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VOL. 5 No. 10 03 MARCH. 2024 - SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON Today's Liturgical Propers

**Tone 6 Troparion** (*Resurrection*)

The Angelic <u>Pow</u>ers were at Your tomb; the guards became as <u>dead</u> men.

Mary <u>stood</u> by Your grave, seeking Your most pure <u>body</u>.

You captured hell, not being <u>tempted</u> by it. You came to the Virgin, <u>granting</u> life.

O Lord, Who <u>rose</u> from the dead,// <u>glory</u> to You.

## Tone 3 Kontakion (from the Lenten Triodion)

I have <u>reck</u>lessly forgotten Your glory, O <u>Fa</u>ther; and among sinners I have scattered the riches which You <u>gave</u> me. And now I cry to You as the <u>Prod</u>igal: "I have sinned before You, O merciful <u>Fa</u>ther; receive me as a <u>pen</u>itent, // and make me as <u>one</u> of Your <u>hired servants!"</u>

#### Tone 6 Prokeimenon (Resurrection)

O Lord, save Your people, / and bless Your inheritance! (Ps. 27:9a)

V. To You, O Lord, will I call. O my God, be not silent to me! (Ps. 27:1a)

## **Epistle**

(135) 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

#### Tone 6

Alleluia, Alleluia!

V. He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the heavenly God. (Ps. 90:1)

V. He will say to the Lord: "My Protector and my Refuge; my God, in Whom I trust." (Ps. 90:2)

## Gospel

(79) Luke 15:11-32

## **Communion Hymn**

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

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#### Announcements

PRAY FOR UKRAINE! - The Brotherhood of Ukrainian Clergy in the Lehigh sponsors weekly Moleben services for the peace and well-being of Ukraine..

The next Moleben service will be this Tuesday; 05 March at 6:30 PM at Assumption of the Virgin Mary Ukrainian Orthodox Church 1031 Newport

Ave. Northampton. We urge everyone to attend and PRAY FOR UKRAINE!

- LAST WEEK'S PRAYER SERVICE FOR UKRAINE AND TOWN HALL MEET-ING WITH GOVERNMENT LEADERS. We wish to thank everyone who pitched in last Sunday to help make the Prayer Service for Ukraine and Town Hall Meeting the success that it was. Many more people than expected came out to show that the American people are still in support of Ukraine. We need to continue to press congressional leaders not to waiver in the face of political agendas.
- 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.

• PRAYER BOOKS AND MEMORIAL BOOKS AVAILABLE - Recently a number of people have requested prayer books for their personal use. We have also had requests for the small memorial books wherein the name of deceased love ones, as well as the living for whom we wish to pray, can be written and submitted to the priest. We are happy to announce we now have a supply of both. Please see Robin Bodnar in the office to purchase.

•	READER SCHEDULE: DATE.	<u>HOURS</u>	<b>EPISTLE</b>
	03-03	Nik Fartuch.	Dennis Ritter
	03-10	Liliya Baklovets	John Sokalsky
	03-17.	Dennis Ritter	Bob Noecker
	03-24	Rich Bodnar	Hayden Arp
	03-31	Dennis Ritter	Robin Bodnar

- <u>COFFEE SOCIAL:</u> Today's coffee hour is hosted by THE SISTERHOOD OF ST. ANNA.
- Please pray for the sick and infirm of our Church: Fr. John Fencik, Fr. Yakiw Norton, Fr. Oleh Hucul, Fr. Vasyl Dovgan, Fr. Ivan Levitsky, Fr. Bohdan Heleta, Fr. Roman Mirchuk, Tania Antoniewicz, Richard Antoniuk, Bohdan Baranczyk, John Chorney, Gloria Dunski, Marie Hinkley, Daniel Milinichek, Maria Onulack, Michael Onushko, Nancy Onusko, Mary Ellen Mackiewicz, William Radio, Dori Bochnak, Katheryn Solan, Elsie Moroz, Child of God Karina Strashinsky and the Child of God Johnny Walson.

