

St. Michael's Orthodox Church

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Gospel: Luke 19:1-10

February 6, Zacchaeus Sunday, St. Bucolus
Bishop of Smyrna & St. Photius, Patriarch of
Constantinople.

Epistle: 1Tim.4:9-15

Schedule of Services

Sunday, February 6, Matins 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m. - Anniversary (Parastas) for Elizabeth Hockin, offered by her family, Parastas for Fanny & Stephen Gazella offered by her children.

Saturday, February 12, Great Vespers 4:00 p.m.

Sunday February 13, Matins (Publican & Pharisee) 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.

Monthly Church Committee Meeting will be held on Monday, February 7th at 5:30 p.m. We will be planning our schedule of activities for our St. Michael's Center. Please make every effort to attend!

Perogi Construction Project - Rescheduled - for this Saturday, February 12, at 8:00 a.m. Please come out and offer your support of time and talent. **We need your help!**

Eat In or Take Out Halupki (Stuffed Cabbage) Dinner will be held on Saturday, February 26 at St. Michael's Center. This will be co-sponsored by Windsor Inn and St. Michael's Center. **Menu:** Three Cabbage Rolls, Mashed Potatoes & Green Beans. 1pm -6p.m. \$11.00 for dinner. Please call Ruth at 570-876-1456 for RSVP and tickets.

Church Bread (Prosfhora) will be made on Tuesday, February 8 at St. Michael's Center. A special thank you to Eva Demchak and her crew for organizing this project.

Lenten Ethnic Food Sale will be held on Wednesday, March 2, at St. Michael's Center. Please mark this date on your calendar of events. More information on menu will be available soon.

Church offering of \$1,000.00 has been given to our Church by Lara & Joseph Chup in loving memory of Madelyn Chup. **May her memory be eternal!**

The following donations have been given to our Church in loving memory of Nicholas Hanchak; \$100.00 offered by Dorothy Hanchak, \$50.00 by Ann Marie Kitchura, \$100.00 by Walter & Karen Bullett, \$50.00 by Linda Cerra, & \$20.00 by Gloria Jablonski. May his memory be eternal!

Church Lectionary Wall Calendars for 2022 are in back of the Church. A Special thank you to the Battenberg funeral home for the sponsorship of our calendars, and printed by St. Tikhon's Monastery Press.

The balance of the Offering Envelops underneath the Church for 2022 has been sent to the homes of our parishioners this week. **When you are not in Church, please send the weekly offering.**

Coffee Hour for Sunday February 6, Maryann Dubee & Susan Schlasta **February 13,** Millie Telep & Dorothy Allen, **February 20** Matushka Kathy & Matushka Dolores, **February 27,** Ruth Lasichak & Roxanne Neutts

Please remember in your prayers; John Drutarosky, who is a guest at the Carbondale Nursing & Rehab Center, 10 Heart Place, Carbondale, Pa. 18407. Please send him a get-well card.

Please remember in your prayers; Alexander Wanas who is recuperating at home; 604 Scranton-Carbondale Highway, Childs, Pa. 18433. Please send him a get-well card. **Irene Leschak** who is home receiving rehab. 229 Lackawanna Ave, Jermyn, Pa. 18433. **Peter Senio is a guest at The Gardens of Green Ridge,** 2751 Boulevard Ave, Scranton, Pa.

If your Church Dues are in arrears, please make an effort to send them to the Church. The Annual dues are **\$160.00** per year. Please call Gloria Shaw at 570-954-3905 to get your balance.

Omicron variant is in all 50 states in our country. It is recommended to keep everyone safe to start wearing masks while in Church.

Zacchaeus Sunday: The paschal season of the Church is preceded by the season of Great Lent, which is also preceded by its own liturgical preparation. The first sign of the approach of Great Lent comes five Sundays before its beginning. On this Sunday the Gospel reading is about Zacchaeus the tax-collector. It tells how Christ brought salvation to the sinful man, and how his life was changed simply because he "sought to see who Jesus was" (Luke 19:3). The desire and effort to see Jesus begins the entire movement through Lent towards Pascha. It is the first movement of salvation.

