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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2018
Sunday of the Last Judgment
Meatfare Sunday
THIRD SUNDAY OF THE LENTEN TRIODION

Epistle Reading

I Corinthians 8:8-9:2

Gospel Reading

Matthew 25:31-46

Christ is in our midst!
He is and ever shall be!

Kontakion for the Sunday of the Last Judgment

When You, O God, shall come to earth with glory, all things shall tremble and the river of fire shall flow before Your judgment seat; the books shall be opened and the hidden things disclosed! Then deliver me from the unquenchable fire, and make me worthy to stand at Your right hand, righteous Judge!

Meatfare Sunday

Today is the last day for eating meat and meat products until Pascha on April 8. Eggs and dairy products are permitted every day during the coming week. This limited fasting prepares us gradually for the more intense fasting of Great Lent. Fr. John is available to answer questions about our personal fasting disciplines.

“All creation is the work of your hands, almighty Master, and in your unspeakable providence and infinite goodness, you have led us to these saving days that we may cleanse our souls and bodies and control our passions, in the hope of rising on the last day ... In your goodness, now help us to fight a good fight, to obtain the goal of this season of fasting, to preserve our faith without blemish, to defeat the powers of evil, to win victory over sin, and, finally, to reach and adore the resurrection. For

blessed and glorified is your holy and magnificent name, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.”

Welcome to Our Guests

We offer a warm welcome to all guests. Please join us for Coffee Hour after Divine Liturgy. We look forward to meeting you and answering any questions you may have about the Orthodox Faith and St. Luke parish life.

Memory Eternal

We pray for the souls of Fr. Dn. Pat’s parents, Patrick and newly-departed Dolly.

House Blessings

See Fr. John to schedule Home Blessings before Great Lent begins on February 19.

St. Luke Sisterhood Meeting - Today

The monthly Sisterhood meeting begins after Coffee Hour. All women are invited.

Great Feast of the Meeting of Our Lord in the Temple – Wednesday, February 14

A Vespers Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at 7PM Wednesday evening for the Feast of the Meeting of our Lord. A meatless potluck dinner will follow.

Forgiveness and Cheesefare Sunday – Sunday, February 18

Next Sunday will be the last day for dairy products. After Divine Liturgy and Coffee Hour, we will gather again in the Chapel for Forgiveness Sunday Vespers.

Service Schedule for the First Week of Great Lent

Monday, Feb. 19	7PM Canon of St. Andrew of Crete
Wed., Feb. 21	7PM Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts and Lenten potluck
Thursday, Feb. 22	7PM Canon of St. Andrew of Crete

Pan-Orthodox Vespers for the Sunday of Orthodoxy – February 25

The Vespers for the Sunday of Orthodoxy will be hosted by St. Sophia Cathedral, 36th and Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC at 5PM on February 25. Constantine Triantafilou, Executive Director of IOCC, will be the guest speaker. Come join with clergy and laity from the many churches in the metropolitan area.

What’s New at the Gift Shop?

Gift Shop Manager, Louise Romanchak, invites us to come and see the new items she has added to the kiosk. The products are made from all-natural ingredients by White

Field Farm. Their profits provide job training to female survivors of human trafficking who then have the skills to actually make the items. As they are given these new opportunities to work, they regain confidence and rebuild their lives.