

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2010 SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT — Tone 5. St. Gregory Palamas. Ven. Basil the Confessor, Companion of Ven. Procopius at Decapolis (750). Bl. Nikolai, Fool-for-Christ at Pskov (1576). Hieromartyr Proterius, Patriarch of Alexandria (457). Hieromartyr Nestor, Bishop of Magydos in Pamphylia (250). Ven. Marina (Marana), Cyra (Kira) and Domnica (Domnina), of Syria (ca. 450). Ven John Cassian the Roman (435).

TROPARIA (Tone 5) Let us, the faithful, praise and worship the Word, / co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit, / born for our salvation from the Virgin; / for He willed to be lifted up on the Cross in the flesh, / to endure death, / and to raise the dead // by His glorious Resurrection. **(Tone 8)** O light of Orthodoxy, teacher of the Church, its confirmation, / O ideal of monks and invincible champion of theologians, / O wonderworking Gregory, glory of Thessalonica and preacher of grace, // always intercede before the Lord that our souls may be saved!

KONTAKIA (Tone 4) Now is the time for action! / Judgment is at the doors! / So let us rise and fast, / offering alms with tears of compunction and crying: / “Our sins are more in number than the sands of the sea; / but forgive us, O Master of all, // so that we may receive the incorruptible crowns!”

(Tone 8) Holy and divine instrument of wisdom, / joyful trumpet of theology, / together we sing your praises, O God-inspired Gregory. / Since you now stand before the Original Mind, guide our minds to Him, O Father, // so that we may sing to you: “Rejoice, preacher of grace!”

The Prokeimenon in the Fifth Tone: Thou, O Lord, shalt protect us // and preserve us from this generation forever.

v: Save me, O Lord, for there is no longer any that is godly!

THE READING FROM THE EPISTLE OF THE HOLY APOSTLE PAUL TO THE HEBREWS (1:10-2:3) Brethren: And, “Thou, Lord, didst found the earth in the beginning, and the heavens are the work of thy hands; they will perish, but thou remainest; they will all grow old like a garment, like a mantle thou wilt roll them up, and they will be changed. But thou art the same, and thy years will never end.” But to what angel has he ever said, “Sit at my right hand, till I make thy enemies a stool for thy feet”? Are they not all ministering spirits sent forth to serve, for the sake of those who are to obtain salvation? Therefore we must pay the closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it. For if the message declared by angels was valid and every transgression or disobedience received a just retribution, how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation? It was declared at first by the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard him.

Alleluia, Tone 5

v. I will sing of Thy mercies, O Lord, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim Thy truth from generation to generation.

v. For Thou hast said: “Mercy will be established forever; My truth will be prepared in the heavens.”

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO SAINT MARK (2:1-12) And when Jesus returned to Capernaum after some days, it was reported that he was at home. And many were gathered together, so that there was no longer room for them, not even about the door; and he was preaching the word to them. And they came, bringing to him a paralytic carried by four men. And when they could not get near him because of the crowd, they removed the roof above

him; and when they had made an opening, they let down the pallet on which the paralytic lay. And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "My son, your sins are forgiven." Now some of the scribes were sitting there, questioning in their hearts, "Why does this man speak thus? It is blasphemy! Who can forgive sins but God alone?" And immediately Jesus, perceiving in his spirit that they thus questioned within themselves, said to them, "Why do you question thus in your hearts? Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise, take up your pallet and walk'? But that you may know that the Son of man has authority on earth to forgive sins" -- he said to the paralytic -- "I say to you, rise, take up your pallet and go home." And he rose, and immediately took up the pallet and went out before them all; so that they were all amazed and glorified God, saying, "We never saw anything like this!"

Instead of "It is truly meet ... ,": All of creation rejoices in you, O Full of Grace: the assembly of Angels and the race of men. O sanctified temple and spiritual paradise, the glory of virgins, from whom God was incarnate and became a Child, our God before the ages. He made your body into a throne, and your womb He made more spacious than the heavens. All of creation rejoices in you, O Full of Grace. Glory to you!

