

SUNDAY OF THE PUBLICAN AND PHARISEE



*Icon of the Publican and Pharisee*



## Divine Liturgy Guide

Sunday, February 6, 2022

Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee

SAT FEB 5: 4:00 p.m. Divine Liturgy +Marlene Laskowski by Wells Family

SUN FEB 6: 10:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee

MON FEB 7: Parthenius Bishop READ Mark 13:9-13

TUES FEB 8: 8:20 a.m. Divine Liturgy +Helen Kornutiak by the Lilik Family

WED FEB 9: 8:20 a.m. Divine Liturgy +Michael Stec by John Tutka

THURS FEB 10: 8:20 a.m. Divine Liturgy +Ann M. Ellis by the Lilik Family

FRI FEB 11: 8:20 a.m. Divine Liturgy +Margaret Brewinski by Friends

SAT FEB 12: 4:00 p.m. Divine Liturgy +Jacob Tutka by John Tutka

SUN FEB 13: 10:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy Sunday of the Prodigal Son

### Collection Basket



**1/29 & 1/30 \$3,017**

Thank you to last week's counters

Paul Ewasko & Pat Waznak

Next Week's Counters are:

Dorothy Kowalchick & Debbie Dommes

### Happy Birthday!

Birthdays February 5 - 11

Dr. Sean Brennan - Feb. 7

John Tutka - Feb. 7

Anniversary

Ron & Carolyn Moschorak - Feb. 9

### A PRAYER FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE

Heavenly Father, your Son taught us "Blessed are the Peacemakers for they shall be called children of God."

At this hour, we fervently pray that your Holy Spirit may inspire men and women in Ukraine to become Peacemakers. May they seek reconciliation and dialogue and end the violent confrontation and killing. May they restore tranquility to their nation and restore human rights, democratic principles and religious liberty to their troubled land.

God, our Father, we beseech you to comfort the suffering, heal the wounded and accept the souls of the departed into Your Heavenly Kingdom.

And may the Most Holy Mother of God, extend her Blessed Mantle of Protection over Ukraine. And make each of us always live our lives as instruments of your peace. Amen.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### 1. BLESSED CANDLES AVAILABLE

The Presentation of Our Lord into the Temple Solemn Holy Day was this past Wednesday, February 2nd. The traditional Blessing of Candles took place and a few are still available this weekend. If you would like a Blessed Candle for your home, you may pick one up in the front of the church at the conclusion of Liturgy. A donation of \$3 will be appreciated.

#### 2. ST. VLADIMIR'S SOUP AND BREAD SALE THIS WEEKEND

St. Vladimir's is holding a Soup and Bread Sale this weekend after each Divine Liturgy. Fr. Myron's delicious Ukrainian Bean Soup will be featured. Stop by the Hall after Liturgy to make your purchase and Enjoy! Thank you to those who helped make this Soup and Bread Sale possible. If you can make a Soup or bake a Bread for a future Weekend, contact Fr. Myron.

#### 3. DONATIONS FOR FUEL TOTAL OVER \$300!

St. Vladimir's would like to thank those who donated toward our monthly Fuel costs. A total of \$325 was collected last week. Parishioners can write in their donations in the Fuel box on the front of the weekly envelope or by using the specially marked H.E.L.P. envelope.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **4. 30TH WORLD DAY OF THE SICK ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11TH**

Pope Francis urges a path of healing grounded in a trusting and interpersonal relationship between the sick and those who care for them. "A society is all the more human to the degree that it cares effectively for its most frail and suffering members, in a spirit of fraternal love." Pope Francis makes the point in his message for this year's World Day of the Sick. In order to fight hypocrisy and self-idolatry, he says, Jesus asks us to "stop and listen, to establish a direct and personal relationship with others, to feel empathy and compassion, and to let their suffering become our own as we seek to serve them." Pope Francis says that the annual day "is an opportunity to devote special attention to the sick and to those who provide them with assistance and care both in healthcare institutions and within families and communities." He expresses his spiritual closeness and the Church's loving concern for those suffering the coronavirus pandemic, especially the poor and the marginalized.

