

# Saint Mary's Orthodox Church

(Protection of the Theotokos)

242 Sunset Drive

Corning, New York [14830](http://www.14830.com)

A Parish of the

American Carpatho-Russian Orthodox Diocese of North America, Ecumenical Patriarchate

## Parish Information

### Services:

Sunday Divine Liturgy: 9:30am  
Weekday/Holy Day Liturgy: 9:00am  
Saturday/Holy Day Vespers: 5:00pm

**Winter Vespers: 4:00pm**

### Mailing Address:

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Painted Post, NY 14870

### Contact:

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Home: 607-962-0904

### Church Website:

[Saintmarysorthodoxchurchcorning.org](http://Saintmarysorthodoxchurchcorning.org)

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Diocesan Website

<http://www.acrod.org>

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<http://www.campnazareth.org>

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<http://youtube.com/acroddiocese>

32nd Sunday after Pentecost

## **SUNDAY OF THE PUBLICAN & PHARISEE**

**Tone 8**

**Epistle: 2 Timothy 3:10-15**

**Gospel: Luke 18:10-14**

Liturgical Color: GOLD



## **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5**

*Divine Liturgy*

*Panachida memory of +Michael Mahler on the  
24th Anniversary of his Falling Asleep in the Lord  
Coffee Social*

## **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11**

*Great Vespers/Litya Synaxis of the Three Holy Hierarchs:  
Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian, & John Chrysostom*

## **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12**

*Divine Liturgy Synaxis of the Three Holy Hierarch: Basil the  
Great, Gregory the Theologian, & John Chrysostom*

**Installation of Church Council Members**

*Coffee Social*

**CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING**

# FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

## BIRTHDAYS

February 2 Stephan Benyo  
February 4 Nancy Gabel  
February 4 Andrew Havalchak  
February 5 Marina Kio  
February 9 Kylie Sue Mackiewicz  
February 15 Gary Herrlich  
February 18 Anna Chudanic  
February 18 Lee Havalchak  
February 19 Gregory Kerrick  
February 19 Denise Topichak  
February 24 Lyudmyla Hayova



## ANNIVERSARIES

February 13 Chuck & Nancy Coons  
February 24 Jim & Tanya Mackiewicz

God grant Your servant

Good health, Happiness and Salvation

For many blessed years!

TACKLE



HUNGER

**"Lord, even as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us be mindful of those who are without a bowl of soup to eat."**

**TODAY is the Super Bowl, America's Greatest Game and fun for all. But for those who are hungry, it is just another difficult day. Let's see how many cans of soup we can collect on this one day to make a difference in our community. Please bring in canned soup or other items for the Corning Food Pantry to the church hall.**

*Brought to you by the Ladies Altar Society*



## **CHURCH CLEANING SCHEDULE**

*Month of February Pani Joan*

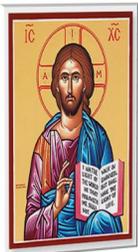
*Month of March Gloria Ewsuk*

## FROM FATHER'S DESK....



- If you would like to meet with Father, please call him @607-962-5285 to arrange a time and place which is convenient for you.
- **Emergency Sick Calls:** Father is available for emergencies at any time. Please call him @ 607-962-5285 or on his cell phone @ 607-377-0587.
- **Our Mailing Address is:**  
7 Chatfield Place East Painted Post, NY 14870
- **Confessions** are heard after Vespers on Saturday, after any weekday or Lenten service or by calling Father for an appointment.
- **Marriages** are solemnized on Saturdays. Consult Father at least six months in advance and before plans have been made for the wedding reception. Marriages cannot be celebrated during the fasting seasons of the Church.
- **Baptisms** are normally scheduled on Saturdays or Sundays. Consult Father for scheduling. Two Godparents are required, at least one of whom must be Orthodox by faith and the other a practicing Christian.
- **Church Funerals** are provided for practicing Orthodox Christians who are current in their Spiritual and Financial obligations to the parish otherwise burial is from the funeral home.
- If you would like to schedule a Panachida for your loved one please call Father at 962-5285

The Church does not permit cremation.



## PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

His Grace, Bishop GREGORY; Protopresbyter Frank Miloro; Protopresbyter John Duranko; Protopresbyter Jim Dutko; Protopresbyter Luke Mihaly; Protopresbyter Lawrence Barriger; Protopresbyter Kenneth Bachofsky; Protopresbyter Ronald Hazuda; Protopresbyter Elias Kozar; V. Rev. Thomas Kadlek; V. Rev. Michael Kleban; V. Rev. Michael Psenechnuk; Rev. James Gleason; V. Rev. Jason Kappanadze; Deacon Charles Ellis; Deacon Donald Koch; Mother Ralphaela; Pani Joan; Pani Kathleen Dutko; Pani Patricia Duranko; Mat. Anna Kozar; Pani-Matka Julia Romanchak; Sally Ellis; Judy Koch; Michael & Jacqueline Banik; Helen Verno; Eleanor Adzima; Stan Lewek; Michael & Delores Kundrat; Mary Kolson; Lyudmyla Hayova; Kathy Preston; Helen Coons; Anna Soraparu; Marge Morse; Mary Benyo; Karen Fuller; Anna Chudanic; Paul Rodrigues; George Officer; Helen Chernak; Michael Matzkevich; Marlene Wheet; Kathleen Petrochko; Mae Mary Shonak; Helen Molson; Gary Herrlich; Art Gallant; Roland Doucette, Olga Breyan; Andrew Courtney

Jonathan Share and all members of our Armed Forces  
serving our country at home and abroad!

## THE PUBLICAN & THE PHARISEE



The name for this Sunday is taken from the parable of our Lord Jesus Christ found in Luke 18:10-14. This is the story of two men, one a Pharisee, a member of a Jewish sect known for its diligent observance of the Law, and the other a Publican, a government official charged with the responsibility of collecting taxes.

Both men enter the temple, and the Pharisee stands openly and prays, thanking God that he is

not like other men, specifically extortioners, the unjust, adulterers, “or even this tax collector” (v. 11). He then begins to list his religious accomplishments by stating, “I fast twice a week, and I give tithes of all that I possess” (v. 12).

In direct contrast to the pride of the Pharisee, the Publican goes to a place where he will not be noticed by others and beats his breast saying, “God, be merciful to me a sinner!” (v. 13).

Having told this story, Jesus affirms that it was the Publican who returned home justified and forgiven rather than the Pharisee. He states, “Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted” (v. 14).

The theme of this parable is repentance. Repentance is the door through which we enter Lent, the starting-point of the journey to Pascha. To repent signifies far more than self-pity or futile regret over things done in the past. The Greek term *metanoia* means “change of mind.” To repent is to be renewed, to be transformed in our inward viewpoint, to attain a fresh way of looking at our relationship with God and with others. The fault of the Pharisee is that he has no desire to change his outlook; he is complacent, self-satisfied, and so he allows no place for God to act within him. The Gospel depicts him as a man that is pleased only with himself who thinks that he has complied with all of the requirements of religion. But in his pride, he has falsified the meaning of true religion and faith. He has reduced these to external observations, measuring his piety by the amount of money he gives.

The Publican, on the other hand, truly longs for a “change of mind.” He humbles himself, and his humility justifies him before God. He becomes, in the words of the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5:3), “poor in spirit.” He acknowledges that he is a sinner, and he knows that salvation is only found in the mercy of God. Here we find an example of true humility, an essential aspect of repentance. A “change of mind” and the transformation of our lives can only happen when we humble ourselves before God, acknowledge our willingness to turn from sin, and receive His grace into our lives.

Our preparation for Lent thus begins with a prayer for humility, the beginning of true repentance. Through repentance, we can find and return to the true order of things, a restoration of our spiritual vision that will guide us in a very difficult and challenging world. By entering Great Lent in humility and repentance, we can attain deeper communion with God as we receive His forgiveness and He blesses by guiding us to greater spiritual heights.