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**We will be holding our annual parish meeting today immediately after we get settled at coffee hour.**

**Church School**

Last week's inaugural Church School was a wonderful success. We had seven children in attendance. Please help get the word out to parents: Church School begins at 9:15.

**Forgiveness Sunday**

Next week, immediately after Divine Liturgy, all are invited to participate in the Rite of Forgiveness where we begin our Lenten Journey by asking and offering forgiveness to all in our community. This is a short and simple service, but I cannot stress it enough: Our Lord plainly commands us to forgive. Without that, we ourselves are incapable of receiving forgiveness. Each and every one of us should make the effort to begin the Fast here, in the Church on that day.

## **Diocesan Lenten Appeal**

This Lenten season, the Diocese of the West is making an appeal to all parishes for donations to Project Mexico. This organization has faithfully served the needs of orphans and those in need of homes for many years. From now until April 2, all money collected from our poor box (located on the left as you enter the church building) will be sent in to the Diocese for the this Appeal.

Growth in our spiritual life rests on three pillars: prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. During Lent, we will have plenty of opportunities to pray and fast. Almsgiving is a necessary part of our formation in Christ. Use this as an opportunity to grow in Him.

## **Lenten Schedule**

The full schedule of services has been uploaded in our online calendar. A few paper copies have been placed at the back of the church. Please take one if you do not have access to the internet.

## Calendar of Events – February 19 – 26

<b>Sun</b> <b>2/19</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 9:40am – Hours and Divine Liturgy</li><li>• Parish meeting</li></ul>
<b>Mon</b> <b>2/20</b>	
<b>Tue</b> <b>2/21</b>	
<b>Wed</b> <b>2/22</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Office Hours 11:30-5p</li><li>• Vespers 5:30p</li></ul>
<b>Thu</b> <b>2/23</b>	
<b>Fri</b> <b>2/24</b>	
<b>Sat</b> <b>2/25</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 6:00pm – Great Vespers</li></ul>
<b>Sun</b> <b>2/26</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 9:40am – Hours and Divine Liturgy</li></ul>

### Save the Date:

**Feb 26 – Forgiveness Sunday**

**Feb 27 – FIRST DAY OF GREAT LENT**

**March 1 – First Presanctified Liturgy**

**March 10 – First Akathist**

**April 8 – Lazarus Saturday**

**April 9 – Palm Sunday**

**April 21 – Good Friday**

**April 16 - PASCHA**