### **5. RAFFLE BASKETS AND BAKED GOODS NEEDED**

We have scheduled our pre-Lenten Pork and Kapusta dinner for Sunday, February 20th and will be in need of donations of both baked goods and raffle baskets. If you can donate a raffle basket, please see Kristen or Pat Waznak. If you can donate baked goods, please bring them to the church hall on the Saturday before the dinner or before Divine Liturgy on the Sunday of the dinner. Your support is greatly needed and appreciated.

### **6. PRE-LENTEN PORK AND KAPUSTA DINNER**

St. Vladimir Annual Pre-Lenten Take-Out Dinner Scheduled Sunday, February 20, 2022 Featuring: Roasted Pork Loin, Kapusta, Mashed Potato, Gravy, Hot Vegetable, Roll w/Butter, Dessert, and Bottled Water. By advance order only! Pick up between 11 AM and 1 PM at the Parish Center. To place your order: Call Maria Black at 570-503-1514 no later than Tuesday, February 15th. Orders are limited. Call today! 50/50 and Basket Raffles.

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### **7. SOUP & BAKE SALE ON SATURDAY & SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH AND 13TH**

We will be holding a soup and bake sale on Saturday and Sunday, February 12th and 13th. Featured soups \$8 per quart will be Minestrone, (all vegetarian) and Chicken Bowtie. Orders are being taken through Thursday, February 10th. Quantities are limited, so early orders are encouraged. To place an order, please call Daria @ (570) 430-1001. Orders can be picked up after both liturgies. Donations of baked goods will be greatly appreciated! Please drop off at the hall on Saturday afternoon. Thank you for your continued support!

### **8. UKRAINIAN PRIESTS APPEAL FOR PRAYERS, SUPPORT AS RUSSIAN THREAT GROWS**

Priests in Ukraine asked Western church leaders for support, especially in anticipation of a widely expected Russian invasion. "While our TV news shows tanks and army units deployed on our borders, the war in eastern Ukraine is continuing — but the church in the West is saying little," said Msgr. Gregory Semenkov, chancellor of the Kharkiv-Zaporizhia Diocese. "As faithful Catholics, we've nothing against Russians and provide regular Russian-language Masses, while our bishops' conference, being nonpolitical, has never taken a position on whether Ukraine should join NATO or the European Union. But these invasion preparations are posing severe hazards for us." The priest spoke to Catholic News Service as talks between NATO and Russian officials, the first in two years, failed to reach agreement on Moscow's demands for an end to Western military backing for countries formerly belonging to the Soviet Union. Semenkov said most Catholics believed a "major Russian show of force" was likely after the failure of East-West talks. He told CNS that Ukraine's Catholics were uncertain how Russian forces would treat their church, but added it had been agreed that priests and nuns should decide for themselves whether to leave or stay in the event of a "military aggression." Ukrainian Catholic Major Archbishop Sviatoslav Shevchuk, head of the country's Eastern Catholic Church, said that there was a "strangely peaceful atmosphere" in the country, despite the border buildup, but also warned Ukrainians would "defend themselves and shed blood" if Russia invaded.





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**PLEASE PRAY FOR**

Please include in your prayers those members of our parish who are in hospitals, care homes, rehabilitation facilities & those who are not able to join us actively in our church community.

