

# St. Nicholas Cathedral

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## Orthodox Church in America

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### February 1, 2009

Zacchaeus Sunday  
Forefeast of the Meeting of Christ in the Temple  
**Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom**

#### METROPOLITAN JONAH,

ARCHBISHOP OF WASHINGTON & NEW YORK

V. Rev. Constantine White, Dean

Rev. Valery Shemchuk, Associate Pastor

#### Sunday Lessons

Next Week – Tone 8: 2 Tim. 3:10-15,  
Luke 18:10-14

#### Schedule of Services

Sunday	1 Feb	5pm	Vigil (E.S)	<b>Meeting of Christ in the Temple</b>
Monday	2 Feb	10am	Liturgy (E.S)	
Friday	6 Feb	7pm	Vespers (G)	
Saturday	7 Jan	10:30am 5pm	Liturgy(G) Vigil (E,S)	
Sunday	8 Feb	9am 10:45 am	Liturgy (E) Liturgy (S,G)	<b>Publican and Pharisee (Fast-free Week)</b>

E=English, S=Slavonic, G=Georgian

General Confession in English is held on the first and third Saturdays of the month.  
General confession in Russian is held on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month.

**Sponsorship of the Bulletin:** If you are interested in sponsoring the Sunday Bulletin, please contact the church office, (202)-333-5060, ext.10, for the dates you want. Immediate payment is not required, but advance reservations are needed. The donation is \$20 a week; \$80 a month (English); \$15 a week; \$60 a month (Russian). **Sponsors for the Russian bulletin are greatly needed!**

**To place a notice in the church bulletin:** Call the church office and leave a message - press 14 at menu, or e-mail the church at [priestvalery@stnicholasdc.org](mailto:priestvalery@stnicholasdc.org). Notices must be submitted no later than **Wednesday** for the following Sunday.

...those who have given their lives for their homeland...” **Memory Eternal.**  
St. Nicholas Cathedral – the National War Memorial Shrine  
3500 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20007  
Phone: 202-333-5060 FAX: 202-965-3788

This year's Maslenitsa will once again be held at the Russian Embassy under the gracious patronage of the Russian Ambassador, His Excellency, Sergey Kislyak on Friday, February 20 at 7:00 pm. The invitations for this year's event will be sent out shortly. This event is more than a jubilant celebration prior to the fasting of Great Lent. In these tough economic times, which touch all of us, the proceeds will be used to help fellow Orthodox in our community weather these tough times. That is what the true meaning of the Maslentisa is--helping fellow Orthodox of our community. Remember, even if you cannot attend, you can still help by making a monetary contribution. Any such contribution is fully tax deductible. **HELP US HELP FELLOW ORTHODOX OF OUR COMMUNITY.**

Come join us for a fun evening of Blini, caviar and all the trimmings, music, entertainment, dancing and a fabulous Silent Auction! If you have not received an invitation and would like to join us or have any questions, please call Marina Poutiatine at 301 530-9281 or email: [embassymaslenitsa@gmail.com](mailto:embassymaslenitsa@gmail.com)

Lottery tickets will be sold after each liturgy downstairs in the church hall! You do not have to be present at the Embassy the evening of Maslenitsa to win! One chance for \$5 or five chances for \$20 could win you one of the following prizes: (make sure you print your name and phone number legibly!) **1.** Karaoke machine with 2 DVDs - one in English & one in Russian. **2.** Dinner for 2 at La Ferme. **3.** Stationery basket. Help us raise money to help those in need!

For the Sunday 1/25 and the week ending 1/25, the collection was \$9,891.99. This amount does not include coffee hour proceeds.

#### Coffee Hour Hosts:

1 February	Irina Bergener	8 February	Catherine Vangellow
15 February	Steve & Jo Lu Terrell	22 February	Bruce and Lola Beno

#### HELP LOCAL ORTHODOX COLLEGE STUDENTS SERVE

Our brother Sbdn. Robert Miclean, Orthodox Christian Fellowship (OCF) minister at the Naval Academy & St. John's College in Annapolis, MD, brings his students to visit the Cathedral every few weeks (hopefully you have met them!). We are seeking your gifts of frequent flyer miles or monetary donations as they head out to serve the poor and homeless. If you can help, please contact Sbdn. Robert at [RobMiclean@aol.com](mailto:RobMiclean@aol.com) or call him at 410-360-4401.

During Spring Break at St. John's College in Annapolis (March 7-12), Sbdn. Robert and six of his students from the OCF will be traveling to San Francisco to serve at Raphael House, an Orthodox homeless ministry. The mission of Raphael House (<http://www.raphaelhouse.org/index.html>) is to rehabilitate families in crisis and give them vocational, spiritual, and life-skill training, while also providing a stable, loving environment for the children and their families. *Please note that all donations either to this spring break trip or in the financial support of Sbdn. Robert's OCF ministry are tax deductible.* Checks to help with student/staff expense for this missions trip may be made payable to: Annapolis College Ministry (Attn: Raphael House). In Christ, Alyssa Przystawik, ACM Board Member [www.AnnapolisCollegeMinistry.org](http://www.AnnapolisCollegeMinistry.org)

**Troparion (Tone 8):** Thou didst descend from on high, O Merciful One! Thou didst accept the three-day burial to free us from our sufferings! O Lord, our Life and Resurrection: glory to Thee!

