

**The Reading from the First Epistle
of the Holy Apostle Paul to Timothy (4:9–15)**

My son Timothy, this is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance. For to this end we both labor and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Savior of all men, especially of those who believe. These things command and teach. Let no one despise your youth, but be an example to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity. Till I come, give attention to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine. Do not neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you by prophecy with the laying on of the hands of the eldership. Meditate on these things; give yourself entirely to them, that your progress may be evident to all.

**The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke
(19:1–10)**

At that time, Jesus entered and passed through Jericho. Now behold, there was a man named Zacchaeus who was a chief tax collector, and he was rich. And he sought to see who Jesus was, but could not because of the crowd, for he was of short stature. So he ran ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Him, for He was going to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, He looked up and saw him, and said to him, “Zacchaeus, make haste and come down, for today I must stay at your house.” So he made haste and came down, and received Him joyfully. But when they saw it, they all complained, saying, “He has gone to be a guest with a man who is a sinner.” Then Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, “Look, Lord, I give half of my goods to the poor; and if I have taken anything from anyone by false accusation, I restore fourfold.” And Jesus said to him, “Today salvation has come to this house, because he also is a son of Abraham; for the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost.”

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33rd Sunday after Pentecost—Tone 8
After-feast of the Meeting of the Lord
February 6, 2022

Sunday of Zacchaeus. St. Bucolus, Bishop of Smyrna (ca. 100). St. Photius, Patriarch of Constantinople (891). Ven. Barsanuphius the Great and John the Prophet (6th c.).

Welcome!

We rejoice that we are able to draw near to our God in faith and love. As we continue to reopen, please be understanding and patient with the parish and with each other. We ask that you follow all government directives: portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus/Reopen-CT.

Please sign up to attend services: <https://sspeterpaul.org/signup>. Once you are on our attendance list, we do not need you to sign up again, but we do ask that you check your name off the list as you enter.

For those who need to continue distancing, we have reserved the left-hand side of the church with distancing markings. The right side and the choir area allows for households to stand closer together.

Following state directives, you are free to handle items in church according to your own judgment. This includes service books, papers, candles and icons. We still follow COVID measures surrounding the distribution of Holy Communion, but please be prepared: we will revert to the traditional norms of Orthodox practice in coming weeks.

Upcoming Events in Parish Life

We invite anyone to participate in our services online. Visit our website (sspeterpaul.org) for details.

Saturday, Feb. 5	Great Vespers, followed by Confession	5 PM
Sunday, Feb. 6 <i>Sunday of Zacchaeus</i>	Divine Liturgy	9:30 AM
	Today, the Sunday of Zacchaeus, marks the turning point each year, the last week before we begin the Triodion, the liturgical directions surrounding Lent. The Sundays afterward prepare us for the Great Fast to come, until we reach Forgiveness Sunday on March 6.	
Wednesday, Feb. 9	Parish Council	6:30 PM
Saturday, Feb. 12	Great Vespers, followed by Confession	5 PM
Sunday, Feb. 13 <i>Publican & Pharisee</i>	Divine Liturgy	9:30 AM
	This day marks the beginning of the Lenten Triodion, the book of hymnography and directions on how to observe the season of Great Lent and Passion Week. Always, there are Four Sundays to prepare us for the Fast: The Publican and the Pharisee, the Prodigal Son, the Last Judgment, and the Expulsion from Paradise.	
Saturday, Feb. 19	Great Vespers, followed by Confession	5 PM
Sunday, Feb. 20 <i>Prodigal Son</i>	Divine Liturgy	9:30 AM

As we begin to gird ourselves for Great Lent, **we are blessed with the offerings of our Parish Bookstore.** We have stocked it with excellent and accessible resources to strengthen our spiritual lives. We have a few varieties of prayer books that were carefully chosen to be an encouragement to those of different ages and experience. We also have picked out a few books that share the life and teaching of wise and holy people who understand contemporary struggles and show us the way. Before you leave today, take a close look at these offerings in the bookstore downstairs, and **consider claiming one for your own spiritual effort this Lent.**

Please remember that, if conditions force **church service or event cancellations**, announcements will be posted on WFSB (channel 3) and WNBC/WVIT (channel 30), as well as on our website: sspeterpaul.org.

The cross is lit today in memory of **Helen Kasperovich** by Donna, Paul and Noah Leonowich. We are grateful to Dr. Kathryn and Bill Knapp for the donation of a bookcase to the Choir in memory of Kathryn's mom, a long time choir director and parishioner. May Helen's memory be eternal!

