

Publican & Pharisee

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2 Timothy 3:10-15

Luke 18:10-14

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Homily by

Dn. Kevin

Dougherty

Epistle Reader:

Steve Templeton

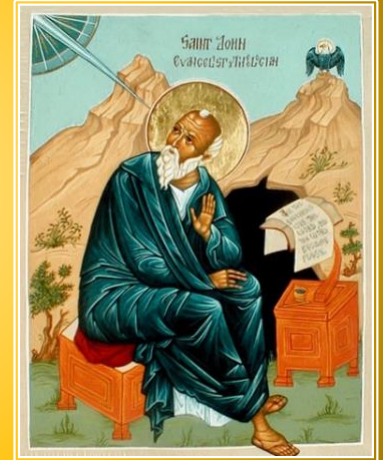
# St. John Orthodox Cathedral

## Weekly Bulletin

Sunday, February 21, 2021

And the Days Following

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*O Apostle John, speaker of Deity, the beloved of Christ our God, hasten to deliver your people powerless in speech, for He on Whose bosom you lean accepts you as an intercessor. Beseech Him, therefore, to disperse the darkness of ignorance and pray for peace and great mercies to be shown upon us.*

## Divine Liturgy Group Schedule and Group Assignments

### Divine Liturgy Group Schedule through the Coming Week

For the week following the Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee (February 21)

No fasting is Permitted

#### This Week

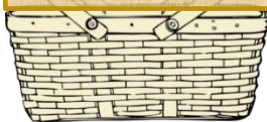
- ❖ Saturday, February 20, Liturgy at 9:15am – Group **GHI**
- ❖ Saturday, February 20, Vespers at 7:15pm – **ALL** – *Live-Streamed*
- ❖ Sunday, February 21, Publican & Pharisee, Matins/Liturgy at 9:30am - Group **JK** – *Live-Streamed*
- ❖ Wednesday, February 24, Liturgy at 6:15pm – **ALL**

#### Next Week

- ❖ Saturday, February 27, Liturgy at 9:15am – Group **LAF**
- ❖ Saturday, February 27, Vespers at 7:15pm – **ALL** – *Live-Streamed*
- ❖ Sunday, February 28, Prodigal Son, Matins/Liturgy at 9:30am - Group **BC** – *Live-Streamed*
- ❖ Wednesday, March 3, Liturgy at 6:15pm – **ALL**

## Parish Events and News

### Good Works Basket



### Heart-to-Heart Pregnancy Resource Center Collection Needs

Premie and newborn clothing and other items to assist the Center in providing for the practical needs of these families. Due to concerns over the virus *new clothing* is preferred.

(If donating a gently used blanket, it must be washed and bagged separately.) *sleepers, booties, onesies, wash cloths, bottles, pacifiers, diapers, receiving and baby blankets, etc.*

## *St. John's School Weekly News*

### **Saint John's School Junior High Fundraiser Meal**

Bethany Dunaway worked with Saint John's Junior High students to make a to-go meal as a fundraiser for their spring intensive trip. The meal of Greek Chicken, Salad, Pita Bread, Humus and dessert was delivered as a drive-through as parents came at the end of the School day on Tuesday. There is another fundraiser meal scheduled for next week.



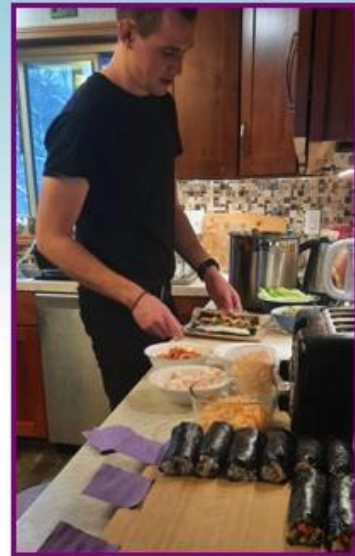


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## St. James House Weekly News

The SJH residents enjoyed a two week visit from Anna's parents and brother in February. They brought a taste of Appalachia with their homegrown music and joined us in prayers and dinners. We are thankful for their support and love.

