

E-Bulletin St Innocent Orthodox Church

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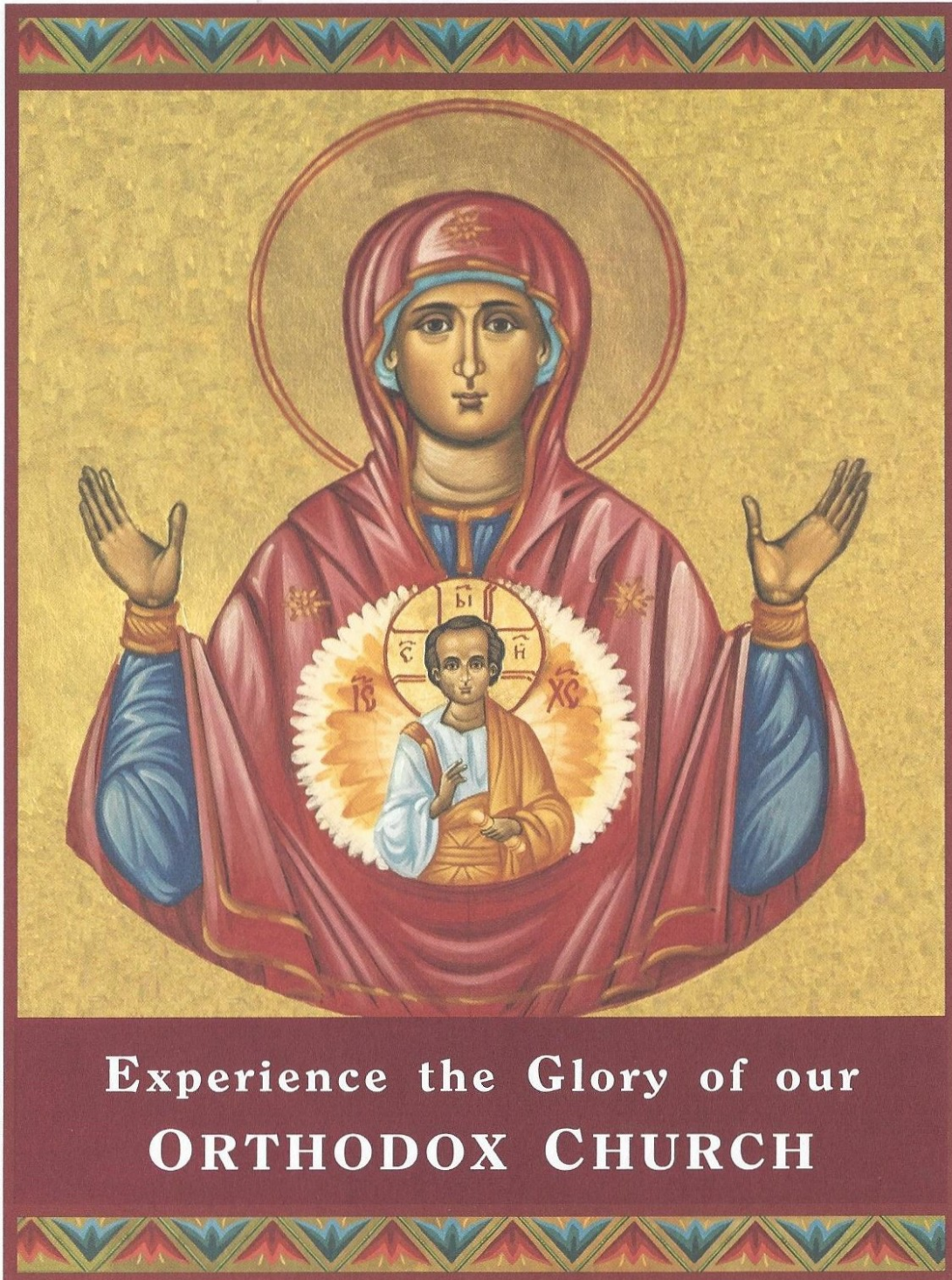
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Fr. Yousuf Rassam

February 2nd, 2025

Today's commemorated feasts and saints:

32nd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 7. Sunday of Zacchaeus. The Meeting of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, in the Temple.