We Ask Your Prayers

For the newly departed Rudy Charmatz, friend of the Tassmer family, who departed this life last weekend. Memory eternal!

For all those who have as their heavenly patron the Martyr Adrian (Feb. 3), St. Richard of Wessex (Feb. 7) or the Virgin Martyr Valentina (Feb. 10).

For those celebrating birthdays: Jill Zadar on Jan. 25. Paul Haglund on Jan. 29. Michael Barra & Serge Pavlov on Jan. 30. Christina Craig on Jan. 31. Tim Tassmer (Feb. 10).

For Priest James Parnell, deployed with his company to East Africa until 2022.

For those suffering from the coronavirus, physicians, nurses and all working in hospitals and public health.

For the Sick & Suffering:

William (Derrig)—cousin of Sarah Massaro
 Corey (Knap)—nephew of Valentina Knap, recovering from a serious accident
 Alexander (Mankevich)—Alzheimer's Disease
 William (Weidmann)—husband of Adrian, suffering from a chronic immune condition similar to multiple sclerosis
 Adrian (Weidmann)—healing after breaking her leg
 Gregory (Mankevich) Jill (Zadar)
 Paul (Leonowich) Robert (Hodges)
 Patricia (McFarland) Maureen and Robert (Nalewajack)
 Margaret Irene Maria
 Veronica Cyprian and Dana
 Nicole and Naaman Helen and Helene

For Our Shut-Ins:

Yvonne (Rutcho) Jennie (Padick)
 Anna (Belejck) Margaret (Savchik) Ann (Kreshik)

To share news in the bulletin, or to add someone to our prayer list, please contact Fr. Joshua: priest@sspeterpaul.org or 203-237-4539.

If you would like to commemorate loved ones by lighting the cross in church, please contact Alexia Tassmer: 203-284-0856.

Hymns of the Day

Tone 8 Troparion (*Resurrection*)

You descended from on high, O Merciful One!
You accepted the three day burial to free us from our sufferings!//
O Lord, our Life and Resurrection, glory to You!

Tone 1 Troparion (*Meeting*)

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

Tone 4 Troparion – Apostles Peter and Paul

O first-enthroned of the Apostles, teachers of the universe:
entreat the Master of all
to grant peace to the world,//
and to our souls great mercy!

Tone 4 Troparion (St. Bucolus)

You shone with the rays of virtue
received from him who leaned on the Master's breast.
Resplendent, God-inspired hierarch,
you led your flock to the pastures of truth.//
Entreat Christ our God for those who honor you, Father Bucolus!

Tone 8 Kontakion (*Resurrection*)

By rising from the tomb, You raised the dead and resurrected Adam.
Eve exults in Your Resurrection,//
and the world celebrates Your rising from the dead, O greatly Merciful One!

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

Tone 2 Kontakion (*Apostles Peter and Paul*)

O Lord, You have taken up to eternal rest
and to the enjoyment of Your blessings
the two divinely inspired preachers, the leaders of the Apostles,
for You have accepted their labors and deaths as a sweet-smelling
sacrifice,//
for You alone know what lies in the hearts of men.

now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Tone 1 Kontakion (*Meeting*)

By Your Nativity You sanctified the Virgin's womb
and blessed Simeon's hands, ^O Christ God.
Now You have come and saved us through love.
Grant peace to all Orthodox Christians,//
O only Lover of Man!

Prokeimenon in the Eighth Tone (*Resurrection*)

Pray and make your vows / before the Lord, our God! (*Ps. 75:10a*)
v: In Judah God is known; His Name is great in Israel. (*Ps. 75:1*)

Tone 3 Prokeimenon (*Song of the Theotokos*)

My soul magnifies the Lord, / and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.
(*Lk. 1:46-47*)

Alleluia

v: Come, let us rejoice in the Lord! Let us make a joyful noise to God
our Savior! (*Ps. 94:1*)
v: Let us come before His face with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful
noise to Him with songs of praise! (*Ps. 94:2*)
v: Lord, now let Your servant depart in peace, according to Your word,
for my eyes have seen Your salvation! (*Luke 2:29*)

(Instead of “It is truly meet...,” we sing:)

Tone 3

O Virgin Theotokos, hope of all Christians, protect, preserve, and save those
who hope in you!
In the shadow and letter of the Law,
let us the faithful discern a figure: every male [child] that opens the
womb is holy to God.
Therefore we magnify the firstborn Word of the Father Who has no
beginning,// the Son firstborn of a Mother who had not known man.

Communion Hymn

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest!

(*Ps. 148:1*)

I will receive the cup of salvation and call on the Name of the Lord.

(*Ps. 115:4*)

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!