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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.

March 15, 2020

3rd Sunday of the Great Lent

Epistle: Hebrews 4:14 – 5:6 see explanation on page 519

Gospel: Mark 8:34-9:1 see explanation on page 105

Propers for the Divine Liturgy: *Tone 7*

Prayer Intentions (March 16-22)

Monday		No Divine Liturgy
Tuesday		No Divine Liturgy
Wednesday	5:30 p.m.	Presanctified Gifts
Thursday		No Divine Liturgy
Friday	5:30 p.m.	Sorokousty/Сорокоусти
Saturday	4:00 p.m.	+Andrea Yuriy(anniv) – Greg Yuriy with Panakhyd
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Divine Liturgy – Ukrainian
	10:30 a.m.	Thanksgiving Pauline Yawney

FINANCES: Available in the printed version of the bulletin.

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PYROHY WORKSHOP: Thursday, March 18th, 9:00 a.m.
Everyone is welcome!

He ran to his son, embraced him and kissed him. (Luke 15:20)

This parable has had many different titles through the years. Of course, there's "The Prodigal Son," but it has also been called "The Lost Son," "Two Sons," and even "The Running Father." But perhaps Jesus' listeners would have called it "The Foolish Father." The way that the father handled his wayward son was completely against the logic or tradition of first-century Judaism.

First, by asking for his inheritance while his father was living, the younger son was implying that he wished his father were dead. The father should have been furious at the request, but he divided up the inheritance instead.

Second, when the father gave his son his share of the inheritance, the son sold it, took the money, and ran with it. This was not just an insult but a financial blow to his father. Even if the father were to divide his estate before his death, his sons would not have been allowed to sell anything until after he had passed away. The father still needed to live, after all!

The fact that the father ran to greet this son would also have been shocking to Jesus' listeners. It was considered undignified for a mature man to be chasing after his son like that. As patriarchal as Jewish society was, children always came to their fathers, not the other way around! So it would have been scandalous for the father to humiliate himself before this ungrateful son.

Finally, when the father killed the fatted calf and threw a big party, he was indirectly using the eldest son's inheritance. There was nothing else left to use. No wonder the older boy was angry!

Jesus used the father's outlandish behavior to highlight the depth of God's mercy. It's almost illogical the way our heavenly Father forgives us over and over again. It's scandalous the way he lavishes us with undeserved treasures. But this is our God, and his love for us is real! Today, try to imagine God racing toward you: his robes hiked up, his face filled with anticipation. Doesn't it make you want to run to him?

"Thank you, Lord, for your endless mercy towards me. Show me how to run home to you and receive my inheritance!"

Micah 7:14-15, 18-20

Psalm 103:1-4, 9-12

Всемогутній предвічний Боже, Ти не хочеш смерти грішника, але бажаєш йому навернення, щоб він жив. Ти послав на спасіння наше єдинородного твого Сина, який нам заповідав: «Просіть, і дасться вам; шукайте, і знайдете; стукайте, і відчинять вам» (Мт 7,7).

Отож, ми до Тебе припадаємо і сокрушеним серцем зі сльозами молимо Тебе: «Не входи у суд із нами, але милостиво відверни твій справедливий гнів від нас і зціли смертоносну хворобу, що у ці часи людський рід несподівано немов мечем посікає.

Змилуйся над нами, Господи, змиლოსердися над нами і спаси людей твоїх, щоб здоровими жили за заповідями Твоїми і прославляли Ім'я твоє святе. Змилуйся і навідай хворих пошестю цією; підними їх з постелі немочі і дай їм здоров'я душевне і тілесне; а душі тих, що від цієї хвороби у вірі і надії воскресіння вже переставилися, упокой зі святими твоїми, де нема ні болі, ні скорботи, ні печалі, ні зітхання, але життя безконечне».

Молитвами Пресвятої Богородиці і Приснодіви Марії, захистом чесних небесних сил безтілесних та ангелів охоронців, милістю єдинородного Сина Твого, Господа нашого Ісуса Христа, якому належить усяка слава, честь і поклоніння з Безначальним Отцем і з Пресвятим та благим і животворчим твоїм Духом, нині і повсякчас і на віки віків. Амінь!

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