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## Sunday, January 14, 2024

Sunday of Zaccheus Tones: 8 & Festive Epistle: 1 Timothy 4:9-15 Gospel: Luke 19:1-10



<u>Next Sunday</u>: January 21, 2024 Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee; Sunday of the Word of God

Tone: 1 Epistle: 2 Timothy 3:10-15 Gospel: Luke 18:10-14

Greeting: "Christ is Born!" "Khry-stos Rozh-da-ye-tsia!" Response: "Glorify Him!" "Sla-vee-te Yo-ho!"

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Venerable Anthony the Great (January 17th)

Day:	Date:	Place:	Time:	Intention:	Offered/Requested By:	Cantor(s)/ Reader(s):		
Sunday of Zaccheus								
	Jan 14	SA	8:30a	Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom in private intention(s)*		P. Nachim		
Sun		HT	10:30a	Praying of the Holy Rosary		J. Bodak		
			11:00a	Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom for	the Parishioners of Both Churches	K. Kreuzwieser		
Mon	Jan 15			No Service - Happy Martin Luther King Jr. Day!				
Tue	Jan 16	HT	8:30a	†Maria Popyk		J. Bodak		
Wed	Jan 17	HT	8:30a	Divine Liturgy in private intention(s)*		M. Woloszyn		
Thu	Jan 18	HT	8:30a	†Phyllis Stapay	Myra M. Zochowski	M. Woloszyn		
Fri	Jan 19	HT	8:30a	†Evelyn Yourstowsky	Marie Woloszyn	J. Bodak/J. Billy		
Sat	Jan 20			No Service				
	Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee; Sunday of the Word of God							
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	*Fr. Lubomir Zhybak's private intention(s)							

#### Prayer Requests

Holy Trinity Church: Ann Blazina, Andrea Curran, John Fecych, Dan Malarcik, Yvonne Mudryk, James Pirko, Marie Schuller, Greg Woak, and *the health of all of our parishioners.* 

<u>St. Anne Church</u>: Joseph Belasco, Mary Ann Belasco, Joyce Budinsky, Carole Elias, Roger Elias, Susan Kurtiak, Fr. Ignatius, Louis Mancini, Katie Moran, Margaret Rodomsky, Al Stevens, Ann Stevens, Josie Timlin, Helen Yurchison, and *the health of all of our parishioners.* <u>Clergy</u>: Bishop Josyf Milyan, Fr. Louis, Fr. Jeff, and Msgr. Martin Canavan.

Non-Parishioners: Kennedy Eatinger, Mark F., Dawn Howard, Yaroslava, Myroslava, Halyna, Petro, Nadiya, Mylan, Yaremiya, Zoryana, Mariya, Connor, Claire, Mark, Christine, Dave Kishton, Fr. Andrzej, Judy Lepore, Jimi Stevens, Carol Martyn Dow, Tonja Delaine, Joann Panko, Kateryna Bolshahova, William J. Smith, Jim, Ivan M., Nadiya M., Anna F., Alexei Y., Nadiya Y., Volodymyr Y., Joe Beeson, Oleh and Oksana, Olha, Ivan, and Vasyl.

Our very Best Wishes and Blessings to our dear Parishioners celebrating their life milestones this week.

Holy Trinity Church Jan 16: Stephanie Pierko Jan 18: Terry Paronish St. Anne Church Jan 15: Al and Ann Stevens (58) Jan 21: Sonny Mamrich Na Mnohaya ee Blahaya Leeta!

#### **Christmas Decoration Removal**

The taking down of Christmas decorations will take place at both parishes on Sunday, January 21st following each church's Divine Liturgy.

Your time and assistance would be much appreciated!

#### St. Anne Church Pyrohy Project

The St. Anne Church Pyrohy Project returns this year on Thursday, January 18th at 7:00 am for kitchen staff and 8:00 am for potato ballers.

Again, Friday kitchen staff arrives by 7:00 am. Pinching begins at 8:00 am.

