



**SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON**

February 1, 2026

**Jan. 31 (Sat) Divine Liturgy 5:00pm**  
*+Barbara E. (Casteel) Oleyar reqd by Janet B.*

**Feb. 1 (Sun) SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON**  
**Divine Liturgy 10:30am**  
*Health & welfare of Father Donald Voss*  
*Reqd bu Norman & Eileen*

**Feb. 2(Mon) ENCOUNTER OF OUR LORD WITH SIMEON**  
**Divine Liturgy 6:30pm**  
*For the homebound of our parish*

**Feb.. 6 (Fri) Hramoty - Remembrance of the Dead 6:30pm**

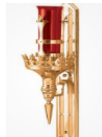
**Feb. 7 (Sat) Divine Liturgy 5:00pm**  
*.+Steve & Agnes Babich reqd by son Andy*

**Feb. 8 (Sun) SUNDAY OF MEATFARE**  
**Divine Liturgy 10:30am**  
*+George Lucas Jr. reqd by the Pasternak Family*

**St. Mary , Herminie - Sunday Liturgy 8:30am**

**Our tithe to our Parish Jan. 18, 2026 - \$1,264.00**  
**Jan. 24, 2026 - \$ 781.00**

The Sanctuary Lamp continues to burn before the presence of Our Risen Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ in our church during the week of Feb. 1 thru Feb. 7 for the homebound of our parish.



Please join fellow parishioners in praying the rosary every week prior to the Sunday 10:30am Liturgy and on Holy Days.

\*\*\*\*Don't forget to report your count of the rosary and place the note in the box for St. Agnes\*\*\*\*



*Let us remember in our prayers all of our friends and parish family members who are sick at home or in a nursing facility and for all who are in need of our prayers.*

Marian Barry, Pamela Seech Dawson, Steve Fekete, Barbara Gulich, John Hresko, Michael Janov, Helen Magdic, Steve Muchoney, Pat Pierro, Pat.Race, Ted Race, Helen Rizzi, Rose Marie Rupnik, Ray Seech, Mark Sethman, JerryLee Simpson, Charles Stein, Eleanor Timko, Sally Zeleznik

**Lenten Fund Raiser**

Lent is just weeks away. As previously done, we again are planning a fundraiser to be held during Lent. A meeting was held and plans are in the process of being finalized. To make this project a success donations of pop, water and dessert items, such as cookies, or other pastries will be needed.

As we get closer to Lent more information will be provided and signup sheets will be provided.

**Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, Feb. 3 at 6:00pm. Help will be needed. Please plan to attend.**

Following the Divine Liturgy on Monday, February 2, 6:30pm Father will be blessing candles.

Mark your calendars: Next coffee social  
February 15 - following 10:30 Liturgy

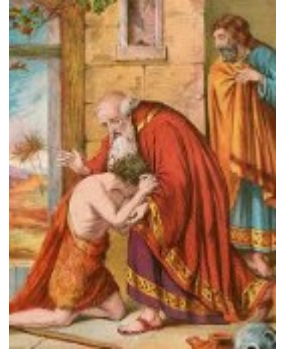
February 16, 2026 *The First Day of the Great Fast*



Lent is a period of extra prayer, fasting and penance once a year in preparation of Paska, the Feast of the Holy Resurrection of Jesus Christ. Lent is always 40 days long. Lent is one of the four periods of fasting in the Byzantine Liturgical year, and therefore, it is sometimes called Great Lent in the Church. Lent comes from the ancient English word which means “Lengthening of Days”, that is Spring. The other three traditional fast periods are a period of time before the Feast of Ss. Peter and Paul on June 29, two weeks before the Feast of the Dormition of the Mother of God on August 15, and 40 days before Christmas. The fast before Christmas is also called the Philipovka, which means “Philip’s Fast” because it begins on November 15, which is the day after the Feast of St. Philip.

## THE PRODIGAL SON

The Parable of the Prodigal Son, found in Luke 15: 11-32, is a famous story told by Jesus about a reckless son who wastes his inheritance, hits rock bottom, and returns home to a forgiving father. It illustrates God’s grace and unconditional love for sinners contrasting with the jealousy of the obedient older brother.



## ENCOUNTER OF OUR LORD WITH SIMEON



The event is recorded in Luke 2:25-35. Mary and Joseph brought Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem to present Him to the Lord, in accordance with the Law of Moses. Simeon, described as a righteous and devout man, had been promised by the Holy Spirit that he would not die before seeing the Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, he entered the Temple just as Mary and Joseph arrived with Jesus.

Upon seeing the child, Simeon took Jesus in his arms and praised God, saying: “Lord, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel” (Luke 2:29-32).