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Eve Sundays & Feast Days

5:00 PM Confessions

6:00 PM Great Vespers

Sundays and Feast Days

8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hour

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy

Please check weekly schedule
for specific days (last page).

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FEBRUARY 12, 2023

35TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SUNDAY OF THE
PRODIGAL SON



Saint Cyril, Equal of the Apostles, Teacher of the Slavs (Constantine in the schema) (Feb 14), and his older brother Methodius (April 6), were Slavs, born in Macedonia in the city of Thessalonica.

Saint Cyril received the finest of educations, and from the age of fourteen he was raised with the son of the emperor. Later, he was ordained as a priest. Upon his return to Constantinople, he worked as a librarian of the cathedral church, and as a professor of philosophy. Saint Cyril successfully held debates with iconoclast heretics and with Moslems.

Yearning for solitude, he went to Mount Olympos to his older brother Methodius, but his solitude lasted only a short while. Both brothers were sent by the emperor Michael on a missionary jour-

ney to preach Christianity to the Khazars in the year 857. Along the way they stopped at Cherson and discovered the relics of the Hieromartyr Clement of Rome (November 25).

Arriving at the territory of the Khazars, the holy brothers spoke with them about the Christian Faith. Persuaded by the preaching of Saint Cyril, the Khazar prince together with all his people accepted Christianity. The grateful prince wanted to reward the preachers with rich presents, but they refused this and instead asked the prince to free and send home with them all the Greek captives. Saint Cyril returned to Constantinople together with 200 such captives set free.

In the year 862 began the chief exploit of the holy brothers. At the request of Prince Rostislav, the emperor sent them to Moravia to preach Christianity in the Slavic language. Saints Cyril and Methodius by a revelation from God com-

plied a Slavonic alphabet and translated the Gospel, Epistles, the Psalter and many Service books into the Slavonic language. They introduced divine services in Slavonic.

The holy brothers were then summoned to Rome at the invitation of the Roman Pope. Pope Adrian received them with great honor, since they brought with them the relics of the Hieromartyr Clement. Sickly by nature and in poor health, Saint Cyril soon fell ill from his many labors, and after taking the schema, he died in the year 869 at the age of forty-two. Before his death, he expressed his wish for his brother to continue the Christian enlightenment of the Slavs. Saint Cyril was buried in the Roman church of Saint Clement, whose own relics also rest there, brought to Italy from Cherson by the Enlighteners of the Slavs.

The Sermon on the Mount (*Matthew Chapters 5, 6, and 7*)

A Brief Catechism by H. Paul Finley

Presented at St. Theodosius Orthodox Church

First Five Wednesdays of Great Lent, 2023

The Sermon on the Mount begins with the Beatitudes, but the whole of the sermon gives us instruction on how to live out those beatitudes, “the blessings,” in our day-to-day life. It is that life which leads us to heaven, where we will see the Risen Christ face to face and dwell with the Saints forever.

March 1, 2023 - The Beatitudes: A Stairway to Heaven (Matthew 5:1-16)

March 8, 2023 – Living the Beatitudes from the Inside Out (Matthew 5:17-48)

March 15, 2023 – Staying in Shape as We Climb the Stairway: Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving (Matthew 6:1-24)

March 22, 2023 – Don’t be Distracted by Possessions and Worry as You Make the Climb (Matthew Chapter 6:25-34)

March 29, 2023 - Seven Traps as You Climb the Staircase (Matthew Chapter 7)

Church School Calendar

Saturday March 4

Saturday April 8 (Lazarus Saturday)

Saturday May 6

Saturday June 3

VISITATIONS

Fr. Cizmar would like to know who requires visitation. He is eager to visit those who might have gone a long time without visitation for any reason at all. A key duty of a priest's ministry is to visit the sick and confined, those unable to attend the holy services for any reason. His phone number and email address are printed on the front of every Ambo, and are repeated here:

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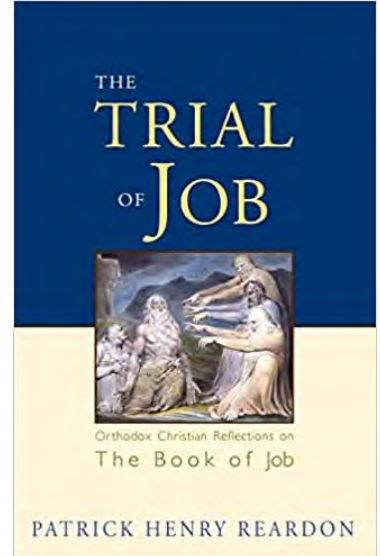
FAITH ENRICHMENT CLASSES RETURN IN FEBRUARY

We will be studying the book *The Trial of Job: Orthodox Christian Reflections on the Book of Job* by Fr. Patrick Henry Reardon.

