

ST. NICHOLAS BULLETIN

Sunday, February 21, 2016

The Publican and the Pharisee

(This is a fast-free week)

Tone 5. Epistle, 2 Tim. 3:10-15 / Gospel, Luke 18:10-14

Ven. Timothy / St. Eustathius, Archbishop of Antioch

TODAY 25th Anniversary Remembrance of dep. mother, Alice Zolak

Offered by Paul and Daryl Zolak (Memory Eternal!)

SATURDAY 4:30 p.m. Vespers

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP HOUR will be held today, following the Divine Liturgy.

THE ST. NICHOLAS SOCIETY is having an advance-only order Easter Roll Sale on March 6 (pickup, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.). Cost of rolls: \$13 each. To place an order, please call Caroline Ruev at 724-379-6478 or Priscilla Kaluponov at 724-483-7614 by February 19. Preparation of rolls will take place March 4-5.

PRE-LENTEN LUNCHEON will be held next Sunday, February 28 following the Divine Liturgy. Parishioners are asked to bring a covered dish. Also, you may make a cash donation toward the dinner. Please help to make this luncheon a success.

SPECIAL DONATIONS

Donation of \$100 offered by David, Lisa, Zach, and Nicholas Prystash in loving memory of dep. father, John Prystash. Memory Eternal! Thank you for your kind gift to the Church.

Theme of the Publican and the Pharisee

The theme of the parable of the Publican and the Pharisee is repentance. Repentance is the door through which we enter Lent, the starting-point of the journey to Pascha. Our preparation for Lent thus begins with a prayer for humility, the beginning of true repentance. Through repentance, we can find and return to the true order of things, a restoration of our spiritual vision that will guide us in a very difficult and challenging world. By entering Great Lent in humility and repentance, we can attain deeper communion with God as we receive His forgiveness and He blesses us by guiding us to greater spiritual heights.

VIGIL OFFERINGS – Sunday, February 21, 2016

ANN O'BRIEN and MARY BEHANNA (Virgin Mary Kiot) – In memory of parents, Andy and Petrina Gernat (2)

SANDRA KLIZAS – In memory of Stephen and Helen Drake / In memory of Frank and June Drake / For health of Ron Onufer (3)

M/M RALPH VESCHIO – For our safe travel / For our health (2)

LARRY SMITH – For health of wife, Steffie

LARRY and STEFFIE SMITH – Birthday wishes for Mary Ann Lobodinsky

VLAD KASH (3)

DEACON BOB, MATUSHKA SANDY and FAMILY – For health of Nicholas and Christina / For health of Vera Hays / In loving memory of parents, Lillian and Harold Sethman and Joseph and Irene Motichak (3)

BILL PRIATKO – God's healing hand be with all the afflicted in our parish / God's watchful hand be with all of our troops who are in harm's way / Blessed Memory Eternal to my beloved Katrinka / May God's love fill the hearts of all of our parishioners, now and always (4)

DEBBIE and DAN PRIATKO – Birthday remembrance of our beloved mother (2/18) / Health of all parishioners / Health of Paul Zolak (3)

DEBBIE PRIATKO – For special intentions (2)

DR. DIMITRI and PAULINE PETRO – God's blessings be upon Kay Joseph on her birthday / Birthday remembrance of Uncle George Levandovich / For health of daughter, Kyra and her infant son, Luke / In loving memory of infant grandson, Jack / God's blessings be upon Bill Priatko on his induction into the Robert Morris University Hall of Fame (5)

PAULINE AITKEN – In memory of dep. son, Kevin / In memory of dep. grandson, Nicholas / In memory of dep. husband, Lee / Special intentions / God's blessings on all of our children and grandchildren (4)

SANDY AITKEN – In memory of dad / In memory of godson, Nicholas / For health and well-being of mother, Pauline / Birthday blessings for nephews, Brayden and Aidan / Special intentions (5)

JIM and VERA HAYS – In thanksgiving to God and for all the prayers for us / For health of all our parishioners / For health of cousin, Lillian / For safe travel for cousins, Adrienne and Bob / For health of Fred Ruev (5)

MARK SORKA – For health of father, Fr. Igor / In memory of mother, Matushka Irene (2)

FR. IGOR SOROKA – In loving and blessed memory of departed Matushka Irene / God's healing hand be on Frank Chacko (2)

EASTER CANDY ORDERS are due by Sunday, February 28. Candy will be delivered on Sunday, March 20. See Matushka Sandy Motichak or Tamara Chacko to place your orders. Please help support this important fundraiser for our Church School Program.