Experience the Glory of our
ORTHODOX CHURCH



“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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SCHEDULE ALL SERVICES LIVE STREAMED.

Matins Gospel: Luke 2:25-32 (*Festal Matins Gospel*)

This Week’s Epistle: 1 Timothy 4:9-15 **Gospel:** Luke 19:1-10 (*Zacchæus*)
 Hebrews 7:7-17 Luke 2:22-40 (*Meeting*)

Reader: Andrew

Today 9:30 am Liturgy
 Wednesday 6:30 pm Moleben with Kontakion of the Meeting
 Saturday 5:30 pm Vespers
 Sunday 9:30 am Liturgy

Next Week’s Epistle: 2 Timothy 3:10-15 **Gospel:** Luke 18:10-14 (*Publican & Pharisee*)
 (*St Innocent*) Hebrews 7: 26 – 8: 2 John 10: 9 – 16

Reader: -

Office Hours: Tuesday & Thursday, 10:30 am – 12:00 noon. **Confessions:** After Saturday Vespers and by appointment.

Receiving Holy Communion: We should draw near to our Lord and God and Savior, Jesus Christ, and receive Holy Communion often. Orthodox Christians, who have prepared themselves through prayer and fasting, and are at peace with all men, and have attended the Divine Liturgy from the beginning, (or, at the very least, have not missed the Gospel), and have made a recent Confession, should draw near. Others should diligently seek to be properly disposed and prepared as soon as possible.

Resources to prepare for Next Sunday and Lent

[Sunday of the Publican & Pharisee Readings & Hymns](#)

[The Great Fast: To See Christ as He Is, by Archbishop Dmitri](#)

[Great Lent: A School of Repentance by Fr. Alexander Schmemmann](#)

Announcements:

Our Bulletins (\$60.00)

Alla Slobodskaya
Izolda (Zoya) & Vladimir Sogokon
Veska

Our Altar Wine (\$40.00)

Gabriela Broncă & family good health & help in our needs.

Our Altar Candles (\$40.00)

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Our Altar Incense (\$20.00)

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Vigil – Golgotha I (\$7.00 /wk)

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Vigil – Golgotha II (\$7.00 /wk)

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Vigil – Prothesis (\$7.00 /wk)

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- Broncă: Gabriela, Robert, & Carmen Iuliana. Good health, & help in need. Repose: Tasiie.

- Sogokon: for the health of Zoya, Vladimir, Irina, Anastasia, Vladimir, Vladimir.

- for Svetlana, Rossitza, Emil, Veska; Repose: Atanas

Feast of the Meeting of the Lord today. Blessing of Candles and procession after Liturgy.

2025 Wall Calendars are here at the Candle stand, with pictures of Orthodox Missions. Requested donation this year, \$10.00.

Adult Education is will take place after the Moleben on Wednesday.

Lectionary. The Church Lectionary is reading from 1 Timothy & St Luke. On weekdays, from 1 Peter & Mark.

Coffee Hour, This Week: Jacqui **Next Week:** Milena

USEFUL INFORMATION

Donations We now have a [Tithe.ly](https://tithe.ly) page to make donating to the parish easy. Just click this link: <https://tithe.ly/give?c=1324837>. Thank you and God bless!

Streamed serices can be viewed at our website <https://stinnocenttarzana.org/livestream> or <https://stinnocenttarzana.org/facebook>, the streamed services are also uploaded here <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEhqUqTl5kDekOrPPERcy5g>.

The daily readings and saints may be found here: <https://stinnocenttarzana.org/dailyreadings>.

Troparion, Resurrection – Tone 7

By Thy Cross Thou didst destroy death! / To the thief thou didst open paradise! / For the myrrhbearers, Thou didst change weeping into joy! / And Thou didst command Thy disciples, O Christ God, / to proclaim that Thou art risen, // granting the world great mercy!

Troparion, Meeting of the Lord – Tone 1

Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos, Full of Grace! / From thee shone the Sun of Righteousness, Christ our God, / enlightening those who sat in darkness. / Rejoice and be glad, O righteous Elder,/ thou didst accept in thine arms the Redeemer of our souls, // Who grants us the Resurrection!

Kontakion, Resurrection – 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!