#### PLEASE DONATE YOUR TIME for this worthwhile project!

Holy Trinity Church Financials for the Week

Ending January 7, 2024							
Candle/Offering:	\$3.00	Repairs/Maint:	\$30.00				
Weekly Offering:	\$880.50	50/50:	\$20.00				
Dues:	\$282.00	Deposit:	\$1,352.50				
Diocesan:	\$20.00	Sunday Attend:	43				
Initial Offering:	\$60.00	Jan 50/50:	\$20.00				
Theophany:	\$57.00	1/11 Pyrohy (Gr):	\$2,146.00				

#### Christ is Born!

Blessed Sunday of Zaccheus to all of you and your loved ones! I trust that my message found everyone well and sound and that you have been enjoying the celebration of our Lord's Nativity and Theophany.

On behalf of our two parish communities and myself, I would like to express my warmest and most heartfelt congratulations and welcome to the Ukrainian Catholic Church to Kevin Patrick Croal and Jonathan Adam Moran, sons of Fernando Croal (adoptive father) and Maryna Catherine Bridget Moran (mother), on their partaking in the Holy Mysteries of Initiation: Baptism, Chrismation (i.e., Confirmation), and the Most Holy Eucharist yesterday, January 13<sup>th</sup> at Holy Trinity Church in Youngstown! Congratulations likewise to their family, godparent, relatives, and friends! May the Triune Lord: The Father, The Son, and The Holy Spirit, Who adopted them as His children, bless both Kevin and Jonathan with the overabundance of His graces through the intercession of the Most Holy Theotokos and all the Holy Angels and Saints for many healthy and happy years! Heartfelt congratulations!

Let us continue to *pray and act* for the end of Russia's war against Ukraine as well as for the conversion of Ukraine's aggressors and, as a Ukrainian citizen, I'd like to tell all of you: THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR SUFFERING BROTH-ERS AND SISTERS IN UKRAINE! Ukraine direly needs our help right now! If you would like to help financially your brothers and sisters in Ukraine, please see a separate notice in the bulletin of how you can help. No amount is too small, yet please be generous, and I thank you in advance for your munificence! May our Good Lord reward you abundantly for it in this life and in the life to come!

Speaking of Ukraine, since there are currently a lot of debates in this country in regard to whether to continue to provide the much-needed security assistance to Ukraine or not, I strongly encourage you to contact your elected officials in the United States Congress as soon as possible and firmly ask them to support Ukraine regarding the security assistance for the country. Since there is no need for you to ask to support Ukraine from the side of the Ohio Senator Sherrod Brown (D), who on the issue of Ukraine is very pro-Ukrainian and to whom I am very grateful for his stance in this important matter (by the way, this is not a political endorsement on my part of Senator Brown but a statement of fact), you will find in this bulletin the sample letters to the Ohio Senator JD Vance (R), who appears to be guite anti-Ukrainian, as well as to an Ohio Congressman Bill Johnson (R), who appears to be selectively pro-Ukrainian (I recently received this sample text, which I slightly edited, from a friend of mine – the text that seems to have originated from Michael Sawkiw, Jr., the Executive Vice President of the Ukrainian Congress Committee of America (UCCA)). If both Senator Vance and Congressman Johnson are your elected officials in the U.S. Congress, please feel free to un-staple carefully these letters, put legibly your full name (top and bottom) and address on them, sign them, date them, and mail them to these political leaders (their mailing addresses are in the letters) as soon as possible. If they are not your elected officials, please feel free to use this sample text to contact the Government officials that represent you in the U.S. Congress. I also encourage you to share the sample text with your family and/or friends in and outside of Ohio so that they could likewise contact their elected officials in the U.S. Congress and ask them to support Ukraine with the much-needed security assistance. You may likewise contact your political leaders in the U.S. Congress online by finding your elected officials and the way to contact them through the <u>www.senate.gov</u> and the www.house.gov Internet websites. Thank you very much! Let us make our voices heard in Washington DC loud and clear! Let us never grow weary of supporting our suffering brothers and sisters in Ukraine until we all, our Good Lord willing, emerge victorious soon from this brutal and unjust war and contribute to showing the whole world that the United States stands with the courageous and free Ukraine and not with the murderous and enslaved Russia!

Let us likewise pray and act for peace in the Middle East, particularly in the Holy Land, keeping also in our prayers those who were killed and died during the past and current wars and conflicts there.

