

Divine Liturgy Schedule Sunday, February 21

Sunday, February 21 - 10 a.m. Divine Liturgy; Tone 5 (220); 1st Sunday of the Great Fast

Monday, February 22 - Finding the Relics of the Martyrs of Eugenia 7 a.m. Liturgical Hours

Tuesday, February 23 - Polycarp Bishop Martyr; No Liturgy

Wednesday, February 24 - First and Second Findings of the Head of John the Baptist; 6:30 p.m. Pre-Sanctified Liturgy



Thursday, February 25 - Tarasius Patriarch; 7 a.m. Liturgical Hours

Friday, February 26 - Porphyry of Gaza Bishop; 6:30 p.m. Pre-Sanctified Liturgy



Saturday, February 27 - 9 a.m.; 2nd All Souls Saturday (222); Souls on All Souls List

Sunday, February 28 - 10 a.m. Divine Liturgy; 2nd Sunday of the Great Fast (Tone 6) 149; Intention of St. Ann Parishioners

Prayers for the Faithful requested for:
Bishop Andrew, Archbishop Basil, Tibor & Gertrude Beresky, Carmel Linskey, George Lukas, Fr. Eamon Mackin, Gerarda Odang, Fr. Peter Parchem, Bill Standley, Irene Stevens, + Norma Roshay, + Fr. Jim Ganahl and all in most need of our prayers.



• St. Anne's scooter patrol

Birthdays

February 25 - Megan Standley



• St. Anne's table at the Eucharistic / Marian Conference - over 160 souls attended Divine Liturgy

"Stars adorn the skies and dispassion has the virtues to make it beautiful. By dispassion I mean a heaven of the mind within the heart...One is truly dispassionate...when one has lifted one's mind above everything created, and has made it master of all the senses; when one keeps one's soul continually in the presence of the Lord and reaches out beyond the borderline of strength to Him."

- St. John Climacus

Parish News

✝ Baking Days: March 24th, 25th and 26th, 8:30 a.m. See Julie for details.

✝ This Friday, February 26, is Fabulous Fourth Friday, so we will have activity for our youth following the Pre-Sanctified Liturgy.

✝ As noted Sunday, "... Pope Benedict XVI has approved the change of the name of the Eparchy of Van Nuys of the Ruthenians to "Holy Mary of Protection Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Phoenix." Furthermore, the Pro-Cathedral of Saint Stephen is hereby elevated to the status of the Cathedral of the Holy Mary of Protection Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Phoenix."



• Joyce holding some blessed candles from Feb. 2nd candle blessing

Just for the Fun of it

A man moves into a tiny hamlet in County Kerry, walks into a pub and promptly orders three beers.

The bartender raises his eyebrows, but serves the man three beers, which he drinks quietly at a table, alone.

Next time he comes in to the bar he does the same, and the same the next time.

Finally, one day the bartender asks him "I don't mean to pry, but folks around here are wondering why you always order three beers?"

"Tis odd, isn't it?" the man replies, "You see, I have two brothers, and one went to America, and the other to Australia. We promised each other that we would always order an extra two beers whenever we drank as a way of keeping up the family bond."

The bartender and the whole town was pleased with this answer and soon the Man who orders three beers became a local celebrity and source of pride to the hamlet, even to the extent that out-of-towners would come to watch him drink.

Then, one day, the man comes in and orders only two beers. The bartender pours them with a heavy heart. This continues for a couple of weeks. He word flies around town. Prayers are offered for the soul of one of the brothers.

Then eventually the bartender says to the man, "Folks around here, me first of all want to offer condolences to you for the death of your brother. You know—the two beers and all..."

The man ponders this for a moment, then replies, you'll be happy to hear that my two brothers are alive and well... It's just that I, myself, have decided to give up drinking for Lent."



From the Pastor's Desk

Can you think of what is the most ferocious beast in the world? A polar bear, a tiger, a crafty snake? This beast I am thinking of has claws like swords; it cuts deeper than any polar bear, it has a roar that can sometimes be heard a 100 miles away, especially with television, it is more poisonous than the most poisonous of snakes, and often more clever and crafty, it will even spiritual kill itself in taking out its victims.

An untamed tongue is perhaps the most ferocious beast in the world. It can destroy families and friendships and nations, it spreads across the rich and poor and all in between, it is as St. James says, "a fire, a world of iniquity. St. Bernard warns, "Run from a backbiter as you would a serpent." St. John Chrysostom said: "But if you intend to speak ill, let me stop you right now; I cannot stand filth and stench. What have I to gain by knowing that someone is evil?" St. Augustine summed it up: "Detractors are hateful to God."

The Bible tells us that what is even more important than what goes in the mouth is what goes out of the mouth. We think of the Great Fast, as fasting from food, but that is just a preparation for something bigger. St. Basil tells us: "Turning away from all wickedness means *keeping our tongue in check*, restraining our anger, suppressing all evil desires, and *avoiding all gossip*, lying and swearing. To abstain from these things—herein lies the true value of fast." (cf Hom. On Fast II, 7)

One day when a monk, Father Magnus was visiting a sick priest in a neighboring village, he ran into the woman on the stairway down. She asked if she might walk with him, he cordially agreed. After a bit the woman broke out: "Oh, Father, I cannot tell you what a wicked woman—you know her—my neighbor is."

"Is that true? Then let us make haste to say the Rosary for her that she may turn from the error of her ways. In the name of the Father. . . ."

And so through the 15 decades with the woman making the responses. This carried part of the way home. Then the woman again took up the grievance. "Oh, dear Father, how can I ever have patience with that woman?" "It is hard to be patient; let us say the Rosary for you. In the name of the Father. . . ." and the 15 decade Rosary was said again. But when the last Hail Mary had been said, she felt that her chance had come, and she exclaimed, "Really, your Reverence, if you could see the way that woman makes her husband suffer." "Ah, poor man, we will say the Rosary for him." By the time this was finished they were at the monastery, and she made up her mind that it would be some time before she joined Father Magnus in another walk."

Continued, part 2 next week

Father James



• "St. Anne Bowl" - Halftime at Superbowl get together



Divine Liturgy

Sunday: 10 a.m.

Weekdays:

As scheduled (see inside)

Reconciliation

Sundays (9 a.m. - 9:40 a.m.)

Weekdays (after all Divine Liturgies and by appointment)

Baptisms/Marriages/ Anointing of the Sick

call for appointment

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