



HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Week of February 8 - 14, 2015 ❖ Tone 2

Postfeast of the Meeting of the Lord ❖ Sunday of the Prodigal Son

SCRIPTURE READINGS

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

BREThEREN: All things are lawful for me, but all things are not helpful. All things are lawful for me, but I will not be brought under the power of any. Foods for the stomach and the stomach for foods, but God will destroy both it and them. Now the body is not for sexual immorality but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God both raised up the Lord and will also raise us up by His power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a harlot? Certainly not! Or do you not know that he who is joined to a harlot is one body with her? For "the two," He says, "shall become one flesh." But he who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with Him. Flee sexual immorality. Every sin that a man does is outside the body, but he who commits sexual immorality sins against his own body. Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own? For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's.

Luke 15:11-32

THE LORD SPOKE THIS PARABLE:

"A certain man had two sons. And the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the portion of goods that falls to me.' So he divided to them his livelihood. And not many days after, the younger son gathered all together, journeyed to a far country, and there wasted his possessions with prodigal living. But when he had spent all, there arose a severe famine in that land, and he began to be in want. Then he went

and joined himself to a citizen of that country, and he sent him into his fields to feed swine. And he would gladly have filled his stomach with the pods that the swine ate, and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you, and I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Make me like one of your hired servants." And he arose and came to his father. But when he was still a great way off, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and fell on his neck and kissed him. And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and in your sight, and am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his servants, 'Bring out the best robe and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand and sandals on his feet. And bring the fatted calf here and kill it, and let us eat and be merry; for this my son was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.' And they began to be merry. Now his older son was in the field. And as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. So he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and because he has received him safe and sound, your father has killed the fatted calf.' But he was angry and would not go in. Therefore his father came out and pleaded with him. So he answered and said to his father, 'Lo, these many years I have been serving you; I never transgressed your commandment at any time; and yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might make merry with my friends. But as soon as this son of yours came, who has devoured your livelihood with harlots, you killed the fatted calf for him.' And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that I have is yours. It was right that we should make merry and be glad, for your brother was dead and is alive again, and was lost and is found.' "

DAILY READINGS:

Feb 9th

1 John 2:18-3:10

Mark 11:1-11

Feb 10th

1 John 3:11-20

Mark 14:10-42

Feb 11th

1 John 3:21-4:6

Mark 14:43-15:1

Feb 12th

1 John 4:20-5:21

Mark 15:1-15

Feb 13th

2 John 1:1-13

Mark 15:22-25,33-41

Feb 14th

1 Cor. 10:23-28

Luke 21:8-9,25-27,33-36

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, February 8th
Church School 8:30 a.m.
Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m.
Blessing of Newly Elected
Coffee Hour

Saturday, February 14th

!! NO Vespers !!

Sunday, February 15th
Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m.
Coffee Hour

Sisterhood Meatfare Brunch

Monday, February 16th
Parish Council mtg. 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, February 21st
Choir Rehearsal 3:30 p.m.
Great Vespers 5:00 p.m.
Confession

Sunday, February 22nd
Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m. &
Forgiveness Vespers
Coffee Hour

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Sunday February 8th

Greeter: R. Delaney

Cleaning: Gladys Labas

Coffee: Bress / Koles

Sunday February 15th

Greeter: R. Delaney

Cleaning: Gladys Labas

Coffee: Sisterhood

Parish Figures

Collection: \$ 3,535

YTD:\$16,411 **[113.4%]**

YTD Goal:\$ 14,477.50

(5 wks) [\$ 2895.50/wk]

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PLEDGE 2015

An up to date accounting of our response to the pledge drive.

Potential Pledging Units: 84 = Potential Pledging people: 102

Pledge forms received: 51 (60.71%)
[Last year 58]

Pledged Income: \$121,391
[Last year \$122,146]

Average pledge: \$2,382
[Last year \$2,106]

REMINDER: A signed pledge form is required in order to be a voting member of the parish at our annual or special meetings.

Last Year:

27 units did not meet their pledged resulting in unfulfilled income of \$10,757

14 units meet their pledge

17 units exceeded their pledge

58 signed pledge forms received

19 units, who have envelopes, did not sign, also did not contribute.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆ **Blessing:** TODAY at the end of Divine Liturgy we will bless the newly elected members of the Parish Council, Sisterhood & Men's Club.

◆ **Meat Fare Brunch:** Sunday, February 15, 2015 sponsored by our Sisterhood.