- If any of you, who are homebound, would like to partake in the **Holy Sacraments**, kindly call the parish office number (330-744-5820) or me (330-888-8881) to make arrangements.
- I would like to encourage you to pray (*daily if you can*) the prayers from the **Prayer Corner**.
- Since on January 6<sup>th</sup> we celebrated the feast of the Theophany of Our Lord with the Great Blessing of Water, I will be glad to come over and bless you and your homes between January 6<sup>th</sup> and February 2<sup>nd</sup>. Kindly call the parish office (330-744-5820) or me at my cell (330-888-8881) to make arrangements.

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 We are continuing collecting certain needed items at both parishes for a local branch of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. You'll find a special box for the items at each church. Please be generous and thank you for your benevolence! Thank you also to those who already donated the needed items! If you would like to make a monetary donation, you may do so either online at <a href="https://www.mahoningsvdp.com/product-category/donation-levels/">https://www.mahoningsvdp.com/product-category/donation-levels/</a> or by mailing your check to:

Mahoning County St. Vincent de Paul Society, P.O. Box 224, Youngstown, OH 44501

The organization likewise offers volunteering opportunities. For more information, please go to <u>https://</u><u>www.mahoningsvdp.com/</u> or call (330) 333-3601.

- Let us continue to keep in our prayers all people who are on the prayer lists, especially the sick. May our Triune God: The
  Father, The Son, and The Holy Spirit bless all of them through the intercession of His and our Most Holy Mother and all
  the Holy Angels and Saints!
- Our weekly bulletins are available online at both churches' websites (<u>www.holytrinityucc.com</u> and <u>www.stanneucc.com</u>). Thank you!
- Furthermore, I would like to thank those of you, who have been sending us your donations. If you still cannot come to your parish church at this time, please continue to support it by sending us your weekly donations to each respectful church (see the church addresses in the bulletin) and I thank you very much for your support of our parishes!
- Should there be anything else that needs my or Dean's attention, please let us know at once.

May our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ Who was baptized in the river Jordan for our salvation continue to bless all of us in the world! May He help us stop all wars and conflicts on earth, especially the current war of Russia against Ukraine as well as the wars and conflicts in the Middle East, especially the war in the Holy Land! May He protect everyone who is on the front lines defending his or her country's freedom! May He convert the hearts of all aggressors in the world! May He rest in peace the souls of all people on earth, who already died from these wars and conflicts, giving consolation to the families, relatives, and friends they left behind! Likewise, may our Lord protect each of us from all illnesses, especially the coronavirus disease! May He heal all the people in the world, who are infected with it! May He protect all people on earth who are on the front lines in the fight against it as well as everyone who works in public places! May He rest in peace the souls of all people in the world, who are infected with it! May He protect all people on earth who are on the front lines in the fight against it as well as everyone who works in public places! May He rest in peace the souls of all people in the world, who died from this and other diseases, giving consolation to the families, relatives, and friends they left behind! May our Lord our fill your hearts and the hearts of your loved ones with the authentic joy and peace that only He can give and may He always protect all of us here in America as well as our beloved people of Ukraine, helping us to end the war there! Let us present all of these petitions to our Lord through the intercession of the Most Holy Theotokos and all the Holy Angels and Saints, especially St. John the Baptist!

Enjoy the celebration of our Lord's Nativity and Theophany and may our Christmas carols resonate throughout the entire world glorifying our Lord! Happy Martin Luther King Jr. Day tomorrow!

#### Христос Рождається!

With prayers in the newborn Lord and the Theotokos,

Dr. Kubomir

#### NOTE ON HOLY SACRAMENTS OF THE EUCHARIST & RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

Generally, Catholics (and some non-Catholics under certain conditions) receive Holy Communion worthily if they do not have even one mortal sin on his/her soul (one sins mortally when all of the following three conditions are present: grave matter (10 Commandments), full knowledge, and deliberate consent), and, usually, these are people who go to confession more or less frequently; one is permitted to receive Holy Communion with the venial sins on his/her soul. Otherwise, if one receives Holy Communion unworthily, namely with mortal sin(s) on his/her soul and is aware of it, committing it with deliberate consent, one commits another mortal sin. Although, certainly, it is possible to live one's life without committing even one mortal sin for a long time and, hence, have no need for confession for a long time, such people could be considered exceptions. Also, in accordance with the Church Commandments (also known as the Church Precepts), a minimal requirement is for a person to go to confession at least once a year as well as to receive Holy Communion at least during the Easter season: to go to confession provided one committed at least one mortal sin and to receive Holy Communion provided one did not commit even one mortal sin.

