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The Pharisee & the Tax Collector • Pre-Feast of the
Presentation of our Lord in the Temple



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Apolytikion for the Resurrection (Tone 1): While the stone was sealed by the Jews, and the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body, Thou didst arise on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. For which cause the heavenly powers cried aloud unto Thee, O giver of life: Glory to Thy resurrection, O Christ! Glory to Thy kingdom! Glory to Thy providence, O Thou who alone art the lover of mankind.

Apolytikion for the Presentation (Tone 1): Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos, full of grace, for from thee arose the Sun of justice, Christ our God, lighting those who are in darkness! Rejoice and be glad, O righteous old man, carrying in thine arms the Deliverer of our souls, who granteth us resurrection!

Apolytikion of All Saints (Tone 4): Adorned in the blood of Thy martyrs, throughout all the world as in purple and fine linen, Thy Church through them doth cry unto Thee, O Christ God: Send down Thy compassion upon Thy people! Grant peace to Thy habitation and great mercy to our souls.

Kontakion for the Presentation (Tone 1): Thou, O Christ God, who by Thy birth, didst sanctify the Virgin's womb, and as is meet, didst bless Simeon's arms, and didst also come to save us: Preserve Thy fold in wars, and confirm them whom Thou didst love, for Thou alone art the Lover of mankind.

EPISTLE READING

For the Sunday of the Pharisee & Tax Collector

Prokeimenon – Psalm 32:22, 1

Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us, even as we hope in Thee. Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous; praise befits the upright.

**The reading from the Second Epistle of St. Paul to St. Timothy
(3:10-17)**

MY SON TIMOTHY, you have carefully followed my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, long-suffering, love, perseverance, persecutions, afflictions, which happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium, and at Lystra.

What persecutions I endured! And out of them all the Lord delivered me. Yes, and all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will suffer persecution. But evil men and impostors will grow worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived. But you must continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned them, and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.

FIRST GOSPEL READING

For the Presentation of our Lord

The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke (2:22-40)

AT THAT TIME, when the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought Jesus up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, “Every male that opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord”) and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the law of the Lord, “a pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons.”

Now there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and this man was righteous and devout, looking for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he should not see death before he had seen the Lord’s Christ. And inspired by the Spirit, he came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of the law, he took him up in his arms and blessed God and said: “Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace, according to Thy word; for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation which Thou hast prepared before the face of all peoples, a light to enlighten the Gentiles, and the glory of Thy people Israel.”

His father and his mother marveled at what was said about him, and Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, “Behold, this child is set for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign that is spoken

against (and a sword will pierce through your own soul also), that thoughts out of many hearts may be revealed.”

There was also a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher; she was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years from her virginity, and as a widow till she was eighty-four. She did not depart from the temple, worshiping with fasting and prayer night and day. And coming up at that very hour she gave thanks to God, and spoke of him to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

And when they had performed everything according to the law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own city, Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

SECOND GOSPEL READING

For the Sunday of the Pharisee & Tax Collector

The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke (18:10-14)

THE LORD SPOKE THIS PARABLE: Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector.

The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, ‘God, I thank Thee that I am not like other men, extortionists, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get.’

But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, ‘God, be merciful to me a sinner!’ I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but he who humbles himself will be exalted.



Announcements and Upcoming Events

For a full calendar of events and services, visit www.allsaintsorthodox.org

Sunday, Feb. 1:

- Orthros & Divine Liturgy, beginning 8:30am, followed by the blessing of candles
- Coffee hour provided by last names G-K
- Church school for all ages; adult class led by Fr Pat

Monday, Feb. 2: Orthros for the Feast of our Lord's Presentation, 9am

Tuesday, Feb. 3: Morning prayers, 9am

No morning prayers at the church this Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday. There is also no fasting this week on Wednesday and Friday, the week after the Sunday of the Pharisee and Tax Collector.

Wednesday, Feb. 4: Vespers, 7pm

Saturday, Feb. 7: Vespers, 7pm

Next Sunday, February 8: The Prodigal Son

- Orthros & Divine Liturgy, beginning 8:30am
- Coffee hour provided by last names L-P
- Church school for all ages; adult class led by Joseph Letendre

UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS

Friday, Feb. 13: Suplicas a la Madre de Dios (Spanish Paraklesis Service to the Theotokos), 6:30pm at St. George Church in Cicero

Saturday, Feb. 14: Sabbath of Souls Divine Liturgy at All Saints, 10am. This is a yearly memorial Liturgy for the departed. Please provide Fr. Andrew with a list of your departed family members and friends for inclusion in this service.

Meat-Fare Sunday is Feb. 15, the last day for meat until Pascha. Cheese-Fare is Feb. 22, the last day for dairy and eggs, for those able to keep the fast.

Sunday, Feb. 22: Forgiveness Sunday Vespers at 7pm, with the Rite of Forgiveness. This marks the formal beginning of Lent in our tradition. All of us should make every effort to be present!