• BULLETIN MAILING TO CEASE - Due to rising postage and printing costs, effective 01 March, the weekly bulletin will no longer be sent out through the US Postal Service, except to those who request it and make a donation to defray printing and mailing. (Those in long-term health facilities will continue to receive it regardless.) The bulletin will be available, as always, at the church - and, as of 01 March, will be posted on the parish website: <a href="https://www.pokrova-allentown.org">www.pokrova-allentown.org</a>. Anyone wishing to continue receiving the bulletin by mail, should notify the parish office and make a minimum donation of \$30 to cover printing and mailing expenses.

#### **Schedule for This Week**

#### **SUNDAY - 03 March - SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON**

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

#### 9:30 AM - DIVINE LITURGY

Monday; 04 March - The Venerable Leo, Bishop of Catania in Sicily 1 John 2:18-3:10 Mark 11:1-11

Tuesday; 05 March - The Venerable Timothy of Symbola 1 John 3:10-20 Mark 14:10-42

6:30 PM - MOLEBEN TO THE MOTHER OF GOD FOR THE PEACE AND STABILITY OF UKRAINE - at Assumption of the Virgin Mary Ukrainian Orthodox Church 1031 Newport Ave. Northampton. (Sponsored by the Brotherhood of Ukrainian Clergy of the Lehigh Valley)

Wednesday; 06 March - The Uncovering of the relics of the Holy Martyrs at the Eugenius Gate in Constantinople

1 John 3:21-4:6 Mark 14:43-15:1

9 AM - DIVINE LITURGY for thee repose of the soul of John Siirick requested by family and friends

Thursday; 07 March - The Holy Hieromartyr Polycarp, Bishop of Smyrna 1 John 4:20-5:21 Mark 15:1;-15

Friday; 08 March - The First and Second Findings of the Head of John the Baptist 2 John 1:1-13 Mark 15:22-25, 3rds 3-41

Saturday; 09 March - The Holy Tarasius, Archbishop of Constantinople - First Memorial Saturday (SOROKOUSTY)

1 Corinthians 10:23-28 Luke 21:8-9, 25-27, 33-36

9 AM - DIVINE LITURGY with SOROKOUSTY

SUNDAY -10 March - SUNDAY OF THE LAST JUDGEMENT (MEATFARE SUNDAY)

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

9:30 AM - DIVINE LITURGY

## 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 2024 these Saturdays are March 9th; March 30th, 18th, April 6th and April 13th. 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 remem-

bered, you may print them on a separate sheet of paper and include it in the envelope. <u>PLEASE ONLY LIST FIRST NAMES!</u>

