

37th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 4. Sunday of Zacchaeus. Hieromartyr Haralambos, Bishop of Magnesia in Thessaly, and Martyrs Porphyrius, Bapetus and three women Martyrs (202). Synaxis of the Hierarchs of Novgorod, buried in the Cathedral of the Holy Wisdom (Sophia) in Novgorod: Joachim (1030), Luke (1058), Theodore (1077), Herman (1096), Arkádii (Arcadius)—(1163), John (1185), Gabriel (1193), Martyrii (1199), Anthony (1231), Easily (Basil)—(1352), Moses (1362), Simeon (1421), Evfim (Euthymius)—(1458) and Aftonii (Aphthonius—1652). Rt. Blv. Princess Anna of Novgorod (1056). Ven. Prokhor (Prochorus) of the Kiev Caves (Near Caves—1107). Ven. Lóngin (Longinus) of Koryazhensk (Vologdá—1540). Virgin Martyrs Ennatha, Valentina and Paula, of Palestine (308). The “AREOVINDUS” Icon of the Most-holy Theotokos.

1 Timothy 4:9-15

Luke 19:1-10

The Paschal season of the Church is preceded by the season of Great Lent, which is also preceded by its own liturgical preparation. The first sign of the approach of Great Lent comes five Sundays before its beginning. On this Sunday the Gospel reading is about Zacchaeus the tax-collector. It tells how Christ brought salvation to the sinful man, and how his life was changed simply because he “sought to see who Jesus was” (Luke 19:3). The desire and effort to see Jesus begins the entire movement through Lent towards Pascha. It is the first movement of salvation.

Our Lenten journey begins with a recognition of our own sinfulness, just as Zacchaeus recognized his. He promised to make restitution by giving half of his wealth to the poor, and by paying to those he had falsely accused four times as much as they had lost. In this, he went beyond the requirements of the Law (Ex. 22:3-12).

The example of Zacchaeus teaches us that we should turn away from our sins, and atone for them. The real proof of our sorrow and repentance is not just a verbal apology, but when we correct ourselves and try to make amends for the consequences of our evil actions.

We are also assured of God’s mercy and compassion by Christ’s words to Zacchaeus, “Today salvation is come to this house” (Luke 19:9). After the Great Doxology at Sunday Matins (when the Tone of the week is Tone 1, 3, 5, 7) we sing the Dismissal Hymn of the Resurrection “Today salvation has come to the world,” which echoes the Lord’s words to Zacchaeus.

Zacchaeus was short, so he climbed a tree in order to see the Lord. All of us have sinned and come short of the glory of God (Rom. 3:23). We are also short in our spiritual stature; therefore, we must climb the ladder of the virtues. In other words, we must prepare for spiritual effort and growth.

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SCHEDULE

Sunday, Feb.10.....9:30am Third Hour
Zacchaeus 9:45am General Confession
 10:00am Divine Liturgy

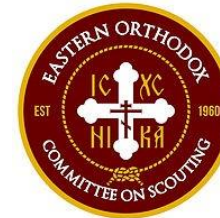
Wednesday, Feb. 13.....7:00pm Parish Council Meeting

Saturday, Feb. 16.....6:00pm Great Vespers

Sunday, Feb. 17.....9:00am Choir Rehearsal
Publican and Pharisee 9:30am Third and Sixth Hours
 10:00am Divine Liturgy

Welcome to all our visitors.

Please join us for Coffee Hour after Divine Liturgy.



Scout Sunday-Today the church recognizes all those who are involved in scouting. Many Years to our scouts!

Coffee Hour- thank you to Sonia Blazo for hosting today in memory of her husband +Rudolph. Memory Eternal.

Gyro Sale - On Sunday, February 3, thanks to the efforts of Peter Dardaganis and several adult parishioners, members of the youth group were able to host our annual “Souper Bowl” gyro fundraiser. The group sold around 60 gyro kits and prepared an additional 70 gyros. Thanks to your generous support, our youth group raised \$516 to donate to St. Basil’s Academy. Thank you; James, Jonathan, Sofia, Sydney, Lucas and Lydia! Thank you; Peter, Johanna, Nicki, Terri, Suzette and Victor. Apologies, to

+ St. Maximus the Confessor

anyone overlooked. It's always rewarding to observe our children take on the responsibility of serving our parish and serving others. Thanks for your support, *Anastasia O'Malley*

Memory Eternal- We would like to express our condolences to Anna Romanofsky, Irene Walsh and their family on the passing of their father +Walter Romaofsky, May his memory be eternal.