Feb. 22-28: First week of Lent; services every evening at 7pm

THE ALL SAINTS ICON ACADEMY will again host classes this spring on select Saturdays, to complete an icon from start to finish. This year, our icon will be of St. John the Baptist. Please see Eva W. for more details or Fr Andrew if you'd like a blessing to participate. Also, consider sharing the information with someone else you think may be interested.

CHURCH SCHOOL DAY OF SERVICE. On February 8, the children's church school classes will be participating in our annual Day of Service. This year's focus will be on creating hygiene kits for IOCC. We are looking for donations of travel sized shampoo, toothpaste, deodorants, full sized individually wrapped bars of soap, and individually wrapped toothbrushes. Please check out the Amazon wish list for additional requests. All donations are due on Wednesday, February 4.

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/273SXHOTH0Y1?ref=wl_share

CHURCH FISCAL YEAR. Due to Archdiocese financial and reporting requirements, our parish council has decided to move our church's fiscal year from October-September to match the calendar year January-December. Our Archdiocese member and financial reports are due after the close of the calendar year, so this change will enable our council and treasurer to prepare the information once instead of twice. This also means our next all-church convocation will be towards the end of January 2027. Please see Fr. Andrew or any parish council member if you have any questions or concerns.

2025 DONATION STATEMENTS. Typically the yearly donation statements for tax purposes are distributed in church the third and fourth Sunday in January. Due to the basement flooding, there may be some hesitation in attending church services these days. As a courtesy, I am happy to email anyone their donation statements. As transmitting this information electronically requires the donor's authorization, please email me at allsaintsorthodox@outlook.com and asmilanich@att.net if you prefer to receive an electronic donation statement this year. Thank you for your understanding! Regards, Alice Ilievski

Volunteer Schedule

Date	Reader	Prospora	Greeter	Coffee	Food
Sun 2/1 <i>Phar/Pub</i>	Michelle	Pat K	Richard B	Lydia A	G-K
Sun 2/8 <i>Prodigal</i>	Sd Joseph	Domitille	Nancy L	Domitille	L-P
Sat 2/14 <i>Soul Sat.</i>	Jim K	Dn Walid	Tobey L	n/a	n/a
Sun 2/15 <i>Meatfare</i>	Paul K	Cristina P	Domitille	<i>volunteer</i>	R-Z
Sun 2/22 <i>Forgiveness</i>	Steve K	Sandy A	John O	Zach C	A-F
Wed 2/25 <i>Presanctified</i>	N/A	Sarah C	JoAnne T	<i>volunteer</i>	Potluck
Sun 3/1 <i>Orthodoxy</i>	Joseph L	Sephora I	Azizeh	Lydia A	G-K
Wed 3/4 <i>Presanctified</i>	N/A	Sarah C	Richard B	<i>volunteer</i>	Potluck
Sun 3/8 <i>Palamas</i>	Rich C	Debbie K	Nancy L	<i>Domitille</i>	L-P

For Sunday coffee hour, the last names of our church members have been divided into four parts alphabetically (A-F, G-K, L-P, and R-Z). On your assigned week, please bring something simple to share with everyone for coffee hour.

If you have children, monitor them as they go through the coffee hour line, and make sure they don't take more than they can eat. Please also help your children clean up after themselves.

Weekly clean-up will be the responsibility of those providing coffee hour, but of course, things go faster when we all pitch in and help!



DAILY BIBLE READINGS

FEBRUARY 1-7, 2026

*Old Testament readings continue through the
Wisdom literature, while the Epistles and
Gospels are based on the pre-Lenten lectionary*

Sunday, Feb. 1: Bridget of Ireland; Perpetua & Felicity

Matthew 28:16-20 / 2 Timothy 3:10-17 / Luke 18:9-14

Monday, Feb. 2: Presentation of our Lord in the Temple

Exodus 12:51-13:3, 13:11-16 / Leviticus 12:1-8 / Numbers 18:14-19
Isaiah 6:1-10 / Isaiah 19:1-21 / Hebrews 7:7-17 / Luke 2:22-40

Tuesday, Feb. 3: Symeon the God-Receiver & Prophetess Anna

Wisdom of Sirach 10 / 2 Peter 1:12-2:3 / Mark 12:38-44

Wednesday, Feb. 4: Isidore of Pelusium

Wisdom of Sirach 11 / 2 Peter 2:4-22 / Mark 13:1-13

Thursday, Feb. 5: Martyr Agatha

Wisdom of Sirach 12 / 2 Peter 3:1-18 / Mark 13:14-27

Friday, Feb. 6: Photius the Great, Patriarch of Constantinople

Wisdom of Sirach 13 / 1 John 1:1-2:6 / Mark 13:28-37

Saturday, Feb. 7: Richard, King of Wessex

1 John 2:7-17 / Luke 20:45-21:4

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