

January 2012

Sunday, January 29 Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee

Transfer of the Relics of the Hieromartyr Ignatius the God-bearer, bishop of Antioch. Bright vestments. Tone 8. Matins Gospel XI. Resurrection Tropar (Tone 8); GLORY: Kondak of the Publican and Pharisee; NOW: Resurrection Kondak; Balance, Resurrection service from Sunday.

Scripture readings for the Publican and Pharisee:

Epistle: 2 Timothy [3:10-15].

Gospel: Luke [18:10-14].

Note: There is no fasting this week.

Monday, January 30

Three Holy Hierarchs, Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian, and John Chrysostom; the Holy Hieromartyr Hippolytus.

Bright vestments. Service for January 30. Scripture readings for the Three Holy Hierarchs:

Epistle: Hebrew [13:7-16].

Gospel: Matthew [5:14-19].

Tuesday, January 31

The Wonderworkers and Unmercenaries Cyrus and John.

Bright vestments. Weekday Service for Tuesday.

Scripture readings of the Thirty-fourth Tuesday:

Epistle: 2 Peter [2:9-22].

Gospel: Mark [13:24-31].

February, 2012

Wednesday, February 1

Prefeast of the Presentation The Holy Martyr Tryphon. Dark vestments. Tropar and Kondak of Prefeast of the Meeting. Balance, service from Wednesday. Scripture readings of the Thirty-fourth Wednesday:

Epistle: 2 Peter [3:1-18].

Gospel: Mark [13:23-31].

In the Evening: Vespers with litija.

Note: February is Catholic Press Month.

Thursday, February 2

THE PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST.

Bright vestments. Blue vestments. Service for February 2.

Scripture readings for the Feast:

Epistle: Hebrews §316 [7:7-17].

Gospel: Luke §7 [2:22-40].

After Liturgy: Anointing of the faithful and distribution of prosfora.

Note: Candles are blessed after the Ambon Prayer (cf. *Molytvoslov*, p. 867.)

Friday, February 3

Postfeast of the Presentation

Holy and Righteous Simeon Who Received the Lord and Anna the Prophetess. Blue vestments. Service for the Meeting, taking the daily Antiphons [excluding festal Intron], including proper Prokimen, Alleluia Verses and Communion Hymn for Sts. Simeon and Anna. Hirmos of the Meeting. Scripture readings for Sts. Simeon and Anna:

Epistle: Hebrews [9:11-14].

Gospel: Luke §8 [2:25-38].

Saturday, February 4

Postfeast of the Presentation

Our Venerable Father Isidore of Pelusium. Blue vestments. Service for the Meeting, taking the daily Antiphons [excluding festal Intron]. Balance: Propers for the Meeting, including proper hirmos.

Scripture readings of the Thirty-fourth Wednesday:

Epistle: 2 Timothy [3:1-9].

Gospel: Luke [20:46-21:5].

Sunday, February 5

Postfeast of the Presentation

Sunday of the Prodigal Son

The Holy Martyr Agatha. Blue vestments. Blue vestments. Tone 1.

Matins Gospel I.

Resurrection Tropar (Tone 1); Tropar of the Presentation; GLORY: Kondak of the Triod; NOW: Kondak of the Presentation. Prokimen, Alleluia Verses and Communion Hymn of Sunday and of the feast, including proper hirmos. Scripture readings for the Sunday of the Prodigal Son:

Epistle: 1 Corinthians [6:12-20].

Gospel: Luke [15:11-32].

Monday, February 6

Postfeast of the Presentation

The Venerable Father Bukolus, bishop of Smyrna; The Holy Hieromartyr Silvanus, Bishop of Emessa and his companions.

Blue vestments. Follow *Typikon* for February 4. Scripture readings for Meatfare Monday:

Epistle: 1 John [2:18-3-10].

Gospel: Mark [11:1-11].

Tuesday, February 7

Postfeast of the Presentation

Our Venerable Father Parthenius, Bishop of Lemniscus.

