

The Saint Sava Serbian Orthodox Church Of McKeesport & Duquesne, Pa
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Sunday, February 2nd – Zacchaeus Sunday – Tone 7

(Remembering the Venerable Euthymius the Great)

Today's Epistle Reading:

EPISTLE: 1 Tim. 4: 9-15

Today's Gospel Reading

LITURGY: Luke 19: 1-10

PRIEST: Resurrection Troparion – Tone 7:

“By Thy Cross, Thou did destroy death, to the thief Thou did open Paradise!
For the myrrh-bearers Thou did change weeping into joy! And Thou did
command Thy Disciples, O Christ God, to proclaim that Thou art risen,
granting the world great Mercy!”

PRIEST: Resurrection Kontakion – Tone 7:

“The dominion of death can no longer hold men captive, for Christ
descended, shattering and destroying its powers! Hell is bound, while the
prophets rejoice and cry: ‘The Savior has come to those in faith! Enter, you
faithful, into the Resurrection!’”

Today's Special Announcements and Events In Our Parish:

(1) Welcome Fr. Mark Resanovich, our beloved Brother from Canton, Ohio!

(2) **Please pray for the health & well-being of our loved ones:**

HRH Princess Katherine Fr. Christopher Rocknage Nancy Belich
Melva Dandrea Dawn Hamm Pat Gould Michael Stepanovich
Donald & Milena Vojnovich-NH Xenia Vranesevich Melva
Lugares Helen Trkula-NH Helen Mochan Jenifer & Nadia Belo
AP Chris Bender AP Jonathan Proctor AP Joseph Abud
Demetrius Yandrich Jerry Repasky

(3) **Also pray for those who have fallen asleep in the Lord:**

+Alex Barna +Eli Yaich (Fr. Stevo's Cousin) +Petar Vukelic
+Milan Drobac +Betsy Cannon +Stevan "Rick" Zivic
+Stella Medich +Melva Buzzelli+Gary Trbovich +Eva Orr
+Katherine Radoicich +Leslie King +Wayne Malovitz

+AP Angelo Artemas +AP Paul Lazor +Arc. Polycarp Ramaeus
+AP Vladimir Demshuk + AP Adam Yonitch +Eugene Gould
+Amelia Opacic +Marsha Cugalj +Vlade Baskot +Joseph Stercula

(4) **Fr. Stevo Away:** from February 1st-15th, he and Prot. JoAnn will be
touring Spain and Portugal....Fr. Mark Resanovich will serve Liturgy on
Sundays the 2nd and the 9th... Please welcome him as only we can!

✦ ✦ ✦ **"COME AND SEE"** ✦ ✦ ✦

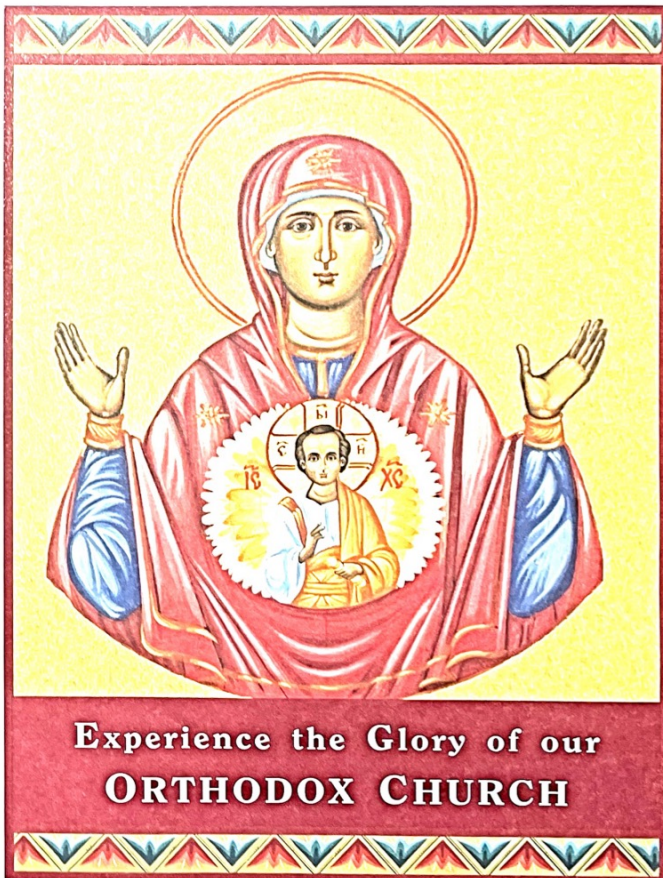
Our Orthodox Church, after 2000 years, is still a missionary Church. Even in this modern era, it is still our commission to "go and teach all nations," bringing the unchurched to the knowledge of Jesus Christ. As we struggle to bring the truths of Holy Orthodoxy to others, what approach should we take? If we are attempting to share our Faith with a potential convert, what should we EMPHASIZE?

The essence of Orthodoxy is a unique blending of three distinct elements. First, we are a **SCRIPTURAL** Faith. All that we teach ... all that we believe has its basis on God's Word in the Holy Bible. Indeed, we must show others that we "practice what we preach," and what we preach is the same message that our Lord and His Apostles after Him took out to every nation.

We are a **LITURGICAL** Faith. The services of the Orthodox Church readily reveal the doctrines and dogmas that are dear to us. A prospective convert can gain tremendous insight into what Orthodoxy is all about simply by listening to the profound lyrics of our many liturgical hymns.

Finally, we are a **VISUAL** Faith. When Nathanael questioned Philip if "anything good could come out of Nazareth", Philip responded: "COME AND SEE." Perhaps these words offer us the best "plan of attack" in allowing the light of Orthodoxy to shine on others. Through the holy icons and liturgical objects found in magnificent cathedrals and humble parish churches, our Faith comes alive. Invite someone to "come and see" your church. Let their eyes take in the mysteries of our Faith that are revealed in our sacred images and holy places. Many will, no doubt, echo the sentiments of the emissaries of Vladimir the Great when they entered the Church of the Holy Wisdom: "WE KNEW NOT IF WE WERE IN HEAVEN OR ON EARTH."

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