

+ УКРАЇНСЬКА ГРЕКО- КАТОЛИЦЬКА ЦЕРКВА СВ. ЙОСАФАТА ST. JOSAPHAT UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH Бюлетень – Bulletin

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January 24, 2021

Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee; Our Venerable Mother Xenia the Roman

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Schedule of Sunday & Weekday Services

<u> 1.24.2021 – Неділя митаря і</u>	<u> 1.24.2021 – Sunday of the Publican</u>	
фарисея	and Pharisee	
9:30 а.m Вервиця і сповідь	9:30 a.m Rosary and Reconciliation	
10:00 а.m Служба Божа	10:00 a.m Divine Liturgy	
<u> 1.31.2021 – Неділя Блудного сина</u>	<u> 1.31.2021 – Sunday of the Prodigal Son</u>	
9:30 а.m Вервиця і сповідь	9:30 a.m Rosary and Reconciliation	
10:00 а.т Служба Божа	10:00 a.m Divine Liturgy	
Святковий обід і Прощання	Farewell to Christmas Potluck and	
зколядою	Caroling after Liturgy	

Sunday Collection for January 17, 2021:

Envelopes: \$270	.00 Loose Cash	: \$45.00 Pa	rish Dues: \$25.00
Candles: \$49.00	Mission Fund: \$28.00	Initial Offering: \$3.00	TOTAL: \$420.00
Please mail your donations to: St. Josaphat, 8624 White Oak Ave, Munster IN 46321, THANK YOU!			

It is with great sadness we must inform you that long-time parishioner Nettie Zaluzec went to the Lord on December 17, 2020. The Funeral Service was on Monday, December 21, 2020 at St. Josaphat Ukrainian Catholic Church, followed by burial at Mount Hope Cemetery in Chicago, Illinois. Please keep Nettie in your prayers and pray that her five sons and their families may be consoled. *Eternal Memory. Вічная пам'ять*.

<u> Парафіяльні Оголошення</u>

- 1. Святковий обід і Прощання з колядою 31 січня.
- 2. Якщо ви бажаєте, щоб священник відвідав ваш дім з Йорданським благословенням, будь ласка, виповніть форму, яка є при вході до храму.
- 3. Запрошуємо долучатись усіх бажаючих для приготування вареників. Просимо приходити у четвер вранці для підготовки продуктів і у п'ятницю для ліплення.
- 4. У зв'язку зі зростанням захворюваності на COVID-19 просимо одягати маски, мити руки чи використовувати санітайзер та зберігати дистанцію
- 5. Ми закликаємо всіх наших парафіян молитися за мир у світі, особливо про закінчення війни та мир в Україні, а також щоб США зібралися разом і намагалися зрозуміти один одного.

Parish Announcements

- 1. Farewell to Christmas Potluck and Caroling after Liturgy on Sunday, January 31, 2021.
- 2. If you would like to have your house blessed with Jordan Holy water, please, fill out form by the church entrance.
- 3. We need additional volunteers for our pyrohy ministry, especially in the food preparation area (Thursday morning) and in the cooking area (Friday).
- 4. Due to the increase in Covid 19 cases, please remember to wear a mask, wash hands or use sanitizer and keep social distance from those not in your family.
- 5. We call upon all our parishioners to pray for peace in the world, especially for the end of the war and peace in Ukraine, and that people of the USA come together and try to understand each other.

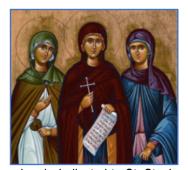
Prayer list of the sick or aged parishioners & friends of the parish

Finbarr Jones, Olga Wasylowsky, Teodozia Shyika Lucyk, Natalie Shuya, Charlotte Scheuer, Irene Karpinec, Nadia Kusznir, Oksana Nosyk, Rose Adamko, John Lackhouse, Richard Case, Laura Baker Coughlin and young Samuel Rocha. Remember also all those who have suffered due to Covid 19 – the ill, the

deceased, the healthcare workers and those lost jobs because of the virus.

If you know of someone who should be on this list, please let me know the name of the individual. Our intercessory prayer for the sick and aged is truly helpful and comforting.