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Home

Andrea Geraghty

Stella Patrick

Stanley Krupinski

Helen Ewasko

Andrea Wells

Home

Dr. Walter Dobushak

Sophia Soniak

Jean Chomko

John Monsul

Ceil Harrison

Charles Drumsta

Regina Kozel

Mary Tucker

Ronald Kozak

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Kathleen Izak

Doris Romancho

Mary Warholak

Dorothy Kowalchick

Michael McConnell

Vera Krewsun

**VIGIL CANDLE SPONSORS: week beginning February 5, 2022**

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| 1  | Hanging Eternal Lamp<br>\$10           | By: Doris, Greg & Matthew Romancho<br>For: I.M.O. + Wasył, + Catherine, + William & + Harry Romancho    |
| 2  | 2 Altar Vigil Candles<br>\$10          | By: Mr. and Mrs. John Knott<br>For: Birthday Blessings for Mama (Helen Chandoha)                        |
| 3  | Proskomedia Candles<br>\$10            | By: Fr. Myron & the Faithful of St. Vladimir's Church<br>For: Peace in Ukraine - Safety of the military |
| 4  | 2 Tetrapod Candles<br>\$10             | By: Fr. Myron & the Faithful of St. Vladimir's Church<br>For: World Day of Prayer for the Sick FEB 11   |
| 5  | Jesus Vigil at Iconostas<br>\$5        | By: Mark and Leslie Izak<br>For: I.M.O. + Michael O'Neill   |
| 6  | Mary Vigil at Iconostas<br>\$5         | By: Biloskirka Children<br>For: I. M. O. + Nicholas and + Nadia Biloskirka                              |
| 7  | St. Nicholas<br>\$5                    | By: Laskowski Family<br>For: I.M.O. + Mr. & + Mrs. Joseph Laskowski, our parents                        |
| 8  | St. Vladimir Vigil at Iconostas<br>\$5 | By: Sharmayne Tucker<br>For: I.M.O. + Barbara James   |
| 9  | Jesus Entrance Vigil<br>\$5            | By: Stella Patrick<br>For: Health and God's Blessings for Stephen Patrick                               |
| 10 | Mary Entrance Vigil<br>\$5             | By: Laskowski Family<br>For: Health and God's Blessings for Andrea Wells                                |
| 11 | Mother of God Statue<br>\$10           | By: Servants of God<br>For: Recovery of health for those afflicted with the coronavirus                 |
| 12 | Altar 7 branch Saturday<br>\$5         | By: Mary Warholak<br>For: Health and God's Blessings upon Helen Pagnotti                                |
| 13 | Altar 7 branch Sunday<br>\$5           | By: Regina Kozel<br>For: I.M.O. + Ihor Shablovsky   |
| 14 | Blessed Mother (side altar)<br>\$5     | By: Paul and Helen Ewasko<br>For: Health and God's Blessings upon Jerry Dziak                           |
| 15 | Jesus (side altar)<br>\$5              | By: Sharmayne Tucker<br>For: I.M.O. + Walter Michael Tucker, Jr.  |

**CONFESSION**

*For anyone that would like to receive the holy sacrament of confession you can let Father Myron know and set up a time either before or after Liturgy from Tuesday through Saturday.*



**SAINT VLADIMIR**

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***Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever! Slava Isusu Christu! Slava Na Viky!***

**Divine Liturgies: Saturday 4 p.m., Sunday 10:30 a.m.,**

**Holy Days & Weekdays see bulletin**

**OUR MISSION PARISH: Saints Peter & Paul, 47 Rittenhouse Street, Simpson,  
Pennsylvania**

**Sick calls / Communion calls / Home visits/ Emergencies: call parish office.**

***Faults of the Pharisee***

Many are the faults of the Pharisee. First of all, he is boastful, and without sense, for he praises himself, even though the Sacred Scriptures cry aloud, "Let a neighbor praise you, and not your own mouth: a stranger and not your own lips" (Prov. 27:2). ... Our virtue, therefore, must not be contaminated with fault, but must be single-minded and blameless and free from all that can bring reproach. For what profit is there in fasting twice a week, if you so doing serve only as a pretext for ignorance and vanity, and if it makes you prideful, haughty and selfish? You tithe your possessions and make a boast of it; but in another way you provoke God's anger, by condemning men generally on this account and accusing others. And you yourself are puffed up, though not crowned by the divine decree for righteousness, but on the contrary, heap praises upon yourself. For I am not, he says, as the rest of mankind. Moderate yourself, O Pharisee: "Set a guard, O Lord, over your mouth, keep watch over the door of your lips" (Ps. 140:3).

You speak to God Who knows all things. Await the decree of the Judge. None of those skilled in the practice of wrestling ever crowns himself; nor does any man receive the crown of himself, but awaits the summons of the arbiter. Lower your pride, for arrogance is both accursed and hated by God. Although, therefore, you fast with puffed up mind, your so doing will not avail you; your labor will be unrewarded; for you have mingled dung with your perfume. Even according to the law of Moses a sacrifice that had a blemish was not capable of being offered to God; for it was said unto him, "Of sheep, and ox, that is offered for sacrifice, there must be no blemish therein" (Lev. 22:21). Since, therefore, your fasting is accompanied by pride, you must expect to hear God saying, this is not the fast that I have chosen (Cf Isa. 58:5) ... You offer tithes, but you wrong in another way Him Who is honored by you, in that you condemn men generally. This is an act foreign to the mind that fears God.  
*St. Cyril of Alexandria*