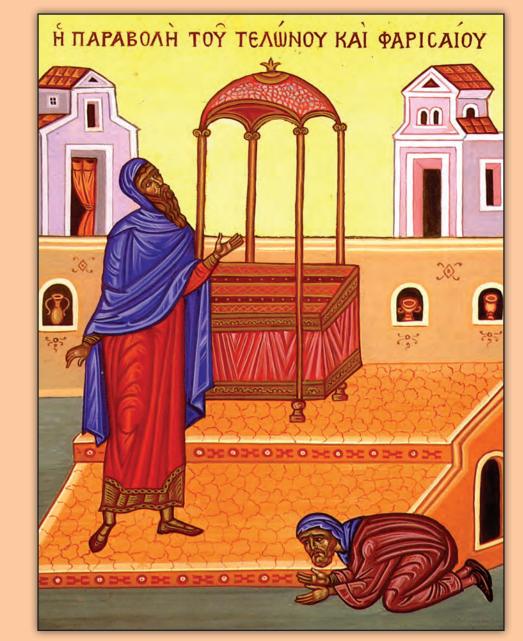
# Humility is the Mark of a Sinner

In the case of that Pharisee who was praying, the things he said were true. Since he was saying them out of pride and the tax collector was telling his sins with humility, the confession of sins of the last was more pleasing to God than the acknowledgment of the almsgiving of the first. It is more difficult to confess one's sins than one's righteousness. God looks on the one who carries a heavy burden. The tax collector therefore appeared to Him to have had more to bear than the Pharisee had. He went down more justified than the Pharisee did, only because of the fact he was humble. If this Pharisee had been sinful, his prayer would have added iniquity to iniquity, but the Lord purified the tax collector of his iniquity. If just by praying, the Pharisee's prayer provoked God's wrath, then as a result of that provocation, the prayer of the tax collector proved all the more St. Ephrem the Syrian potent.

The stern Pharisee, who in his self pride not

only boasted of himself but also discredited the tax collector in the presence of God, made his justice void by being guilty of pride. Instead of the Pharisee, the tax collector went down justified, because he had given glory to God, the Holy One. He did not dare lift his eyes but sought only to plead for mercy. He accused himself by his posture, by striking his breast, and by entertaining no other motive except propitiation. Be on your guard, therefore, and bear in mind this example of severe loss sustained through arrogance. The one guilty of insolent behavior suffered the loss of his justice and forfeited his reward by his bold selfreliance. He was judged inferior to a humble man and a sinner because in his self-exaltation he did not await the judgment of God but pronounced it himself. Never place yourself above anyone, not even great sinners. Humility often saves a sinner who has committed many terrible transgressions. St. Basil the Great

# SUNDAY OF THE PUBLICAN AND PHARISEE



Icon of the Publican and Pharisee (Luke 18:10-14)

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Sunday – January 29, 2023 Слава Ісусу Христу – Слава на віки Glory to Jesus Christ – Glory to Him Forever

# All Services will be Live Streamed at 9:00 AM and 11:30 AM Platform: <u>https://www.facebook.com/holyfamilyshrine/</u>

Sunday January 29	
9:00 a.m.	(For the Parish)
11:30 a.m.	(Blessings for Theresa Caryk from Friends)
Monday January 30	Three Holy Hierarchs
9:00 a.m.	(+Bishop John Bura from Mykhail and Anastasia-Sofia)
Tuesday January 31	
9:00 a.m.	(Living of the Nagurney-Medwid Family from Irene)
Wednesday February 1	
9:00 a.m.	(Deceased of the Woch Family from Dymitri and Anna)
Thursday February 2	Encounter of Our Lord – Presentation in the Temple
**6:00 p.m.**	(Heath of Dorothy Skaskiw from the Kerda Family)
Friday February 3	
9:00 a.m.	(+Eva, +Mary, +Esther from Ruth)
Sunday February 5	
9:00 a.m.	(For the Parish)
11:30 a.m.	(Blessings for Mayevsky-Radchenko Family from Anna Beyers)

#### FIRST CONFESSION CLASSES

Classes will be held on Sunday between the English and Ukrainian liturgies (approx. 10:30 AM - 11:15 AM). First Confession will be celebrated on Lazarus Saturday (April 1, 2023). Classes will not be held on February 19. All children must be attending Divine Liturgy. If you have children of First Confession age in your family, we ask you to please contact Olya Kroytor Mulvey by email at <u>olya.kroytor@gmail.com</u>

