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SERVICES: February 23, 2019 – March 1, 2020

Sunday, March 1, 2020.....9:00 – Hours; 9:30 am - Liturgy; Coffee Hour, SPECIAL PARISH MEETING
Monday, March 2, 2020.....6:00 pm Great Canon of St. Andrew
Tuesday, March 3, 2020.....6:00 pm Great Canon of St. Andrew
Wednesday, March 4, 2020.....6:00 pm Great Canon of St. Andrew
Thursday, March 5, 2020.....6:00 pm Great Canon of St. Andrew
Friday, March 6, 2020.....6:00 pm Presanctified Liturgy; Lenten Meal
Saturday, March 7, 2020.....5:00 pm – Vespers; General Confession
Sunday, March 8, 2020.....9:00 – Hours; 9:30 am - Liturgy; Coffee Hour, Adult Study

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Romans 13:11-14:4 (Epistle)

And do this, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep; for now our salvation is nearer than when we first believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand. Therefore let us cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light. Let us walk properly, as in the day, not in revelry and drunkenness, not in lewdness and lust, not in strife and envy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill its lusts. Receive one who is weak in the faith, but not to disputes over doubtful things. For one believes he may eat all things, but he who is weak eats only vegetables. Let not him who eats despise him who does not eat, and let not him who does not eat judge him who eats; for God has received him. Who are you to judge another's servant? To his own master he stands or falls. Indeed, he will be made to stand, for God is able to make him stand.

Matthew 6:14-21 (Gospel)

For if you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses. Moreover, when you fast, do not be like the hypocrites, with a sad countenance. For they disfigure their faces that they may appear to men to be fasting. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward. But you, when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, so that you do not appear to men to be fasting, but to your Father who is in the secret place; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly. Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal; but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Prayer List

We offer our prayers for all of our shut-ins who are unable to attend church services, especially: Vera Tatusko. Also offer your prayers for those in need especially Helen Baburchak, Jessica Barton, Mat. Joanna Bohush, Lydia Boras, Laura Chapin, Elaine Costello; Connie Devine; Bill Dranchak, Marilee Driggs; Paul and Babe Farbanish, Tony Fiacco; Thanos Fotiou, Anthony Gallis, Justin Garcia, Kristine Garner; Kathy Gregory; Marge Herciga; Stella Holowatch; Mat. Anastasia Karlgut, Natalia Karlgut; Sue Kocenko, Olga Kulasza, Robert Kushner, Alicia Laskowski; Tatiana Lechtman, Linda Main; George Murphy, Alexander Newsom; Tanya Pylypciw, Janeel Rahman, Sheila Ransom, Mohamed Rawoof, Joni Mitchell, Ann Sawchak, Tyler Sunday; Millie Sviatyla, Tamara Sytnik, Dorothy Tarasevich, Rachelle Vitale, Elayna Volock, Jack Wanchisen, Olga Warski, Bob Wartonik; Robert Wilkes, Valentina Yelangy, Frank Urban & 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.



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

Today: Cheesefare Sunday Brunch – Please bring your favorite dishes to share

March 8: Paula Norton, Nicole Ewing, Nancy Kulkowski, Patty Warski, Anne Koch

March 15: Sue Watson, Kathy Fedorchak, Marie Williams, Mat Joanna Bohush, Cathy Stevens

2020 Sunday of Orthodoxy Pan-Orthodox Choir Rehearsal Schedule

This year's Southern Tier Pan-Orthodox Vespers will take place on Sunday, March 8, at 4 PM at St. Michael's Orthodox Church, Binghamton.

Our Pan-Orthodox Choir composed of members from all area parishes will sing the responses directed by Matushka Julia Gotlinsky.

The Rehearsal Schedule is as follows:

Sunday, February 23: St. John's Orthodox Church, Johnson City, 2:30-4 PM

Sunday, March 1: Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church, Vestal, 2:30-4 PM

Sunday, March 8: St Michael's Orthodox Church, Binghamton, 2:30-4 PM

Singers of all of area parishes are asked to come and make a joyful sound unto the Lord.

"How good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity!"

Sunday Adult Study Classes

Classes are held on Sunday from 12 to 12:30 (after coffee hour). Newcomers are always welcome! In February we will continue & complete our study of the Book of Revelation. In March we will begin a new Lenten series on Living the Life of Grace. St. Theophan the Recluse said, "True Christian life is the life of grace". In this class series we will embrace the gift of Great Lent in the Orthodox Church as a tested and proven means to unite with the Church, open ourselves to the Holy Spirit and enter "The Life of Grace".

OFFICIAL NOTICE – Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever! We are calling for a Special Parish Meeting, today Sunday March 1st, in keeping with our Parish Bylaws. This serves as a final official announcement. The purpose of this Special Parish Meeting is to review and vote on proposal of professional painting of the whole church, presented and endorsed by our Parish Council. Being a Special Parish Meeting, it has one approved item on the agenda and shall be conducted expeditiously, provided quorum is present. We encourage everyone to attend this meeting and participate in this much needed project of beautification of our beloved church.

Cheesefare Sunday - "FORGIVE US THE WRONGS WE HAVE COMMITTED"

Today, the Orthodox world stands at the threshold of the Great Feast. We call this day "CHEESEFARE SUNDAY". This Sunday is also appropriately referred to as "Forgiveness Sunday," calling our attention to the words of our Lord found in this morning's Gospel lesson: "For if you forgive men their trespasses, your Heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses." (Matthew 6:14-15) Realizing the necessity of entering the Great Fast at peace with one another, the Church prescribes a moving "Ceremony of Mutual Forgiveness" at the conclusion of Vespers on this day. The priest asks forgiveness from all those in attendance. In like manner, everyone asks pardon of one another for past offenses, embracing and exchanging the "kiss of peace" in the process. There is an ancient monastic tradition that has been adopted by some parishes of singing the sticheras of Pascha while this is being done, reminding us that we should seek forgiveness from one another as Lent begins for the sake of Christ, Who fasted, suffered and rose from the dead for our sake. So, as we sing in one of the verses from Vespers today: "Let us begin the Fast with joy! Let us prepare ourselves for spiritual efforts! Let us cleanse our souls and our flesh, so that we all may see Christ's Passion and rejoice in the spirit at the holy Pascha. " So, as we sing in one of the verses from Vespers today: "Let us begin the Fast with joy! Let us prepare ourselves for spiritual efforts! Let us cleanse our souls and our flesh, so that we all may see Christ's Passion and rejoice in the spirit at the holy Pascha. "



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 & receiving blessed bread at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy. We invite all of our guests to join us for our Fellowship Hour & to visit our Bookstore.

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