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"CATHEDRAL JOTTINGS"



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Vol. 81 No. 1892 **Sunday, March 10th, 2024**

Sunday of the Last Judgment

Meat-fare Sunday



Divine Liturgy/ Choir Sunday - 9:00 am

Sunday School - 10:20 am

Panachida for
+Metropolitan Nicholas (13th Anniversary);
+Joseph & Helen Rogel; and +Joann Bodnar
offered by Fr. Robert and Pani Kathy Buczak;
+Michael Zahoran (40th Day), and John Paul Michel
(40th Day_ offered by the Haschak Family;
+William Kelly (5th Anniversary) offered by son
Michael Kelly and family; ***+Patricia Pasternak*** offered
by Anna Marie Mlinarchik;

Resurrection Tone 7

Tropar & Kondak: pages 99 & 177

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 8:8 – 9:2

Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

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Services for the week of March 10th

Thur. 3/14 … +Martha and Anna Stafansk; +Michael and MaryB. Gido offered by Mary A. Gido; +Mary, Ivan, Shelly, and Marie Skrovan offered by Mary Skrovan; and +John and Susie Scheaffer (Perpetual)……...8:00 am

Sat. 3/16 ***Baptism and Initiation into the Orthodox Faith of Jacob Geisel -12:00 noon***

Great Vespers……6:00 pm

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NO BIBLE STUDY- Tuesday, March 12th, 2024

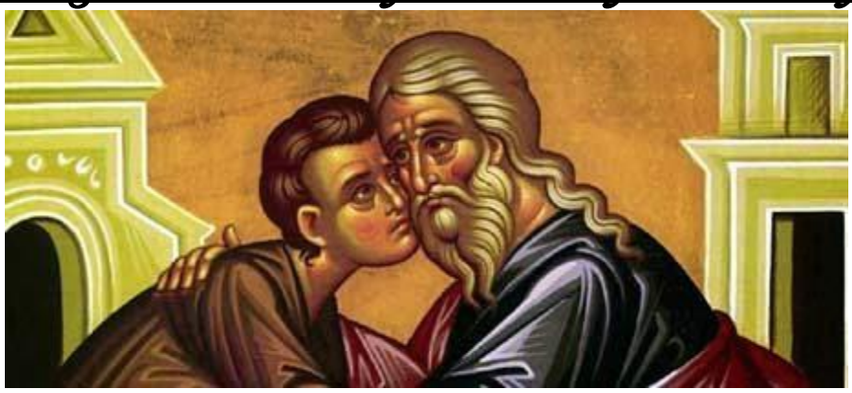
No Choir Practice Wednesday, March 13th

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Sunday, March 17th, 2024

Forgiveness Sunday – Cheese-fare Sunday



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

Panachida for ***+Mary Antonikas; and + Elsie Gomilar and Michael Dzura***

Resurrection Tone 8 - Tropar & Kondak: pages 102 &178

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

Forgiveness Sunday Vespers after Coffee Social (approximately 11:30)

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Services for the week of March 17th

Mon. 3/18 … Clean Monday – first day of the Great Fast – a day of Strict Fasting

Canon of Saint Andrew……..6:00 pm

Wed. 3/20 … +Andrew and Helen Dluhos (Perpetual) - Parastas……..8:00 am

Pre-sanctified Liturgy…..……6:00 pm

Fri. 3/22 … ***Pre-sanctified Liturgy…..……6:00 pm***

Sat. 3/23 … Great Vespers…..…….……6:00 pm

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Sunday, March 24th, 2023

First Sunday of the Great Fast - Triumph of Orthodoxy

Divine Liturgy of Saint Basil the Great/ Choir Sunday – 9:00 am

Sunday School - 10:20 am

Resurrection Tone 1 - Tropar & Kondak: pages 81 & 179-180

Epistle: Hebrews 11:24-30; 12:1-2 Gospel: John 1:43-51

Procession with Icons -after Divine Liturgy

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BIRTHDAY PRAYERS – ***Stacy Smeal (3/10) Joye Matolyak (3/12), Heather Salley (3/13), Andrea Penatzer (3/14), Jon Billetdeaux (3/15), Halee Angel Leader (3/15), Joy Love (3/15), Aaron Szapka (3/15), and Lynn Hood (3/17).*** You were remembered in Proskomedia!

