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MEATFARE SUNDAY SUNDAY OF THE LAST JUDGMENT

Schedule of Services February 7—February 14

Sunday, February 7—Meatfare Sunday
9:45 a.m. Third Hour
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy *For parishioners, founders, donors, decorators of our church and for their relatives*

Monday, February 8
9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy *For George, Wendy Nuxoll by Nuxoll family*

Tuesday, February 9
9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy *For George, Wendy Nuxoll by Nuxoll family*

Wednesday, February 10
Aliturgical day (without Divine Liturgy)
9:00 a.m. Sixth Hour

Thursday, February 11
No Divine Liturgy

Friday, February 12
Aliturgical day (without Divine Liturgy)
9:00 a.m. Sixth Hour

Saturday, February 13—Memory of all Holy Ascetics
9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
(Panachida after Divine Liturgy)

**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)



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. Vasyly, 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!

"One guards his conscience with respect to God when he avoids the various sins. He guards his conscience with respect to his neighbor when he does not grieve him, judge him, slander him, scandalize him, or push him towards evil deeds. He guards his conscience with respect to things when he does not cause destruction or damage to material things through carelessness, negligence..."
Elder Ephraim of Arizona

Please remember in your prayers:



For health and salvation: Fr. Chris Zugger, 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: "Whatever you did for the least of my brethren, you did it for me." Our vocation is about being Christ to others and seeing Christ in others with as much faith, hope and love as possible. Is God calling you to this life through an increase in prayer as a monk, nun, or member of the clergy? To find out more, contact the Vocations Office at 206-329-9219 or email: vocations@ephx.org

All Souls Saturdays: We have 5 All Souls Saturdays (4 remaining) to commemorate our dead relatives. The first All Souls Saturday will be on February 27th, 2021. Envelopes "All Souls Saturdays" are available in the narthex of the church. Please write clearly the names of the departed you wish to be remembered on a special offering envelope and drop it in the collection basket on Sunday or just give it to Father Vasyly. Thank you.

Next Sunday, February 14, right after the Divine Liturgy there will be served The Order of Vespers on the Sunday of Forgiveness (Cheesefare Sunday).

A certain monk told me that when he was very sick, his mother said to his father, "How our little boy is suffering. I would gladly give myself to be cut up into pieces if that would ease his suffering." Such is the love of God for people. He pitied people so much that he wanted to suffer for them, like their own mother, and even more. But no one can understand this great love without the grace of the Holy Spirit. *St. Silouan the Athonite*

Today, February 7th, is **Sunday of the Last Judgment (Meat Fare)**. During the week following this Sunday a limited fasting is prescribed. We must prepare and train ourselves for the great effort of Lent. Wednesday and Friday are *non-liturgical days*. On Wednesday and Friday the Hours prayed. On Saturday February 13th (Cheesefare Saturday) the Church commemorates all men and women who were "illuminated through fasting" i.e., the Holy Ascetics or Fathers and Mothers.

On February 14th, is **Sunday of Forgiveness (Cheese Fare)**. This is the last day before Lent. Its liturgy develops three themes: the "expulsion of Adam from the Paradise of Bliss." Man was created for paradise, for communion with God, for life with Him. He has lost this life and his existence on earth is an exile. Christ has opened to everyone the doors of Paradise and the Church guides us to our heavenly fatherland. Our fast must not be hypocritical, a show-off. We must "appear not unto men to fast, but unto our Father who is in secret" (Sunday Gospel, Mt. 6, 14-21), and its condition is that we forgive each other as God has forgiven us – "If you forgive men their trespasses, your Heavenly Father will also forgive you."

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.

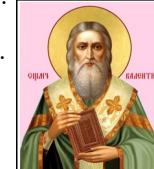
Topic: Catechism – Christ Our Pascha
Time: Feb 14, 2021 04:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting
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Next Sunday February 14 on Cheesefare Sunday

First class Relic of **Hieromartyr Valentine** will be available for veneration in our church.

Please share this information with your family, loved ones, neighbors, friends and anyone who might be interested in this event.