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***We are each of us angels with only one wing...
And we can fly embracing each other...***

Luciano DeCrenzenzo

February 1, 2026 Sunday of the Prodigal Son; Octoechos Tone 1; ☩ Pre-feast of the Encounter of our Lord God and Saviour Jesus Christ; The Holy Martyr Tryphon.

Intentions this Sunday

Saturday at 4:15pm: Parishioners; Sunday at 9:30am: Parishioners; Sunday at 11am: Parishioners.

First Antiphon

Shout to the Lord, all the earth,* sing now to His name, give glory to His praise.* *Through the prayers of the Mother of God,* O Saviour, save us.*

Say unto God, "How awesome are Your works!* Because of the greatness of Your strength Your enemies will flatter You".* *Through the prayers of the Mother of God,* O Saviour, save us.*

Let all the earth worship You and sing to You,* let it sing to Your name, O Most High!* *Through the prayers of the Mother of God,* O Saviour, save us.*

Glory. Now. Only-begotten Son.

Third Antiphon

Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord,* let us acclaim God, our Saviour. *Son of God, risen from the dead,* save us who sing to You: Alleluia.*

Let us come before His face with praise,* and acclaim Him in psalms.* *Son of God, risen from the dead,* save us who sing to You: Alleluia.*

For God is the great Lord,* and the great king over all the earth.* *Son of God, risen from the dead,* save us who sing to You: Alleluia.*

Entrance

Come, let us worship* and fall down before Christ.* *Son of God, risen from the dead,* save us who sing to You: Alleluia.*

Troparia and Kontakia

Troparion, Tone 1: Though the stone was sealed by the Judeans,* and soldiers guarded Your most pure body,* You arose, O Saviour, on the third day,* and gave life to the world.* And so the heavenly powers cried out to You, O Giver of Life:* Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ!* Glory to Your kingdom!* Glory to Your saving plan,* O only Lover of mankind.

Перший антифон

Воскликніть Господеві, вся зємле,* співайте ж імені Його, віддайте славу в хвалі Йому! *Молитвами Богородиці,* Спасе, спаси нас.*

Скажіть Бóгові: як страшні діла Твої!* У мно́жестві сили Твоїї лєстїтимуть Тобі ворогї Твої. *Молитвами Богородиці,* Спасе, спаси нас.*

Вся зємля нехай поклóниться Тобі і співає Тобі,* нехай же співає імені Твоєму, Всевішній!* *Молитвами Богородиці,* Спасе, спаси нас.*

Слава. І нині. Єдинорóдний Сїну.

Третій антифон

Прийдіте, возрадуємся Господеві, воскликнім Богу, Спасителєві нашому. *Спасі нас, Сїну Бóжий,* що воскрес із мєртвих, співаємо Тобі: Аلیلїя.*

Ідім перєд лицєм Його з ісповіданням, і спалма́ми воскликнім Йому. *Спасі нас, Сїну Бóжий,* що воскрес із мєртвих, співаємо Тобі: Аلیلїя.*

Бо Бог – велікий Госпóдь і цар велікий по всїй зємлі. *Спасі нас, Сїну Бóжий,* що воскрес із мєртвих, співаємо Тобі: Аلیلїя.*

Вхідне

Прийдіте поклóнїмся* і припадїм до Христá.* *Спасі нас, Сїну Бóжий,* що воскрес із мєртвих, співаємо Тобі: Аلیلїя.*

Тропарі й кондаки

Тропар воскресний (г. 1): Хоч ка́мінь запечáтали юдеї́* і воїни стерєгли пречїсте тіло Твоє,* воскрес Ти на третїй день, Спа́се,* дару́ючи світові життя.* Ра́ди цьо́го сили небєсні взивáли до Тебе, Життеда́вче.* Сла́ва воскресїнню Твоєму, Хри́сте,* сла́ва ца́рству Твоєму,* сла́ва прóмислові Твоєму,* є́диний Людинолю́бче.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
Now and forever and ever. Amen.

Kontakion, Tone 3: Foolishly have I fled from Your glory, O Father,* wasting the wealth You gave me on vices.* Therefore, I offer You the words of the Prodigal:* Loving Father, I have sinned before You.* Take me, for I repent, and make me as one of Your hired hands.