Memorial Saturdays- If you wish to have your loved ones remembered during the Memorial Saturdays of Lent, please fill out a request slip labeled "Memorial Saturday" located on the candle counter and return them to the office. Please know that request slips are not kept from year to year.

College students- To let these students know they are still in our thoughts and prayers; the Care Committee sends them 'care packages'. Included in these packages are ecards or gift cards for places such as Starbucks, McDonalds, Panera. Terri Barrow will be stepping down as coordinator (Thanks Terri!) and a replacement will be needed. Please let Matushka Kerri know if you are able to help manage this ministry or if you can donate a gift card or two.

Altar Server Retreat- is being held March 1-3 at St. Basil Academy. It is free to all Altar Servers. For more information and to sign up visit www.nynjoca.org

If you're shopping for Valentine's Day using Amazon, don't forget to use HTOC link, www.amazon.com/?tag=holytrinorthc-20

"Whoever has become a servant of the Lord fears only his Master. But whoever is without the fear of God is often afraid of his own shadow. Fearfulness is the daughter of unbelief. A proud soul is the slave of fear; hoping in itself, it comes to such a state that it is startled by a small noise, and is afraid of the dark."

+ St. John of the Ladder

"Food is not evil, but gluttony is. Childbearing is not evil, but fornication is. Money is not evil, but avarice is. Glory is not evil, but vainglory is. Indeed, there is no evil in existing things, but only in their misuse."

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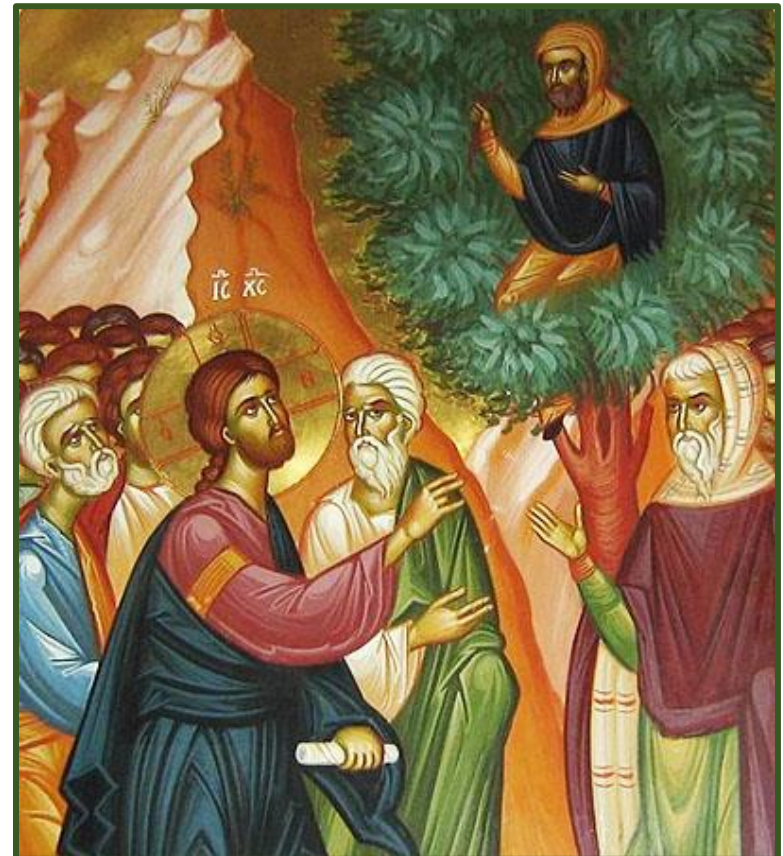
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Sunday of Zacchaeus

February 10, 2019