The Story of Zacchaeus

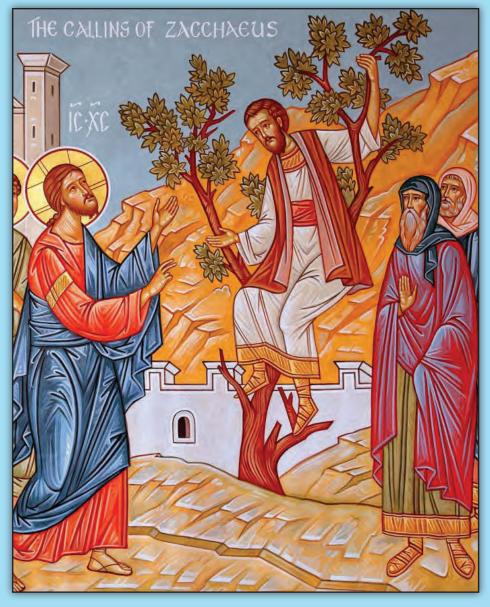
People would come from small villages nestled in the hills when they heard that Jesus was passing by. Sometimes they would bring relatives and friends who were sick, so that He could heal them. Sometimes they just came to hear the words of truth that He spoke.

So why did Jesus pick Zacchaeus out? Well, Jesus was often doing surprising things. And because he was always listening to God, they were always the right things. Jesus knew who needed healing most and who would really listen to what he said. What mattered to Jesus wasn't what people looked like, whether they were tall or short, whether they were poor or rich. What mattered was what they cared about, what was in their hearts. What people were willing to do was more important than what they said.

We know from the way Zacchaeus acted that he wasn't the sort of person to just sit around and think about doing something right. He wanted to see Jesus so badly he was willing to make himself look silly by climbing a tree. And when people talked about his being a sinner, Zacchaeus didn't even deny it. Instead he promised to do good.

So who was Zacchaeus? We can't just say that he was a short man—there have been lots of short men. Or that he was a wealthy manthere have been lots of wealthy men too. The important thing is that he had a good heart. He loved Jesus and what he stood for so much that he was willing to admit his faults and change right then. And he didn't care about what other people thought, only about what was right.

SUNDAY OF ZACCHAEUS



Icon of Zacchaeus in the Sycamore Tree

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Sunday – January 17, 2021

Слава Ісусу Христу – Слава на віки Glory to Jesus Christ – Glory to Him Forever

The District of Columbia is at Phase 2, and our Church is open for Divine Liturgies. But, some may not feel ready to return, so we will continue to Livestream our 9:00 a.m. English Divine Liturgy and our 11:30 a.m. Ukrainian Divine Liturgy. The dispensation from attending Sunday Divine Liturgy and Holy Days of Obligation throughout the Archeparchy is still in effect until further notice.

Sunday Services will be Live Streamed at 9:00 AM and 11:30 AM Platform: https://www.facebook.com/holyfamilyshrine/

OUR CHURCH IS OPEN FOR LITURGIES

Sunday January 17	Sunday of Zacchaeus
9:00 a.m.	(For the Parish)
11:30 a.m.	(Special Intention from Bohdana Urbanovych)
Wednesday January 19	
9:00 a.m.	(+Ksenia Kaczkienowicz from the Sorokowski Family)
Thursday January 20	
9:00 a.m.	(Deceased of Nagurney-Medwid Family from Irene)
Friday January 21	
9:00 a.m.	(+Tekla Karlichka from the Chalupa Family)
Sunday January 24	Sunday of Publican and Pharisee
9:00 a.m.	(For the Parish)
11:30 a.m.	(+Stefania and +Volodymyr Choma from Family)

CONCERNING FUTURE PARISH EVENTS

The Mayor of the District of Columbia extended the Pandemic State of Emergency to March 31, 2021. As such, we will not be able to have our Annual Parish Christmas Dinner/Prosfora in January. We will also not be able to have our Pre-Lenten Communion Breakfast or Easter Bazaar and Pysanka Workshop. Fellowship with Cake and Coffee after the Sunday Divine Liturgies will also continue to be suspended.

A NOTE ON 2020 CARES ACT TAX DEDUCTIBLE CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS

Previously, charitable contributions could only be deducted if a taxpayer itemized their deductions. The Cares Act allows taxpayers who do not itemize deductions to take up to \$300 charitable deductions for contributions made in 2020 to a qualifying organization. Your parish qualifies for this charitable deduction. Please do not forget to TAKE the Deduction this Tax Season. Your donation will be deductible up to \$300 even if you do not itemize your deductions for 2020.

PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR PARISH IN YOUR WILL

Have you remembered our Ukrainian Catholic National Shrine of the Holy Family in your will? Ask your attorney to include such words as these in your will: "I give, devise, or bequeath to UCNS Holy Family, 4250 Harewood Rd. NE, Washington, DC 20017, for its general purposes ALL (or state a fraction or percentage) of the rest, residue, and remainder of my estate, whether real or personal." OR "I give to UCNS Holy Family, 4250 Harewood Rd. NE, Washington, DC 20017, (\$.00) to be used for the general purposes of UCNS Holy Family." Thank you and God bless you for caring about your church.

Prayer List

Our prayer list of the sick or elderly and friends of our parish: Theresa Aranda, Liana Arnold, Fr. Frank Avant, Susan Avant, Charles Belanger, Barbara Blendy, Bluey Family, Yevhenia Borys, Taisia Bullard, Michele Burns, Mary Connors, Jack Davis, Darlene Dossick, Solomia Dutkewych, Ruth Fedack, Bernard F, Damian Fedoryka, Frank Fisanich, Lilian Garland, Thomas Gutmann, H.H., Josie Hacker, Catherine Hetmansky, 1LT Catherine Hetmansky Hayes (Active Duty Iraq), Julia Hetmansky, Bernadell Rita Higgins, Daniel Horeczko, Nila Iwaskiw, Kateryna Jurach, Oksana K, Sarah Kelt, Dorothy Kozmoski, Suzanne Krumpelman, Fr. Mykhailo Kuzma, Michael Joseph Little, Michele Pretka Litvar, Yaroslava L., Mufada and Family, Sallie Miller, John Moeller, Matthew Parowski, Deborah Pickering, Alexandra Pohorecka, Ron#119, Michael Joseph Radigan, Roman Rusynko, James Salandro, Maria Sawkiw, Lisa Schaible, Christopher Sell, Shliakhta Bogdana, Shliakhta Mark, Shliakhta Andrew, Timothy Stock, Lindsey Sydnor, Thomas Sydnor, Helen Lefcheck Torre, Jarrelyn Trusen, Cindy Turchek, Lisa Pretka Turner, Gloria and Luis Vega, Jennifer Wilson. If you know of someone who should be on this list, please email or call with the name of the individual. Our intercessory prayer for the sick and the aged is truly helpful and comforting. In your Christian Charity, kindly remember our sick parishioners in your prayers and perhaps a card or note.