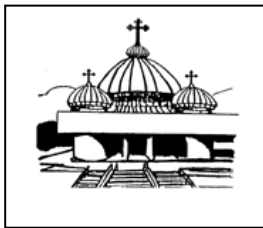


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DIVINE LITURGY:

SUNDAY: 9:00 a.m. (Ukrainian) **SUNDAY** 10:30 a.m. (English)

SATURDAY : 4:00 pm (English)

Confession: Before Divine Liturgies 9:00 am and 10:30 am on Sundays or anytime upon request.

Baptisms & Marriages: By prior arrangement (at least 1 year before the marriage date), through the parish office.

Visitations & Anointing of the Sick: Please notify the office if a member of your family is in need of a visit.

Dec. 16, 2018 - 29th Sunday after Pentecost

Epistle: Col. **3:12-16** see explanation on page 467
Gospel: **Luke 17:12-19** see explanation on page 183

Propers for the Divine Liturgy: ***Tone 4***

Prayer Intentions December 17-23

Monday		No Divine Liturgy
Tuesday	4:30 p.m.	Thanksgiving Bruce Tait and Family- Fr. Peter
Wednesday		
Thursday	4:30 p.m.	+Brian Simcoe – Fr. Peter
Friday		
Saturday	4:00 p.m.	+Harry Muzyka – T. Prinosky
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	For Parishiners
	10:30 a.m.	+Slavko Hucal & John Bilowus – Sonia Hucal

CHRISTMAS EVE DIVINE LITURGY

Monday DEC. 24 AT 4:00 PM

FOOD DRIVE: Please bring non-perishable items and place in the red box for our Annual Food Drive.

CABBAGE ROLLS WORKSHOP: Monday, December 17th, at 9 a.m. Everyone is welcome!

DECEMBER 16, 2018: It has come to our attention that the **Sunday envelope for December 16 is missing** from the envelope box. Please use a spare envelope from your box, or if using a blank envelope, make sure to write your name and envelope number on the front.

2019 SUNDAY ENVELOPES: Are ready for pick-up in the foyer. Anyone without envelopes and would like to register for a set is asked to contact the office. Also, if you did not receive your set, please let the office know.

2019 CALENDARS: Available with envelopes in the foyer. One per envelope please. Extras will be available when all parishioners have received one.

РОБИМО голубці – понеділок, 17 го грудня о год 9 ранком. Всіх запрошуємо до помочі.

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"Your faith has saved you." (Luke 17:19)

Desperate times call for desperate measures. And it's hard to get more desperate than the ten men with leprosy in today's Gospel reading. Their window of opportunity had just opened: Jesus, the miracle worker, was passing through their town. So they stretched their normal quarantine restrictions as much as they dared, and cried out: "Jesus, Master! Have pity on us!" (Luke 17:13).

Their disease didn't stand a chance. These men supplied the faith, and Jesus supplied the healing power. All that was left was for them to show themselves to the priests, who could verify their recovery. Imagine how quickly they must have rushed to the priests once they realized they were healed. They couldn't wait for the declaration that would allow them to rejoin their families and their community. Finally, their lives could return to normal!

This would be a heartwarming story of healing if it ended just there. But something else happened to turn it into a lesson about the Christian life as well. There was one among these

men whose thoughts went beyond the promise of a return to normalcy. This fellow returned to Jesus, worshipping God for his gift of healing. He reasoned that anyone with the power to heal such an infirmity must be sent from God. He must have a special link to God— something that demanded his attention. And so his focus moved from the healing to the Healer.

Such a humble, grateful response moved Jesus deeply, and he declared that this man had received “salvation” in a way that the others had yet to experience. This one had entered into a new relationship with God, and as a result his inner life was changing to reflect the healing that he had received in his body.

This man’s story can shape our own prayer. Yes, we should all cry out: “Jesus, Master! Have pity on me” (Luke 17:13). But if we want to find the inner transformation, the “salvation” that this man experienced, we should spend just as much time praising and worshipping the Lord for all that he has already done for us. Then the kingdom of heaven will be ours!

“Jesus, I believe you can help me. But even more, I believe in you. I will join my voice with all the redeemed in humble praise to you.”

Сьогоднішнє Євангеліє від Луки подає нам «Притчу про запрошених, що не приймають запрошення» (див. Лк 14,16-24). Подібну притчу знаходимо і в Євангелії від Матея (Мт 22,1-14), названу «Притчею про весільний бенкет». У цій притчі, окрім жорстокої розправи царя із тими, що відмовилися від його запрошення, читаємо також і про того «нешчасного» чоловіка, що не був убраний у весільну одіж: «Зв’яжіть йому й ноги й руки та й киньте геть у темряву кромішню! Там буде плач і скрегіт зубів» (Мт 22,13). У 14-ту неділю по Зісланні Святого Духа, коли Церква читає Притчу про весільний бенкет з Євангелія від Матея, її коментарем служить читання Апостола з 2 Кор 1,21-2,4, де апостол Павло говорить про співпрацю з коринтянами і радість – через їхню міцну віру, але, також, і про смуток, який йому завдала поведінка коринтян, несумісна із вірою у Христа. Сьогоднішній Апостол можна і треба читати у світлі нової людини, яка стала такою - через віру в Христа, скинувши із себе одяг старої людини.

Християнське життя - це постійне відновлення, щоб стати все більш подібними на Христа, у новій ментальності, яка приходить разом з вірою в Нього. Новизна цього життя спричинена тим, що ми прийняли Христа, повірили в Нього: «Ви покинули старе життя і його діла, так як скидається старий одяг. Тепер ви вже нові люди, а Бог вас відновлює постійно для того, щоб повести його до досконалого знання і щоб зробити вас подібними до нього, що вас створив. Таким чином, вже не має значення бути греками чи євреями, обрізаними чи необрізаними, варварами чи дикунами, рабами чи вільними». Жодне розрізнення, жоден поділ у світі вже більше не має значення. Те, що насправді має значення, - це Христос і Його присутність у всіх нас; і навіть не настільки Христос сам у собі, а Христос присутній у нас.




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