COMMUNION HYMN Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

February 28, 2010

CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR THE HEALTH & BLESSINGS OF

Happy Birthday & God's blessings Rose Goodman (Feb. 22).....	Her Family
Health & Blessings Mrs. Prusac.....	Adam, Eli & Kara George
God bless my wife Gloria.....	John
Health & Blessings Mrs. (Rose) Goodman.....	Adam, Eli & Kara George
Health & God's blessings Rosemary Vuckovich, Anne Smith, Jo Sredich, Mira Prusac, John Nikoloff, Helen Popoff, John & Gloria Zelenko, Luba Stevens, Gladys Edwards.....	Milan & Stephanie Stikovich
Health & Blessings Gloria & John Zelenko.....	Adam, Eli & Kara George
Health & God's blessings Milan Stikovich, Mira Prusac, John & Gloria Zelenko...	Rosemary Vuckovich
Health & Blessings Jo Sredich, Rose Goodman, Gloria Zelenko, Gladys Edwards, Anne Smith.....	Stojan & Mira Prusac
Health & Blessings Babi.....	Adam, Eli & Kara George
Anastasia Branoff.....	Tom & Linda Branoff
Health & God's blessings Milan Stikovich, Mira Prusac, John & Gloria Zelenko...	Mary King
Health & Blessings Gladys Edwards.....	Adam, Eli & Kara George
Health & Blessings Coleen Gerhardt, Great Baba.....	Stephanie Price
Health & God's blessings Menka Nedanis, Happy 16 th Birthday Alexis Nedanis...	Tronda Nicevski
Health & God's blessings Mira Prusac, Gloria Zelenko, Anne Smith, Rose Goodman, Lubov Stevens, Anastasia Branoff.....	Rosemary Vuckovich
Health & God's blessings Milan Stikovich, Mira Prusac, John & Gloria Zelenko...	Peter & Jo Sredich
Special Intention.....	J. Tome
Our good friend Tom Heslip and Family.....	Bill & Cindy Economou
David Tome, Anna Branoff, Elaine Most, Walter Sudia, Anne Smith, John & Gloria Zelenko, Rose Goodman, Rosemary Vuckovich, Mary Harrison, Fr. David, Ted Weston, Mira Prusac, Gladys Edwards, My family & friends.....	J. Tome
Evdokia Ponomarenko, Nick Ponomarenko, Chris Hogg, Teri & Jeremy Hogg, Nadja & Sean Berneche.....	Lucy Hogg
Health & Blessings Rose Goodman, Gloria Zelenko, Anne Smith, David Tome, Julie Stetz, Anastasia Branoff.....	Anna Branoff

CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR ALL THOSE IN BLESSED REPOSE

Blessed Repose-Memory Eternal Todora Branoff (28yrs).....Daughter Anna Branoff
Nicholas Brock.....Stephanie Price
Blessed Repose-Louie Radakovich, Tony Brayanis, Ray Komenich.....Milan & Stephanie Stikovich
Blessed Repose-Philomena Stevens, John Stetz.....Anna Branoff

ETERNAL LIGHT

Anna Pahomova.....Eugene Akkerman

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome all of our friends and visitors to St. Nicholas; please join us for our coffee social in the parish hall following the veneration of cross.

9 day Parastas for +Gheorghe Satruc, father of Georgiana Adkisson, immediately following the veneration of the cross. May our Lord God grant blessed repose and memory eternal to His departed servant, +Gheorghe. **Veșnică pomenire! Dumnezeu sa' l ierte!**

Teen Retreat at Dormition Monastery, Rives Junction, MI. Among the speakers will be our *locum tenens*, Bishop Melchisedek. Registration forms are at the candle stand. Saint Catherine’s Women’s League will sponsor the entire cost for any of our youth who attend. **A count of those attended is needed by tomorrow, Monday, March 1.**

Parish Council will meet after the Divine Liturgy today to review the three proposals for the new church sign.

NEW CHURCH SIGN Part of our Parish Pride Project is the purchase of a new church sign on Center Road which would be illuminated and have a scrolling message for services and for events such as the cookie walk, rummage sale, etc. We are in need of more donations to cover the total cost (cost, installation, electronics hook-up, etc.) Please make your donation today!

Rose Goodman wishes to thank everyone for their love, cards, candles and well wishes during her recent hospitalization.

Schedule of services for the week of February 28

Monday, March 1

7:00 pm Compline at St. Nicholas

Wednesday, March 3

6:00 pm Presanctified at St. Nicholas followed by a Lenten potluck

Friday, March 5

6:00 pm Akathist

Saturday, March 6

10:00 am **3rd SATURDAY OF LENT – SOULS’ SATURDAY**
4:30 pm Divine Liturgy w/Trisagion for the departed
Great Vespers followed by confessions

Sunday, March 7

9:30 am **3rd Sunday of Lent – Sunday of the Cross**
10:00 am Third Hour
Divine Liturgy