Please note**: THIS IS NOT A SICK LIST**. Our Cathedral parish is asked to pray for:
***Fr. Maximus Tatum, Fr. Robert Prepelka, Deacon Arthur Stienstra, and Seminarians: Dylan Kelemecz, Thomas Kovalak, Nicholas Worobey, Aydin Zill, Seamus Murray, Samuel Loposky, Timothy Paproski, Nicholas Fong and Nicolas Laliberte.***
Ask God to grant us a fruitful bounty as we plant the seeds for the future of our Diocese.

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**Sunday, February 27, 2022**

# *Sunday of the Last Judgment – Meat-fare Sunday*



**Divine Liturgy/ Choir Sunday - 9:00 am**
**Sunday School - 10:20 am**

Panachida for ***+John Muchesko and Erin Cuneo*** offered by the Muchesko Family; ***+Helen Spanovich***; ***+Stanley Kopitnik Sr***. offered by Stanley Kopitnik Jr.; ***+Joseph and Sophie Funer***; ***+Menadora and Eustace Fredrick*** (Perpetual)

Resurrection Tone 3

Tropar & Kondak: pages 87 & 177

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 8:8 – 9:2
Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

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**Services for the week of February 27th**

**Tue. 3/01** … +Rev. John Hotrovich and +Peter Hotrovich offered by Deacon Joseph Hotrovich; and +Michael and Mary Danko……..8:00 am

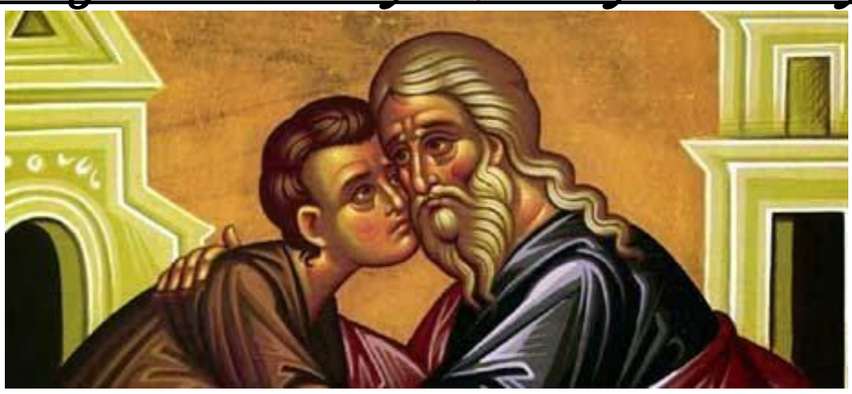
**Wed. 3/02** … Moleben to Saint Nectarios with anointing..……..…….6:30 pm

**Sat. 3/05** … Great Vespers...……6:00 pm

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**Sunday, March 6th, 2022**

# *Forgiveness Sunday – Cheese-fare Sunday*



**Divine Liturgy – 9:00 am** **Sunday School - 10:20 am**

Panachida for ***+John Lukas*** offered by wife, Mary; ***+John Buchovecky*** offered by wife, Agnes; ***+Helen Spanovich***, ***+Joann Bodnar, Janet Dzura and Helen Rogel*** offered by Fr. Robert and Pani Kathy Buczak

Resurrection Tone 4 - Tropar & Kondak: pages 90 &178

Epistle: Roman 13:11-14:4 Gospel: Matthew 6:14-21

***Forgiveness Sunday Vespers – Christ the Saviour Cathedral – 3:00 pm***

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**ALTAR FLOWERS** – The Altar is beautified with flowers in memory of ***Rudolph and Margaret Gregory by the Gregory family.***

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**THE ETERNAL LAMP** - is offered in memory of ***John Zizan by wife, Donna Zizan.***

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**THE ALTAR CANDLES** - are offered in honor of the Birthday of ***Ann Fischbach by Susan and Nick.***

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**BIRTHDAY PRAYERS** – are offered for ***Larry Buksa (2/20), and Pani Susan Rosco (2/22).***
You were remembered in Prokomedia!

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## SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Thanks to all who contributed the 200 cans of soup to our collection for the food pantry and a monetary donation of $100.00. Easter Candy Sales are underway. Brochures available in the Cathedral Auditorium. Orders may be given to Justin or Amanda Dutko or Louise Brudnak by the March 13th deadline. Order pickup is Sunday April 4th. We welcome 2 new students, Anya and Nicolas Murray, children of the new seminarian Seamus and his wife Maria.

