



# SAINT IRENE BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## SUNDAY OF THE PUBLICAN AND THE PHARISEE

### Schedule of Services

#### February 6—February 13

**Sunday, February 6—Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee**

9:25 a.m. Matins

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

**Sunday, February 13—Sunday of the Prodigal Son**

9:25 a.m. Matins

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

“We give glory to You, O Lord, who raised up Your cross to span the jaws of death like a bridge, by which souls might pass from the region of the dead to the land of the living. We give glory to You who put on the body of a single mortal man, and made it the source of immortality for every other mortal man. You are incontestably alive. Your murderers sowed Your body in the earth as farmers sow grain, but it sprang up and yielded an abundant harvest of men raised from the dead.”

*St Ephraim the Syrian*



#### 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 in your prayers:



**For health and salvation:** Fr. Chris Zugger, Tony and family, Michael Baron, Brenda Washicko, Ed, Dennis, Max, Pani Mary, Mary, Vasyl Zhabko, John and Faye, Jessica, Sophia, Diane Pierce, Vincent Carich, Carol Pavlakovich, Tusita Docie & Scott Docie, Sarah Docie, Emily Docie, Mia Docie

**For repose of the departed:** +Bishop Gerald N Dino, +Fr. Frank Knusel, +Frank Sliwinski, Jr., +Lawrence & Lucille Carich, +Ivan & Matilda Carich, +Josip & Amanda Grabovac, +George Pavlakovich, +Bud & Virginia Arnold, +Israel Castillo Lara

Please let Father know if you would like to add new names to our prayer list.

**ANSWERING GOD'S CALL:** “O God, be merciful to me a sinner.” The Publican prayed simply for mercy, and our Byzantine prayer services begin with these simple words. Do you want to receive and share this mercy by giving your life to prayer as a religious, monastic, priest or deacon? Contact the Vocations Office at 206-329-9219 or email: [vocations@ephx.org](mailto:vocations@ephx.org)

#### ADULT CLASSES on-line

##### Orthodoxy & Heterodoxy: The History of the Ecumenical Councils Webinar

God With Us Online is hosting a series of live webinars on the history of the Ecumenical councils.

Rev. Christian Kappes will relay the breathtaking story of the battle of the Holy Fathers of the Ecumenical Councils to preserve the integrity of the faith against heresy in the decisive first centuries of Church history. Wednesdays: February 9-16 from 8:00-9:00 PM ET.

**Register online:** [godwithusonline.org/events/orthodoxy-heterodoxy](http://godwithusonline.org/events/orthodoxy-heterodoxy)

**Metropolitan Cantor Institute:** [Metropolitan Cantor Institute](http://MetropolitanCantorInstitute.org) ([archpitt.org](http://archpitt.org))

**Byzantine Catholic Church in America:** <https://www.byzcath.org/>

“These eight passions should be destroyed as follows: gluttony by self-control; unchastity by desire for God and longing for the blessings held in store; avarice by compassion for the poor; anger by goodwill and love for all men; worldly dejection by spiritual joy; listlessness by patience, perseverance and offering thanks to God; self-esteem by doing good in secret and by praying constantly with a contrite heart; and pride by not judging or despising anyone in the manner of the boastful Pharisee (cf. Luke 18 : 11–12), and by considering oneself the least of all men. When the intellect has been freed in this way from the passions we have described and been raised up to God, it will henceforth live the life of blessedness, receiving the pledge of the Holy Spirit (cf. 2 Cor. 1 : 22). And when it departs this life, dispassionate and full of true knowledge, it will stand before the light of the Holy Trinity and with the divine angels will shine in glory through all eternity.”

*St. John Damascene*

#### Thank you for your donation!



God save you!

**All Souls Saturdays 2022:** we have five All Souls Saturdays on which we commemorate our beloved deceased. The dates for this year are February 19, March 12, March 19, March 26\* (Leave-taking of Annunciation), and June 4.

Please use the special envelopes marked “All Souls Saturdays” that are available in the narthex. Please place an offering envelope with the names of your loved ones in the offering basket or give it to Father. The names are read during the Panachida after the All Souls Memorial Liturgy



#### Pray for Vocation!

Everyone in the parish is invited to have this icon in their home for a week of special prayer for vocations. Please sign up on the sheet that you can find in our parish hall. If

you would like to take the icon again, please feel free to do it. Please bring the Icon on the following Sunday and leave it on the Tetrpod for the next family.

Thank you for your prayerful support to those who have recognized the calling of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Thank you also for the intentional prayers for those who are on their way to hearing the voice of Christ.