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8:00 am—Ukrainian 10:00 am - English

Confessions

4:00-5:00 pm Saturdays or by appointment

Great Vespers5:00 pm Saturdays

HOLY EUCHARIST UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Українська Католицька Церква Пресвятої Євхаристії

Sunday, January 21, 2024



Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee. Octoechos Tone 1.

Venerable Father Maximus the Confessor

Troparia and Kontakia

Troparion, Tone 1: Though the stone was sealed by the Judeans,* and soldiers guarded Your most pure body,* You arose, O Saviour, on the third day,* and gave life to the world.* And so the heavenly powers cried out to You, O Giver of Life:* Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ!* Glory to Your kingdom!* Glory to Your saving plan,* O only Lover of mankind.

Glory... Now...

Kontakion, Tone 3: Let us bring sighs of sorrow to the Lord as did the Publican* and approach the Master as sinners,* for He desires salvation for everyone.* He grants forgiveness to all who repent.* For as God, the One-who-is, co-eternal with the Father, He became flesh for us.

Prokeimenon, Tone 1

Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, as we have hoped in You.

verse: Rejoice in the Lord, O you just; praise befits the righteous.

Epistle - 2 Timothy 3:10-15

Timothy, my son, you have carefully followed my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, love, perseverance, persecutions, afflictions, which happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra—what persecutions I endured. And

out of them all the Lord delivered me. Yes, and all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will suffer persecution. But evil men and impostors will grow worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived. But you must continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned them, and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

Alleluia, Tone 1

verse: God gives me vindication, and has subdued peoples under me.

verse: Making great the salvation of the king, and showing mercy to His anointed, to David, and to His posterity forever. (Psalm 17:48,51)

Gospel - Luke 18:10-14

The Lord told this parable: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, 'God, I thank You that I am not like other men—extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I possess.' And the tax collector, standing afar off, would not so much as raise his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying,

Marriage

Please make arrangements with the Pastor

Baptism, Chrismation, Eucharist Please make arrangements with the Pastor

Anointing of the Sick

Please make arrangements with the Pastor

Funerals

Please make arrangements with the Pastor

Divine Liturgy Intentions

Please make arrangements with the Pastor

Catechism

Please contact the Pastor

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Millennium Seniors' Club

Bernice Hrehirchuk 204-669-2068 Wednesday, 12:30 pm

Young Adults (18-35)

Please contact the Pastor

Cinema Divina

Monthly (Sep-Jun)
Contact Fr. Michael

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'God, be merciful to me a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

Communion Hymn

Praise the Lord from the heavens;* praise Him in the highest (Psalm 148:1).* Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

With hope in the final resurrection of the body when our Lord returns, we announce the repose in the Lord of our dear sister, +Jean Koralewicz, who passed early in the morning on January 14. The funeral will be on January 24 at 10:30 am at Eternal Grace Funeral Home (1111 Logan Avenue) with burial in Elma. Along with prayers for the peaceful repose of Jean's soul, let us also remember her dear husband, Peter, and all their children and extended family in our prayers as they carry this burden.

The first **All Souls Saturday** is February 3. Please update your **Sorokousty lists** today.

The **KUCA Winter Games** start today. The schedule is posted on the bulletin boards

Trivia Night. Come Exercise your brain! Holy Eucharist Parish Centre, 460 Munroe Ave. Saturday, January 27, doors open at 6:30 pm and games start at 7:00 pm. Tables of 8 and individual tickets available. \$20 per person includes games, pizza, and soda. Cash bar and prizes. Ideal for parish groups! Call 204-667-8866 for tickets.

This is the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The theme for 2024 is "You shall love the Lord your God... and your neighbour as yourself" (Luke 10:27). Here in Winnipeg a City-wide Ecumenical Worship Celebration will be held tonight at 7:30 pm at Lutheran Church of the Cross, 560 Arlington Street, Winnipeg. All are invited.

