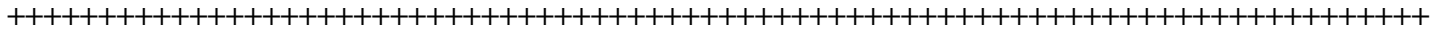


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In case of emergency: Call Father Harry Linsinbigler, (813) 406 – 2620. If there is no answer, leave a message. Then call Pani Carrie at (813) 451-9829. or text Father Brian Delp at (813) 763-5226.



**“Christ is in our midst! -He is and ever shall be!”**  
**Church Motto: “Cling to What is Good” – Romans**  
**Theme: “Balance”**



**Schedule:**

**Sunday, February 2:**

10:00 - Divine Liturgy  
Meeting of the Lord in the Temple

**Wednesday February 5:**

7:00 Bible Study

**Sunday, February 9:**

10:00 - Divine Liturgy  
The Publican and the Pharisee

**Wednesday, February 12:**

7:00 Vespers

**Sunday February 16:**

10:00 – Divine Liturgy  
Prodigal Son

**Wednesday, February 19:**

7:00 pm Bible Study, the  
Fellowship Hall

**Sunday, February 23:**

10:00 - Divine Liturgy  
Meat Fare Sunday

**Wednesday, February 26:**

7:00 Vespers

**Sunday, March 2:**

10:00 Divine Liturgy

**Parish Council:**

President: Ellen Flynn – (863) 242-4865  
Vice President: Paula Karagounis – (813) 838-4554  
Secretary: Rebecca Delp - (813) 763-5225  
Treasurer: Ryan Becker - (813) 965-1881  
Financial Secretary: Natalie Brennan – (508) 272-0395

**Announcements:**

Please remember to respect Father Harry’s days off from work. Which are Monday and Tuesday. Unless you have an emergency do not call, text, email or visit on those days. The church grounds are closed during these two days.

Wedding: Elisabeth Linsinbigler to John Ghobrial on February 22 at 2pm. All are invited to the ceremony. Reception is by invitation.

**Reader’s Schedule:**

Feb. 2	Ellen	Derek
Feb. 9	Subdcn Peter	Arlene
Feb. 16	Derek	Linda
Feb 23	Linda	Ellen
March 2	Arlene	Derek

**Counter Schedule:**

	<b>Council Member</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup>Counter</b>
Feb. 2	Ryan	Svetlana
Feb. 9	Ryan	Nancy
Feb. 16	Ryan	Joseph
Feb. 23	Ryan	Mike

**Volunteers Needed:**

The council is looking for members willing to help as a counter once a month. You would assist a council member count and reconcile the day's offerings. If you have questions or would like to volunteer, please see a council member.

**Prayer Corner:**

Please send prayer requests to Rebecca Delp by text at (813) 763-5225, email at delp10290@yahoo.com or message Rebecca on Facebook.

**Living:** Please pray for the ailing: Mike, Stella, Amanda, Darla, Bruce, Arlene, Laura, Trevor, Rick, Nicole, Martha, Tim, Vilma, Dan, John, Sherrie, Chuck, Rick, Tony, Michelle, Jana, Erin, Cynthia, Petya, Denise, Keith, Kassey, Clay, Alyssa, Lola, Chris, Andrea, Archie, Robert, Celina, Christina, Robert, Soccorro, Eli, Paula, Laura, Kyle, Sally, Avi, Rebeka, Barbara, Susan, Joseph, Rebekah, Pani Sue, Father Frederick, Lynn, Tiffany, Matthew, Michelle, Anton, Carter, Samantha, Jacob, Leigh, Richard, Kathy, Konstantin, Tina, Anthony, Patricia, Emily, Colter, Riley, and Tom.

**Reposed:** Please pray for the departed: John, George, Pavel, Subdeacon John, Jack, Nathaniel, PJ, Dorothy, Thomas, Kristy, Pani, Fr. Anastaje, Archbishop Vsevelod, Metropolitan Constantine, Harry, Mary, Marie Mary, Helen Men's Book Club is to have a men's, Jeannette, Betty, Joe, Lucy, George, Fr. Martin, Sue, Vera, Michael, Ertelle, Cletus, Joshua, Sara, Dawn, Stacy, Jean, Marie, Brent, Erica, Kathy

**Fellowship:**

We will continue having a "Theme" of the week. If you have a suggestion place it in the box in the hall, on the dessert table.