Kontakion, Meeting of the Lord – Tone 1

By Thy Nativity Thou didst sanctify the Virgin's womb / and blessed Simeon's hands, O Christ God. / Now Thou hast come and saved us through love. / Grant peace to all Orthodox Christians, // O only Lover of mankind!

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Of our charity, remember in your prayers:

Special Intentions:

Christians of Syria, Egypt; Met. Paul, Abp. John, in captivity.

Natalya & Alla in Donetsk

sister Oksana McGovern & family

Metropolitan Onuphry of Kiev, the brotherhoods of the Kiev Caves Lavra, the Pochayiv Lavra, & Svyatohirsk Lavra. Metropolitan Theodosy and the faithful of St Michael Cathedral in Cherkassy, St Andrew Cathedral in Zoporyzhya

The Sick and those in need of health:

Archbishop Anastasios of Albania

Archbishop Benjamin,

Archpriests Paul Waisanen, George Gray, Michael Regan, Andrew Jacobs; John Armstrong, Matthew Tate; James Jorgensen.

Abbess Victoria; Abbess Susanna;

Matushki Alexandra Safchuk, Elizabeth Powell, Clara Mancantelli, Maria Vallens, Jean Moore;

Robert David Peterson, Marios Perez, Barbara Anderson, Monika Cleenewerck, Marea Kuolt.

OCA-DOW

Manya Prybyla, Gregory Theophan Hoffberg; Leontina Himber; Virginia, Levon; Edmund Roschak, Darka Raicevich;

Karen Olds; Alla Miller, Mike Shinkarik, Andrew Sturmer; Bridget Merridy Strand, Assia Alexander, Scott T. Karen T.,

Dmitri G., Kyra; Linda Phillips; Ed Salm; Raphael; Magdalena Elizabeth; Ludmilla, Anna, George Arglen,

Our Parish

Gayle Anne; Lana,

Darka, Ilija & Jovanna

Jelica, Zharko

Laura Bochnak

Lea Ann (Leah) Bochnak

Gary Andrew Hart

Vladimir

Victoria Wilson

Laura, Eladia; Lydia

Marie; Archpriest Jonathan Proctor (Holy Trinity, St. Paul, MN) (cancer).

Mildred Sturmer, Susan

Martha Yarbrough

Margaret Banescu, Vona Leslee Christie, Hope Peacock and family.

Euphemia Marie Cox

George. Mihai

Mary, George Laurentiu, cancer treatment.

Barbara, Steve

Angela Apostol, Constantine Apostol

Yekaterina

Hieromonk Ambrose (Young), Amy Juried. Archpriest Michael Carney,

Matushka Sophia Haloulakos

Christina Dudchenko, Dcn. Sergius Miller, Kevin, Cecilia Gonzalez-Andrieu.

Michael Rogozik

Yulia.

Lya, Marie, Yvonne

Timofey

Kristina DeBree

Reader John, Catherine, Dianna Bowen.

Walter

Larry & Emma

Anna

Pearl Ruggiero. Sheena Wickens, Veronica Clarkson, Anna Cruz, Anna Rossiter; Ward; Griselda Leon; Allan Elmaleh.

Bruce Anderson, Audrey Anderson.

Larry McHargue; Laura; Robert; Kenny; Bill & Sara Love

Subdeacon Polycarp Anderson & family

Anne McHargue Witz & family

Those Serving in the Armed Forces

Peter, Elijah Hoffberg, Ronnie (Barnabas) Austin, Shae, Ian & Henry.

For the Health and Salvation of the servants of God:

Catechumens: Dalen, Kelly, & Jamie, & Timothy Muster; Emma; Paulina; Louis; Alexander; Zachary; Jacqueline; Garreth, Hannah, James

Daniel

Orion

Nikolina

Zlata Okunev, Artemi & Erica

Charlotte, parents Jonathan & Michaela Durham

Vitaly, Lyubov, Ella, Karen, Oksana, Valentina, Irina, Sofiya, Vladimir, Olga, Natalya, Tatyana, Irina, Elena, Evgeny.

Tikhvin icon donors

Alla, Dmitriy Jr., Dmitriy, Igor, Elena, Juliya, Tamara, Fredi.

Alla Slobdoskaya

Elena, Marisa, Dimitrios (Jimmy), Nicholas, Alexander, Dimitrios, Dionisius.

