

Glad Tidings~Outreach



Annunciation Orthodox Church
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Orthodox Church in America

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Divine Services and Events For February 2014

Sunday, February 2nd, 32nd Sunday after Pentecost – Holy Day commemorating the Meeting of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, in the Temple – Commemoration of Zacchaeus, the Tax Collector (Tone #7)

Matins Gospel: St. Luke 2: 25-32

Epistle Lessons: Hebrews 7: 7-17 (Meeting) & I Timothy 4: 9-15

Gospel Lessons: St. Luke 2: 22-40 (Meeting) & St. Luke 19: 1-10

-10:00 AM – The Divine Liturgy of St John Chrysostom

Homily: The Meeting

-11:00 AM – Church School in the church hall

– Fellowship in the church hall

Metropolitan Council Meeting

Fr. Joseph will represent our Archdiocese at this meeting in Syosset, NY, Monday, February 3rd, to Thursday, February 6th. Please contact Edward J. Powers, or Elias T. Verdy, in case of a Pastoral Emergency.

Thursday, February 6th, Albanian Orthodox Archdiocese in America – Archdiocesan Council (Winter Session) Meeting

hosted by our church in the church hall

-6:00 PM – Dinner hosted by our **Vetetima~Women’s Society**

-7:00 PM – Archdiocesan Council (Winter Session) Meeting

Sunday, February 9th, Commemoration of the Publican and Pharisee (Tone #8) The beginning of the Lenten Triodion – Leave taking of the Meeting of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, in the Temple

Saints of the Day: Martyr Nicephorus of Antioch in Syria and Uncovering of the relics of St. Innocent, Bishop of Irkutsk

Matins Gospel Lesson: St. John 21: 15-25

Epistle Lesson: II Timothy 3: 10-15

Gospel Lesson: St. Luke 18: 10-14

-10:00 AM – The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

Church School Students Homily: The Bully

– Fellowship in the church hall

Note: Wednesday, February 12th, and Friday, February 14th, is Fast-Free following the commemoration of the Publican and Pharisee.

Sunday, February 16th, Commemoration of the Prodigal Son
(Tone #1)

Saints of the Day: Martyr Pamphilius, Porphyrius, and those with them and St. Nicholas, Equal-to-the Apostles, Archbishop of Japan

Matins Gospel Lesson: St. Matthew 28: 16-20

Epistle Lesson: I Corinthians 6: 12-20

Gospel Lesson: St. Luke 15: 11-32

-10:00 AM – The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

Homily: Hunger

-11:00 AM – No Church School in the church hall

– **Fellowship** in the church hall

Saturday, February 22nd, Memorial Saturday

Epistle Lesson – I Thessalonians 4: 13-17

Gospel Lesson – St. John 5: 24-30

10:00 AM – The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom followed by a Memorial Litany for the repose of the souls of all the departed members of our church. Please contact Fr. Joseph by calling the church office before Friday, February 21st, to either begin or update a list of deceased family names.

Sunday, February 23rd, Commemoration of the Last Judgment and Meat Fare Sunday (Tone #2)

Saint of the Day – Hieromartyr Polycarp, Bishop of Smyrna

Matins Gospel Lesson – St. John 20: 1-10

Epistle Lesson – I Corinthians 8: 8 – 9: 2

Gospel Lesson – St. Matthew 25: 31-46

-10:00 AM – The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

Homily: Preparation

-11:00 AM – Church School in the church hall

– **Fellowship** in the church hall

A Thought

The King will reply, “I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.” (St. Matthew 25: 40)

Welcome to all visitors joining our church community for Sunday Divine Liturgy. Fr. Joseph, the members of our Parish Council, and our church members wish to thank you for praying with us and we hope you will return again. Please sign our guest book located in the

rear of the church, and join us for fellowship following Divine Liturgy in our church hall.

Congratulations to the following members of our church community elected at our Annual Membership Meeting, Sunday, January 26, 2014, to serve as an officer of the parish council for 2014: John Andon, Paul Apostol, John Fedak, Stephen Pisuk, Aaron Socrat, Brian Verdy, and Mark Yusikones. Those elected will decide at the next parish council meeting which office each will serve.

Special Thank You to the following members appointed to voluntarily serve as members-at-large to the parish council: Karen Stamuli, Executive Secretary to Fr. Joseph, Ann Powers, **Vetetima~Women's Society**, Amy Lines, Stephen M. Petren Edward J. Powers, Violetta Tutuny and Elias T. Verdy

2013 Nativity (Christmas) Offering was \$4,510. Thank you for remembering our church with your special gift during the commemoration of the Nativity of our Lord, God, and Savior, Jesus Christ.

May God Grant You Many Years!

Looking Ahead

-Sunday, March 2nd, Daylight Saving Time begins

-Sunday, March 2nd, The annual **Vetetima~ Women's Society** Memorial Litany following Divine Liturgy. The society will sponsor fellowship and the Annual Membership Meeting and election of officers for 2014 will be held following the conclusion of fellowship.

Congratulations To Our Church Members Celebrating Their Patronal Saint Name Day Of

Hieromartyr Haralambos, Bishop of Magnesia
in Thessaly, February 10th,

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