Father Volodymyr would like to visit our sick and elderly parishioners, especially those who cannot be with us for liturgies. Please call him at **773-979-4737** to let him know who would like a visit. O. Володимир бажає відвідати хворих та старших парафіян, які не можуть приходити до церкви. Просимо повідомити його за номером **773-979-4737**.



Who is Venerable Mother Xenia the Roman?

St. Xenia of Rome, in the world Eusebia, was the only daughter of an eminent Roman senator. From her youth she loved God, and wanted to avoid an arranged marriage. She secretly left her parental home with two servants devoted to her, and set sail upon a ship. Through the Providence of God she met the head of the monastery of the holy Apostle Andrew in Milassa, a town of Caria (Asia Minor). She besought him to take her and her companions to Milassa. She also changed her name, calling herself Xenia [which means "stranger" or "foreigner" in Greek]. At Milassa she bought land, built a

church dedicated to St. Stephen, and founded a woman's monastery. Soon after this, Bishop Paul of Milassa made Xenia a deaconess, because of her virtuous life. The saint helped everyone: for the destitute, she was a benefactress; for the grief-stricken, a comforter; for sinners, a guide to repentance. She possessed a deep humility, accounting herself the worst and most sinful of all. In her ascetic deeds she was guided by the counsels of the Palestinian ascetic, St. Euthymius. The sublime life of St. Xenia drew many souls to Christ. The holy virgin died in 450 while she was praying. During her funeral, a luminous wreath of stars surrounding a radiant cross appeared over the monastery in the heavens. This sign accompanied the body of the saint when it was carried into the city, and remained until the saint's burial. Many of the sick received healing after touching the relics of the saint. Following the death of St. Xenia,

first one of her former servants died, then the other. They were buried at the saint's feet.

In this new year 2021, remember those who have less. Donated food items are given to the local food pantry. Please show your thanks to God for what you have by sharing generously with others in need.



Publican and Pharisee: Humility vs Self-Righteousness

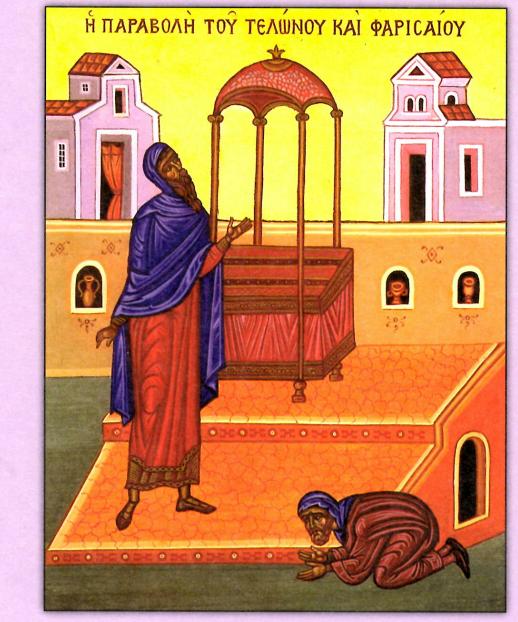
This parable represents to us two chariots on the race course, each with two charioteers in it. In one of the chariots it places righteousness with pride, in the other sin and humility. You see the chariot of sin outstrip that of righteousness, not by its own strength but by the excellence of humility combined with it, but the other is defeated not by righteousness, but by the weight and swelling of pride.

For as humility by its own elasticity rises above the weight of pride, and leaping up reaches to God, so pride by its great weight easily depresses righteousness. Although therefore you are earnest and constant in well doing, yet think you may boast yourself, you are altogether devoid of the fruits of prayer. But you that bears a thousand loads of guilt on your conscience, and only think this thing of yourself that you are the lowest of all men, shall gain much confidence before God.

And He then goes on to assign the reason of His sentence. For every one who exalts himself shall be abased, and he that humbles himself shall be exalted. The word humility has various meanings. There is the humility of virtue, as, a humble and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise. There is also a humility arising from sorrows, as, He has humbled my life upon the earth. There is a humility derived from sin, and the pride and insatiability of riches. For can anything be more low and debased than those who grovel in riches and power, and count them great things?

Saint John Chrysostom

SUNDAY OF THE PUBLICAN AND PHARISEE



Icon of the Publican and Pharisee