

**ST. NICHOLAS BULLETIN**

Sunday, February 25, 2018

Sunday of Orthodoxy

**Second Week of Great Lent**

Tone 5. Epistle, Heb. 11:24-26, 32-12:2 / Gospel, John 1:43-51

St. Tarasius, Archbishop of Constantinople

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

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ST. NICHOLAS SOCIETY will meet next Sunday, March 4, following the Coffee Fellowship Hour.

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PAN-ORTHODOX SUNDAY of ORTHODOXY SERVICE will be held today, 4:30 p.m., at Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, Gilkeson Road, Mt. Lebanon. The Pan-Orthodox Choir, under the direction of Fr. Tom Soroka, will sing the responses.

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**SPECIAL DONATIONS**

Gregory and Margaret Susko, \$1,000

Thank you for your kind offering to the Church!

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ORDERS ARE BEING TAKEN for Easter Pascha by Holy Resurrection Church, West Brownsville. Small: \$6. Large: \$10. Plain or raisin available. Order forms are available in the Candle Room.

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DEANERY VESPERS SERVICE will be held next Sunday, March 4, 6:00 p.m., at Holy Resurrection Church in West Brownsville. Fellowship Hour to follow.

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IF ANYONE WISHES to OFFER the BASKET of FLOWERS for the Sunday of the Cross (March 11), please see someone in the Candle Room.

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ANYONE WHO WISHES to BRING in PUSSY WILLOWS for Palm Sunday (April 1), please see someone in the Candle Room.

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REMEMBER the SICK and SHUT-INS in your prayers.

**VIGIL OFFERINGS – Sunday, February 25, 2018**

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

HEATHER MOLINA – For health of father, Paul Zolak / For special intentions (2)

OLGA BOGAN – For health of family / In memory of deceased in family (2)

SANDY CARROLL – In memory of departed parents, Mae and Pete Ruev / In memory of newly departed Dr. Karen Polkabila (2)

KELLY MILLER – In memory of departed teacher, Dr. Karen Polkabila

RANDY VESCHIO – For health of mom and dad / For health of Michele / For health of Ricky Veschio and family (3)

LARRY and STEFFIE SMITH – For health of dad / For health of Paul, Linda and Mary Ann / For health of Fr. Igor / For health of Pauline Petro / In memory of mom / In memory of Connie Paro (8)

BILL PRIATKO – God's healing hand be with all of the afflicted in our parish / God's watchful hand be with all of our troops who are in harm's way / God's healing hand be upon daughter-in-law, Dottie / Blessed Memory Eternal to my beloved Katrinka / God's grace and healing hand be upon grandson, Kurtis Sekera as he has ACL surgery (5)

DEBBIE and DAN PRIATKO – Birthday remembrance of our beloved mom (2/18) / God's healing hand be upon sister-in-law, Dottie / God's healing hand be upon nephew, Kurtis / For health of Fr. Igor / For health of all parishioners (5)

DEBBIE PRIATKO – Special intentions (3)

VLAD KASH (3)

SANDY AITKEN – In memory of dad, Lee / In memory of godson, Nicholas / For health and well-being of mother, Pauline / For health of niece, Paulena / For health of Fr. Igor / For health of Jim Pfadt / For forgiveness and thanksgiving (7)

DR. DIMITRI and PAULINE PETRO – God's blessings be upon newly wedded cousin, Chelsianna and Brendan / For health of grandson, Luke / Safe travel for daughter, Christine, Nick, Alex and Nicholas / For health of granddaughter, Alexandra / For health of daughter, Christine / For health of newborn grandson, Noah and daughter, Kyra / For health of Fr. Igor / For safe travel (9)

MIKE HORAN and BECKY – In memory of brother-in-law, Frank Chacko / In memory of Dr. Karen Polkabila / For special intentions (3)

MARK SOROKA – 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 / For God's healing hand upon Lorraine Mullen (2)

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An Orthodox person is someone who humbly, innocently, guilelessly, without insolence and being wise, bows the knee before God, and within the Church. He encounters Christ, and Christ is revealed to him, speaks to his soul. Such a person will spontaneously confess: "My Christ, you are my God; you are my Lord; you are everything. This is what I have been seeking my whole life, this is the truth, this is what every human being seeks: and I thank you that I found it." May God help us and make us worthy to become Orthodox in this sense. Then we will realize that what humanity lacks today is Orthodoxy in this sense of the word.