



# Saint John the Baptist Orthodox Church



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## An Abbreviated Bulletin

Volume IV

Please view last week's bulletin (found online or in the vestibule) for more information and articles.

Normal Fast Week  
**FEBRUARY 24th**



### The Prodigal Son Returns!

Reading: 1 Corinthians 6: 12-20  
Gospel: Luke 15: 11-32

Schedule a Confession.  
Use up/freeze meats this week.

9:15 – Third Hour; 9:30 – Divine Liturgy Tone 6 Liturgical Color: **Gold**

additional collection for our Community Outreach / Sr ACRY meeting following the Coffee Social

**Last Call To Schedule** - Annual Home Blessings through March 9

**Thursday**, February 28 – 9:30 Moleben to the Theotokos with holy anointing

The opportunity for the Holy Mystery of Confession is available following every service.



Meatfare  
**MARCH 3rd**  
FAREWELL TO MEAT TODAY



### The Last Judgment

Reading: 1 Corinthians 8: 8-9: 2  
Gospel: Matthew 25: 31-46

Pray facing East this week.  
Christ is returning from the East and  
we wait for Him!  
Use up/freeze dairy this week.

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Pre-Lenten Breakfast

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## A Warm Welcome To Our Visitors!

Glory be to Jesus Christ! (responded with: **Glory be forever!**)

Slava Isusu Christos! (**Slava Na Viki!!**)

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## LOOKING AHEAD LOCALLY



**Saturday**, March 9 – 9:30am All Soul Saturday (*Zadušna Subota*) Divine Liturgy & Panachida (I transferred)

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## PARISH BULLETIN BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please have submissions for this section to Father by Wednesday.)

**Weekly Candle Intentions/Memorials** were offered last week by Tim Martin; Viola Peifer; Melanie Shuster; Kathy Schrmack; Joanne Nelson; Patty Watson; Rich Mirilovich; Cindy Pavilonis.

**"I am the light of the world; he who follows Me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."** - John 8:12

**The Eternal Lamp** was offered last week by Cindy Pavilonis, Birthday remembrance of +Mary Huron. May Her Memory Be Eternal! Vičnaya Jej Pamjat!

### Our Stewardship Gifts To God

Stewardship/Dues:	\$ 65
Candles/Eternal Lamp:	\$ 117
Envelopes:	\$ 244
<b>Total Collections:</b>	<b>\$ 426</b>
<b>Relocation Fund:</b>	<b>\$ 100</b>

Give Generously: "For they gave according to their means... and beyond their means, of their own free will." 2 Cor 8:3

### Visit Us & Our Diocese On-Line

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## SPIRITUAL VITAMIN FOR THE WEEK

"Father," it says, "I have sinned against heaven, and before you." This is the first confession before the Creator of nature, the Patron of mercy, and the Judge of guilt. Although God knows all things, He awaits the words of your confession. ... Confess, so that Christ may rather intercede for you, He whom we have as an advocate with the Father. Confess, so that the church may pray for you and that the people may weep for you. Do not fear that perhaps you might not receive. The advocate promises pardon. The patron offers grace. The defender promises the reconciliation with the Father's good will to you. Believe because it is the truth. Consent because it is a virtue. He has a reason to intercede for you, unless He died for you in vain. The Father also has a reason for forgiveness, because the Father wants what the Son wants." +St. Ambrose

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## PRAYER CORNER

### Sticheron at Matins from the Lenten Triodion

Open to me the doors of repentance, O Life-Giver; for my spirit hastens early towards Your holy temple, bearing the temple of my body all defiled; but in Your compassion purify me by Your gracious mercy. Amen.