Book pickup will take place on January 26th.

We will be splitting our coverage of the book. The first four weeks of study are scheduled for the following Thursdays: **2/2, 2/9, 2/16, and 2/13**. The class dates for after Great Lent will be announced.

Please contact **Subdeacon Leon Felon** at **440 666-7601** if you have any questions.



Attention Ladies:

This is an open invitation to all ladies of St. Theodosius to

JOIN THE ST. THEODOSIUS ALTAR SOCIETY!

We are a service organization dedicated to raising funds for items that may be needed for the altar. We welcome fresh ideas and new faces!

There will be a sign-up sheet at coffee hour. Don't hesitate!



IT IS TIME FOR THE 2ND ST. THEODOSIUS LADIES' BRUNCH!

Ladies of St. Theodosius Parish, the **Ladies' Brunch** is upon us again! On Sunday, **February 12th, 2023, at 12:00 PM**, join us at the **The Treehouse** (venue change) to partake in food and drink and Christian fellowship! If you have any questions please contact

Erin Zawolowycz at 216 337-6868

Boys' Night Out

Gentlemen! Boys' Night Out is set for February 19th, at 5:00 PM at

Pioneer

2407 Lorain Ave, Cleveland, OH 44113 * Contact **Dan Morris** if you plan to attend!

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St. Vladimir's Orthodox Summer Camp

2795 Wakefield Creek Road
Farmdale, OH 44417



St. Vladimir's Summer Camp offers three different sessions.

	Session 1	Session 2	Session 3
When	July 2-8, 2023	July 9-15, 2023	July 16-22, 2023
Ages	8-12	10-17	13-17
Also Know		Junior Olympics / NJSST	

Sessions 1& 3 are focused around crafts and service projects. Each camp week has a theme for the week and crafts and fun with father focus the learning times around that theme.

Session 2 is a sports based camp in which we also tie orthodox learning lessons with the resident priest into the week. We encourage Orthodox fellowship and encourage the campers to cheer on everyone. Trying to teach the campers that winning is more than medals, trophies and scores!



Visit www.stvladimirscampohio.com to register and check out more camp information. Or visit our Facebook Page or Instagram both St. Vladimir's Summer Camp

"The Golden Age" - St. Theodosius Cathedral Choir

We are pleased to announce the release of a *limited edition*, newly re-mastered recording of the **Annual Cathedral Choir Christmas Concerts from 1977 and 1979**. This recording demonstrates the excellence of singing by the Cathedral Choir at a time when there were almost 50 singers! Some of the arrangements are sung in 8-part harmony. Most of the singing is in Church Slavonic. There is more than 90 minutes of a cappella choral music. This is a collector's item you will not want to miss.

Listen to some of the most outstanding Russian liturgical masterpieces by composers Arkhangelsky, Chesnokov, Grechaninov, Ippolitov-Ivanov, Kastalsky, Rimsky-Korsakov, and Yaichkov. Included are Bortniansky's "Te Deum" ("Tebe Boha Khvalim") from the Moleben Service. There are traditional international Christmas Carols on this recording as well as popular carols sung by everyone attending the concerts.

ORDER NOW

You may reserve your copy of this unique recording by completing an order form available at the Cathedral or by contacting the Choirmaster. We are asking for a donation of \$20 per CD or USB drive to cover production costs. Cash OR checks made payable to St. Theodosius Cathedral/Music.

THE IOCC CLEVELAND METROPOLITAN COMMITTEE

invites you to the

31st Annual Banquet

Monday, May 8, 2023

Dinner 6:00 pm

WOODSIDE EVENT CENTER
AT ST. MICHAEL'S

5025 E. Mill Rd. | Broadview Heights, OH 44147

Learn how your support is helping families in places like Ukraine, Greece, Syria, Ethiopia, and right here in the US.

Questions? Contact Diane Hastings at dianehastings3@gmail.com or 440.364.6045



Save the Date!

2023 Young Adult

Spring Retreat

at Camp Nazareth

Open to those 18-35 from all jurisdictions!

