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### 🛎 Sunday, February 11, 2024 🖷

The reading is from St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 6:1-10 Brethren, working together with him, we entreat you not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says, "At the acceptable time I have listened to you, and helped you on the day of salvation." Behold, now is the acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. We put no obstacle in any one's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, tumults, labors, watching, hunger; by purity, knowledge, forbearance, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold we live; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

Gospel According to Matthew 25:14-30 The Lord said this parable: "A man going on a journey called his servants and entrusted to them his property; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them; and he made five talents more. So also, he who had the two talents made two talents more. But he who had received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master's money. Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five talents more, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me five talents; here I have made five talents more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a little, I will set you over much; enter into the joy of your master.' And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me two talents; here I have made two talents more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a little. I will set uou over much: enter into the jou of uour master.' He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not winnow; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master answered him, 'You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sowed, and gather where I have not winnowed? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to him who has the ten talents. For to every one who has will more be given, and he will have abundance; but from him who has not, even what he has will be taken away. And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash their teeth." As he said these things he cried out: "He who has ears to hear, let him hear!"

## Welcome Godparents and Godchildren!

Memorials:†Alexander Savchuck40 days†Petko Nekezov18 years†Dimosthenis Keramidasdeparted this week (cousin of Costa Paliouras)

# GODPARENT/GODCHILD LUNCHEON TODAY!

#### <u>THIS WEEK:</u> Monday, February 12

6:30pm Paraclesis

- Tuesday, February 13St. Martinianos the Righteous<br/>8:30am Orthros/10am Divine Liturgy<br/>11am Golden Club in Community Center<br/>7▷M F◊◊▷ F<\$TIVAL M<€TIN<</th>
- Wednesday, February 14 6:45 GOYA Basketball 7РМ BIBLE STUDY

Thursday, February 15 Friday, February 16

Saturday, February 17

NO Vespers



SAVE THE DATE for Pascha Bread making on

Thursday, April 18, 10am–5pm. Details in the March Cross Roads.



COMINE SOON: COMMUNITY NIEHT THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29 6PM VESPERS 6:30PM DINNER 7:30PM SPEAKER

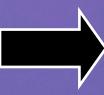
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Leap year party !

# Metropolis Regional Lenten Mini Retreats Open to all HOPE and JOY Kids (K-6th Grade)

Happy Leap Day!

#### Central Region: March 16, 2024 from 12 pm - 4 pm



**Location**: Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church 123 Gilkeson Rd. Pittsburgh, PA 15228

**Contact**: Elias Diamond at ediamondhcpgh@gmail.com

Registration Link: <u>http://tinyurl.com/MiniLentCentral</u>

Participants will enjoy learning about the Triodion Period leading up to Lent. Lessons include crafts, service projects and more! Lunch will be provided.