

## SCRIPTURE READING OF THE DAY

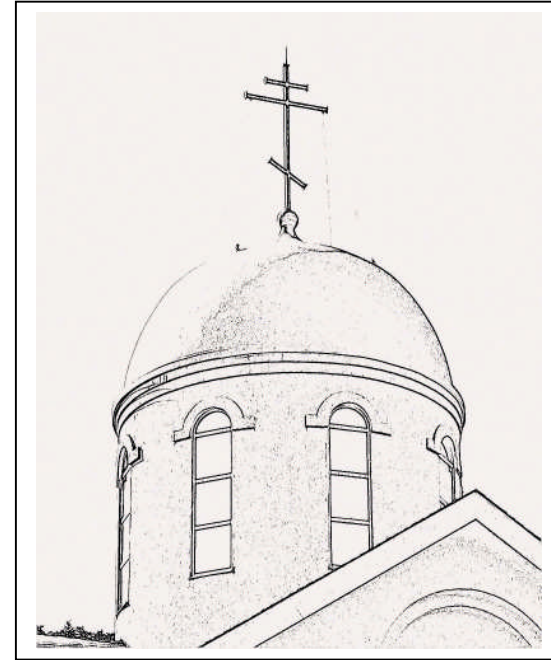
### 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 (Epistle)

All things are lawful for me, but all things are not helpful. All things are lawful for me, but I will not be brought under the power of any. Foods for the stomach and the stomach for foods, but God will destroy both it and them. Now the body is not for sexual immorality but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God both raised up the Lord and will also raise us up by His power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a harlot? Certainly not! Or do you not know that he who is joined to a harlot is one body with her? For "the two," He says, "shall become one flesh." But he who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with Him. Flee sexual immorality. Every sin that a man does is outside the body, but he who commits sexual immorality sins against his own body. Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own? For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's.

### Luke 15:11-32 (Gospel)

Then He said: "A certain man had two sons. And the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the portion of goods that falls to me.' So he divided to them his livelihood. And not many days after, the younger son gathered all together, journeyed to a far country, and there wasted his possessions with prodigal living. But when he had spent all, there arose a severe famine in that land, and he began to be in want. Then he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country, and he sent him into his fields to feed swine. And he would gladly have filled his stomach with the pods that the swine ate, and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you, and I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Make me like one of your hired servants." ' And he arose and came to his father. But when he was still a great way off, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and fell on his neck and kissed him. And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and in your sight, and am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his servants, 'Bring out the best robe and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand and sandals on his feet. 'And bring the fatted calf here and kill it, and let us eat and be merry; 'for this my son was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.' And they began to be merry. Now his older son was in the field. And as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. So he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and because he has received him safe and sound, your father has killed the fatted calf.' But he was angry and would not go in. Therefore his father came out and pleaded with him. So he answered and said to his father, 'Lo, these many years I have been serving you; I never transgressed your commandment at any time; and yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might make merry with my friends. 'But as soon as this son of yours came, who has devoured your livelihood with harlots, you killed the fatted calf for him.' And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that I have is yours. 'It was right that we should make merry and be glad, for your brother was dead and is alive again, and was lost and is found.' "

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 31, 2010**  
**34th Sunday after Pentecost**  
**SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON**

**Tone 1. New Martyrs and Confessors of Russia.** *Holy Wonderworkers and Unmercenaries Cyrus and John, and with them Martyrs Athanasia and her daughters: Theoctiste, Theodotia, and Eudoxia, at Canopus in Egypt (311). Ven. Nikita of the Kiev Caves, Bishop of Novgorod (1108). Martyrs Victorinus, Victor, Nicephorus, Claudius, Diodorus, Serapion, and Papias, of Egypt (251). Martyr Tryphaenes at Cyzicus. St. Arsenios of Pharos (1877).*

**Today's Readings:** *Epistle:* 1 Corinthians 6:12-20  
*Gospel:* Luke 15:11-32

**Upcoming Week Service Schedule:**

**Monday – 7:00pm Vespers w/Litya w/Blessing of Candles (Entry of Our Lord)**

**Tuesday – 9:30am Divine Liturgy w/Blessing of Candles (Entry of Our Lord)**

**Saturday – 7:00pm Vespers**

**Sunday – 10:00am Divine Liturgy**

*Epistle:* 1 Corinthians 8:8-9:2

*Gospel:* Matthew 25:31-46

**Coffee Hour Teams:**

*Today – All Available    Next Sunday – May Team*

**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, David James (knee replacement surgery), Ludmilla Tjaden, Steve Murko, Dorothy Gornick, Mary Bionde, and Anna Hlinka.** We are also praying for **Archpriest Alexander Atty** who will be undergoing cancer surgery this week.

*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.**

**Today** is the date of the **Annual Parish Meeting.** The meeting will begin after the Coffee Hour. Please stay and participate. We need a **simple majority (+50%)** of "members in good standing" present in order to conduct the meeting. Extra reports are available for those who have not received them.

**Today** is **Youth Sunday** at our parish.

**Today – Giving statements for the year 2009** are available in the church narthex.

**Today – February Parish calendars** are available for pickup in the church narthex.

**Tuesday, February 2** is the **Feast of the Entry of Our Lord into the Temple.** This is a Major Feast of the Church. **Candles** will be blessed at the conclusion of Vespers on Monday and Divine Liturgy on Tuesday. An **Agape coffee hour** will be held after the service. Items for the coffee hour are greatly appreciated. Please see **Tammy Economou** if you would like to bring something.

**Friday, February 5** – A **Blini Fellowship Dinner** will be held at Holy Resurrection Church in Wayne at 7pm. Details are available on the flyer posted in the church narthex or by contacting Daria Chasse at (973) 571-9861 or [Rydzej5d@aol.com](mailto:Rydzej5d@aol.com).

**Sunday, February 7** is **Meatfare Sunday.** This is the last day that we should consume meat until Great and Holy Pascha.

**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.

*Many Years!*

**Birthdays this week:** *Monday* – Liz Petrides. *Tuesday* – Larisa Paxton. *Thursday* – Eileen Zamerovsky.

**Wedding Anniversaries this week:** *Friday* – Fr. Sergius and Mat. Faith Kuharsky (#54).

**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.