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Sunday, February 18, 2018 Sunday of Forgiveness (Cheese Fare)

Leo the Great, pope of Rome; Agapitos the Confessor, bishop of Synnada in Phrygia; Venerable Colman, bishop of Lindisfarne

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE FOUR – Having learned the joyful message of the Resurrection from the angel the women disciples of the Lord cast from them their parental condemnation. And proudly broke the news to the Disciples, saying: Death hath been spoiled; Christ God is risen, granting the world Great Mercy.

Now sing the apolytikion of the patron saint or feast of the temple.

KONTAKION FOR FORGIVENESS SUNDAY IN TONE SIX – O Thou Who guidest to wisdom, and givest understanding and intelligence, the Instructor of the ignorant, and Helper of the poor, strengthen my heart and grant it understanding, O Master. Give me word, O Word of the Father; for behold, I shall not refrain my lips from crying to Thee, O merciful One, have mercy upon me who am fallen.

THE EPISTLE

Sing praises to our God, sing praises. Sing praises to our King, sing praises. O clap your hands, all ye nations.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans. (13:11-14:4)

Brethren, salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed; the night is far gone, the day is at hand. Let us then cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us conduct ourselves becomingly as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires. As for the man who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not for disputes over opinions. One believes he may eat anything, while the weak man eats only vegetables. Let not him who eats despise him who abstains, and let not him who abstains pass judgment on him who eats; for God has welcomed him. Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for the Master is able to make him stand.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (6:14-21)

The Lord said to His Disciples: If you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father also will forgive you; but if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses. And when you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by men. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, that your fasting may not be seen by men but by your Father Who is in secret; and your Father Who sees in secret will reward you. Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

SERVICE SCHEDULE

Sunday, Feb. 18th – 5:00 PM – Forgiveness Vespers Monday, Feb. 19th – 6:00 PM – Compline Tuesday, Feb. 20th – 6:00 PM – Compline Wednesday, Feb. 21st – 6:30 PM – Presanctified Divine Liturgy Thursday, Feb. 22nd – 5:30 PM – Compline Friday, Feb. 23rd – 5:00 PM – Akathist

Saturday, Feb. 24th – 9:30 AM – Soul Saturday Liturgy for the Departed Saturday, Feb. 24th – 5:00 PM – Great Vespers Sunday, Feb. 25th – 9:30 AM – Matins and Divine Liturgy – Sunday of Orthodoxy

Monday, Feb. 26th – 6:00 PM – Compline Wednesday, Feb. 28th – 6:30 PM – Presanctified Divine Liturgy Friday, March 2nd – 5:00 PM – Akathist

Saturday, March 3rd – 9:30 AM – Soul Saturday Liturgy for the Departed Saturday, March 3rd – 5:00 PM – Great Vespers Sunday, March 4th – 9:30 AM – Matins and Divine Liturgy

PRAYER LIST - Please contact Pres. Kristina Abernathy via email at <u>Kristina.nicole@me.com</u> or via text or call at 724.493.7213 to add living or departed names to the prayer list.

LIVING- Metropolitan Boulous, Archbishop Johana, Archpriest Jason & Family, Archpriest Anthony & Family, Archpriest Elias, Archpriest James, Kh. Linda, Archpriest Patrick, Kh. Vanessa, Archpriest Joseph, Gregory, Priest Joseph, Kh. Arleen, Justin, Christopher, Hiromonk Michael, The Sisterhood of St. Nina Monastery, The Brotherhood of St. Moses the Black, The Seminarian Joseph, Rebecca, The Seminarian Paul, Joyce, Sister Janice, Sister Janice, The Painter Family, The Boozer Family, The Wells Family, The Horne Family, The Focus Family, Pearl, Brandon, Isabella, Ashley, Carmen, Timothy, Marcella, Cassie, George, Eva, The Elderkin Family, John, Emery, Jace and Family, Ericka, Ryder, Chris, Maria, Melanie, Holly, Joshua, Noah, Tara, Louise, Peter, Julita, Marika, Mary, John, Akxanna, Nicholas, David, Nathan, Brooklin, Dylan, Amera, Adam, Moses, Tiffany, Victoria, Tyra, Robert, James-Brian, Steven, Daniel, Daniel, Subdeacon Nathaniel, Thom, Isiah, Jaquaghn, Jay, Ryan, Sincere, Bleu, Angelo, April, The students of the Pitt/CMU OCF, Nadine, Elise, Katherine, Anthony, Steven, Tommy, Joanna

DEPARTED – Bishop Antoun, Archpriest John, Kh. Stephanie, Kh. Joanne, Sylvia Jean, Resa Romani, Bern, Gregory, Efthimios, Helen, Daniel, Rodger, Sean, Danny

CONFESSIONS and HOUSE BLESSINGS By Appointment - Please contact Rev. Paul Abernathy via calling at 412.254.6281 to schedule confession or a meeting.

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