◆ **Coffee Hour:** The NEW 2015 Coffee Hour sign-up sheet is posted on the Bulletin Board.



"For the sick and suffering"

Megan Bartos Michael Horbal
John Steffick

Protopresbyter Thomas Hopko
Archpriest Paul Lazor

Archpriest Michael Koblosh (chemotherapy
Alexandria, VA)

Priest Michael Shuster (Holy Trinity Church,
Spring Hill, FL)

Mat. Susanne Senyo (cancer - Pittsburgh, PA.
schoolmate of Fr. David)

Mat. Mary Balmer (St Raphael Church,
Inverness, FL)

Mat. Elizabeth Bacon (Chelsea, MA)

Mat. Clara Eissman (Bethel, CT)

Officer Brett Morgan (NBPB)

Patricia Minitier (cancer - Friend of
Rosemary Delaney)

Jennifer Akerley (cancer - Friend of
Rosemary Delaney)

Luba Martins (Friend of Rosemary Delaney)

Kathy Collins (Friend of Rosemary Delaney)

Leslie Nutthall (Friend of Rosemary Delaney)

Paul Sulich (Friend of Rosemary Delaney)

Helen Skrobat (Mother of John Skrobat)

Cindy Eastman (Sister of Phyllis Bartos)

Catherine Williamson (Daughter of
Steve Bradford)

Thomas Hricus (Brother of Marion Bichun)

Margaret Wallick (Sister of Marion Bichun)

Lovey (Luba) Kovalesky (Friend
of the Bichun's)

Justin Holmes (Friend of the Bichun's)
Janet Roberts (Friend of Barbara Burrill)
Adriano Melluzzo (Son-in-law of the Potter's)
Gregory Savoie (Friend of the Santoro's)
JoAnn Hensley (stroke - Friend of
Jennie Everson)

Anita Hall (Friend of Margaret Wagner)
Patricia Borick (Friend of Margaret Wagner)

Ann Ward (Friend of the Polzun's)

Matthew Murphy (Nephew
of Marie Shimchick)

Camille Fusco (cancer - Friend of
Marie Shimchick)

James Fisher (cancer - Friend of
Marie Shimchick)

child Daniel Hawn (brain cancer - Friend of
Diane Dounouk)

Bruce McCallum (Parkinson's - Father of
Rebecca McCallum)

Gloria DeMartino (Grandmother of
Jen Belonick)

Steven Belonick (Grandfather of
Daniel Belonick)

Andrew Veek (Grandfather of Brian Veek)

Alexandra Hopko (in-operable tumors -
Sister of Fr. John Hopko)

Frank Guba (MS - Ss. Cyril &
Methodius, Terryville)

Jennifer Ganley (MS - Friend of Chris Dresko)

Captives:

Metropolitan Paul & Archbishop John
of Aleppo, Syria.

..... and all those shut-in and in Nursing Homes!

Newly Departed: Deacon David Daumit [Jan 28] (Schoolmate of Fr. David)



◆ Men's Club Lotto -

6 Paul Culton

Support the Men's Club
Special Projects Fund!!

Sign up today!!!

New numbers start February 6th!!!

There are numbers available!

◆ **The February monthly charity collection is for Prudence Crandall Center for Women.** PCC offers comprehensive services to victims of domestic violence. It was established in June of 1973 by a group of women who had a vision of a place for women to meet, share, and support one another and to identify the health, employment and social service needs of area women and empower them to participate in all aspects of community life.

Visit their website at:

www.prudencecrandall.org/index.htm

Please be generous by using the envelopes provided in our monthly mailing. Collection will be taken the last Sunday of the month.

◆ Future Dates:

Forgiveness Sunday: February 22.

Clean Week: February 23 - 26 Canon of St. Andrew, Mon, Tues, & Thurs, 6:30 p.m.; Presanctified Liturgy, Wed 6:10 p.m. followed by 'Soup & Bread'.

Sunday of Orthodoxy: Vespers 6:00 p.m. Sunday, March 1st at Holy Trinity Greek Church, Waterbury, CT.

Sunday Lenten Vespers - 4:00 p.m.: March 8th - Holy Trinity, Willimantic

February Finances

Income: \$ 3,447.17
Expense: \$ 9,878.31
Exp/Inc: \$ -6,431.14

Year-to-date Finances

Income: \$ 28,079.20
Expense: \$ 23,745.49
Inc/Exp: \$ 4,333.71