## **EASTERN CHRISTIAN FORMATION CLASSES CHILDREN 3-6**

All children ages 3-6 are welcome to join Holy Family's Preschool Eastern Christian Formation/Catechism classes held every 1st and 3rd Sunday from 10:15-11:15. Email Lindsey at <u>lfrechou22@gmail.com</u> with any questions and to register. Classes will be held on: January, 29 - February 12, 26 - March 12, 26 - April 2, 23 - May 7, 21. May 21

## **INDIVIDUAL CONFIDENTIAL CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS FOR 2022**

Please fill out the 2022 Contribution Request form (place in any collection or give to an usher) or email us at *ucnsholyfamily@gmail.com* if you would like to receive a confidential statement of your 2022 contributions for your taxes.

#### PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR SOROKOUSTY 2023 (LIST OF YOUR DECEASED LOVED ONES)

In the Ukrainian Catholic Church, it is the custom to remember our beloved dead during the time of the Great Fast. These commemorations occur on Saturdays because the Saviour of the world rested in the grave on Great and Holy Saturday, awaiting the Resurrection. Thus, Saturday became for Christians the day for commemorating the deceased, who await the resurrection on the last day. We will be starting our remembrances of the dead (given our special circumstances) on Saturdays, beginning February 25 at 10:00 a.m. Please take the time to remember your deceased family members on the Saturdays of the Great Fast. They hope for our prayers; and in turn, they pray for us. Please submit an envelope with your list of names by email or US Mail. See the attached Sorokousty Form. An offering is customarily made for the priests

#### Prayer List

Our prayer list of the sick or elderly and friends of our parish: Theresa Aranda, Liana Arnold, Valarie Balthis, Charles Belanger, Barbara Blendy, Bluey Family, Yevhenia Borys, Terry Boyle, Taisia Bullard, Robert Matthew C., Mary Connors, Veronica Cosio, Darlene Dossick, Solomia Dutkewych and Theresa, Ruth Fedack, Bernard F, Lindsey Fedyk, Lilian Garland, Alice Gogniat, Thomas Gutmann, H.H., Josie Hacker, Catherine Hetmansky, Bernadell Rita Higgins, Daniel Horeczko, Nila Iwaskiw, Kateryna Jurach, Sarah Kelt, Dorothy Kozmoski, Suzanne Krumpelman, Mr. Marko, Michael Joseph Little, Michele Pretka Litvar, Yaroslava L., Mufada and Family, Sallie Miller, John Moeller, Deborah Pickering, Alexandra Pohorecka, Ron#119, Michael Joseph Radigan, Roman Rusynko, Lisa Schaible, Christopher Sell, Michael Sharr, Shliakhta Bogdana, Shliakhta Mark, Shliakhta, Andrew, Larry Sosnowich, Lindsey Sydnor, Thomas Sydnor, Stefania Szahaj, Helen Lefcheck Torre, Lisa Pretka Turner, Gloria and Luis Vega, Anne Woroniak, Rose Wilson, and Jennifer Wilson. If you know of someone who should be on this list, please email or call with the name of the individual. Our intercessory prayer for the sick and the aged is truly helpful and comforting. In your Christian Charity, kindly remember our sick parishioners in your prayers and perhaps a card or note.

### God With Us Catechism

Today in the Gospel we are reminded that there are two "ways" in which we can walk in this life and the outcome or goal of those ways are strikingly different. The first of those "ways" is the way of the world, in which financial success and reputation are prioritized and the ultimate goal is personal aggrandizement, no matter the "way" in which it is attained. The second "way" is the way of God, in which charity and honesty are not only prioritized, but are the way and the goal as well. In other words, the second "way," the way of God, is a good in itself, for this "way" is the life of God or eternal life. Following this second "way" leads one to look beyond themselves and live in a way that is always oriented toward others. Just as God the Father, from all eternity, poured out his life in love to the Son, so the one who walks this second "way" lives a life which is a constant act of self-giving love. Please notice that both "ways" have an interior and hidden aspect that greatly affects which path or "way" that we walk in this life and ultimately it greatly affects how we will live forever.