Prokeimenon

Tone 1: Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, as we have hoped in You.

Repeat: Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, as we have hoped in You.

verse: Rejoice in the Lord, O you just; praise befits the righteous.

Repeat: Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, as we have hoped in You.

Epistle 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

Alleluia, Tone 1

verse: God gives me vindication, and has subdued peoples under me.

verse: Making great the salvation of the king, and showing mercy to His anointed, to David, and to His posterity forever.

Gospel Luke 15:11-32

Communion Hymn

Praise the Lord from the heavens;* praise Him in the highest.* Alleluia, alleluia,* alleluia.

Слава Отцю, і Сїну, і Святому Духові. І нїні, і повсякчас, і на віки віків. Амінь.

Кондак трїодї (г. 3): Від батьківської слави Твоєї я віддалився безумно,* у злому я розтратив багатство, яке передав Ти мені.* Тому Тобі блудного голос приношу:* Согрїшїв я перед Тобою, Отче щедрий, прийми мене – каюся,* і вчини мене, як одного з наємників Твоїх.

Прокімен

(г. 1): Будь, Господи, милість Твоя на нас, бо уповали ми на Тебе.

Всі: Будь, Господи, милість Твоя на нас, бо уповали ми на Тебе.

Стих: Радуйтеся, праведні, у Господі, правим належить похвалá.

Всі: Будь, Господи, милість Твоя на нас, бо уповали ми на Тебе.

Апостол 1 Кор. 6, 12-20.

Алилуя (г. 1)

Стих: Бог, що вершить відомсту за мене і підкорїв народи мені.

Стих: Ти велично спасаєш царя Свого і твориш милість помáзаникові Своєму Давїдові і сімені його довіку.

Євангелїє Лк. 15, 11-32.

Причасний

Хвалїте Господа з небес,* хвалїте Його во вишніх.* Алилуя, алилуя,* алилуя.

Pre-Lenten Hymn for the Sunday of the Prodigal Son

1. Hear now, you faithful, once more the story
Of the young man whose prodigal ways
Led him to sin and then to repentance;
God's boundless grace is theme for our days!

3. See, too, the brother, pouting in silence,
Jealous of father's heart full of love.
Thus we are often guilty of malice,
Not understanding grace from above.

5. Soon will arrive the season of fasting
Pray'r and good works will fill ev'ry day;
Give us Your grace to have the right spirit
That in our deeds Your law we obey.

2. Hear how the father, longing and yearning,
Ran out to meet the penitent boy:
Hugged him and clothed him, shoes and ring gave him
Set out a feast to show forth his joy!

4. Ev'rything's lawful, so says the Scripture;
Not all is good, or done at our whim.
This mortal body, purchased at great price
By Christ the Lord, should glorify Him!

Source *The Divine Liturgy: An Anthology for Worship*

Liturgical Schedule

Monday, Feb 2 ⊕ The Encounter of our Lord God and Saviour Jesus Christ.	Hebrews 7:7-17 Luke 2:22-40	4:30pm (Sunday) 7pm	Great Vespers Festal Divine Liturgy	
Tuesday, Feb 3 ⊗ The Holy and Just Simeon who received God and Anna, Prophetess.	Hebrews 9:11-14 Luke 2:25-38			
Wednesday Feb 4 Our Venerable Father Isidore of Pelusium.	1 John 3:21-4:6 Mark 14:43-15:1			
Thursday, Feb 5 The Holy Martyr Agatha.	1 John 4:20-5:21 Mark 15:1-15			
Friday, Feb 6 Our Venerable Father Boucolus, Bishop of Smyrna	2 John 1:1-13 Mark 15:22-25, 33-41			<i>Abstention from meat and foods that contain meat.</i>
Saturday, Feb 7 All Souls Saturday	1 Corinthians 10:23-28 Luke 21:8-9, 25-27, 33-36	4:15pm 5:15pm 5:30pm	Divine Liturgy (English) Panakhyda for All Souls Great Vespers	Intention: Parishioners
Sunday, Feb 8 Sunday of the Fearful Judgment	1 Corinthians 8:8-9:2 Matthew 25:31-46	9:30am 11am	Divine Liturgy (Ukrainian) Divine Liturgy (English)	Intention: Parishioners Intention: +Vincenzo Volpe (First anniversary)

Other Events This Week

Monday, February 2 at 11am: Senior Exercise Class

Wednesday, February 4 at 11am: Senior Exercise Class

Thursday, February 5 at 7am: Perogy and Cabbage roll making. Lunch provided.

