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WEEKLY BULLETIN Sunday, February 16, 2020

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Sunday of the Prodigal Son – Tone 2

Commemorating: St Nicholas, Equal-to-the-Apostles, Archbishop of Japan (1912); Martyrs Pamphilius—Presbyter, Valens—Deacon, Paul, Seleucus, Porphyrius, Julian, Theodulus, Elias, Jeremiah, Isaiah, Samuel, and Daniel, at Cæsarea in Palestine (309); St Maruthas, Bishop of Martyropolis in Mesopotamia (422); and, Persian Martyrs in Martyropolis in Mesopotamia (4th).

TODAY'S READINGS

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 [The Pastor's Defense against apostasy: Loyalty to Tradition]

Gospel: Luke 15:11-32 [The Parable of the Prodigal Son]

A WARM WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

We are pleased to have visitors worship with us, and we pray that you will be blessed through your experience in our services.

In the Orthodox Church, the reception of Holy Communion is reserved to those who are baptized and chrismated members of the Orthodox Church who have prepared themselves by fasting, prayer, participation in the divine services, and a timely Confession.

SCRIPTURAL READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Monday: 1 John 2:18-3:10 Mark 11:1-11
Tuesday: 1 John 3:11-20 Mark 14:10-42
Wednesday: 1 John 3:21-4:6 Mark 14:43-15:1
Thursday: 1 John 4:20-5:21 Mark 15:1-15
Friday: 2 John 1:1-13 Mark 15:22,25,33-41
Saturday: 1 Corinthians 10:23-28 Luke 21:8-9,25-27,33-36
Next Sunday: 1 Corinthians 8:8-9:2 Matthew 25:41-46

THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF OUR PARISH

TODAY: 9:00 a.m. DIVINE LITURGY followed by Church School and Coffe Hour

Candlestand: Leo Hays Greeter: Anna Hubler
Prophora: Ken Telles Reader: Dale Franchak
Counters: Dale Franchak and Joe Temnick
Father Elias: Joe Temnick
Coffee Hour: Dobrota, Radulescu, Rahal

SATURDAY: 5:45 pm Memorial Saturday memorial

6:00 p.m Great Vespers followed by Confession

NEXT SUNDAY: 9:00 a.m. DIVINE LITURGY followed by Church School

Candlestand: Gene Francello Greeter: Vickie Federoff
Prophora: Mike Wesdell Reader: John Klavzar
Counters: Bill Moision and Terry Miller
Father Elias: Ed Lump
Luncheon: Nikolaenko, Sheeler, Sladack, Thayer

SPECIAL OCCASIONS -- On behalf of the entire community we extend our prayers and best wishes to the following who celebrate special occasions this week: **BIRTHDAY** Iryna Sheeler, Monday, Feb 17th; Sally Menig, Wednesday, Feb 19th; Irene Gill, Thursday, Feb 20th; **ANNIVERSARY** Valerie & Christ Lane, Thurssday, Feb 20th. May God grant you all His blessings for MANY YEARS!

If we do not have your special occasions, please give the specific information to Matushka Vickie so we can offer our prayers and best wishes on your behalf.

THIRD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH -- TODAY is CHARITY SUNDAY so we would like to encourage your contributions to support those in need. May God bless you for sharing your blessings!

2020 PARISH COUNCIL -- The following is the make up the 2020 Parish Council: Dale Franchak, President; Patty Pelachik, V.President; Gene Francello, Secretary; Dennis Stavrou, Treasurer; Bill Moision, Financial Secretary; and members: Evan Keeling, Valerie Lane, and Mike Wesdell. We look forward to a great year

FORGIVENESS -- Make a special effort to be in Church next Sunday and participate in the beginning of Great Lent. Since we pray for God to “forgive us as we forgive others”, the Church give us an opportunity to practice what we preach. Be sure to experience and participate in Forgiveness Vespers.

LENTEN CLASS -- Every year during Great Lent our parish has held a class on Saturday afternoon, about the Orthodox Faith. In the early church Great Lent was the time for catechumens to prepare for Baptism on Holy Saturday. This year’s class will center on the book, *Introducing Eastern Orthodox Theology* by Fr Andrew Louth. The class will begin on Saturday, March 7, 2020, from 3:30 pm to Vespers.

BUY SCRIP -- The best way to increase profit from selling Scrip is to have more individuals participate and to purchase Scrip on a regular basis. Beth Brown is the person who has the scrip.

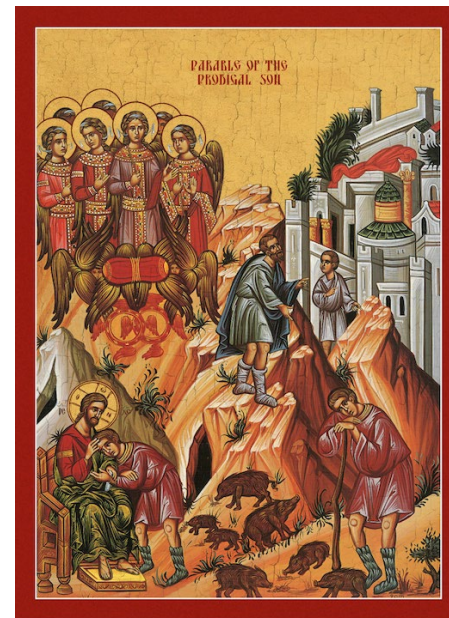
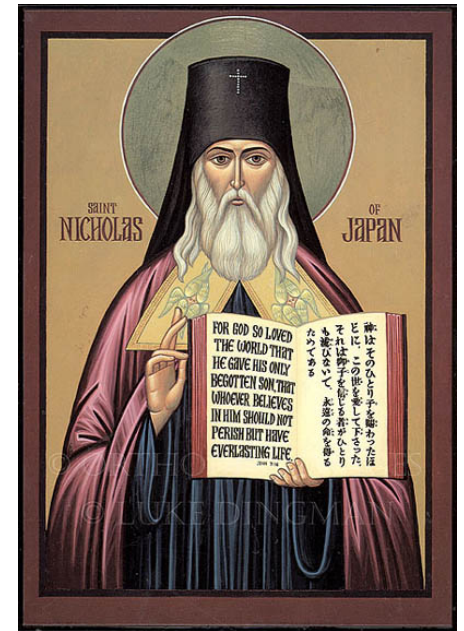
DIAMOND CIRCLE -- The Seniors of St John’s will be going to Pala Casino on Tuesday to attend a free Roy Orbison concert. You should have received an email with detailed instructions. If you want to carpool you must contact Joe Temnick.

CANDLESTAND WORKERS – We will have a meeting of everyone who would like to work at the candlestand two weeks from today, Sunday, March 1m 2020 during coffee hour.

THANK YOU -- Gene Francello would like to express his gratitude for all the cards, calls, visits and prayers from everyone during his surgery and recuperation!

Last Sunday’s Attendance: 70 Adults 28 Children

Feastday of St Nicholas of Japan



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