

St. Demetrius Ukrainian Orthodox Cathedral



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Epistle 2 Tim. 3:10-15

Tone 1

Gospel: Lk. 18:10-14

February 12th – Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee

TODAY'S SERVICES:

Sun. 8:30am Memorial Service – Joe Skitka by his nephew James
Sun. 9:00am Divine Liturgy – Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee – Holy Wonderworkers and Unmercenaries Cyrus and John (311) and with them Martyrs Athanasia and her daughters Theoctiste, Theodota, and Eudoxia (311). Martyrs Victorinus, Victor, Nicephorus, Claudius, Diodorus, Serapion, and Papias of Egypt (251). Martyr Tryphaenes at Cyzicus (1st c.). St. Nicetas of the Kyiv Caves (1108).

SERVICES FOR THE WEEK:

Wed. 7:30pm Bible Study Class – Virtual and in person at the church
Sun. 9:00am Divine Liturgy – Sunday of the Prodigal Son

Altar Servers: Subdeacon J.D. Cairns, Qorey Carter, Ryan Fealy

Reader: Subdeacon Thomas Bodnar or Subdeacon J.D. Cairns

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR: John Happy Sr., Bill Stokes, Joan Nardi, Marci Pusillo, George Terebush, Pani Mary Ann, David Deli, Richard Hycuna, Diane Decibus Morgan, John Piropato, John Zelenak, Hilda Zuccaro, Thomas Zuccaro, Joseph Nardi, Olga Piropato, Nancy Grabie, Mary Wrubleski, Margaret York, Ronald York, Ann Holoob, Jeanette Stokes, Bruce Wadiak, Patty Tucker, Michelle Goldberg, Raymond Wizna, Catherine Ann Bylinski, Anna Muzyka, Kathleen Ward, Olivia Zazworsky, Andrew, Christopher, Sarah, Arthur, David, Alexander, Joseph, John, Robert, Kirsten, John, David, Bill and Gloria & children Oskar, Tessa, Robert, Jacob,

and Jonathan, remembering all the sick, the suffering, those in hospitals and nursing homes, and all the men and women in the US Military, especially Vitaly Pacej, who serve our country and all of us. Please keep them in your prayers daily, asking God's protection upon them all.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO: Zuzana Pancik, Catherine Ann Bylinski, and Jillian Stokes, and all those celebrating birthdays or special intentions, may the Lord grant you all "Many Blessed Years, Mnohaya Lita!"

Adult Bible Study: We will be reading Exodus 16-20. All are welcome to join.

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE: February 27th will be our **Annual Parish Meeting**..

SUPER BOWL SUNDAY – TODAY February 13th - Senior UOL will take up a special collection for St. Andrew's Society which supports the Soup Kitchens in Ukraine. For those parishioners wishing to send donations by mail, please make checks payable to Senior UOL and mail to the attention of John Lehotsky at St. Demetrius UOC, 641 Roosevelt Ave., Carteret, NJ 07008. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee

The focus this Sunday is on the Gospel of Luke 18:10-14, in which two men went to the Temple to pray. One was a Pharisee, an externally decent and righteous man of religion, and the other was a publican, a sinful tax-collector who was cheating the people.

Though the Pharisee was genuinely righteous under the Law, he boasted before God and was condemned. The publican, although he was truly sinful, begged for mercy, received it, and was justified by God.

On this Sunday in the preparation for Great Lent, Orthodox Christians are to see that they have not the religious piety of the Pharisee, but the repentance of the publican. They are called to think about themselves, in the light of Christ's teaching, as they really are and to beg for mercy. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and everyone who humbles himself will be exalted. (Luke 18:14)

Kontakion (Tone 4)

Let us flee from the pride of the Pharisee! / And learn humility from the Publican's tears! / Let us cry to our Savior, / Have mercy on us, / Only merciful One!

ALL EMERGENCIES: PLEASE MAKE SURE TO CALL FATHER JAMES for any and all emergencies – for hospital, nursing home, or home visitations. PLEASE call his Cell number 732-619-3259, if necessary, please leave a voice message, Father will return your call. THANK YOU.