**Themes:**

Feb. 2 - Bridal Shower Luncheon

Feb. 9 - Souper Bowl Luncheon

Feb. 16 - Potluck, bring a dish to share

Feb. 23 - Meatfare Sunday

The Fellowship Hall is in need of the following items:

- Individual Bags of Chips (variety)
- Individual Granola Bars
- Coffee
- Plates, all Sizes
- Forks
- Small spoons
- Individual Puddings
- Large Bags of Tortilla Chips/ Potato Chips
- Jars of Salsa

**Christian Education:**

**Bible Study:**

A Bible Study meets on the first and third Wednesday evenings of the month in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome to attend.

**Youth Christian Education:**

**Classes** are going well with the children meeting weekly in the back of the church or working outside on a project.

The teens meet twice a month focusing on the ten commandments and reviewing prayer and feast days. They will meet February 2<sup>nd</sup> and February 16<sup>th</sup>,

**Ministries:**

**Men's Book Club:**

Meetings are planned for the second and fourth weeks of every month (opposite weeks of the Bible Study) They are finishing the book of Vain Glory: and beginning the book of The Spirit of Pride. On Saturday March 1, they will be going to the men's monastery in Ocala to restore damaged graves.

If any of the men in the parish want to join please text or call Alex (786) 439-9180 or Calaam (863) 257-9023 for more information about the time, location, or date.

**Communications:**

Father Brian Delp is leader of the Communications Ministry, which includes the church website, newsletter, and videos of the Liturgy on U-tube. If you would like to join this ministry, contact Father Brian during Fellowship.

**Connections:**

Jacob Beyea is leader of the Connections Ministry where he welcomes parish members and new guests to the Liturgy. He gives a newcomer a Liturgy Book and answers any questions they may have. Contact Jacob during Fellowship if you would like to join this ministry.

**Outreach Ministry:**

There is usually a project every one or two months. Ideas and suggestions are welcome. If you would like to join this ministry, see Arlene Tonjes or Rebekah Becker during the Fellowship. Due to the needs from the recent hurricane, we are still collecting cash or checks to assist those in the parish in need. You can place your donations in the basket as you enter the church. On February 9<sup>th</sup> we will be celebrating Souper Bowl Sunday by having a second collection for the benefit of the homeless and those in need.

## **On Stewardship and the Christian Life**

By Father Frederick Watson

### **“St. Paul, on Selfishness”**

*“I say this not as a command, but to prove by the earnestness of others that your love also is genuine. For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich.”*  
(2 Corinthians 8:8-9 RSV)

One quality of life that St. Paul worked hard to uproot was that of selfishness. After all, one cannot be complete in becoming Christ - like when self - love and

covetousness are held onto. The love of Christ in the hearts of Paul’s rather hard - hearted brethren would go a long way in accomplishing what was needed for the church in Jerusalem. Sections of the Jerusalem church in the first century experienced great poverty. The saints in Jerusalem had so many poor among them, whom they themselves could not help, that St. Paul was eager to help them.

By pointing them to the sacrifice of Christ, made on their behalf, St. Paul sought to raise the level of the Corinthians’ love. *“I say this not as a command,”* said the Saint, *“but to prove by the earnestness of others that your love also is genuine. For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich.”*

Here is the crux of St. Paul’s argument against selfishness. And it is not the commandment of Paul, but of the Lord Jesus Christ. How great was the gift of God to humanity, and how like our God to make it! With a liberality that can never be exceeded, God gave, that He might save the rebellious sons of men and bring them to see His purpose and His love. This is the spirit of stewardship. The first great Steward was God Himself. He gave His only begotten Son to die for those rebellious sons of men. He gave His all. He continues to give His all every time we remember that sacrifice on Good Friday re-enacted in some places every Sunday, and in others every day.

Will we, by our own stewardship of gifts and offerings, show that we think nothing too good for Him who *“gave His only begotten Son”*?