Holy Ghost Parish Christmas Dinner. Sunday January 28, 2:00 pm at 40 Ada Street. Cash only. \$20 for adults, 12 & under are free. Call or text Andrew at 204-791-2272.

Marriage and Annulment Work-The Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Winnipeg invites all who are interested in learning more about the Catholic Church's teaching on marriage and annulment to a workshop on Sunday, January 28, at 4PM, at St. Basil Parish (202 Harcourt Street) The workshop will be led by Most Rev. Andriy Rabiy as he explains the meaning and purpose of annulment, the grounds and criteria for granting it, and the steps involved in applying for it. He will also answer any questions you may have about this sensitive and important topic. The workshop is open to anyone who is divorced or separated, or who knows someone in that situation. The workshop is free and will be in English and Ukrainian. For more information, please call 204.338.7801 or email to chancellor@archeparchy.ca.

St. Alphonsus Catholic School will be holding a Open House on Sunday, January 28, 12-2 PM. St. Alphonsus School (343 Munroe Avenue) offers programs for students from Nursery to Grade 8. The school has an on-site Before and After School program and an Alternate Day Enrichment Program for Kindergarten students. The school has a bursary program in place to assist families in need of tuition support. For more information, please contact the school at 204-667-6271, email info@stals.ca, or visit our website: stalphonsusschool.ca.

This week is a fast-free week. Yes, you can eat meat on Friday of this week.

Our **Lenten Mission** will be on the last week of February with three members of the Madonna House Apostolate. More info next week.



JANUARY IS

SANCTITY OF HUMAN LIFE MONTH

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Let us pray for...

An end to abortion

That people in Canada and around the world would recognize the horrific and sinful nature of abortion and reject it.

Praise God that He is coming again to establish perfect and eternal justice, and pray that God's people would be faithful in seeking justice, loving mercy, and walking humbly with the Lord until that day.

Those affected by abortion

For the protection of pre-born children.

That the moms, dads, grandparents, siblings, and friends who have been hurt by the ripple effect of past abortions would find hope and healing through the Gospel.

That women in crisis pregnancies would seek the support they need instead of turning to abortion, and that the men involved would take responsibility as fathers.

The Church

That the Church would repent of her apathy, weep over the millions of lives that have been ended, and be convicted to act. That local churches across Canada would be places of refuge for women in crisis, and places of grace and forgiveness for those who have had abortions in the past.

The pro-abortion movement

That pro-abortion politicians and advocates would reject abortion and fear God.

That the Lord would soften the hearts of those involved in performing abortions and bring them to repentance.

The pro-life movement

For crisis pregnancy centres and churches as they support families in difficult situations.

For those doing street outreach: that the Spirit would give them wisdom and compassion as they reach our culture with the truth about abortion, and that countless more minds would be changed and lives saved.

For courage and wisdom for pro-life politicians as they try to pass laws that will protect pre-born children.

For endurance and encouragement for those working and volunteering in the pro-life movement.

Praise God for the many children who have been rescued from abortion.

OUR JOURNEY TO PASCHA! 2024

Created by Fr. Jonathan Bannon (ACROD)

Adapted by Fr Vitalii Stashkevych (BCC) for the Gregorian Calendar

SUNDAYS

THEMES / GOSPEL READING

HOW TO PARTICIPATE:

Fast - Free Week **IANUARY 21ST**

Normal Fast Week

IANUARY 28TH

Meatfare

FEBRUARY 4TH

FAREWELL TO MEAT TODA



TRIODION WEEKS

The Last Judgement

Epistle:

Gospel:

Publican and the Pharisee 2 Timothy 3:10-15 Epistle: Gospel: Luke 18:10-14

The Prodigal Son Returns!

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

Show compassion on the poor and distressed. Trust in God, not yourself and ask for His help before every task this week.

Schedule a Confession. Every morning say, "Today I will be humble." Use up/freeze meats this week.

Pray facing East this week. Christ is returning from the East and we wait for Him!

Use up/freeze dairy this week.

