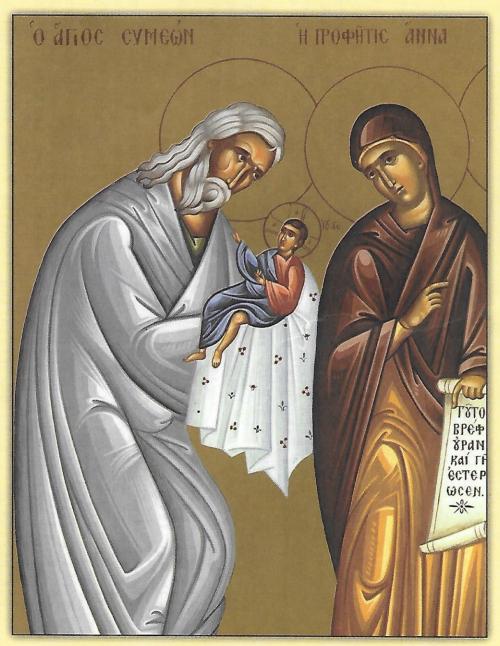
THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SUNDAY OF ZACCHAEUS



Icon of Saints Simeon and Anna -- February 3rd

Playing Dress-Up?

On Halloween we have the opportunity to enjoy and chuckle at children dressed up so innocently in their costumes. Without any hesitation most of them go eagerly from door to door. As adults, most of us would be too self-conscious; we don't like to think that people might be laughing at us.

Zacchaeus played dress-up his whole life, trying to be somebody he wasn't and not admitting what he really was – a small-in-stature, overdressed cheat. He chose to ignore the laughter he heard behind his back.

Yet it is to Zacchaeus' house that Jesus chooses to go. Jesus, surrounded by a crowd, looks up and sees Zacchaeus sitting ridiculously in

a sycamore tree. But Jesus doesn't laugh. Instead He invites himself to dinner.

And what happens there? Zacchaeus becomes a changed person. He finds his real self. He takes off his costume. He admits to being a cheat. He makes reparation by giving half to the poor and returning fourfold to those he has extorted. For that the gift of salvation becomes his.

We should ask ourselves what costumes we need to take off, how we can respond to Jesus' wanting to come into our lives and hearts. We need to start now, for Saint Paul says that the day of the Lord is at hand.



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February 3, 2019 Presentation

 $\overline{ ext{THE BEAUTIFUL AND ANCIENT FEAST}}$ called the Presentation will be celebrated this weekend. Also known as Candlemass, and the Encounter, this holyday marks the Meeting of the 40-day-old Jesus with Saint Simeon in the Jerusalem Temple. We will bless and give out candles to all the Faithful Saturday and Sunday this weekend.

OUR TERRIFIC SUNDAY SCHOOL is now in the spring semester, as we teach our students about our Lord and Savior, His Holy Church and Word. This semester we will also teach our customs of Ukrainian dance, singing and Easter egg coloring. Don't dare allow your children to miss out on this unique opportunity to learn about our Lord and all our beautiful traditions. No other church or school provides usch an opportunity for our youth, such as we have here at our vibrant Parish!

A GOODLY AMOUNT of 2019 church calendars, as well as donation envelopes can now be found in the church basement. Please check out these items and take them home for yourself, your family and neighbors TODAY!

A FEW BOTTLES of blessed Jordan water, as well as a copy or two of Father Pastor"s top-selling book "Bishop for a Day" may be available today for you and your family. See Father after Liturgy, if interested.

 $\frac{\text{OUR PARISH OFFICE}}{\text{purposes.}}$ is now preparing donation forms for the 2018 tax purposes. Please give your name to the ushers and Father will prepare a condidential form for you the following week.

WE TAKE A LINE OR TWO to thank all our faithful who attend the Liturgy, sing and pray with us, donate and support our beautiful Parish. Many of our folks travel significant distances to attend Church, even in this frigid winter weather. We send out our prayers to all of yoy today. We also send out a prayer to Lois Paul and Olga Danko, whose cars were totaled this past week by inattentive drivers. God bless all our faithful parishioners.

DIATME SEKATOES LOK THE MEEK

Saturday, 6 pm Health of Russell Gombos (Kathy Carlson)
Sunday, 9 am +Anita Chomiak (Russell and Son)
+Mykola, Irene, Eugenia (The Klufas Family)
Thursday, 7 am +Michael Talieh (Bill Maruszczak)
Friday, 7 am +Michael, Mary, Joseph, Helen (The Helenski Family)
Saturday, 8 am +Helen, 0wen, Bill Brady (Son and Brother)
Saturday, 6 pm +Michael and Anna (Jimmy Santangelo)
Sunday, 9 am +Daria Tyshovnytsky (Anna Cheipesh and Luba)

FEASTDAY TROPAR: Hail, Virgin Mother of God, full of grace, for Christ Our God has shone forth from you to enlighten those in the darkness. And you, O Just Simeon, reJoice today, for you received into your arms the Savior of our souls, Who has given to us our salvation., amen.

GLORY TO THE FATHER AND...

FEASTDAY KONTAK:

O Christ God, by Your birth You sanctified the
Virgin's womb and blessed the hands of old Simeon.
Today You redeemed and saved us. Today we pray that You might bring peace to the nations at war and strengthen our leaders with Justice.

FEASTDAY PROKIMEN: My soul glorifies the Lord, and my spirit re-Joices in God, my Savior, amen.

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