Blue vestments. Follow *Typikon* for February 4. Scripture readings for Meatfare Tuesday:

Epistle: 1 John [3:11-20].

Gospel: Mark [14:10-42].

Wednesday, February 8

Postfeast of the Presentation

The Holy Great Martyr Theodore the Tiro; Holy Prophet Zachariah the Serpovydtza.

Blue vestments. Follow *Typikon* for February 4. Scripture readings for Meatfare Wednesday:

Epistle: 1 John [3:21-4:6].

Gospel: Mark [14:43-15:1].

Thursday, February 9

Leave-taking of the Presentation

The Holy Martyr Nicephorus.

Blue vestments. Follow *Typikon* for February 4. Scripture readings for Meatfare Thursday:

Epistle: 1 John [4:20-5:21].

Gospel: Mark [15:1-15].

Friday, February 10

The Holy Martyr Charalampias.

Dark vestments. Weekday Service for Friday.

Scripture readings for Meatfare Friday:

Epistle: 2 John [1:1-13].

Gospel: Mark [15:22-25; 33-41].

Saturday, February 11

First Memorial Saturday

Holy Hieromartyr Blaise, Bishop of Sebaste.

Dark vestments. Services for Saturday of the Meatfare Sunday, including Typical Antiphons.

Scripture reading for Saturday of Meatfare Sunday or for the Deceased:

Epistle: 1 Corinthians [10:23-28] (Saturday); or 1 Thessalonians [4:13-17] (Deceased).

Gospel: Luke [21:8-9; 25-27; 33-36] (Saturday); or John [5:24-30] (Deceased).

Note: Panakhyda with general commemoration of the deceased is celebrated following the Ambon Prayer, beginning with the Tropar *So duchy pravednykh*. Following the "Amen" of the Exclamation, the celebrant returns to the ambon from which he imparts the Final Blessing and the Dismissal proper to the Divine Liturgy. Close with *Vichnaya Pam'yat*.

Note: In keeping with the ancient tradition of our church – still observed in Ukraine – *Kolyvo/kutia* may be blessed after the Ambon Prayer and distributed to the faithful following the Dismissal, in memory of the deceased. [See *Trebnyk* (Zhovkva Edition, 1926), p. 620.]

Sunday, February 12 Meatfare Sunday

Our Venerable Father among the Saints Meletius, Archbishop of Antioch.

Tone 2. Matins Gospel II.

Bright vestments. Resurrection Tropar (Tone 2);

GLORY: Kondak of the Triod; NOW: Resurrection Kondak. Balance, Resurrection service from Sunday.

Scripture readings for Meatfare Sunday:

Epistle: 1 Corinthians [8:8-9:2].

Gospel: Matthew [25:31-46].

Monday, February 13

Our Venerable Father Martinian.

Bright Vestments. Weekday Service for Monday.

Scripture readings for Cheesefare Monday:

Epistle: 3 John [1-15].

Gospel: Luke [19:29-40; 22:7-39].

Tuesday, February 14

Our Venerable Father Auxentius. The Passing of Our Venerable Father Constantine the Philosopher, as a monastic called Cyril, Teacher of Slavs.

Bright vestments. Service for February 14.

Scripture readings for St. Cyril:

Epistle: Hebrews [7:26-8:2].

Gospel: John [10:9-16].

Wednesday, February 15

The Holy Apostle Onesimus.

Note: Wednesday and Friday in Cheesefare Week are aliturgical and the Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom is not prescribed (See Dolnytskyj *Typikon* p. 324).

Thursday, February 16

The Holy Martyrs Pamphilius, presbyter, Porphyrius, and their companions. Dark vestments. Weekday Service for Wednesday.

Scripture readings for Cheesefare Thursday:

Epistle: Jude [11-25].

Gospel: Luke [23:1-34; 44-56].

Friday, February 17

The Holy Great Martyr Theodore the Recruit.