Saturday, February 7 at 7pm: Narcotics Anonymous

Sunday, February 8: Coffee and fellowship after the 9:30am and 11am Liturgies.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. We welcome our guests and visitors. Thank you for worshipping with us!
 2. HOLY DAY THIS WEEK: Monday, February 2. The Encounter of Our Lord in the Temple—a Holy Day of Obligation. The Church expects us to treat this day as a Sunday—attend the Liturgy, avoid unnecessary labour. Can't make it to Liturgy on Monday? Come to Vespers on Sunday at 4:30pm! See below for an explanation of the feast.
 3. BLESSING OF CANDLES: At Liturgy on February 2 as well as at the weekend Liturgies on February 7-8.
 4. HELP NEEDED: Sunday, February 1 after the 11am Liturgy to take down the Christmas decorations.
 5. ALL-SOULS SATURDAY: The first of five this year. We commemorate all who have gone before us in faith on these five Saturdays. General Panakhyda for all the faithful departed on Saturday at 5:15pm, right before Vespers.
 6. Next Men's Club All-You-Can-Eat brunch is Sunday, February 15, 2025
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Outreach to Homebound Parishioners: Know of someone who might like a priest's visit? Contact the office or Fr. Michael to arrange.

PRAYER LIST OF SICK, SHUT-INS, AND DEAR ONES FAR AND NEAR: Lorraine Wilson, Msgr. Anton Szymychalski, Fr. Jaroslaw Lazoryk, Wanda Duczmal, Debbie Bromeley, Antoinette Blunt, Katherine Pasternak, Walter Borowicz, Pat Stratichuk, Betty Pauliuk, Doris Lebel, Jo-Anne Stone, Denise Jacques, Phil Marinelli, Theresa Barsanti, Patty-Ann Bellerive, Jim Parniak, Connie Sampson, Fr. Oleh Yuryk, Fr. John Barszczyk, Dorothy McIntyre, Andrea Stone Pietramale, Lynn Dunne, Fr. Andrew Kormanik, Ray Robinson, Hunter Stone, Gavin Stone, Gerard Dosko, Anderson Knight, Jann, Ron Barsanti, Peter Harlow, Larisa Pochmursky, Elizabeth Cepecawer, MaryAnn & Art Spadoni, Paul Taillefer, Erin, Dave Kowalyk, Mary Romanchuk, McGill Perry, Tammy Zalewski, Fernando Mannarino, Dave Redfern, Ora, Irene O, Paul M, June, Bob, Dustin Wenmany, Tracey Burmaster, Mel Stanghetta, Norna Martynuck, Sylvie B, Bill McConnell, Anastasiia Pavliuk, Wanda Featherston, Roger McMillan, Clark Hutton, Gerry, Moira O'Pallie, Chris Applejohn, Barb and Gerry, Olena Hankivsky, David Bell.

Lord, Jesus Christ, You Who travelled throughout Galilee healing the sick, enabling the blind to see and the lame to walk, bring healing to Your people who need it this day. Grant relief to the ones who suffer pain and physical torment. Give peace to those whose minds are tortured by mental illness and anxiety. Comfort those who are alone in their suffering; may Your people reach out to them and to all the needy this day. Send Your grace to the caregivers that they may be gentle and effective agents of Your loving mercy. May our sufferings be joined with Yours to bring healing throughout the world. Amen

DONATIONS – January 25, 2026

Collection: \$975; Building Fund: \$70

Initial Envelopes: \$10; Snow Removal; \$100

THANK YOU!!

“On Call Priest”

A priest is available in the city for emergencies 24/7 at 705-256-6675.

LIFE

Life isn't made to be easy; it's meant to be lived. Sometimes happy, sometimes rough..

But every up and down makes you learn lessons that make you strong.