March 17-19, 2023

With Keynote Speaker:

Rev. Dr. Radu Bordeianu

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PRAYER REQUESTS

as of 2/12/2023

Deceased

Archpriest Daniel Rentel

Victor Ponomarenko

Kristin Robinson (*friend of Nicholas Kozak*)

Simeon Cambouris

Marion Wojnarowski

Arlene Neal

Special Intentions:

Subdeacon Theodore Lentz

Subdeacon Igor Gajewsky

Reader Paul Pangrace

Reader Frank Tkacz

Daniel Boerio

Jennifer Boerio

Horia Dascalescu (*Lavinia's brother*)

Diane Kearsey (*Janice Tkacz's Sister*)

Janice Tkacz

Eleanor Wachovec (*friend of Karen Felon*)

Rachel Ohlin (*relative of Tatiana*)

Erin Zawolowycz

Joseph Czajkowski (*son of Jerry*)

Carol Nielsen (*Paul Pangrace's sister*)

Virginia Medvec

Stephen Chwalyk

Jeffrey Parhamovich (*brother of Karen Felon*)

Margaret Parhamovich (*sister-in-law Karen Felon*)

Margaret Peyton (*Cathy's aunt*)

Jean Woycitzky Thompson (*Frank's cousin*)

Anna Marie Luvison (*daughter of Matthew & Katie (Ellis) Luvison*)

Debra Parhamovich (*sister of Karen Felon*)

Grace Mary Parhamovich (*mother of Karen Felon*)

Peter

Gayle Vidovich

Elizabeth Balasz

Christina Hile (*Nisi & Cindy's sister*)

Lonnie Ellis (*Husband to Debra Ellis*)

Robert Martin Prock

Andrew (*Nephew of Deborah Finley*)

John and Family

Frances

Tatjana

Valentina Zawolowycz (*mother of Paul Z*)

Melvin Timm

Michael and **Nichole** Zolikoff and **unborn child**

Jennifer Humphrey

Linda

Dennis

Danitza Pozderac

Barbara

Chrystophora

Kathleen

Michelle Ermic (*family friend of Cathy*)

Richard Orthen (*family friend of Cathy*)

Mary Ann Reck (*mother of Cathy*)

Please submit names to the Prayer List by emailing them to Fr. Jan Cizmar
st.theodosiuscathedral@gmail.com

Or calling at 1(440) 732-8182

Names remain on the list for 30 days unless requested otherwise.

BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, February 12

Mark 16:1-8
1 Corinthians 6:12-20
Luke 15:11-32

Monday, February 13

1 John 2:18-3:10
Mark 11:1-11

Tuesday, February 14

1 John 3:11-20
Mark 14:10-42

Wednesday, February 15

1 John 3:21-4:6
Mark 14:43-15:1

Thursday, February 16

1 John 4:20-5:21
Mark 15:1-15

Friday, February 17

2 John 1:1-13
Mark 15:22-25, 33-41

Saturday, February 18

1 Thessalonians 4:13-17
John 5:24-30
1 Corinthians 10:23-28
Luke 21:8-9, 25-27, 33-36

Sunday, February 19

Mark 16:9-20
1 Corinthians 8:8-9:2
Matthew 25:31-46

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Sunday, February 12

35th Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday of the Prodigal Son
8:45 Prayer for the Catechumens
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy
Coffee Hour
12:00 PM Lady's Brunch (Treehouse)

Monday, February 13

St. Seraphima (Sezhenovo, Russia—1877)

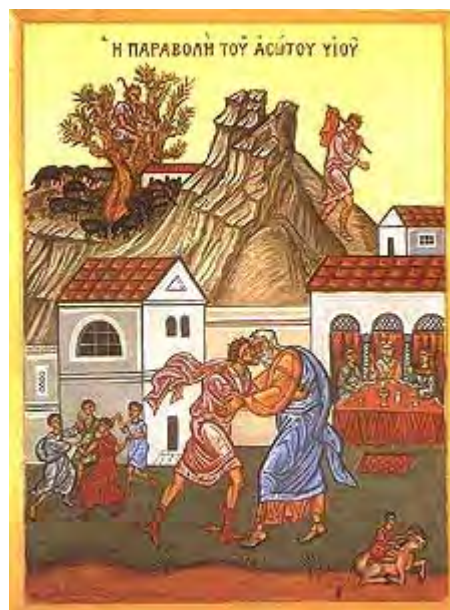
Tuesday, February 14

Ven. Auxentius of Bithynia (ca. 470).
Repose of St. Cyril, Equal-to-the-Apostles and Teacher of the Slavs (869)

Wednesday, February 15

Apostle of the Seventy Onesimus (ca. 109)
6:00 PM Akathist

WEEKLY SCHEDULE 2023



Thursday, February 16

St. Nicholas, Equal-to-the-Apostles, Archbishop of Japan (1912)
11:00 AM Faith Enrichment

Friday, February 17

Great Martyr Theodore the Tyro ("the Recruit"—ca. 306)

Saturday, February 18

St. Leo the Great, Pope of Rome (461)
5:15 PM Memorial Saturday
6:00 PM Great Vespers

Sunday, February 19

36th Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday of the Last Judgement
Meatfare Sunday
8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hours
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy
Coffee Hour