

SCRIPTURE READING OF THE DAY

1 Timothy 4:9-15 (Epistle)

This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance. For to this end we both labor and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Savior of all men, especially of those who believe. These things command and teach. Let no one despise your youth, but be an example to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity. Till I come, give attention to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine. Do not neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you by prophecy with the laying on of the hands of the eldership. Meditate on these things; give yourself entirely to them, that your progress may be evident to all.

Luke 19:1-10 (Gospel, Saint)

Then Jesus entered and passed through Jericho. Now behold, there was a man named Zacchaeus who was a chief tax collector, and he was rich. And he sought to see who Jesus was, but could not because of the crowd, for he was of short stature. So he ran ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Him, for He was going to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, He looked up and saw him, and said to him, Zacchaeus, make haste and come down, for today I must stay at your house." So he made haste and came down, and received Him joyfully. But when they saw it, they all complained, saying, "He has gone to be a guest with a man who is a sinner." Then Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Look, Lord, I give half of my goods to the poor; and if I have taken anything from anyone by false accusation, I restore fourfold." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he also is a son of Abraham; for the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost

Many thanks and blessings

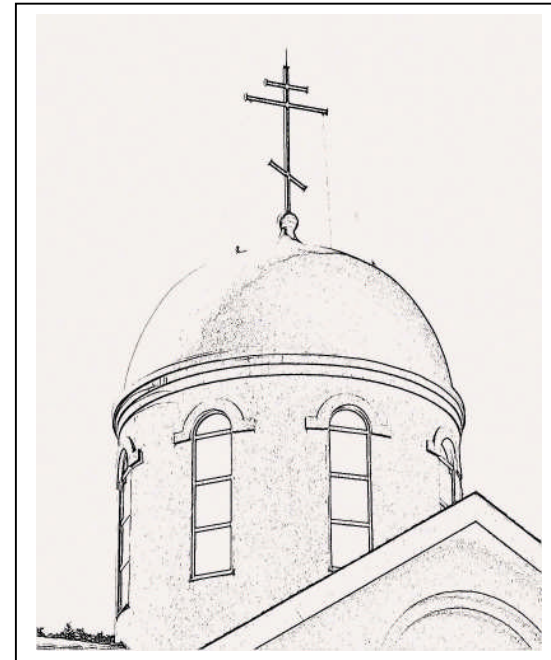
...to all who made special donations to help defray the burial expenses of our sister in Christ, +Marina Kupcha.

...to our church school children and teachers for giving us a wonderful presentation on the Nativity icon last Sunday.

...to all those who have increased their stewardship giving to our parish - especially in this difficult economic time.

...to Father Sergei for serving this weekend n Father Gary's place.

WEEKLY



BULLETIN

Today is the beginning of our salvation, the revelation of the eternal mystery. The Son of God becomes the Son of the Virgin as Gabriel announces the coming of Grace. Together with him let us cry to the Theotokos: Rejoice O Full of Grace, the Lord is with you!

Troparion of the Annunciation to the Theotokos

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January 17, 2010
32nd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
Sunday of Zacchæus

Tone 7. *Venerable and Godbearing Father Anthony the Great (356). Ven. Anthony of Dymsk (Novgorod—ca. 1224). Ven. Anthony of Chernoezérsk (16th c.).*

Today's Readings: *Epistle:* 1 Timothy 4:9-15 and Hebrews 13:17-21
Gospel: Luke 19:1-10 and Luke 6:17-23

Upcoming Week's Service Schedule:

Saturday – 7:00pm Vespers

Sunday – 10:00am Divine Liturgy

Epistle: 2 Timothy 3:10-15

Gospel: Luke 18:10-14

Coffee Hour Teams:
Today - Anderson Team
Next Sunday - Pasick Team

IOCC, a charitable arm of the Orthodox Church, is accepting donations to help the relief effort in Haiti. To make a gift, visit www.iocc.org, call toll free at 877-803-IOCC [4622], or mail a check or money order payable to IOCC, PO Box 630225, Baltimore, MD 21263-0225.

Special Prayers

We pray for **all** our fellow parishioners, but we pray especially for those who are incapable of being with us in church. Among them are: **Julia Katko, Paul Charuk, Ludmilla Tjaden, Steve Murko, Dorothy Gornick, and Anna Hlinka.**

Many Years!

Birthdays this week: Tuesday – Nicholas Kuzmin-Polansky, Daria Riegler

Welcome to our visitors who have joined us today for worship and prayer. We invite you to stay with us after Divine Liturgy for an Agape Coffee Hour in our Parish Hall. Please sign our guest book before you leave.

Adult Education class takes place Sundays at 9:00am in the church. We are studying the wonderful and important book, "**Partakers of Divine Nature**" by Archimandrite Christoforos Stavropoulos. **All are invited to participate.**

Annunciations

TODAY – **St. Catherine Society Meeting** in parish hall after Coffee Hour.

Friday, January 15 to Friday, January 22 - Father Gary will be away during this time. Father Sergei Kuharsky will be serving in his place, and will be available in case of emergency at (732) 833-0716.

Saturday, January 30 – The Most Rev. and Rt. Honorable Rowan Williams, archbishop of Canterbury and senior bishop of the worldwide Anglican communion, will deliver the annual **Father Alexander Schmemmann Memorial Lecture** at St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary. The archbishop will speak on the topic "Theology and the Contemplative Calling: The Image of Humanity in the *Philokalia*." The lecture is scheduled to begin at 12:30 p.m., and will be followed by a Q&A session. A public reception will follow the lecture. The seminary is located at 575 Scarsdale Road, in Yonkers, NY. Please visit www.svots.edu or call the seminary events coordinator at 914-961-8313 ext. 351 for further information.

Sunday, January 31 is the date of the **Annual Parish Meeting**. Reports will be distributed prior to the meeting. Please mark the date on your calendar and plan to attend this meeting.

The **blessing of homes** will continue on Monday, January 25. If you have yet to have your home blessed or scheduled for a blessing, Father Gary will be in contact with you within the next several days. If you have **not signed up** for having your house blessed, please **sign up** on the sheet in the narthex or call Father Gary at the rectory at (732) 458-9032.

Holy Water that was blessed on the Feast of the Theophany may be drawn from the font through today's Divine Liturgy. After then, additional water can be obtained by request of Father Gary.

*Bishop-Elect Michael (Dahulich) will be consecrated to the episcopacy on Saturday, May 8, 2010. As part of the celebration, a **banquet meal** will take place the afternoon of Saturday, May 8 at Casino-in-the-Park restaurant in Jersey City from 1 to 5pm. Tickets are \$75 per adult, \$25 per child under 8. **Our parish will reserve 2 tables of 8.** If you would like to attend and sit with fellow parishioners, contact Matushka Mary ASAP. These seats will be available on a first come, first served basis.*

OUTREACH

- **Food Pantry donations** are *always* accepted. Place non-perishable food items in blue bin in the narthex
- **Clothing donations** are accepted on the last Sunday of each month. Place donations next to the food pantry bin.