*Pictured: Homegrown music with the Dunlaps, A full table and happy group, Winter ultimate frisbee on Superbowl Sunday, Luke making sushi for dinner! Yummy!*

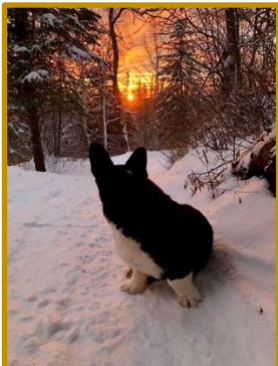


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## Notes and Pictures from Parishioners

### “Checking In” with Each Other

Please email [stjohnalaska@aol.com](mailto:stjohnalaska@aol.com) Hope to hear a little something from you – it might help us feel a little more connected.



Buddy Stallman and the  
Sunset taken 2-18-21

## Dates to Remember

### Birthdays This Week

February 21 - Ben Dunaway  
February 22 - Rhett Medders  
February 24 - Paxton Alvarez

February 27 - Jim Patras  
February 27 - Katya Jenkins  
February 27 - Owen Kies

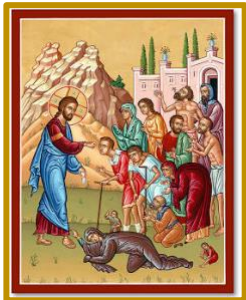
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### Anniversaries This Week

Fr. Marc & Kh. Betsy Dunaway - February 25, 1984  
Jim & Ann Patras - February 25, 1989

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### Remembering in Prayer...

*Tom Johnson  
Fr. John Downing  
Elisa Betson  
Preston Collier  
Matt Komar  
Peter Bernstein*

*Jan Northey  
Helen Gillquist  
Susan Kamkoff  
Gwyn Jones  
Sparks Family  
Those with Covid 19*

### Remembering Those Who Have Fallen Asleep This Month



- \* Steven Primis - February 3, 2001
- \* Archpriest Jack Sparks - February 8, 2010
- \* Phyllis Webster - February 12, 1992
- \* Lynn Guio - February 17, 2019
- \* Dn. Chris Sorensen - February 23, 2000

*M E M O R Y E T E R N A L !*

### Clare House Meal - 4th Saturday of Each Month

For the Month of **February** – our scheduled meal that we provide Clare House is:  
**February 27th.** Contact Cara Fletes to see how you can help.





On February 21, in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate the Venerable Timothy of Symbola; Eustathios, archbishop of Antioch; Zachariah, patriarch of Jerusalem; and George, bishop of Amastris.



On this day, we make remembrance of the Parable of the Pharisee and the Publican, which occurs in the Holy Gospel according to Luke the Evangelist.

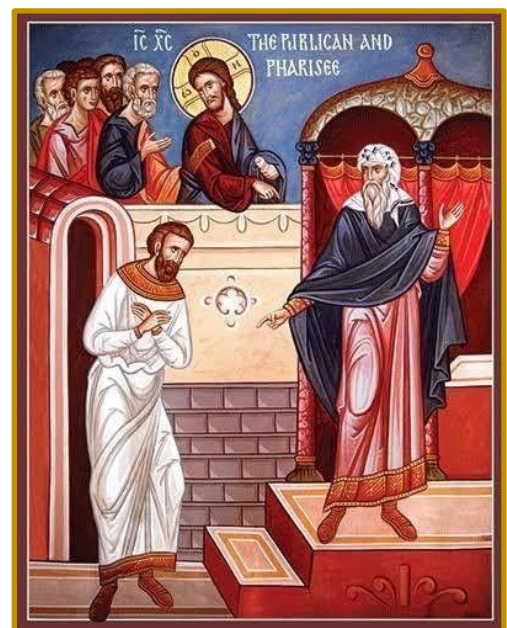
**Verses**

*If you resemble the Pharisee, run far away from the Temple;  
For inside is Christ before Whom only the humble are acceptable.*

**(Verses for the Triodion)**

*O Creator of everything heavenly and earthly,  
receive from the Angels a Trinitarian song,  
And from us men a noble and reverent Triodion.*

In our Savior's parable, Jesus uses as an example for us, a comparison between two differing attributes of two different men: A Pharisee, who was regarded as virtuous leader of the synagogue in public opinion; And a publican, a tax collector, who was regarded as oppressive, greedy and a sinner. In their prayers to God, we discover the real hearts of these two men. We thus learn of the harm that comes from pride and the good that comes from humility. The divine Church Fathers sought to alert and prepare the Christ-loving faithful for the upcoming period of the Great Fast. Therefore, on this Sunday we are reminded that humility is the greatest weapon against pride, as we imitate the humility of the publican to ascend to the divine heights.



Through the intercessions of the wonderworking Saints, O Christ our God, have mercy upon us and save us. Amen.