Cheesefare FEBRUARY 11TH FAREWELL TO CHEESETODAY



Adam and Eve are cast from Paradise! FORGIVENESS SUNDAY

1 Corinthians 8:8-9:2

Matthew 25:31-46

Epistle: Romans 13:11-14:4 Gospel: Matthew 6:14-21

Ask each other for forgiveness each evening this week before bed.

Bring an icon to church

for a procession.

1ST Sunday of Lent FEBRUARY 18TH



GREAT LENT BEGINS WITH FORGIVENESS VESPERS

SUNDAY of ORTHODOXY

Epistle: Hebrews 11:24-26, 32-12:2

Gospel: John 1:43-51

2ND Sunday of Lent FEBRUARY 25TH



ST GREGORY PALAMAS

Epistle: Hebrews 1:10-2:3 Mark 2:1-12 Gospel:

Bring a prayer rope to be blessed today! Use it and pray the Jesus Prayer each day this week.

3RD Sunday of Lent MARCH 3RD



VENERATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

HALF WAY TO PASCHAL

Epistle: Hebrews 4:14-5:6 Gospel: Mark 8:34-9:1

Wear your cross to church and kiss the cross each morning with a bow!

4TH Sunday of Lent MARCH 10TH



ST JOHN of the LADDER Epistle: Hebrews 6:13-20

Mark 9:17-31 Gospel:

Every time you climb stairs this week ask St. John to help you reach Paradise with the sign of the cross!

5TH Sunday of Lent MARCH 17TH



ST MARY of EGYPT

Epistle: Hebrews 9:11-14 Gospel: Mark 10:32-45

Ask the Theotokos to offer you and the world pure thoughts and ideas this week.

PALM SUNDAY MARCH 24TH GREAT WEEK BEGINS



GREAT AND HOLY WEEK ENTRY OF OUR LORD INTO JERUSALEM

Epistle: Philippians 4:4-9 Gospel: John 12:1-18

Place your palm branches and pussywillows behind an icon at home and in your carl

GREAT AND HOLY FRIDAY MARCH 29TH



GREAT AND HOLY FRIDAY

JESUS DIES ON THE CROSS CHECK WITH YOUR PARISH FOR ROYAL HOURS AND VESPERS SCHEDULE

Refrain from TV, Internet & Phones to honor Christ's Death.

FEAST OF FEASTS! MARCH 31ST



BRIGHT WEEK

HOLY PASCHA! (CHRIST IS RISEN!)

Epistle: Acts 1:1-8 Gospel: John 1:1-17

Greet everyone with "CHRIST IS RISENI" & say it before good morning and goodnight!

The Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee

Whoever lives like the Pharisee, lives far away from the Church (Synaxary of Matins)

Before the soldier goes to battle, he undergoes a long period of military training to prepare himself physically and psychologically for combat and to enable him to bear the burdens and inconveniences of military life.

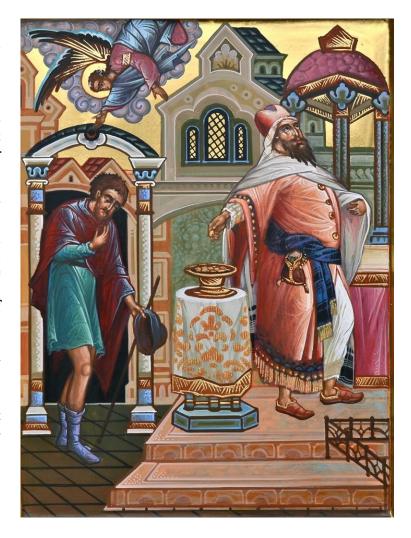
In like manner, holy Church, our good Mother, prepares us, her children, spiritually for the struggles we must undergo before she imposes upon us the strict Great Fast (Forty-Days Fast). This is precisely the aim of the four pre-lenten Sundays which begin with the Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee and end with Cheesefare Sunday. In the Church services of those Sundays, holy Church places before our eyes several biblical scenes: the proud Pharisee and the humble Publican, the conversion of the Prodigal Son, the scene of the Last Judgement and the expulsion of our First Parents from Paradise. These dramatic scenes have the power to move us to the depths; they reveal God's mercy and justice, and convince us of the need for conversion and penance for our salvation. Meditation on these events should evoke in us a serious attitude toward fasting, convincing us of its necessity and benefit as it gradually prepares us for the Fast itself.