**Troparion of the Forefeast (Tone 1):** The celestial choir of heavenly angels bends down to the earth and sees the Firstborn of all creation being carried into the temple as a babe by a Mother who has not known man, and in amazement sings with us a prefestal hymn.

**Glory to the Father....**

**Kontakion (Tone 8):** By rising from the tomb, Thou didst raise the dead and resurrect Adam. Eve exults in Thy Resurrection, and the world celebrates Thy rising from the dead, O Greatly Merciful One.

**Now and ever....**

**Kontakion of the Forefeast (Tone 6):** The Word, unseen with the Father, now is seen in the flesh, ineffably born of the Virgin, and is given into the arms of the priest and Elder. Let us worship Him.

**Prokeimenon (Tone 8):** Pray & make your vows before the Lord our God! Vs. In Judah God is known; His Name is great in Israel!

**Epistle: 1 Tim. 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.

**Alleluia (Tone 8):** Come, let us rejoice in the Lord! Let us make a joyful noise to God our Savior. Vs. Let us come before His face with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise.

**Gospel: Luke 19:1-10:** At that time, Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. And there was a man named Zacchae'us; he was a chief tax collector, and rich. And he sought to see who Jesus was, but could not, on account of the crowd, because he was small of stature. So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him, for he was to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchae'us, make haste and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he made haste and came down, and received him joyfully.

And when they saw it they all murmured, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." And Zacchae'us stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have defrauded any one of anything, I restore it fourfold." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham. For the Son of man came to seek and to save the lost."

**Communion Hymn:** Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

**The Greek Orthodox Parish of Loudoun County will be hosting its first Pre-Lenten Spiritual Retreat on Saturday, February 7, 2009 with Father Sergius, acting Superior of St. Tikhon's Monastery at South Canaan, PA. (www.sttikhonsmonastery.org) He will be speaking on the topic of Theosis - Steps Towards Salvation. Vesper service will start at 6:00 pm, followed by Fr. Sergius' talk, and a question and answer period. Light refreshments will be available. Fr. Sergius will also co-celebrate, with our own Fr. George (Kokhno), and present a sermon at the Sunday Divine Liturgy. All are welcome! For additional information/directions please visit: www.greekorthodoxloudoun.org, or contact Nicholas Zangos at: www.achsah1@cox.net, or (703) 605-7225.**

#### **Church Expansion Project:**

How will it be possible to raise the level of contributions needed to build the prospective Education and Administrative Center at the location of the current annex? Differences between a typical annual contribution and a capital campaign gift:

#### **The Annual Pledges**

Annual pledges are assumed to be carried somewhat equally from all supporters. Annual pledges are for a specific fiscal year and do not carry through into the next year. If an annual pledge is not completely fulfilled, the difference is written off. At the beginning of each year, the supporters are asked to create a new pledge to be paid by the end of that year. Contributors of annual gifts to their churches are often asked to consider a gift of up to 10% of their annual income.

#### **Capital campaign pledges**

Pledges to capital campaigns are usually payable over a three to five year period. Capital campaign pledges can and often do include gifts of stock, life insurance policies, gifts-in-kind, irrevocable clauses in wills, and any of several kinds of gift annuities. Pledges to a capital campaign are what are called "stretch" gifts. This means it is a much larger size of gift than a typical annual contributor gift. The pledges often include income from the contributor's total asset portfolio which has accumulated over a period of years. The majority of capital campaign pledges come from a very small number of top donors. Until about five years ago the measurement was approximately 80% of the pledge total comes from about 20% of the donors. In today's campaigns the number of top contributors is becoming much smaller. Often, pledges to a capital campaign are recognized through "Naming Opportunities" in which a donor can name a part of the project in honor or in memorial of self or family member(s). In a capital campaign during the public phase, everyone is invited to participate in the campaign at whatever level is possible and all gifts are recognized anonymously or by name in a permanent Honor Roll of Donors.

#### **The Dormition Guild is having its first meeting of 2009 at 3:30 PM on February 7th.**

The Goals and Objectives of the Dormition Guild: 1) To help perpetuate the Orthodox Faith through service to our cathedral and our membership. 2) To assist in the completion and decoration of our cathedral and to maintain the appropriate vestments and all cloth coverings used in our church. 3) Maintain or provide mutual moral support for members of the Guild. Here are listed some of our activities and fund raisers. Icon Project, Luncheons/Food Preparation, Blini Luncheon, Palm Sunday Bake Sale, Palm Sunday Luncheon, Dormition Luncheon, Dormition Retreat, Repasts, Vestments, Prosfora, Kitchen Committee, Flower Committee, Parish Welfare, Fourth of July Picnic, Transfiguration Grapes. Please join us! Mark W. Pietrzykoski