

Lessons of the Story of Zacchaeus

1. Zacchaeus teaches us that when you make a solid effort to experience Jesus, you are rewarded. It means seeking him with all your heart and doing everything he would have you do!
2. Don't make a judgment based on appearance. Far too often we make a judgment about someone based on how someone looks or acts. This makes us impotent to help someone change their lives.
3. Don't make a judgment based on reputation. People gain a reputation for better or worse from the lives they have lived and the reports that have been spread about them. When you hear a negative report from someone, ask God to help you withhold judgment.
4. Practice looking into a person's heart. Can you see someone's heart? God will help you

with that! The closer we follow Jesus, the more we are able to see into someone's heart.

5. Ask God to help you see what might take place! When Ananias was asked to go see Saul, he objected because he was afraid. Saul had been relentlessly persecuting the church. But God revealed to Ananias the heart of Saul. He was then willing and was used to bring about a complete change in Saul's (Paul's) life. Read the story in Acts 9.

6. Focus on seeking and saving the lost. We are surrounded by people who don't know or follow Jesus. I am convinced that the very best life comes to us when we follow him. Are you? I want to help people find that life. When we do that, God changes lives and we become participants in that transformation!.

THIRTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SUNDAY OF ZACCHAEUS



Icon of Zacchaeus (Luke 19:1-10)

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Sunday – January 30, 2022

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

Our Church is open for Divine Liturgies. 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.

All Services will be Live Streamed at 9:00 AM and 11:30 AM

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OUR CHURCH IS OPEN FOR LITURGIES

Sunday January 30 9:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	(For the Parish) (+Stefania and +Volodymyr from the Choma Family)
Monday January 31 9:00 a.m.	(+David and +Myron Nagurney from Irene)
Tuesday February 1 9:00 a.m.	(+Deceased of the Nagurney-Medwid Family from Irene)
Wednesday February 2 **6:00 p.m.**	Encounter of Our Lord – Blessing of Candles (+Rostyslav from Chomiak Family)
Thursday February 3 9:00 a.m.	(+Eva, +Mary, +Esther from Ruth Fedack)
Friday February 4 9:00 a.m.	(+Ihor Orest from Martha Chomiak)
Sunday February 6 9:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	(+Frank Fisanich from Family) (For the Parish)

DISTRICT of Columbia Mayor Bowser announced that the District has extended a universal, indoor masking mandate for everyone, even those fully vaccinated. Persons attending Church in the District, even if they are fully vaccinated, must wear a mask. Fellowship with Cake and Coffee after the Sunday Divine Liturgies will also continue to be suspended. This will be in effect until February 28, 2022.

Everyone is kindly asked to return to wearing a mask during the Divine Liturgies.

We will also continue to livestream Sunday and Holy Day Liturgies.

LITURGY FOR THE FEAST OF THE ENCOUNTER WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 2 AT 6:00 P.M.

We will observe the Feast of the Encounter of Our Lord (Presentation of Our Lord in the Temple) on Wednesday February 2 at 6:00 p.m. This is the feast when we traditionally bless candles. Please bring any candles you might like to have blessed on Wednesday.

Prayer List

Our prayer list of the sick or elderly and friends of our parish: **Theresa Aranda, Liana Arnold, Chuck Basile, Charles Belanger, Barbara Blendy, Bluey Family, Yevhenia Borys, Taisia Bullard, Michele Burns, Robert Matthew C., Mary Connors, Darlene Dossick, Solomia Dutkewych and Theresa, Ruth Fedack, Bernard F, Lindsey Fedyk, Lilian Garland, Alice Gogniat, Thomas Gutmann, H.H., Josie Hacker, Catherine Hetmanskyy, Bernadell Rita Higgins, Daniel Horeczko, Nila Iwaskiw, Kateryna Jurach, Oksana K, Sarah Kelt, Dorothy Kozmoski, Suzanne Krumpelman, Fr. Mykhailo Kuzma, Mr. Marko, Michael Joseph Little, Mark Pidlusky, Michele Pretka Litvar, Yaroslava L., Mufada and Family, Sallie Miller, John Moeller, Deborah Pickering, Alexandra Pohorecka, Ron#119, Jane O'Shea, Michael Joseph Radigan, Roman Rusynko, James Salandro, Maria Sawkiw, Lisa Schaible, Christopher Sell, Shliakhta Bogdana, Shliakhta Mark, Shliakhta, Andrew, Larry Sosnowich, Timothy Stock, Lindsey Sydnor, Thomas Sydnor, Stefania Szahaj, Helen Lefcheck Torre, Cindy Turcek, 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.

God With Us Catechism

Homily of St. Sophronius of Jerusalem

Our lighted candles are a sign of the divine splendor of the one who comes to expel the dark shadows of evil and to make the whole universe radiant with the brilliance of his eternal light. Our candles also show how bright our souls should be when we go to meet Christ. The Mother of God, the most pure Virgin, carried the true light in her arms and brought him to those who lay in darkness. We too should carry a light for all to see and reflect the radiance of the true light as we hasten to meet him. The light has come and has shone upon a world enveloped in shadows; the Dayspring from on high has visited us and given light to those who lived in darkness. This, then, is our feast, and we join in procession with lighted candles to reveal the light that has shone upon us and the glory that is yet to come to us through him. So let us hasten all together to meet our God. The true light has come, the light that enlightens every man who is born into this world. Let all of us, my brethren, be enlightened and made radiant by this light. Let all of us share in its splendor, and be so filled with it that no one remains in the darkness. Let us be shining ourselves as we go together to meet and to receive with the aged Simeon the light whose brilliance is eternal. Rejoicing with Simeon, let us sing a hymn of thanksgiving to God, the Father of the light, who sent the true light to dispel the darkness and to give us all a share in his splendor. Through Simeon's eyes we too have seen the salvation of God which he prepared for all the nations and revealed as the glory of the new Israel, which is ourselves. As Simeon was released from the bonds of this life when he had seen Christ, so we too were at once freed from our old state of sinfulness. By faith we, too embraced, Christ, the salvation of God the Father, as he came to us from Bethlehem. Gentiles before, we have now become the people of God. Our eyes have seen God incarnate, and because we have seen him present among us and have mentally received him into our arms, we are called the new Israel. Never shall we forget this presence; every year we keep a feast in his honor.