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A.C.R.Y. EMERGENCY HEALTH KIT DRIVE

INTERNATIONAL ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN CHARITIES

Imagine being so poor that soap, washcloths, and school supplies are considered luxury items. Or being a refugee who has fled your home with only the items you carry in your hand. Or being the victim of a natural disaster. Many parishes, youth groups, and individuals want to do something tangible to help others. Assembling and sending emergency kits is a practical way to make life a bit better for someone in need. Emergency kits are small packages of essential supplies assembled in the United States and shipped to people in need around the world.

As a Lenten Project, our local ACRY Chapter has set of goal of assembling 100 Health Kits and would like your help. Included in this week's Jottings is a sheet of instruction on how to assemble a Health Kit. Please consider assembling one or two kits and bring them to the Cathedral Auditorium where a collection box will await your gift. **Please assemble as directed per instructions. (Toothpaste cannot be added for security reasons).** God Bless you for your help.

The ACRY would like to express our gratitude to everyone for their support during the Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser event.

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On the Eternal Fire

Saint Gregory Palamas: What sort of fire is that, which burns the bodies, and rational beings with bodies, and spirits without bodies, tormenting them while detaining them forever alive? It will melt even the fiery element in us, for as the scripture says that 'the elements, being burned with intense heat, shall be melted (2 Peter 3:12).'' How greatly suffering is increased when there is no hope of redemption. And that fire is unquenchable. Again, what gives it its violent impetus? They say a river draws that fire along, apparently bearing it ever further away from God. So He did not say, "You have departed," but "Depart from Me, you cursed." You have long been cursed by the poor, and as they suffered so much you deserve curing. Depart into the everlasting fire, prepared, not for you, but for the devil and his angels. For this was not originally My will. I did not create you for this, nor did I prepare the fire for you. The unquenchable fire was lit for demons, who are irreversibly in the grip of evil. You joined them because of your unrepentant minds were like theirs, and you share the dwelling of the evil angels by your choice. For I was hungry, and you gave Me no meat. I was thirsty, and you gave Me no drink. I was a stranger, and you took Me not in. I was naked and you clothed Me not. As love and loving deeds, brethren, are the fulfillment of the virtues, so hatred and the outcome of hatred, behavior devoid of compassion and a mind devoid of the desire to share, are the full measure of sin. As the virtues follow upon benevolence and are associated with it, so evil deeds follow upon hatred for our fellow man, and for this hatred alone they are condemned.

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QUOTES FROM THE HOLY FATHERS

Acquire the grace of the Holy Spirit also by practicing all the other virtues for Christ's sake. Trade spiritually with them; trade with those which give you the greatest profit. Accumulate capital from the superabundance of God's grace; deposit it in God's eternal bank which will bring you immaterial interest, not four or six percent, but one hundred percent for one spiritual trouble, and even infinitely more than that. For example, if prayer and watching gives you more of God's grace, watch and pray; if fasting gives you much of the Spirit of God, fast; if almsgiving gives you more, give alms. Weigh every virtue done for Christ's sake in this manner. ***St. Seraphim of Serov***

For our neighbor's sake, don't refuse to do any of the tasks that seem lowly and troublesome. Although we have to do the service for someone small and shabby, although the work is hard and we must pass over mountains and valleys, endure everything for your neighbor's salvation. For a soul is so important to God that "He spared not His own Son."

St. John Chrysostom

If we are ashamed to imitate our Lord's sufferings, which He endured for us, and to suffer as He suffered, it is obvious that we shall not become partakers with Him in His glory. If that is true of us we shall be believers in word only, not in deed. When deeds are absent, our faith is dead. ***St. Symeon the New Theologian***

The enemy likes to hide the truth and to mix good with evil. But how can one find out the truth? God's goodwill and all our intentions are meek, full of hope, and undoubting. Not only in our good deeds, but also in our lawlessness, God endures long with meekness and awaits our repentance. ***St. Paisius Velichkovsky***

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Steve Martyak
Veronica Buczak
Michael Sakmar
Joseph Muchesko
Roberta Kovalik
Kira Pronin
Alexxa Lowery
Romayne Laichak
Zachary Rogina
Ron Kuzmyak
Paul Kalcik
Henry Laichak
Ronald Kmet
Michael Derby
Barry Gilchrist
Robert Janeway
Andy Walls
Eva Zeleniak-Whitak
Malcolm Barnes
Ann Koehnlein

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Judith Rowlands
Angeline Komara
Arianna Risso
Charlie Erisman
Rachael Costlow
Marshall Rosenow
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Lloyd Broadwater
Nick Timko
Erin Demich
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Daniel Porembka
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Rose Conjelko

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