

# SAINT IRENE BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH ВІЗАНТІЙСЬКА КАТОЛИЦЬКА ЦЕРКВА СВЯТОЇ ВЕЛИКОМУЧЕНИЦІ ІРИНИ

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## Thirty-Third Sunday After Pentecost. Sunday of Zacchaeus.

## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE: January 26—February 2

Sunday, January 26—Thirty-Third Sunday After Pentecost. Sunday of **chaeus** (161)

9:30 a.m.—Rosary & Third Hour

10:00 a.m.—Divine Liturgy For Parishioners, Benefactors and Friends of St. Irene

Monday, January 27—Saint John Chrysostom

Tuesday, January 28—Our Venerable Father Ephrem the Syrian

Wednesday, January 29—The Holy Priestly-Martyr Ignatius The God-Bearer, (Theophorus)

Thursday, January 30—The Three Hierarchs: Saint Basil The Great, Saint Gregory The Theologian And Saint John Chrysostom (318)

7:00 p.m.—Divine Liturgy

Friday, January 31—Cyrus And John, The Unmercenary Saints And Miracle-Workers

Saturday, February 1—Pre-festive Day of the Feast of the Meeting. The Holy **Martyr Tryphon** 

7:00 p.m. Great Vespers

Sunday, February 2—Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee. The Presentation of the Lord (the "Meeting") (125-127, 215, 321-324)

9:30 a.m.—Rosary & Third Hour

10:00 a.m.—Divine Liturgy (after Divine Liturgy blessing of Candles)

## WELCOME TO ALL PARISHIONERS & GUESTS WHO HAVE JOINED US TODAY

Whether you're searching for a new church home or just visiting, we're glad you're with us today. If you are looking for God, have a prayer request, looking for more information about the Eastern Catholic Church, would like to join our parish, or would like to speak with Fr. Vasyl, we invite you to fill out a visitor's card and drop it in the offering basket as your offering today. Please join us for our coffee hour in the Parish hall following the Divine Liturgy. We want to get to know you! God bless you!



#### PLEASE REMEMBER THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS

For health and salvation: Bishop Gerald N Dino, Fr. Frank Knuzel, Fr. Chris Zugger, Fr. Stephen Casmus, Tony and family, James, Ellie, Kanye & Kim, Michael Cernovich, Stephan Molyveux, Glen Damewood, Luc and family Damewood, Luc and family

For repose of the departed: +Kristina Beresh, + Fr. Michael Irwin, +Dorothy Beresh Please pray also for all our benefactors, friends, neighbors and anyone we may have forgotten. Please let Fr. Vasyl know if you would like to add new names to the prayer list and also notify him about any sick and/or hospitalized parishioners and family members.

Volunteers needed: Dear Parishioners and friends of our parish, Today right after Divine Liturgy we need your help with un-decorating of our church and hall. Thank you for all you do for our parish. May God save you and have mercy on you.

#### **Blessings of Homes 2020:**

It is time to sign up for house blessings. If you would like to have your house blessed, please use the signup sheet in the hall to indicate the date and the time for your home blessing.

Beginning February, every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month we will have an Adult Eastern Christianity class at 12:15 p.m. Adults and young adults are encouraged to attend as part of their spiritual development.

Blessing of Candles: Please bring your candles for blessing next Sunday, February 2. Also, candles will be available for purchase in our Gift Shop. See Pani Oresta. Candles will be blessed next Sunday on feast of The Presentation of the Lord (the "Meeting"), after the Divine Liturgy.

#### **7-DAY CANDLE OFFERING:**

If you would like to offer the 7-day candle for the intention of your family, friends, or loved ones, please use an envelope marked "7-Day Candle Request' found in the narthex and put it in Sunday's collection basket. Lamps are lit the following week after the Saturday Liturgy and the intention is published in the Parish Bulletin.

Do not say, "this happened by chance, while this came to be of itself." In all that exists there is nothing disorderly, nothing indefinite, nothing without purpose, nothing by chance ... How many hairs are on your head? God will not forget one of them. Do you see how nothing, even the smallest thing, escapes St. Basil the Great the gaze of God?

If a man has no worries about himself at all for the sake of love toward God and the working of good deeds, knowing that God is taking care of him, this is a true and wise hope. But if a man takes care of his own business and turns to God in prayer only when misfortunes come upon him which are beyond his power, and then he begins to hope in God, such a hope is vain and false. A true hope seeks only the Kingdom of God... the heart can have no peace until it obtains such a hope. This hope pacifies the heart and produces joy within it.

St. Seraphim of Sarov

### **A Parish Praver**

O God, the Creator and Giver of all things, bless our Parish. Strengthen our faith; grant us the spirit of sacrifice so that, with Your grace, we may provide for the needs of our Parish, glorify You and sanctify ourselves, through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

#### January 19

Tithes: \$562.00 Attendance: 36

Thank you for your generous support and contributions to the Lord's Holy House.

All Souls Saturdays: We have 5 All Souls Saturdays to commemorate our dead relatives and all the faithful departed. The first All Souls Saturday will be on February 15. Envelopes marked "All Souls Saturdays" are available in the narthex. Please place an offering envelope with names of your loved ones in the offering basket so that we can make list for commemorating our loved departed.

#### BLESSING OF CANDLES

## What is the ouroose of having candles blessed? How do Christians use these blessed candles?

On special occasions this candle can be lit as the center of

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- before an icon during daily prayer
- during scriptural readings done by the
- in time of distress, as a sion of hope
- at the bedside of a sick person
- \*when a priest comes to visit a sick

Usually this candle is lit on special occasions when seeking God's help in dealing with life's challenges and problems. This candle is also called Gromovitsa (it is lit during a storm and bad weather)