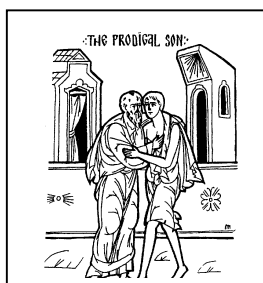
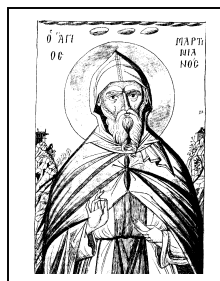
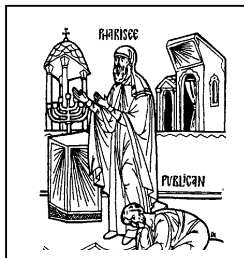


SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES

- Sunday, February 10 9:00 a.m. (Church)** **SUNDAY OF PUBLICAN AND PHARISEE**
 +Joseph and Anna Dursa
 Req. by Daughter Anna Marie Kurilla
 And Family
- Monday, February 11 8:00 a.m. (Church)** **Blasé (Bishop - Martyr)**
 +Victoria (Patchan) Dzurko
 Req. by Tom and Joann Patchan
- Tuesday, February 12 8:00 a.m. (Church)** **Meletius (Archbishop)**
 +Anita Elaine Kollar
 Req. by Frank and Deborah Palya
- Wednesday, February 13** **Martinian (Venerable)**
 No Liturgy
- Thursday, February 14 8:00 a.m. (Church)** **Death of Cyril – Apostle to the Slavs**
 +Joseph Gresock
 Bequest
- Friday, February 15 7:30 a.m. (Church)** **Onesimus (Apostle)**
 +Anna and Raymond Phillips
 Bequest
- Saturday, February 16 5:30 p.m. (Church)** **Pamphilius and Others (Martyrs)**
 For the Parish Family
- Sunday, February 17 9:00 a.m. (Church)** **SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON**
 +Ethyl Kenes
 Req. by Stephen and Theresa Petruska



PRAYER LIST – Edward, Anita, Elaine, Margie, Tillie, Dorothy, Patty, Ted, Mickie, Sandy, Heather, Monica, Jack, David, Sharlene, Kay, Bill, Arlene, Jamie, Mary, Janet, Norma Jean, Louis, Connor, Bernadette, Grace, Frances, Cindy, Kris, Rose, Alice, Beatrice, Dorothy, PJ, Robert Cecelia, Nadine, Barb, Margaret, David, Blake, Peggy, Brandon, Mark, Trish, Sharon, Michael, Mike, Amelia, Butch, Lisa, Clara, Josephine, Cathy, Audrey, Joan, Dave, Janet, Bernard, Rita, Julie, Dolores, Joe, Emily, Gabriel, Gina, Karla, Jamie, Chris, Donna, Cindy, Mike, Dianne, Helen, Troy, Traci, Trevor, Tanner, George, Sarah, Brittany, Danny, Brian, Kristen, Rita, Elaine, Kris, Micheal, Ken, Davis, Dewayne, Wally, Charlene, Davey, Paul, Dorothy, Hannah, George, Michelle, Janet, George Jr., Diana, Emil, Margie, Curtis, Stephanie, James, Frank Sr., Frank Jr., Delores, Fr. Eugene, Riley, George, Elaine, Don, Jenn, Angie, Ashley, Dave, Barb, Bill, Patty, Bob, Tom, Thomas, Wilma, Irma, Ambrose, Joyce, MaryLou, Tanya, Ruth Ann, Richard, Linda, Chris, Mary, Marian, Melvin, Melanie, Jean, Mason, Joanne.

PRO-LIFE PRAYER - For all those in legal and judicial professions, that they may promote justice for all people, born and unborn, we pray to the Lord.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST FASHINGE – Sunday, March 3, 3:30 p.m. Please sign up for your choice of food to bring to FASHINGE. Choices are Appetizer, Salad, Vegetable, or Dessert. The Church will provide ham, roasted turkey, buns, and beverages.

A BIG THANK YOU - to everyone for your generous Donations to the “Souper Bowl of Caring”. Our parish community raised \$603.77. This money was donated to the St. Vincent DePaul Food Bank. They were very appreciative of our support.

GCU LODGE 81 - will hold its Quarterly Meeting on Sunday, February 24 at 11:30.

PYSANKY CLASSES – We will once again be having Pysanky classes during Lent. The class will begin on **Monday, February 25 and run through April 9**. It will be held in the school hall and **class time is 6-8p.m.** The cost will be approximately \$35; if returning \$15. If interested call 724-438-6027 (Church office-leave message) M-F from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES REMINDER – There are sign up sheets in the narthex for the two classes Father Ron is offering beginning this week. “Holy Tradition” is scheduled for 2-4 pm or 6-8 pm this coming Monday, February 11, and will last for six Mondays. “St. Matthew’s Gospel” is scheduled for the same times, but on Thursdays beginning February 4 through mid-March.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR 2/3/19

<u>Offertory</u>	<u>Candles</u>	<u>Holy Day</u>	<u>BCW</u>	<u>Loose Cash</u>	<u>Mary Ellen Hardin Memorial</u>
\$2040.00	\$139.00	\$371.00	\$42.00	\$78.00	\$300.00
R&B = \$605.00		TOTAL = \$2970.00			

FROM THE CATECHESSES BY SAINT CYRIL OF JERUSALEM, BISHOP

The Catholic Church glories in every deed of Christ. Her supreme glory, however, is the cross. Well aware of this, Paul says: *God forbid that I glory in anything but the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ!*

At Siloam, there was a sense of wonder, and rightly so. A man born blind recovered his sight. But of what importance is this, when there are so many blind people in the world? Lazarus rose from the dead, but even this only affected Lazarus. What of those countless numbers who have died because of their sins? Those five miraculous loaves fed five thousand people. Yet this is a small number compared to those all over the world who were starved by ignorance. After eighteen years a woman was freed from the bondage of Satan. But are we not all shackled by the chains of our own sins?

For us all, however, the cross is the crown of victory! It has brought light to those blinded by ignorance. It has released those enslaved by sin. Indeed, it has redeemed the whole of mankind!

Do not, then, be ashamed of the cross of Christ; rather, glory in it. Although it is a stumbling block to the Jews and folly to the Gentiles, the message of the cross is our salvation. Of course it is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it was not a mere man who died for us, but the Son of God, God made man.

In the Mosaic law a sacrificial lamb was banished to the destroyer. But now *it is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world*. Will he not free us from our sins even more? The blood of an animal, a sheep, brought salvation. Will not the blood of the only-begotten Son bring us greater salvation?

He was not killed by violence, he was not forced to give up his life. His was a willing sacrifice. Listen to his own words: *I have the power to lay down my own life and to take it up again*. Yes, he willingly submitted to his own passion. He took joy in his achievement; in his crown of victory he was glad and in the salvation of man he rejoiced. He did not blush at the cross for by it he was to save the world. No, it was not a lowly man who suffered but God incarnate. He entered the contest for the reward he would win by his patient endurance.

Certainly in times of tranquility the cross should give you joy. But maintain the same faith in times of persecution. Otherwise you will be friend of Jesus in times of peace and his enemy during war. Now you receive the forgiveness of your sins and the generous gift of grace from your king. When war comes, fight courageously for him.

Jesus never sinned; yet he was crucified for you. Will you refuse to be crucified for him, who for your sake was nailed to the cross? You are not the one who gives the favor; you have received one first. For your sake he was crucified on Golgotha. Now you are returning his favor; you are fulfilling your debt to him.