The above pre-lenten Sundays historically were incorporated into our Church Calendar in the later centuries; it was not until then that the Great Fast assumed its present-day form. First to be added before the Great Fast were the Sundays of Meatfare and Cheesefare; only later, sometime in the eighth or ninth centuries, the Sundays of the Publican and the Pharisee and the Sunday of the Prodigal Son were added.

The Parable of the Publican and the Pharisee

The Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee received its name from the parable of the Publican and the Pharisee, recorded in the Gospel of St. Luke (18,10-14). In this parable, Jesus Christ gives us two contrasts: the proud Pharisee and the humble Publican. Using these two types of people, He points out the ugliness of pride and the significance of humility.

During the times of Jesus Christ the Pharisees constituted a religious sect which insisted upon the strict and legalistic observance of the Mosaic Law and traditions. They esteemed the letter of the law more highly than the spirit of the law. Their righteousness was based on the external observance of the Law and the various petty regulations rather than in the practice of the virtues which the Law prescribed. They regarded themselves as champions and zealous followers of the Law, they boasted of their false zeal, and looked down upon those who did not belong to their sect. Jesus Christ frequently rebuked them for their pettiness and dissimulation and publicly exposed their hypocrisy. "The Scribes and Pharisees have sat on the



chair of Moses," He said. "All things, therefore, that they command you, observe and do. But do not act according to their works; for they talk and do nothing... Woe to you, Scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites, because you shut the kingdom of heaven against men. For you yourselves do not go in, nor do you allow those going in to enter... Blind guides who strain out the gnat and swallow the camel... Whited sepulchres...who outwardly appear just to men but within you are full of hypocrisy and iniquity.' (Matthew 23)

The parable portrays a typical Pharisee. Although he came to the temple to pray, he praised, not God but himself. He does not ask God to pardon his sins. On the contrary, being sure of his righteousness, he even thanks God that he is not a sinner. He brags about his fasting and the tithes he gives to the temple of God, while at the same time, he looks down upon the Publican as upon a great sinner.

The Publican, conscious of his own sinfulness, does not even dare raise his eyes to heaven, but prays humbly and strikes his breast, saying: "God, be merciful to me, a sinner." (Luke 18,13) His short prayer, full of sorrow and humility, remains to this day, a most beautiful and sincere act of sorrow for our sins.

Jesus Christ ends this parable with the words: "I tell you, this man went back to his home justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself shall be humbled, and he who humbles himself shall be exalted." (Luke 18)

The publicans were tax-gatherers who collected the various state taxes during the Roman occupation of Palestine. The Roman government had two types of state taxes: direct and indirect. Direct taxes were property and income taxes, while the indirect taxes were fees on sales and purchases as well as on imports and exports. The direct taxes were collected by the Roman government, while the indirect taxes were auctioned off to wealthy merchants who collected these revenues themselves. This system of collecting taxes led to every kind of extortion and injustice, for these wealthy merchants, called publicans, having received the right to collect taxes from the government, exacted them without mercy. Whatever they gathered above and beyond what they owed the government, they kept for themselves as personal profit. One can easily see why they were so hated by the people. Not only were they hated and despised persons who worked for foreign overlords, but they also were regarded as renegade Jews who incurred ritual defilement because of their contact with pagans. The people classified them with robbers, public sinners and pagans and despised them. Their testimony was not accepted in a court of justice because, since they had the reputation of dishonest men, their word could not be relied on.

The Spiritual Significance of the Parable

This parable teaches us clearly that God does not look at the person or his position in life, but at the person's heart and soul. This enables us to understand the truth of the words of Holy Scripture: "God resists the proud, and gives grace to the humble." (1 Peter 5,5) It is understandable then why God rejected the prayer of the vaunting and arrogant Pharisee but heard the prayer of the humble Publican. Since pride is one of the capital sins, it is the greatest obstacle to conversion and penance, while humility is the beginning of true conversion and the foundation of sincere penance and fasting.

