# Sunday of the Forfathers

December 15, 2024



## **Coloring Icons**



#### Colossians

#### 3:4-11

WHEN CHRIST, WHO IS YOUR LIFE, APPEARS, THEN YOU ALSO WILL APPEAR WITH HIM IN GLORY.

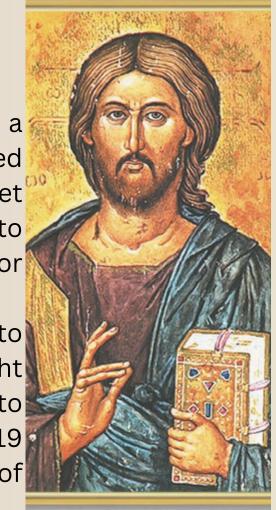
A NEW SELF.[A] 5 AND SO YOU SHOULD PUT TO DEATH EVERYTHING IN YOUR NATURE THAT IS EARTHLY: SEXUAL IMMORALITY, IMPURITY, PASSION, EVIL DESIRES, AND GREED (WHICH IS IDOLATRY).[B] 6 BECAUSE OF THESE PRACTICES, THE WRATH OF GOD WILL FALL ON THOSE WHO ARE DISOBEDIENT. 7 IN THE LIFE YOU FORMERLY LIVED, YOU USED TO DO THESE THINGS. 8 BUT NOW YOU MUST CAST THEM ALL ASIDE—ANGER, RAGE, MALICE, SLANDER, AND FOUL LANGUAGE OUT OF YOUR LIPS.

9 DO NOT LIE TO ONE ANOTHER, SINCE YOU HAVE STRIPPED OFF THE OLD SELF WITH ITS PRACTICES 10 AND HAVE PUT ON THE NEW SELF THAT IS BEING RENEWED IN KNOWLEDGE AFTER THE IMAGE OF ITS CREATOR. 11 NOW THERE IS NO LONGER GREEK AND JEW, CIRCUMCISED AND UNCIRCUMCISED, BARBARIAN AND SCYTHIAN, [C] SLAVE AND FREE MAN. RATHER, CHRIST IS ALL AND IN ALL.

#### <u>Luke 14:</u> 16-24

Jesus said in reply, "A man gave a sumptuous banquet, to which he invited many. 17 When the hour for the banquet drew near, he sent his servant to say to those who had been invited: 'Come, for everything is now ready.'

18 "But one after another they all began to make excuses. The first said, 'I have bought a parcel of land, and I must go out to inspect it. Please accept my apologies.' 19 Another said, 'I have purchased five yoke of oxen, and I am on my way to try them out.



Please accept my regrets.' 20 Still another said, 'I have just gotten married, and therefore I am unable to come.'

21 "When the servant returned, he reported all this to his master. Then the owner of the house became enraged, and he said to his servant, 'Go out quickly into the streets and alleys of the town and bring in here the poor, the crippled, the blind, and the lame.' 22 Shortly afterward, the servant told him, 'Sir, your orders have been carried out, and some room is still available.' 23 Then the master said to the servant, 'Go out to the open roads and along the hedgerows and compel people to come,[a] so that my house may be filled. 24 For I tell you, not one of those who were invited shall taste my banquet.'"

#### Caught you Listening

- What did the man give?
- Who was invited?
- When it was ready, what did the servants do?
- What did the invited guests do?
- O How did the man react?
- Who did the servants gather?
- Was the room filled?
- Where did the servants gather next?
- O How many of the invited guests ate at the banquet?

#### Luke 14:16-24

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sumptuous available banque

banquet land

servant married excuses poor

master house enraged

room

### Prayer before Communion

O LORD, I BELIEVE AND PROFESS THAT YOU ARE TRULY CHRIST, THE SON OF THE LIVING GOD, WHO CAME INTO THE WORLD TO SAVE SINNERS OF WHOM I AM THE FIRST.

ACCEPT ME TODAY AS A PARTAKER OF YOUR MYSTICAL SUPPER, O SON OF GOD, FOR I WILL NOT REVEAL YOUR MYSTERY TO YOUR ENEMIES, NOR WILL I GIVE YOU A KISS AS DID JUDAS, BUT LIKE THE THIEF I PROFESS YOU: REMEMBER ME, O LORD, WHEN YOU COME IN YOUR KINGDOM.

REMEMBER ME, O MASTER, WHEN YOU COME IN YOUR KINGDOM.

REMEMBER ME, O HOLY ONE, WHEN YOU COME IN YOUR KINGDOM.

MAY THE PARTAKING OF YOUR HOLY MYSTERIES, O LORD, BE NOT FOR MY JUDGMENT OR CONDEMNATION BUT FOR THE HEALING OF SOUL AND BODY.

O LORD, I ALSO BELIEVE AND PROFESS THAT THIS, WHICH I AM ABOUT TO RECEIVE, IS TRULY YOUR MOST PRECIOUS BODY AND YOUR LIFE-GIVING BLOOD, WHICH, I PRAY, MAKE ME WORTHY TO RECEIVE FOR THE REMISSION OF ALL MY SINS AND FOR LIFE EVERLASTING. AMEN. O GOD, BE MERCIFUL TO ME, A SINNER. O GOD, CLEANSE ME OF MY SINS AND HAVE MERCY ON ME. O LORD, FORGIVE ME FOR I HAVE SINNED WITHOUT NUMBER.

## Prayer for Vocations

O GOD, GREAT IN MIGHT AND INSCRUTABLE IN WISDOM, MARVELOUS IN COUNSEL ABOVE THE SONS OF MEN, FATHER OF ALL PERFECT GIFTS: YOU THE SAME LORD, ENLIGHTEN WITH YOUR HOLY SPIRIT THE HEARTS OF YOUNG PEOPLE AND CALL THEM TO FOLLOW YOUR ONLY BEGOTTEN SON AND OUR SAVIOUR, JESUS CHRIST, THE GOOD SHEPHERD! GIVE THEM THE COURAGE AND GENEROSITY NECESSARY TO **OVERCOME ALL OBSTACLES TO THEIR VOCATION, FOR YOU COMPLETE WHAT IS** LACKING! GIVE TO THE PARENTS THAT FATIH, LOVE AND SPIRIT OF SACRIFICE WHICH WILL INSPIRE THEM TO OFFER THEIR CHILDREN TO YOUR SERVICE AND REJOICE WHENEVER ONE OF THEIR CHILDREN IS CALLED TO FOLLOW CHRIST IN A SPECIAL WAY OF PRIESTHOOD OR **RELIGIOUS CONSECRATION. WE IMPLORE YOU** THROUGH THE INTERCESSION OF THE MOST **PURE THEOTOKOS AND EVER VIRGIN MARY!** AMEN!