+ Lola Macrina

Elijah, parents Aika & Dmitri Goudkov

Rowan. Galina.

Yelena, Anna, Wolfgang

Christopher, John, Lauren, Ekaterina.

+ Margarita Maximova

Catalina, Sofia, Florentina, Doina.

Calugaru family

Sherri, Nathanael, & Christopher, Amelia Marie.

Of our charity, remember in your prayers:

For the repose of the souls of the departed servants of God:

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Newly Departed Archbishop Anastasios of Albania
Newly Departed Nicholas Juried + Jan 11, 25. Amy Juried, Fr Yousuf
Newly Departed Matushka Susanne Senyo, + Jan 18, 25. grandson James Goodarzy & family
Newly Departed Parvin, + Jan 15, 25. Maggie Medina, Dean Apostol
Newly Departed Lazaro Medina, Gay Butu & family
Newly Departed Katherine Turnbull, + Jan 6, 25. Julia Azrael
Newly Departed Traian Butu + Dec 20, 24. Lyudmilla
Newly Departed Simos Constantine Dimas, +Nov 29, 2024. Diane Elizabeth Rhodes
Newly Departed Olga, + Nov 15, 2024. Boris, Nikolay, Lidiya, Olga. Christia, Marina, John & family
Newly Departed Mary Grace Davidson +June 21, 2024; Newly Departed Carl Pagter, Jan 3, 2023; Ken Reed. Nathalie, Tamara, Marina, Michael & family
Mitred Archpriest Sergei Glagolev, +Sep 1, 2021, Matushka Gerry (Evgenia) Glagolev. +May 23, 2022.
Archpriest Nicolas Boldireff, +May 22, 2024.; Matushka Anisia Boldireff +Sep 1, 2021

Matushka Tresja Denysenko Deacon Nicholas & Sofia Denysenko & family
Edward Pogyor Eleanor Pogyor & family
Subdeacon Patrick Bernard Wilson Diane, Victoria, Nicholas, & Stephen Wilson & family
Germogen & Olga Stephanenko Larissa, Tatiana
Matushka Priscilla Shipley +Sep 10, 2023 Fr Ian Shipley & family, DoW
Valentina Irina Jackson
Cor Brevet Delabruinene Natalya Slusar Nosa & family
Rodney Lake + May 20, 2021. son-in-law & daughter Thaddeus & Jacqui Wojcik
Paul Prybyla. +Jan, 10, 2021 Manya & family
Nicholas Vasiliev Davidovich, +October 12, 2022
Barbara Johnson daughter Nancy Smollen
Stanislava daughter Milena; family
Hormuzd (Emmanuel) Rassam, + Dec 21, 2022. wife Kaye Rassam, son Fr Yousuf Rassam, daughter Najma Fowner & family
Nun Seraphima (Anna Kremenetskaya) Konstantin, Taissia, Vladimir, Ioann Kremenetsky
Nun Nonna (Verna Harrison)
Igor
Lola Macrina
Edward Michael & Joan Sutyak Tamara, Christina, Michael, Anne & family
Leon & Claudine Snyder daughters Laura & Carol, & family
Dmitri Boris
David Mitred Archpriest Ian & Matka. Nina MacKinnon, DOW
Deacon Hennok Soot, Matushka Mariamna Soot, DoW, Fr Stephen Soot family, Mark & Olga Soot family
Evdokiya, Anatoliy, Domnikiy, Semen, Feodosiy, Ella, Grigoriy, Nadejda, Konstantin, Svetlana,
Valentina, Anna, infant Anatoliy, Olga, Anna, Peter. Alla Slobdoskaya
Anne Lewandowski + Raissa Dulian
Marina, Alexandra, Petr, Boris, Tatiana. +Margarita Maximova
Hieromonk Vonifaty, Schemanun Savva, Priest Anatoly + Sep 9, 22; Monk Aristokliy June 1, 22; Andrei Vasilenko, April, 23; Archpriest Nikolay
Palahnyuk, June 13, 23; John Markevich, Oct, 23; Viktor Kotlishyn, Oct 19 23;
Rebecca Svetlana (Photini) Gushard son Wade Aiden Greer, Fr Yousuf
Basil Rosiczka