Date

Sender's Full Name & Address:

Hon. Senator JD Vance 288 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Vance,

In the morning hours of January 2, 2024 Ukraine suffered massive Russian missile attacks. Many innocent civilians have been killed, while hundreds have been injured, including children!

As your constituent, I urge you to support Ukraine, specifically the proposed \$61.4 billion supplemental request to provide desperately-need security assistance. This crucial assistance benefits Ukraine by defending the skies from the onslaught of Russian missiles, but also is in the national security interests of the United States and the entire Free World.

Ukraine is not only defending its own country, sovereignty, and territorial integrity, it is also defending the Euro-Atlantic security dynamic. Curbing Russian aggression now will prevent prolonged American involvement in a future European conflict. Your support is greatly appreciated. Thank you!

Sincerely yours,

Sender's Printed Full Name and Signature Above

Date

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Hon. Congressman Bill Johnson 2082 Rayburn HOB Washington, D.C. 20515

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# PLEASE HELP UKRAINE!

## БУДЬ-ЛАСКА, ДОПОМОЖІТЬ УКРАЇНІ!

#### \*\*\*PLEASE HELP US SPREAD THE WORD\*\*\* \*\*\*PLEASE SHARE THIS INFO WITH OTHER PEOPLE\*\*\* \*\*\*THANK YOU VERY MUCH\*\*\*

Here are a couple of ways of how you could help the People of Ukraine. First of all, through daily PRAYER. Secondly, you can HELP FINANCIALLY THROUGH DONATIONS by USING ONE OR BOTH OF THE OPTIONS below.

#### **OPTION 1**

You can make your **donations to the Humanitarian Aid Fund** for Ukraine **online** via the website of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of St. Josaphat in Parma at <u>http://stjosaphateparchy.com/support-ukraine/</u> (once on the webpage, please scroll down and click the Donate button (PayPal)).

If you would like to donate **by check**, please send your donations to the following address (please write out your checks to St. Josaphat Eparchy indicating clearly on the check that the donation is for the Humanitarian Aid Fund):

Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of St. Josaphat in Parma Humanitarian Aid Fund 5720 State Rd. P.O. Box 347180 Parma, Ohio 44134

#### **OPTION 2**

You can also send your **donations to help Ukraine's Armed Forces** through the National Bank of Ukraine, which would be greatly appreciated. This can be done **online** or through an international wire transfer via a local U.S. bank. All the info at the following official link:

https://bank.gov.ua/en/news/all/natsionalniy-bank-vidkriv-spetsrahunok-dlya-zboru-koshtiv-na-potrebi-armiyi

Here are the bank requisites base on the aforementioned link of the National Bank of Ukraine for making an **international wire transfer** via a local U.S. bank (in this case, a person would need to got o his/her bank and do it personally there on location):

BENEFICIARY: National Bank of Ukraine BENEFICIARY ACCOUNT NUMBER: 4330992708 BENEFICIARY BIC: NBUA UA UX BENEFICIARY ADDRESS: 9 Instytutska St., Kyiv, 01601, Ukraine INTERMEDIARY BANK NAME: JP MORGAN CHASE BANK, New York INTERMEDIARY BANK ACCOUNT NUMBER: 80490258 INTERMEDIARY BANK BIC: CHASUS33 ABA: 0210 0002 1 INTERMEDIARY BANK ADDRESS: 383 Madison Ave, New York, NY 10017, USA

PURPOSE OF PAYMENT: for crediting account 47330992708

#### THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF UKRAINE! MAY OUR GOOD LORD REWARD YOU AND MAY HE BLESS UKRAINE, THE UNITED STATES, AND THE REST OF THE WORLD!