Always end your day with a positive thought. No matter how hard today was, tomorrow is full of possibilities.

~ Charlie Brown

Teacher: Give me a sentence which includes the words, Defence, Defeat, Detail

Charlie: When a horse jumps over de-fence, de-feat go first and then de-tail.

(ps – defence is the Canadian spelling and defense the American – fun fact!)

When they got home, Mildred asked George to get her a bowl of ice cream from the refrigerator.

“Should I write that down for you George?” she said.

“No Mildred. I'm sure I'll remember a bowl of ice cream,” George responded.

“OK George,” said Mildred, “but I do want some whipped cream, too. Should I write that down?”

“No,” said George. “I'll remember you want a bowl of ice cream with whipped cream.”

“George, I'd love a cherry on top too,” said Mildred. “Should I write that down?”

“No, I've got it,” said George. “You want a bowl of ice cream with whipped cream and a cheery on top.”

So George disappears into the kitchen to get the ice cream, and he then spends an unusually long time there before returning about 40 minutes later.

He returns to the living room and hands Mildred a plate of eggs and bacon.

Mildred stares at the plate momentarily, and then she looks at George.

“Where's the toast?” she asked

Feast of the Encounter of Our Lord: February 2nd

On this Feast day, we see Jesus forty days old, carried into the temple in Jerusalem by Mary and Joseph, to be recognized as God's Messiah by the aged Simeon and Anna. In obedience to the Law of Moses, the Lord Jesus, the first-born, was presented in the Temple by his Blessed Mother and his foster father. Mary and Joseph respected the Mosaic Law by offering the sacrifice prescribed for the poor: a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons.

In Jerusalem at that time there lived two venerable elderly people – Simeon and Anna. Their lives were dedicated to prayer and fasting and so their strong religious spirit rendered them able to recognize the Messiah. Simeon, who was just and devout, had been visited by an angel of the Lord who foretold him that he would not see death before seeing the Messiah born of the Virgin. Led by the Holy Spirit into the temple on the day that the holy family brought the Child Jesus to fulfill the law, Simeon took the Child into his arms and blessed God by saying: "Lord, now let Your servant depart in peace, according to Your word; for my eyes have seen Your salvation, which You have prepared before the face of all



people, a light of revelation to the gentiles, and the glory of Thy people Israel" (Luke 2:29-32).

In the figure of the venerable Simeon, Jesus' presentation in the temple, also reminds us that prayer and contemplation are not just a waste of time or an obstacle to charity. On the contrary, time could not be better spent than in prayer as true Christian charity is a consequence of a solid interior life. Only those who pray and offer penance, like Simeon and Anna, are open to the breath of the Spirit. They know how to recognize the Lord in the circumstances in which He manifests Himself because they possess an ample interior vision, and they have learned how to love with the heart of the One whose very name is Charity.

This is another 'epiphany' celebration insofar as the Christ Child is revealed as the Messiah through the canticle and words of Simeon and the testimony of Anna the prophetess who was also in the temple that day.

This is also a second Annunciation to Mary. Simeon's prophecy of Mary's sufferings *tells her of the actual historical situation in which the Son is to accomplish his mission: namely, in misunderstanding and sorrow.* The archangel's

announcement was a fount of incredible joy because it pertained to Jesus' messianic royalty and the supernatural character of His virginal conception.

The Feast Day of the Encounter is the meeting of the Old and New Covenants. Jesus is the fulfillment of the Old Covenant and gives to us the New Covenant through the Eucharist. The announcement of the elder in the temple spoke of the Lord's work of redemption that He would complete associating Himself through suffering to His Mother. Therefore, there is a strong Marian dimension to this feast; it is also referred to as the *Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary*. This refers to the other aspect of the presentation that consists of the ritual purification of Jewish women after they had given birth. In Mary's case this purification was not necessary, but it indicates the renewal of her total offering of herself to God for the accomplishment of His Divine Plan.

This feast concludes the celebration of the Nativity and with the offerings of the Virgin Mother and the prophecy of Simeon, the events now point toward Easter. Christ is the light of the nations, hence the tradition of the blessing of candles.

Source: Sts. Peter and Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church, Saskatoon