



Our Lady of Perpetual Help

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Liturgical Schedule for the Week of January 14, 2018

Saturday, January 13 ~ **Vigil**

Sunday of Zacchaeus

5:30 PM For the Parish Family of OLPH

Sunday, January 14 ~ **Sunday of Zacchaeus**

9:00 AM +Ethel & William King by Rhonda King

Wednesday, January 17 ~ **Anthony the Great**

7:00 PM +Edward Zapala by wife Mary

Saturday, January 20 ~ **Vigil Sunday of**

Publican & the Pharisee

5:30 PM +Anna Philip by Eleanor Stevens

Sunday, January 21 ~ **Sunday of**

Publican & the Pharisee

9:00 AM For the Parish Family of OLPH

Followed by Advisory Committee Meeting – All Invited

2018 LOTTERY CALENDARS NOW ON SALE

2018	
Jan	Feb
Mar	Apr
May	Jun
Jul	Aug
Sep	Oct
Nov	Dec

Margaret Churilla now has the 2018 Lottery Calendars for sale at \$20.00 per calendar. Every night a possible winner based on 3 digit PA Evening Daily Number. Prizes vary from \$20 to \$200. Please sell some to your friends and families. This is an important fundraiser for the parish.

Danube River Cruise

Plus Munich, Budapest and Krakow

With Fr. Ed

October 31 to November 13, 2018

Brochures Available in the Vestibule

See Fr. Ed for more details.

Special Cruise Information Webpage

<http://www.olphbyz.com/Pg/DanubeCruise.html>

RESERVATION DEADLINE EXTENDED

Christmas Decoration Take-Down

Saturday, January 20

10:00 AM – All Invited!

CANDLE DEDICATION FOR JANUARY

Tetrapod

In Memory of + Andrew Wislotsky and

+ Joseph Kopcho our Fathers by Nadia Kopcho

Altar of Preparation

In Memory of + John Zapko

By Margie Zapko

Altar of Blessing

God's Blessings on the

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Family

“MY HOUSE SHALL BE CALLED A HOUSE OF PRAYER FOR ALL PEOPLES.” - Isaiah 56: 7

If you are a visitor to Our Lady of Perpetual Help, we want you to know how welcome you are; whether you have come from another part of the country, from across the world, or simply from another parish. We hope you find our worship true and reverent and our people here friendly and cordial. If you are seeking a spiritual home, we would be honored by your presence in our family. For more information about becoming a parishioner, please see Fr. Ed.



ALL SOULS ENVELOPES –

This year there is a special envelope for the All Souls Saturdays in the front of your envelope box. Use the envelope and the sheet to note the names you wish to remember and to make an offering for the commemoration. Please return by Sunday, January 28.

ALL SOULS LITURGY – Please Note the First All Souls Saturday will be moved from February 3 to a Vigil celebration on Friday, February 9th at 7:00 PM. This move is necessary because of Fr. Ed's Pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Thank you for your understanding.

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS will be available by the end of January. If you wish to receive a copy of your statement, please fill out the form below and drop it off in the collection basket. As self addressed stamped envelope would be appreciated, but not required.

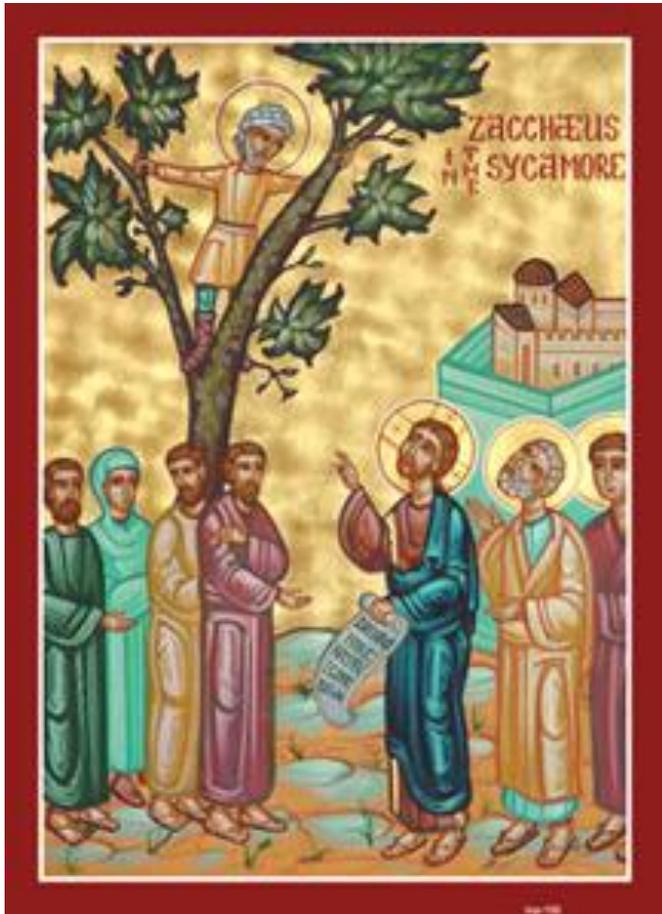
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**Sunday of Zacchaeus
Commemorated
on January 14, 2018**



The paschal season of the Church is preceded by the season of Great Lent, which is also preceded by its own liturgical preparation.

The first sign of the approach of Great Lent comes five Sundays before its beginning. On this Sunday the Gospel reading is about Zacchaeus the tax-collector. It tells how Christ brought salvation to the sinful man, and how his life was changed simply because he “sought to see who Jesus was” (Luke 19:3). The desire and effort to see Jesus begins the entire movement through Lent towards Pascha. It is the first movement of salvation.

Our Lenten journey begins with recognition of our own sinfulness, just as Zacchaeus recognized his. He promised to make restitution by giving half of his wealth to the poor,

and by paying to those he had falsely accused four times as much as they had lost. In this, he went beyond the requirements of the Law (Ex. 22:3-12).

The example of Zacchaeus teaches us that we should turn away from our sins, and atone for them. The real proof of our sorrow and repentance is not just a verbal apology, but when we correct ourselves and try to make amends for the consequences of our evil actions.

We are also assured of God’s mercy and compassion by Christ’s words to Zacchaeus, “Today salvation is come to this house” (Luke 19:9).

Zacchaeus was short, so he climbed a tree in order to see the Lord. All of us have sinned and come short of the glory of God (Rom. 3:23). We are also short in our spiritual stature; therefore we must climb the ladder of the virtues. In other words, we must prepare for spiritual effort and growth.

Saint Zacchaeus is also commemorated on April 20.