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# THE SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON

**From the Stichiri of the Vespers**:

(Tone 1) – I was entrusted with a sinless and living land, but I sowed the ground with sin and reaped with a sickle the ears of slothfulness; in thick sheaves I garnered my actions, but winnowed them not on the threshing floor of repentance. But I beg Thee, my God, the pre-eternal husbandman, with the wind of Thy loving-kindness winnow the chaff of my works, and grant to my soul the corn of forgiveness; shut me in Thy heavenly storehouse and save me.

Brethren, let us learn the meaning of this mystery. For when the Prodigal Son ran back from sin to his Father's house, his loving Father came out to meet him and kissed him. He restored to the Prodigal the tokens of his proper glory, and mystically He made glad on high, sacrificing the fatted calf. Let our lives, then, be worthy of the loving Father who has offered sacrifice, and to the glorious Victim who is the Saviour of our souls.

(Tone 2) – Of what blessings in my wretchedness have I deprived myself! From what a kingdom in my misery have I fallen! I have wasted the riches that were given me, I have transgressed the commandment. Alas, unhappy soul! Thou are henceforth condemned to the eternal fire. Therefore before the end cry out to Christ our God: Receive me as the Prodigal Son, O God, and have mercy upon me.

(Tone 6) – I have wasted the wealth which the Father gave to me, and in my wretchedness I have fed with the dumb beasts. Yearning after their food, I remained hungry and could not eat my fill. But now I return to the compassionate Father and cry out with tears: I fall down before Thy loving kindness, receive me as a hired servant and save me.

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# QUOTES FROM THE HOLY FATHERS

Boredom is the grandson of depression, and laziness is the daughter. To send her away, labor actively – do not be lazy in prayer, then boredom will pass and zeal will come. And if you add to this patience and humility, then you will escape much evil.

***St. Ambrose of Optina***

The Lord does not deny you that which you need, neither should you deny the man whom the Lord has sent to encounter you in order to test your heart. If a beggar extends his hand to you for help once in your life, give to him and do not refuse. Remember how many years there are in your life and how many are the hours in a day and how many minutes in an hour – every minute of so many, many thousands of days you extend your hand to the Lord and the Lord gives and does not refuse. Remember the mercy of God and the lack of mercy will burn you as a live coal and it will never give you any piece until you repent and soften your heart.

***St. Nicholai Velemirovich***

When we pray continually, God will enlighten us as to what we must do in each situation, even the most difficult. God will speak in our heart. He will find ways. Of course, we can combine prayer with fasting. That is, when we are faced with a serious problem or dilemma, we should approach it with much prayer and fasting. That's how I have dealt with things often.

***St. Porphyrios of Kavsokalyvia***

The lover of silence draws close to God. He talks to him in secret and God enlightens him.

***St. John Climacus***

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## PRAYER CHAIN

Thomas Buczak
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Annie Mishurda
Steve Martyak
Joan Wine
Jessica McLaughlin
Michael Sakmar
Joseph Muchesko
Roberta Kovalik
Theresa Milkovich
Kira Pronin
Alexxa Lowery
Romayne Laichak
Debbie Dawson
Zachary Rogina
Robert J. Gritzer
Ron Kuzmyak
Paul Kalcik
Henry Laichak
Beverly Tinkle
Ronald Kmet
Michael Derby

Sue Miller
Judith Pringle
Robert Pringle
Barbara Virostek
Robert Janeway
Helen Duray
Andy Walls
Jack Dahl
Janet Hanak
Eva Zeleniak-Whitak
Malcolm Barnes
Ann Koehnlein
Larry Eisenhauer
Evelyn Houston
Judith Rowlands
Angeline Komara
Arianna Risso
Charlie Erisman
Rachael Costlow
Marshall Rosenow
Shirley Mazurak
Donna Babble

Richard Barnes
Michael Logan
Lloyd Broadwater
Nick Timko
Erin Demich
Mary Ann Muchesko
Joella Hamlin
Donna Martyak
Veronica Ronchak
Mary Jane Matolyak
Michaela Miller
Arianna Jade Miller
Taylor Miller
Jennifer Gardenhour
Margaret Blehi
Bill Pringle
Valentina Yaremenko
Olga Yaremetko
Steve Prieber
Aberdeen Rudge
Pat Hanuska
Dwight Nugle

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Rosalia Horner
Beverly Mayo
Al Kuzmyak
Michael Paul Gost
Brooklyn Balamuto
Victoria Bennett
Matushka Helen Jasiukowicz
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Barbara Stokes
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Julie Locher
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Infant Hale
Elijah Groff
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Stephen Machik

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