For more information, please feel free to contact the parish office of Holy Trinity Ukrainian Catholic Church (Youngstown, Ohio) and St. Anne Ukrainian Catholic Church (Austintown, Ohio) at 330-744-5820/yngholytrinity@att.net

## **Prayer Corner**

#### + In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Lord Jesus, we adore You, we praise You, we worship You, and we love You! We thank You for Your gift of life to us! We thank You for the overabundance of blessings that You bestow on us every day! You were born of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Bethlehem of Judea for our salvation and we thank You for this immense gift as we celebrate Your Nativity during this Christmas season! We humbly ask You to help us to love You wholeheartedly and to love our neighbors as we love ourselves. We ask You to continue to bless us and to help us to be Your authentic adopted children. We ask You to have mercy on us, to cleanse us of our sins, and to fill our hearts with Your life-giving grace. In Your immense kindness, please heed these petitions that we present to You:

- for the end of all wars and conflicts in the world, especially for the end of the current wars in Ukraine and the Middle East, for all
  who died during them, for the loved ones they left behind as well as for the enlightenment and conversion of the hearts of the
  aggressors, so that a sincere and truthful dialogue may lead to an authentic and lasting peace and reconciliation between people,
  we pray to You, O Lord, hear us and have mercy! Lord, have mercy!
- for the end of all abortions in the world, for all the aborted and miscarried babies, for the healing of those who committed or assisted with abortions, for the conversion of all who are planning to commit abortions as well as for all the unborn babies in the world and their parents, we pray to You, O Lord! Lord, have mercy!
- for the end of the child slavery, child abuse, domestic abuse, gender ideology, prostitution, and human trafficking in the world, for all the victims both living and deceased as well as for the conversion of all who perpetrate these grave and heinous sins, we pray to You, O Lord! Lord, have mercy!
- for the vocations to the sacred priesthood, diaconate, and religious life, we pray to You, O Lord! Lord, have mercy!
- for the conversion to the true faith of all people in the world, who did not embrace the light of the Triune God yet, we pray to You, O Lord! Lord, have mercy!
- for the conversion of all sinners in the world, we pray to You, O Lord! Lord, have mercy!
- for the consolation of all persecuted Christians in the world, especially the ones in Asia, Middle East, and Africa and for the conversion of hearts and minds of those, who persecute them, we pray to You, O Lord! Lord, have mercy!
- for the end of all wars, conflicts, and violence in the world, especially for the establishment of the authentic and lasting peace, we pray to You, O Lord! Lord, have mercy!
- for all the refugees, the migrants, the poor, the hungry, the orphans, the half-orphans, and the homeless throughout the world especially those who are children we pray to You, O Lord! Lord, have mercy!
- for all prisoners in the world, especially the ones on death row, we pray to You, O Lord! Lord, have mercy!
- for the liberation of all people in the world who are addicted to drugs, alcohol, smoking, and pornography, we pray to You, O Lord! Lord, have mercy!
- for the conversion of all people in the world, who have difficulty telling the truth and acting truthfully, we pray to You, O Lord!
   Lord, have mercy!
- for all people in the world, who are hopeless as well as those, who contemplate suicide, that their hearts may be filled with hope, we pray to You, O Lord! Lord, have mercy!
- for all widows and widowers in the world, we pray to You, O Lord! Lord, have mercy!
- for the healing of all sick people in the world, especially for the ones infected with the coronavirus, for the protection against it, for all people who are on the front lines in the fight against it, for all people who are working in public places, for the repose of the souls of all, who died from the virus as well as for the loved ones they left behind, we pray to You, O Lord! Lord, have mercy!
- for all unemployed people in the world and their families that they may find work soon, we pray to You, O Lord! Lord, have mercy!
- for all faithful of the Catholic Church, especially all members of St. Josaphat Eparchy, as well as for all our families, relatives, friends, and acquaintances, we pray to You, O Lord! Lord, have mercy!
- for the deliverance of all souls from Purgatory to Heaven, we pray to You, O Lord! Lord, have mercy!

Lord Jesus, we humbly ask You to grant all of these petitions in accordance with Your most holy will through the intercession of Your and our Most Holy Mother, of your earthly father St. Joseph, St. Stephen the Protomartyr, and all the Angels and Saints, and may You be praised together with Your Eternal Father and the Life-Giving Holy Spirit forever and ever! Amen.

+ In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.