## Saint Tarasius, Archbishop of Constantinople.

Commeorated on February 25

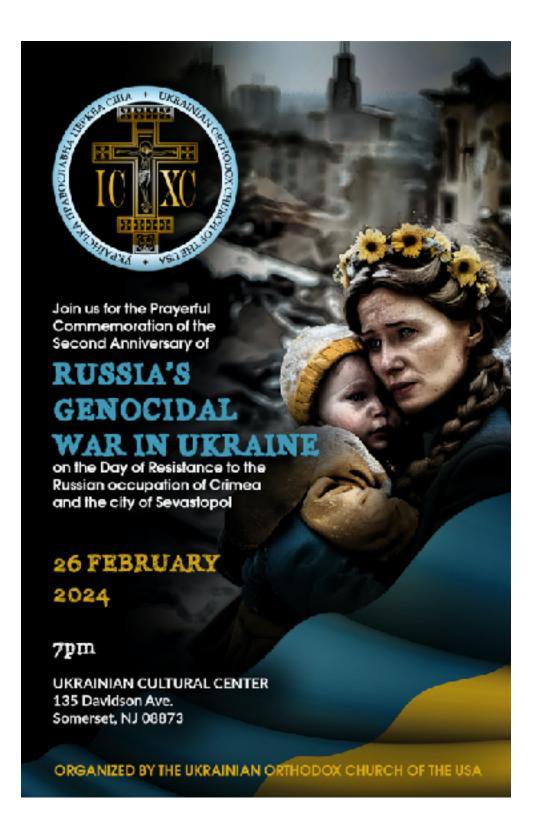


Saint Tarasius, Patriarch of Constantinople was of illustrious lineage. He was born and raised in Constantinople, where he received a fine education. He was rapidly promoted at the court of the emperor Constantine VI Porphyrogenitos (780-797) and Constantine's mother, the holy Empress Irene (August 7), and the saint attained the rank of senator. During these times the Church was agitated by the turmoil of the Iconoclast disturbances. The holy Patriarch Paul (August 30) although he had formerly supported Iconoclasm, later repented and resigned his office. He withdrew to a monastery, where he took the schema. When the holy Empress Irene and her son the emperor came to him, Saint Paul told them that the most worthy successor to him would be Saint Tarasius (who at

this time was still a layman).

Tarasius refused for a long time, not considering himself worthy of such high office, but he then gave in to the common accord on the condition, that an Ecumenical Council be convened to address the Iconoclast heresy. Proceeding through all the clerical ranks in a short while, Saint Tarasius was elevated to the patriarchal throne in the year 784. In the year 787 the Seventh Ecumenical Council was convened in the city of Nicea, with Patriarch Tarasius presiding, and 367 bishops attending. The veneration of holy icons was confirmed at the council. Those bishops who repented of their iconoclasm, were again received by the Church. Saint Tarasius wisely governed the Church for twenty-two years. He led a strict ascetic life. He spent all his money on God-pleasing ends, feeding and giving comfort to the aged, to the impoverished, to widows and orphans, and on Holy Pascha he set out a meal for them, and he served them himself. The holy Patriarch fearlessly denounced the emperor Constantine Porphyrigenitos when he slandered his spouse, the empress Maria, the granddaughter of Saint Philaretos the Merciful (December 1), so that he could send Maria to a monastery, thus freeing him to marry his own kinswoman. Saint Tarasius resolutely refused to dissolve the marriage of the emperor, for which the saint fell into disgrace. Soon, however, Constantine was deposed by his own mother, the Empress Irene. Saint Tarasius died in the year 806. Before his death, devils examined his life from the time of his youth, and they tried to get the saint to admit to sins that he had not committed. "I am innocent of that of which you accuse me," replied the saint, "and you falsely slander me. You have no power over me at all."

Mourned by the Church, the saint was buried in a monastery he built on the Bosphorus. Many miracles took place at his tomb. Mourned by the Church, the saint was buried-monastery he built on the Bosphorus. Many miracles took place at his tomb.

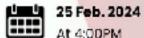




Ukrainian National Women's League of America Branch 91



# **UNITED** with UKRAINE



At 4:00PM



St. Mary's Ukrainian Orthodox Church

1031 Full ention Ave, Allenfown, PA ISIO2

#### TOWNHALL MEETING

Please support Ukraine with your presence at a Prayer Service and Townhal Meeting marking the 2nd anniversary of the full scale war on Ukraine by russia.

Prayer service to be held at 4pm at 8t. Mary's Ularainian Orthodox Church in Allentown, PA.

immediately following the prayer service there will be a Townhall meeting with honored invited guests:

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- BS Congresswomen Susen Wild and BS Senator. Bob Casey are strong supporters at Ukraine and will shed light on the current status of support for Blaraine in the US Congress.
- Khrystyna Hayovyshyn will speak on behalf of the Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the United
- Following the presentations there will be a Q & A.



US Senator **Bob Casey** 



Deputy Permanent Representative of the Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the **United Nations** Khrystyna Hayovyshyn



US Congresswoman Susan Wild

