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16 FEBRUARY 2025 - SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON

(at the Divine Liturgy)

Tone 1 Troparion *(Resurrection)*

When the stone had been sealed by the Jews,
while the soldiers were guarding Your most pure body,
You rose on the third day, O Savior,
granting life to the world.

The powers of heaven therefore cried to You, O Giver of Life:
“Glory to Your Resurrection, O Christ!

Glory to Your Kingdom!//

Glory to Your dispensation, O Lover of mankind!”

Tone 3 Kontakion *(from the Lenten Triodion)*

I have recklessly forgotten Your glory, O Father;
and among sinners I have scattered the riches which You had given me.

Therefore I cry to You like the Prodigal:

“I have sinned before You, O compassionate Father; //
receive me a penitent, and make me as one of Your hired servants!”

Tone 3 Parish Theotokian

Today the Virgin stands in the church, / and with hosts of Saints invisibly
prays to God for us. / Angels worship with Hierarchs, / and Apostles rejoice
with Prophets, / for the Birth-Giver of God prays for us/ to the Pre-eternal God.

Tone 1 Prokeimenon *(Resurrection)*

Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us / as we have set our hope on You! *(Ps. 32:22)*

V. Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the just! (Ps. 32:1)

Epistle

(135) 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

Tone 1

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

V. God gives vengeance unto me, and subdues people under me. (Ps. 17:48)

*V. He magnifies the salvation of the King and deals mercifully with David, His
anointed, and his seed forever. (Ps. 17:51)*

Gospel

(79) Luke 15:11-32

Communion Hymn

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! *(Ps. 148:1)*

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

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Announcements

PRAY FOR UKRAINE! Moleben for Ukraine sponsored by the Brotherhood of Ukrainian Clergy in the Lehigh Valley continues on regular schedule.. The next Moleben service will be this **TUESDAY, 11 February, at 6:30 PM at St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church Newport Ave. Northampton.** We urge everyone to attend and **PRAY FOR UKRAINE!**

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING- DUE TO LAST WEEK'S ICE STORM, IT WAS NOT POSSIBLE TO GIVE PROPER NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING OF ST. MARY UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH. THEREFORE, THE MEETING WILL NOW TAKE PLACE ON SUNDAY: 01 MARCH 2025 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING DIVINE LITURGY. WE URGE ALL PARISHIONERS TO BE IN ATTENDANCE. ONLY THOSE PARISHIONERS IN GOOD STANDING, AS DEFINED BY THE PARISH BY-LAWS OF JULY 2024 (Article II Paragraph A Section 2) ARE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE. This now serves as the first announcement.

BLESSED CANDLES - Sets of candles blessed in honor of the Presentation of the Lord are still available for all to use in your homes. Each boxed set comes with two candles. Please do not break up the set. The suggested donation for each set is \$10.

URGENT NEED: UKRAINE - Ukraine is in desperate need of the following items: Winter weather clothing in ALL sizes: sweaters, sweatshirts and sweatpants. Bars of soap and shampoo (smaller bottles preferred), toothbrushes and toothpaste. Household items are also needed: pots, pans, kitchen utensils, candles, small appliances such as toaster ovens, blenders, mixers, etc. and small repair tools. In addition and wheelchairs, walkers and canes are desperately needed for the increasing amount of people who are injured. Please be generous. Ask your neighbors and friends to help. For more information contact Barbara Hutzalyuk.

SPECIAL PRAYER SERVICE AND TOWN HALL MEETING - Three years of the genocidal war of Russia against Ukraine will be marked here in the Lehigh Valley with a special prayer service and town hall meeting sponsored by the Lehigh Valley Ukrainian Clergy Brotherhood on *Tuesday; 25 February at 6:30 PM here in our church.* His Eminence Archbishop Daniel

will lead the prayer service. All are encouraged to take part in this extremely important event.

INCLEMENT WEATHER NOTICE - In case of inclement weather, we direct or parishioners to our parish website and Facebook page. Information on the cancellation or delay of scheduled services will be posted there as soon as possible. In addition, the same information will be announced on television channel 69 WFMZ.

MARK THE DATE: 23 MARCH 2025 - 4PM Our young parishioner, Ryan Anderson, will present his compositional senior honors project, "*The Christ Passion*" for small chamber ensemble. This is the first of many concerts we hope to present through the St. Mary's Concert Series at our church. Admission is free, but donations for the concert series will be warmly welcomed. Ryan would be greatly honored by the grace of your presence as he makes his debut to the greater Lehigh Valley as a rising composer and conductor.

COFFEE SOCIAL: Today's coffee hour is hosted by: THE CHOIR.

Please pray for the sick and infirm of our Church: Fr. John Fencik, Fr. Yakiw Norton, Fr. Oleh Hucul, Fr. Vasyl Dovgan, Fr. Mark Koczak, Tania Antoniewicz, Richard Antoniuk, Bohdan Baranczyk, Gloria Dunski, Marie Hinkley, Mary Kennedy, John Milinchik, Daniel Melnichek, Lyudmila Mischhenko, Michael Onushko, Nancy Onusko, Mary Ellen Mackiewicz, Dori Bochnak, Katheryn Solan, Mary Carol Bannon, Elsie Moroz, the Child of God Karina Strashinsky and the Child of God Johnny Walson.

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The Five Saturdays of the Deceased (Sorokousty)



Every year the Church Typikon designates five Sorokousty/ Saturdays of the Deceased during Great Lent. In addition the first Saturday for this purpose actually occurs before Great Lent on the Saturday before the reading of the Gospel

of the Last Judgement. For 2025 these Saturdays are **February 22; March 8, 15, 22, and 29**. It is a tradition of our Holy Church to commemorate the memories of our beloved deceased at Divine Liturgy on these five Saturdays of the year. Please utilize the Sorokousty envelope included in today's bulletin and either place it in the collection basket with your regular offering or send it into the church through regular mail. NOTE: If you have additional names to be remembered, you may print them on a separate sheet of paper and include it in the envelope. PLEASE ONLY LIST FIRST NAMES!

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Schedule for This Week

SUNDAY -16 February - SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON

1 Corinthians 6:12-20. Luke 15:11-32

9:30 AM - DIVINE LITURGY

Monday; 17 February - The Holy and Great-Martyr Theodore of Tyre

2 Timothy 2:1-10 Luke 20:46-21:4

Tuesday; 18 February - Our Holy Father Leo the Great, Pope of Rome

1 John 3:9-22 mark 14:10-42

6:30 PM - MOLEBEN FOR THE PEACE AND STABILITY OF UKRAINE - **at St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church Newport Ave. Northampton.**
(Sponsored by the Brotherhood of Ukrainian Clergy of the Lehigh Valley)

Wednesday; 19 February - The Holy Philemon and Archippus, Apostles of the Seventy

1 John 3:21-4:11 Mark 14:43-15:1

Thursday; 20 February - The Holy Leo, Bishop of Catania

1 John 4:20-5:21 Mark 15:1-15

Friday, 21 February - The Venerable Timothy the Righteous

2 John 1:1-13 Mark 15:20-22, 25, 33-41

Saturday; 22 February - Finding of the Relics of the Holy Martyrs of Eugenics (First Memorial Saturday - SOROKOUSTY)

1 Thessalonians 4:13-17 Luke 21:8-9,25-27,33-36

9 AM - DIVINE LITURGY with SOROKUSTY

SUNDAY -23 February - SUNDAY OF THE LAST JUDGEMENT (MEATFARE SUNDAY)

1 Corinthians 8:8-9:2 Matthew 25:31-46

9:30 AM - DIVINE LITURGY

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