For this reason, holy Church desires that we also, as we approach the Great Fast, prepare ourselves for it with great humility, mindful of our sinfulness, for only then will we experience compunction of heart and possess the courage and goodwill to undertake fasting and penance. Without humility there is no conversion, no sorrow for sin, and no return to God.

This is the spirit in which our liturgical services and prayers were composed for this Sunday. The troparia, sticheras and the canon, time and again, emphasize and praise the virtue of humility and reproach Pharisaical pride:

"Let us run away from the words of the boastful Pharisee," says the Kontakion of this day, "and learn the humility of the Publican, crying with sighs to the Saviour: Have mercy on us; O Saviour of the world, purify your servants."

SAVE THE DATE

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Divine Liturgy Offerings

A message from Bishop Andriy

There are many reasons to ask for a Divine Liturgy, the central act of worship in the Eastern Church. Some of the most common reasons are:

- to commemorate the living and the departed, especially those who have a special anniversary or need.
- to give thanks to God for His blessings and mercy, or for a particular occasion or event.
- to ask for God's help and guidance in a personal or communal situation, such as illness, travel, exams, work, etc.
- to honour a saint or a feast day, and to seek their intercession and protection.
- to express repentance and seek forgiveness for one's sins and shortcomings.

Offering for a Divine Liturgy is a way of participating in the sacrifice of Christ, and of uniting oneself with Him and His Church. It is also a way of showing love and care for others, and of sharing in their joys and sorrows. Offering for a Divine Liturgy is a spiritual gift that benefits both the giver and the receiver.



Communiqué on the reception in the UGCC of the Declaration of the Dicastery of the Doctrine of the Faith "Fiducia Supplicans" on the pastoral meaning of blessings

In response to numerous appeals from bishops, clergy, monastics, ecclesiastical movements and individual lay people of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church regarding the Declaration of the Dicastery of the Doctrine of the Faith "Fiducia Supplicans" (December 18, 2023) on the pastoral meaning of blessings, after consulting with relevant experts and competent institutions, I wish to inform you of the following:

- 1. The Declaration above-mentioned interprets the pastoral meaning of blessings in the Latin Church, not the Eastern Catholic Churches. It does not address questions of Catholic faith or morality, refer to any precepts of the Code of Canons for the Eastern Churches (CCEO), or refer to Eastern Christians. Thus, on the basis of the can. 1492 of the CCEO, this Declaration applies solely to the Latin Church and has no legal force for the faithful of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church.
- 2. The Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church is one of the Eastern Catholic Churches. Therefore, it has its own liturgical, theological, canonical, and spiritual heritage, which all the faithful are obliged to observe and cherish (CCEO, canons 39–41). The meaning of "blessing" in the UGCC and the Latin Church is different.
- 3. According to the liturgical tradition of our Church, the blessing of a priest or bishop is a liturgical gesture that cannot be separated from the rest of the content of the liturgical rites and reduced to the circumstances and needs of private piety (UGCC Catechism "Christ is our Pascha," par. 505–509).



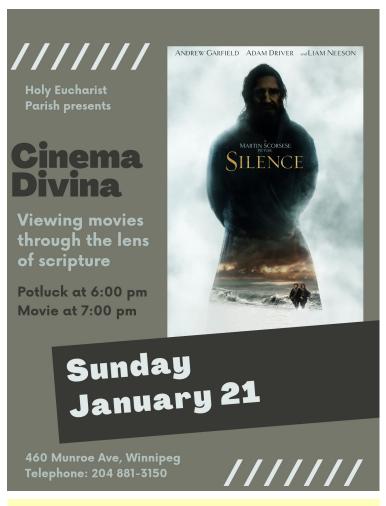
4. According to the traditions of the Byzantine rite, the concept of "blessing" means approval, permission, or even an order for a specific type of action, prayer, and ascetic practices, including certain types of fasting and prayer. Certainly, the blessing of a priest always has an evangelizing and catechetical dimension and, therefore, can in no way contradict the teaching of the Catholic Church about the family as a faithful, indissoluble, and fertile union of love between a man and a woman, which Our Lord Jesus Christ elevated to the dignity of the Holy Sacrament of Matrimony. Pastoral discernment urges us to avoid ambiguous gestures, statements, and concepts that would distort or misrepresent God's word and the teachings of the Church.

