

once, twice, and a third time, he gave her what she desired. By this he was teaching us that he had withheld the gift not to drive her away, but to make that woman's patience an example for all of us. Now that we have learned these lessons, let us not despair even if we are guilty of sin and unworthy of any favor. We know that we can make ourselves worthy by perseverance. (Homily on Phil 1:18, 12-13: Bareille 5, 495-496)

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Sunday January 8 Attendance: 15 souls

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32nd Sunday After Pentecost

JANUARY 15, 2023

**FAREWELL FATHER JAMES LANE** today we will honor Fr James as he enters into his retirement. We thank him for his service to our parish since Father Stephen Casmus's passing into eternal life. God grant him many more happy and blessed years.

**SATURDAY JANUARY 22 (change in our Liturgical Schedule)**

- 1). Vesper/Liturgy will be at 4:00 pm.
- 2). No Sunday morning Liturgy.
- 3). Confessions: at 3:30 pm
- 4). Holy Day Liturgies will take place on the evening of the Holy Day at 7pm.
- 5). No Daily Liturgies

Fr Stephen will drive from Anaheim to Fontana to celebrate the Sunday Liturgy on Saturday afternoon and Holy Day Liturgies on evening of the Feast. Confessions one half hour before all services.

The Lion's Club patrons arrive in the parish hall beginning around the same time we have our Saturday 4pm Liturgy. We will hold our Coffee and donuts fellowship in the church Annex. We need some volunteers to arrange the Annex for our coffee social.

+**CHESTER FRANKLIN**, a long time member of St Nicholas fell asleep in the Lord Friday. We ask that you remember him and the family in your prayers. The Funeral Service will take place at Annunciation in Anaheim. Eternal Memory and blessed Repose.

**ADULT STUDIES FOR OUR CHURCH** please read the special flyer in today's bulletin for understanding the Divine Liturgy of our Church. Be sure to register and if you miss the 5pm Wednesday presentation, you will be able to access later.

**WELCOME MEMBERS FROM ST MARY'S PARISH—SHERMAN OAKS** we may be getting members from St Marys for this morning's liturgy due to the water damage to the church and hall. Kindly keep the parish in your prayers.

**DIVINE LITURGIES AND INTENTIONS**

**14 SATURDAY Post-festive of Theophany, p. 316**

*9:30 am Liturgy Special Intention*

**HEBREW SCRIPTURES FOR SUNDAY**

Isaiah 60:18–23 & Isaiah 66:18–23\*

*\*These reading are a contemporary proposal by The Priest Theodore Pulcini, based on the Sunday Gospels.*

*FAREWELL TO FR JAMES*

*AS HE ENTER HIS RETIREMENT*

**15 32ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST TONE 7, P. 156**

*9:00 am Confession available behind the Altar*

*10:00 am Divine Liturgy*

*For members and friends of our parish.*

*Panachida Service for +Chester Franklin*

**16 MONDAY—FR JAMES'S LAST DAY AT ST NICHOLAS**

**17 TUESDAY**

**Stephen will be available in the parish office.**

*10:30 AM to 2:00 PM*

*NO DAILY LITURGIES.*

**21 SATURDAY VIGIL FOR SUNDAY SUNDAY OF ZACCHEUS & TONE 8, Page 104 & 159 in the Green Book**

**Hebrew Readings for Sunday**

Genesis 18: 1–14 & Exodus 33:7–23

*3:30 pm Confessions*

*4:00 pm Vesper/Liturgy of St John*

*Coffee Social in the Annex of the church*

**22 SUNDAY No Divine Liturgy.**

**SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS:** We join with the Saints in heaven to pray for those in need. Request Prayers: [abc-c72069@gmail.com](mailto:abc-c72069@gmail.com)

Cho Mary Sabol, Special Intentions: Fr James Lane, Pat Mathis, Enedina Lopez, Lora Carson Lopez, Sophia Gaydus, Victor & Patricia Olmos Family, John Phillips, Martha Yniquez, Paul Basay, Margaret Geluso, Edward Lopez, Lupe Nevaré, Beatriz Perez, Thank you Lord for the rain & snow on the mountains

**17th Sunday After Pentecost  
Commentary: St. John Chrysostom**

The Canaanite woman whose daughter was tormented by a devil came to Christ begging his help. Most urgently she cried out: Lord, have pity on me. My daughter is grievously tormented by a devil. Notice that the woman was a foreigner, a gentile, a person from outside the Jewish community. What was she then but a dog, unworthy to obtain her request? It is not fair, said the Lord, to take the children's bread and give it to the dogs. Nevertheless, by perseverance she became worthy; for Christ not only admitted her to the same noble rank as the children, dog though she was, but he also sent her away with high praise, saying: Woman, you have great faith. Let it be as you desire.

Now when Christ says: You have great faith, you need seek no further proof of the woman's greatness of soul. You see that an unworthy woman became worthy by perseverance. Now would you like proof that we shall gain more by praying ourselves than by asking others to pray for us? The

woman cried out and the disciples went to Christ and said: Give her what she wants - she is shouting after us. And he said to them: I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. But when the 'woman herself, still crying out, came to him and said: That is true, sir, and yet the dogs eat what falls from their master's table, then he granted her request, saying: Let it be as you desire. Have you understood? When the disciples entreated him the Lord put them off, but when the woman herself cried out begging for this favor he granted it. And at the beginning, when she first made her request, he did not answer, but after she had come to him

	<b>Up Coming Events Mark your Calendar</b>
Mon Jan 17	<b>Fr Stephen will be available 10:30 am to 2:00 pm</b>
Thurs Jan 19	<b>Orthodox, Catholic &amp; Eastern Catholic Clergy Dinner at St Ann RC Church in Seal Beach 6:00 pm</b>
Sat Jan 21	<b>Vigil for Sunday 4:00 pm Vesper/Liturgy</b>
<i>Blessing of Candles</i>	<b>Meeting of Our Lord With Simeon and Anna Solemn Holy Day 7:00 pm Divine Liturgy</b>
Thurs Feb 2	
Sat Feb 4	Deadline for submitting list of Deceased for All Souls Saturdays. The list will be read at Annunciation at 9 am
Sat Feb 11 <i>At Annunciation</i>	<b>1st All Souls Saturday 9:00 am Divine Liturgy</b>
Mon Feb 20 <i>Strict Fast</i>	<b>Start of the Great Fast</b>