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Sunday, February 13– Sunday of Publican and Pharisee / Nedelja Mitara I Fariseja

Epistle 2 Timothy 3:10-15 Gospel Luke 18:10-14 tone 1st 3rd & 6th hours at 9:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 10 am. Church school. Coffee hour.

Fast free week Ova sedmica se ne posti

Monday, February 14 – Martyr Tryfon / Sv Mučenik Trifun Vigil / confession at 6 pm

Tuesday, February 15 - The Meeting of our Lord in the temple/Sretenije Divine Liturgy 9 am, Vespers/confession 6 pm

Wednesday, February 16 – Righteous Simeon the God-receiver and Anna / Sv Simeon Bogoprimec Divine Liturgy at 9 am

Saturday, February 19 Vigil / confession at 5 pm

Sunday, February 20– Sunday of Prodigal Son / Nedelja Bludnoga Sina *Epistle 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 Gospel Luke 15:11-32 tone 2nd 3rd & 6th hours at 9:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 10 am. Church school. Coffee hour.*

Upcoming Feast days and events:

February 26 – Memorial Saturday / Pokladske zadušnice

March 6 – Cheese-fare Sunday – Forgiveness Sunday / Church sponsored lunch in Social Center, please plan to attend

We are praying especially for: Radovan Jovanovich, Art Schumann, Richard Jovanovich, Christopher, Sandy Grundy, Michelle Honiotes, Stevan Lunich, Pat Zakavec, Craig Vercelote, Millie Skoryi, Ioana (Kathy) Albu, for all who are afflicted by coronavirus, and all others in our parish who are ill, afflicted, suffering and/or unable to attend services. May Our Lord Jesus Christ Touch Them with His Healing Hand!

Pomens (litany for departed): +Paul Shimek, given by Gayle Shimek and Nenad/Stephanie Jakovljevic; +Rada Lukin and +Ljubomir Dmitrov, given by Steva/Druginja Lukin; +Ljiljana Voulgaris, given by Joseph Orlovich Jr family; +Ljiljana Voulgaris, given by Art/Olga Schumann; +Kimball Mancke, given by Dan/Vicki Dorsey; +Beverly Douglas, given by Steve Malinovich; +Kimball Mancke, given by Pat Mancke and family; +Paul Shimek, given by Wm/Janice Taylor; +Paul Shimek, given by Maggie Enich;

Our church will sponsor Fish Fry's again this year with indoor dining and carryout available. The dates for the fish frys begin on Ash Wednesday, March 2nd and continue every Friday through April 15th for a total of 8 fish frys. You can use the online system called SignUp Genius that was used in the past to volunteer. The link for this is at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090b4fa4ae23ab9-fish> If you're uncomfortable with using this online system, please talk to someone on the church board and let them know when and how would like to help. This is a major source of income for our church and we need everyone's involvement.

Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee is the first preparatory Sunday for the Great Lent (Fast). Let us start preparing for the blessed journey which God has prepared for us of cleansing and purifying ourselves in anticipation of the Highest Christian Holy Day - Holy Pascha. In addition to Saturday Vespers and Sunday Holy Liturgy, please arrange your schedule now to attend as many Lenten Services as you can. Presanctified Liturgies of St Gregory Dialogist will be served every Wednesday. The first week of Lent in the morning at 9 am, Lenten hours will start at 8 am, confession at 8:30 am and the next week in the evening at 6 pm when Lenten hours will start at 5 pm and confession at 5:30 pm. Serving the Presanctified Liturgy in the morning and in the evening offers an opportunity to all parishioners to attend either the morning Liturgy or experience the special Lenten Evening Liturgy. Please check the church website, FB, Sunday bulletin and bulletin boards in the church for all Lenten Services.

Lenten hours readers are needed on Wednesdays during the Great Lent. Lenten hours in the morning will start at 8 am and in the evening at 5 pm. Please sign up for the Wednesday you would like to read. The Sign-up sheet is on the warden table.

THE LIFE OF ST. NEKTARIOS: MAN OF GOD In **Theaters One Night Only! March 21, 2022**

MAN OF GOD

Exiled unjustly, convicted without a trial and slandered without cause, St. Nektarios of Aegina's life was one of persecution and prosecution. A priest of the common people, St. Nektarios's popularity provoked the jealousy of the clergy in Alexandria and, as a result, he was defrocked and expelled from Egypt. In contrast to his religious "superiors", Nektarios cared for the poor, taught peasant girls to read and write, and performed miracles. Even his last moment on earth was used to help another: upon his death, Nektarios' undergarment was removed, and as it fell upon a paralyzed man in the hospital bed next to him, the lame man miraculously arose to walk. Nektarios was recognized as a saint in the Eastern Orthodox Church in 1961, and his feast day is celebrated Nov. 9/22

Go in peace and serve the Lord!