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## SERVICES February 3, 2019 – February 10, 2019

Sunday, Feb. 3, 2019..... 9:00 am – Hours; 9:30 am –Divine Liturgy; Sunday School; Coffee Hour; Adult Study  
6:00 pm – SUPER BOWL PARTY  
Wednesday, Feb, 6, 2019.....5:00 pm – Healing Services  
Saturday, Feb. 9, 2019.....9:30 am –Divine Liturgy; Diocesan Diaconal Program  
5:00 pm – Vespers  
Sunday, Feb. 10, 2019.....9:00 am – Hours; 9:30 am –Divine Liturgy; Sunday School; Coffee Hour; Adult Study

## FEBRUARY 3, 2019

### EPISTLE: 1 TIMOTHY 1:15-17

This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief. However, for this reason I obtained mercy, that in me first Jesus Christ might show all longsuffering, as a pattern to those who are going to believe on Him for everlasting life. Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, to God who alone is wise, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

### GOSPEL: MATTHEW 15:21-28

Then Jesus went out from there and departed to the region of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a woman of Canaan came from that region and cried out to Him, saying, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David! My daughter is severely demon-possessed." But He answered her not a word. And His disciples came and urged Him, saying, "Send her away, for she cries out after us." But He answered and said, "I was not sent except to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." Then she came and worshiped Him, saying, "Lord, help me!" But He answered and said, "It is not good to take the children's bread and throw it to the little dogs." And she said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the little dogs eat the crumbs which fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered and said to her, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be to you as you desire." And her daughter was healed from that very hour.

### NEXT WEEK: FEBRUARY 10, 2019 1 TIMOTHY 4:9-15 LUKE 19:1-10

### *A MASTER OF "DIVINE DISRUPTION"*

There is little doubt that an alarm clock is our least-favorite modern convenience. Its piercing sound disturbs us as it noisily arouses us from our sound and restful sleep. We must all admit, however, that an alarm clock serves a necessary and useful purpose. In reality, it is our daily "call to duty," reminding us of the work that must be done and the opportunities that await us. Without it, think of what we would miss!

Christ is described . and has described Himself - in a multitude of ways. He is the "Light." He is the "Way." He is the "True Vine." He is the "Alpha and Omega." Yes, Jesus is many things. With no disrespect intended, however, we may also add that He is the "Divine Alarm Clock!" Our Lord is constantly giving us "wake up calls." His words challenge us to strive for perfection in an imperfect world. His teachings disturb us and cause us to feel uncomfortable, for we see that we may be falling short of what is expected of His followers.

Often, we find ourselves feeling like the Gerasenes after our Lord caused their herd of swine to leap off the cliff and perish: we wish Jesus would simply leave us alone to live our own lives in our own way. But He truly loves us; that's why He is constantly disturbing us. Christ will never give up on us, even when we've given up on ourselves. Good things will happen to us when we respond positively to the ringing of an alarm clock. Better things will happen to us if we allow the "Divine Alarm Clock to rouse us from spiritual slumber, so that we can labor tirelessly for the greater glory of God!

**PRAYER LIST :** We offer our prayers for all of our shut-ins who are unable to attend church services, especially: ***Vera Tatusko and William Tellep Jr.***

Also offer your prayers for those in need especially ***Helen Baburchak, Fr. Steven Belonick, Matushka Joanna Bohush, Lydia Boras, Laura Chapin, Elaine Costello; Norman Cross; Nadine Dranchak, Mrilee Driggs; Thanos Fotiou, Jack Francisco, Justin Garcia, Kathy Gregory; Marge Herciga; Newborn Infant - Maria Karlgut; Newborn Infant – Lukeria Karlgut; Olga Kulasza, Robert Kushner, Alicia Laskowski; Linda Main; George Murphy, Tanya Pylypciw, Janeel Rahman, Sheila Ransom, Joni Mitchell, Tyler Sunday; Millie Sviatyla, Dorothy Tarasevich, Rachelle Vitale, Olga Warski & all of our parishioners who are ill.***

To add or remove names from the prayer list in the bulletin, please let Fr. Alexey or Fr. Timm know. Thank you!



**COFFEE HOUR:** Come downstairs and socialize with your brothers and sisters in Christ.

Today: Paula Norton, Nicole Ewing, Nancy Kulikowski, Patty Warski

Feb. 10: Sue Watson, Kathy Fedorchak, Marie Williams, Mat. Joanna Bohush, Cathy Stephens

Feb. 17: Allan/Elaine Costello, Dick/Jeanne Sura, Mat Michele Holowatch, Mike Pylypciw

Feb. 24: Tamara Sytnik, Ludmila Boychenko, Natalia Nikulin, Vera Yaremko, Marina Pomukchynnsky

March 3: Rita Kushner, Nadine Fedones, Anne Sawchak, Ellen Baxendale, Patty & Dave Deamond

**Everyone is Welcome to a Study of the Divine Liturgy - Sundays at 12 noon Jan. 6th to Feb. 19th 2019.**

In his book For the Life of the World, Fr. Alexander Schmemmann tells us that “the Divine Liturgy is best understood as a journey”. The destination of this journey is announced at the beginning of the Divine Liturgy when the priest proclaims, “Blessed is the Kingdom of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit”. This journey is to the Kingdom of Heaven. Are we prepared, aware and present so that we fully participate in the journey? Let's learn together, so that we can more fully journey together.

**HOUSE BLESSINGS** As is the Holy custom of our people during Theophany season, the houses of our parishioners will be blessed. If you would like Fr. Alexey or Fr. Timm to come and bless your house in January & February, please fill out the form enclosed in your January bulletin and return to the Church Office or contact Fr. Alexey or Fr. Timm for a mutually convenient time.

**Super Bowl Party TODAY!** - Sunday February 3<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 pm in our church hall sponsored by the “R” Club. Everyone is invited. BRING A FRIEND!! Pizza and soda will be provided. Please bring a dish to pass. See sign-up sheet on the bulletin board

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**2019 calendars are also available in the vestibule.**

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to all our visitors and guests who participate in our celebration of the Divine Liturgy! While Holy Communion may only be received by prepared Orthodox Christians, our non-Orthodox guests are welcome to join us in venerating the Cross and receiving blessed bread at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy. We invite all of our guests to join us for Fellowship Hour and visit our book store.

For bulletin inputs, contact Fr. Alexey, Fr. Timm or Stella Holowatch (607-205-1507) – email [Stellah@stny.rr.com](mailto:Stellah@stny.rr.com)