The blessing of the Lord be upon you!

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Kyiv, Ref. MA 23/326 22 December 2023 of the year of our Lord





Please remember in your prayers our parishioners!

Lavinia Aftanas, Matthew Bakan, Jane Budzen, Donna Gareau, Sophie Gierys, Gerry and Trudy Holowchuk, Jennie Huchko, Jack Kisil, Peter Koralewicz, Olga Kowalski, Stephanie Kupskay, Milly Manitowich, Jean Rotinsky, Anna Senyk, Jean Stewart, Glen Tabinski, Fr. Victor Yakowchuk.

On the Feast of the Encounter of our Lord, February 2, we bless candles. Please bring your candles to be blessed at the Divine Liturgy at 9:00 am that day.

Offerings	Sunday, Jan 07	Sunday, Jan 14
Envelopes	\$ 1015.25	\$ 655.00
Open collection	\$ 107.00	\$ 18.00
Candles	\$ 19.15	\$ 19.25
Initial Offering	\$ 175.00	\$ 50.00
Sacred Art	\$ 55.00	\$ 20.00
Christmas Flowers	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Caroling	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Total	\$ 1371.40	\$ 762.25

Parish Schedule January 21-28, 2024

Sunday, January 21

Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee. Octoechos Tone 1. Venerable Father Maximus the Confessor.

2 Tim 3:10-15. Lk 18:10-14.

08:00 am Divine Liturgy [Ukr] (for parishioners) 10:00 am Divine Liturgy [Eng] (for parishioners)

07:00 pm Cinema Divina

Monday, January 22

The Holy Apostle Timothy. Holy Venerable-Martyr Anastasius the Persian. 2 Pt 1:20-2:9. Mk 13:9-13.

No services or meetings.

Tuesday, January 23

Blessed Vincent Levoniuk and His Twelve Companions (Martyrs of Pratulyn). Holy Priest-Martyr Clement, Bishop of Ancyra. Holy Martyr Agathangel. 2 Pt 2:9-22. Mk 13:14-23.

09:00 am Divine Liturgy (for the souls in purgatory)

Wednesday, January 24

Our Venerable Mother Xenia the Roman.

2 Pt 3:1-18. Mk 13:24-31.

06:30 am Daily Matins | Prayer for Families

12:00 pm Seniors Club

Thursday, January 25

Our Holy Father Gregory the Theologian, Archbishop of Constantinople. Polyeleos Feast.

1 Cor 12:7-11. Jn 10:9-16.

06:30 am Daily Matins | Prayer for Families

07:00 pm Parish Reading Club

Friday, January 26

Our Venerable Father Xenophon and his wife Maria. 1 Jn 2:7-17. Mk 14:3-9.

09:00 am Divine Liturgy (All those listed on the Angel Tree this past Christmas by UCWLC)

Saturday, January 27

The Transfer of the Precious Relics of Our Father among the Saints John Chrysostom.

Polveleos Feast.

Heb 7:26-8:2. Jn 10:9-16.

09:00 am Divine Liturgy (+William Werbeniuk by Vera Werbeniuk)

04:00 pm Confessions 05:00 pm Great Vespers

Sunday, January 28

Sunday of the Prodigal Son. Octoechos Tone 2. Our Venerable Father Ephrem the Syrian.

1 Cor 6:12-20. Lk 15:11-32.

08:00 am Divine Liturgy [Ukr] (for parishioners)

10:00 am Divine Liturgy [Eng] (for parishioners)