Note: Wednesday and Friday in Cheesefare Week are aliturgical and the Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom is not prescribed (See Dolnytskyj *Typikon* p. 324).

Saturday, February 18

Our Father among the Saints Leo, Pope of Rome.

Bright vestments. Services for Cheesefare Saturday including Typical Antiphons.

Scripture readings for Chesefare Saturday:

Epistle: Romans [14:19-26].

Gospel: Mathew [6:1-13].

Sunday, February 19 Chesefare Sunday Sunday of Forgiveness.

The Holy Apostle Archippus.

Tone 3. Matins Gospel III.

Bright vestments. Resurrection Tropar (Tone 3); GLORY: Kondak of the Triod; NOW: Resurrection Kondak. Balance, Balance from the Service for Cheesefare Sunday.

Scripture readings for Cheesefare Sunday:

Epistle: Romans [13:11-14:4].

Gospel: Mathew [6:14-21].

Note: The Great Fast/Lent begins with Forgiveness Vespers celebrated today in the afternoon or evening.

Note: Three full prostration with the sinning of *Preterpivji*... are made following every service during Lent, except those services which are celebrated from Friday evening to the start of Sunday Vespers; those celebrated on the eve and the morning of a holy day; and the week beginning with the Third Sunday of Lent (when *Khrestu Tvojemu*... is sung, with prostration).

Note: All weekdays of Lent are aliturgical and the Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom is not prescribed. On Wednesdays and Fridays of Lent, the Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts is to be celebrated (See Dolnytskyj *Typikon* p. 349).

Monday, February 20

Our Venerable Father Leo, bishop of Catania.

Note: Today is a day of abstinence from both meat and dairy products.

Tuesday, February 21

The Venerable Timothy of Symbola; and Our Father among the Saints Eustathius, Archbishop of Greater Antioch.

Wednesday, February 22

Finding of the Precious Relics of the Holy Martyrs at Eugenia.

Dark vestments. Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts.

Scripture readings for the First Wednesday of Lent:

Genesis 1:24-2:3; Proverbs 2:1-22.

Thursday, February 23

The Holy Martyr Polycarp, Bishop of Smyrna.

Friday, February 24

Our Father among the Saints Tarasius, Archbishop of Constantinopol.

Dark vestments. Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts. Scripture readings for the First Friday of Lent: Genesis 2:20-3:20; Proverbs 3:19-34

Saturday, February 25

First and Second Finding of the Precious Head of Glorious Prophet and Forerunner, Baptizer of the Lord, John. The Holy Great Martyr Theodore of Tyre.

Dark vestments. Tropar of the Feast; Tropar of St. Theodore; GLORY: Kondak of the Feast;

NOW: Kondak of St. Theodore. Prokimen, Alleluia Verses and Communion Hymn of the Feast and the First Saturday of Lent.

Scripture readings for the First Saturday of Lent:

Epistle: Hebrews [1:1-12].

Gospel: Mark [2:23-3:5].

Note: The Feast of the First and Second Finding of the Precious Head of Glorious Prophet and Forerunner, baptizer of the Lord, John is transfer from Friday, February 24th to today because of the aliturgical days during the First Week of Lent. (See Dolnytskyj *Typikon* p. 230-231).

Sunday, February 26 First Sunday of Lent Sunday of Orthodoxy.

Our Father among the Saints Porphyrius, bishop of Gaza.

Tone 4. Matins Gospel IV.

Bright vestments. Liturgy of St. Basil the Great.

Resurrection Tropar (Tone 4); Tropar of the Icons; Glory/Now: Kondak of the Triod; Prokimen, Alleluia Verses of the Triod. Instead of *Dostoyno yest take O Tebi radujetsia*. Communion Hymn of the First Sunday and of the Triod.

Scripture readings for the Sunday of Orthodoxy:

Epistle: Hebrews [11:24-26, 32-40; 12:1-2].

Gospel: John [1:43-51].

In the evening: Lenten Vespers.

