



# SAINT IRENE BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## CHEESEFARE SUNDAY SUNDAY OF FORGIVENESS

### Schedule of Services February 14—February 21

Sunday, February 14—Cheesefare Sunday.  
Sunday of Forgiveness

9:45 a.m. Third Hour

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy *For parishioners, founders, donors, decorators of our church and for their relatives*

The Order of Vespers on the Sunday of Forgiveness (Cheesefare Sunday)

Monday, February 15

First Day of the Great Fast. A day of Strict Fast & Abstinence: no meat or dairy products or eggs are allowed.

7:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts  
*For George, Wendy Nuxoll by Nuxoll family*

Wednesday, February 17

7:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts  
*For George, Wendy Nuxoll by Nuxoll family*

Friday, February 19

7:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts  
*For Martin Nuxoll by Nuxoll family*

Saturday, February 20

9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy *For Martin Nuxoll by Nuxoll family*

Sunday, February 21—First Sunday of the Great Fast. Sunday of Orthodoxy

9:45 a.m. Third Hour

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy *For parishioners, founders, donors, decorators of our church and for their relatives*



### 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!

"The best way to defeat the devil is by patience. As long as we endure and do not take revenge, the spirit of peace calms us. To the degree that we pray for our enemies and take all the blame on ourselves, we will feel great peace in our souls. And if our thoughts tell us that "so-and-so is also to blame and not just me," and this thought conquers us, then the Holy Spirit leaves us, we begin to feel heaviness in our souls, and we can't endure anymore."

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### Please remember in your prayers:



**For health and salvation:** Fr. Chris Zuger, Tony and family, Justin Brevoort, Michael Baron, Brenda Washicko

**For repose of the departed:** +Bishop Gerald N Dino, +Fr. Frank Knuzel,  
*Please let me know if you would like to add new names to our prayer list.*

**ANSWERING GOD'S CALL:** "Where your treasure is, your heart will be also". It is easy to mistake what our true treasure is, and we need wisdom and insight to see clearly. Our kontakion tells us that God is the "guide to wisdom and giver of insight". Is he guiding you to see that a vocation to the religious or ordained life is for you? As you pray and seek wisdom, consider contacting the Vocations Office at 206-329-9219 or email: [vocations@ephx.org](mailto:vocations@ephx.org)

### 7-DAY CANDLE OFFERING:

**Eternal Light:** Eternal Light: 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.

### Zoom adult ECF classes:

On Sunday, February 14, we will have Adult Eastern Christianity class at 4:00 PM. We will talk about Eastern Catholic Catechism. Adults and young adults are encouraged to attend as part of their spiritual development.

Topic: Catechism – Christ Our Pascha

Time: Feb 14, 2021 04:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us04web.zoom.us/j/74531951795?](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/74531951795?pwd=Qj9mZCtOekFwZGFJUGxLN3hEUUFEQT09)

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Meeting ID: 745 3195 1795

Passcode: Lxi5UX

### WHEN YOU FAST, DO NOT BE LIKE THE HYPOCRITES

The actor seems glorious just as long as the audience is sitting; or rather not even then in the sight of all. For the greater part of the spectators know what it is, and what part he is acting...

What He says is like this: Do not bury gold in the earth ...for you do but gather it for the moth and the rust and the thieves. And even if you should entirely escape these evils, still the enslaving of your heart, the nailing of it to all that is below, you will not escape: "For wherever your treasure may be, there your heart is also. As then, laying up stores in heaven, you will reap not only this fruit, the attainment of reward for these things, but from this world you already receive your recompense ...you do not only bury your gold, but plant it. For the same is both treasure and seed: or rather it is more than either of these. For the seed does not remain for ever, but this abides perpetually. Again, the treasure does not germinate, but this bears you fruits which never die..."

St. John Chrysostom



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### Lenten Prayer of St. Ephrem

O Lord and Master of my life, take from me the spirit of sloth, despair, lust of power, and idle talk.

But give rather the spirit of chastity, humility, patience, and love to Thy servant.

Yea, O Lord and King, grant me to see my own transgressions, and not to judge my brother, for blessed art Thou, unto ages of ages. Amen.

Today right after the Divine Liturgy there will be served The Order of Vespers on the Sunday of Forgiveness (Cheesefare Sunday).