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### CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED HE IS RISEN!

**ON THE MEND:** Please keep the following parishioners and others in your prayers for recovery from their illnesses and injuries: Constantine, Patriarch Pavle, Archimandrite Raphael, Father Peter Natishan, Father Gerald Olszewski, Father Jakiw Norton, Father Dragan Filipović, Father Elias Katras, Father Stevo Rocknage, Father Paul Stoll, Father Igor Soroka, Father Deacon Joseph Bulkanowa, Ollie Pendylshok, Walt & Evelyn Burlack, Joshua Agosto and his family, Harley Katarina Rahuba, Joe Karas, Mike and Hilda Holupka, Eva Malesnick, Helen Likar, Angela Wesolosky, Stella Peanoske, Joe Nezolyk, Nick Behun, Terry Reinhart, Bernie O'Masta, Grace Holupka, Virginia Bryan, Joseph Sliwinsky, Maria Balo, Linda Mechtly, Mary Mochnick, Mary Pekich, Mildred Manolovich, Evelyn Misko, Amy, Nigel Daniel, & Daniel Pocura, Jeanne Boehing, Alex Drobot, Rachelle, Jane Golofski, Doug Diller, Harry Krewsun, Sandy Gamble, Glen Lucas Burlack, Bernie Vangrin, Mary Alice Babcock, Dorie Kunkle, Andrea, & Melissa [Betty O'Masta's relatives], Mary Evelyn King, Stella Cherepko, Sam Wadrose, Khoruia Joanne Abdalah, Cameron [a boy in Matt's class], Faith—a 3-year-old girl with rheumatoid arthritis, Isabella Olivia Lindgren—a 10-month old with a brain tumor, Dillon, Ethel Thomas, Donna, Jeff, Nick Malec [Maxine's brother], Bill, Erin, Jimmy Fennel [6th Grader], Jim Markovich, Jeff Walewski [thyroid cancer], Carol [Lotinski] Rose, Michael Miller, Dave May, Peter Paul & Louise May Sprock, Grace & Owen Ostrasky, Claudia [Horvath] Gradicheck, Alberta, Margaret Mueller, Gary Zurasky, Michael Horvath, Tony Notaro, Patti Sinecki, David Genshi, Pete Special, Rita Very & family, Sue Segeleon, Mike Gallagher, Mildred Walters, Michael Miller, Betsy Mallison, Mike Pelchar [Liz's brother], Jim Logue—throat cancer, Michael, Amy, Luke Brunermer—broken Stefania Lucci, Kay Tomson, Ann arm, and Daria Masur. ARNOLD: Ostaffy, Steve Sakal, Elisabeth Arasin, and Homer Paul Kline. We pray that God will grant them all a speedy recovery.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR MAY BABIES:** Pani Gina on the 9<sup>th</sup>, Nathaniel Scott on the 16<sup>th</sup>, Chuck Shumski on the 17<sup>th</sup>, Christine Shirley on the 23<sup>rd</sup>,

and Jim Weiser on the 24<sup>th</sup>. May God grant them all many Happy, Healthy, and Blessed Years!

Please remember ALL American servicemen and women in the Middle East in your prayers. May God watch over them and all American servicemen and women—and bring them all home safely!

PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR "BOXTOPS FOR EDUCATION" AND CAMPBELL'S SOUP LABELS TO CHURCH. There is a shoebox in the basement for Alex's Fourth Grade and Matt's Second Grade collections. THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR HELP! **Alex and Matt** 

## REMEMBER—PRAYERS ARE ALWAYS FREE!

<u>Communion Fasting:</u> nothing to eat or drink after midnight, EXCEPT in cases where your doctor tells you to eat or drink something for medical reasons: medication, diabetes, etc. If you have a question, please call Father Bob.

AT ANY TIME—if there is an emergency, if you have questions, or if you just need to talk, please <u>CALL FATHER BOB</u> at [412] 279-5640.

#### **Schedule of Services**

Sunday, May 6

**DIVINE LITURGY** 

10:30 AM

SUNDAY OF THE SAMARITAN WOMAN—HOLY GLORIOUS GREAT-MARTYR GEORGE;
MARTYR ALEXANDRA THE EMPRESS-WIFE OF DIOCLETIAN; MARTYRS ANATOLIUS
& PRTOLEON-SOLDIERS CONVERTED BY WATCHING THE MARTYRDOM OF SAINT
GEORGE; MARTYRS GLYCERIUS, ATHANASIUS THE MAGICIAN, VALERIUS,
DONATUS, & THERINUS AT NOCOMEDIA; BLESSED GEORGE OF SHENKURSK-FOOLFOR-CHRIST

*Tone 4*Acts 11:19-26, 29-30
John 4:5-42

Litany in Blessed Memory of Charles Cherepko, Anna Metrick, Bogdan Mural, Walter Golofski, Jr., & Anna Vangrin—Fr. Bob Parastas in Blessed Memory of John Batch—Harry Batch

Sunday, May 13 DIVINE LITURGY 10:30 AM
SUNDAY OF THE BLIND MAN—HOLY APOSTLE JAMES; SAINT DONATUS-BISHOP OF
EUROEA IN EPIRUS; UNCOVERING RELICS OF SAINT BASIL-BISHOP OF AMASEA;
MARTYR MAXIMUS OF EPHESUS; UNCOVERING RELICS OF SAINT NICETAS-BISHOP
OF NOVGOROD; TRANSLATION OF RELICS OF SAINT SABBA-ABBOT OF ZVENIHOROD
MONASTERY; VENERABLE CLEMENT THE HYMNOGRAPHER—ABBOT OF THE
STUDION; NEW MARTYR ARGYRA OF PRUSSA; SAINT IGNATIUS [BRIANCHANINOV]BISHOP OF THE CAUCASUS & BLACK SEA

Tone 5
Acts 16:16-34
John 9:1-38

Litany in Blessed Memory of Frank Pendlyshok—40 days—Fr. Bob Parastas in Blessed Memory of Edward Pytlak—Mr. & Mrs. Angelo Dippolito

Sunday, May 20 DIVINE LITURGY 10:30 AM
HOLY FATHERS OF THE FIRST ECUMENICAL COUNCIL; COMMEMERATION OF THE
SIGN OF THE CROSS OVER JERUSALEM; MARTYR ACACIUS THE CENTURION OF
BYZANTIUM; VENERABLE JOHN OF ZADEN IN GEROGIA & 12 DISCIPLES—SHIO,
DAVID, ANTHONY, THADDEUS, STEPHEN, ISIDORE, MICHAEL, PYRRHUS, ZENO,
JESSE, JOSEPH, & ABIBUS; REPOSE OF VENERABLE NILUS-ABBOT OF SORA

Tone 6
Acts 20:16-18, 28-36
John 17:1-13

Parastas in Blessed Memory of Mary Pendylshok--Ollie

# BULLETIN INSERT FOR 06 MAY 2007

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### TROPARION OF THE RESURRECTION—TONE 4

When the women disciples of the Lord Learned from the angel the joyous message of Thy Resurrection; They cast away the ancestral curse and elatedly told the apostles: Death is overthrown! Christ God is risen, Granting the world great mercy.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

#### **KONTAKION—TONE 8**

The Samaritan Woman came to the well in faith; She saw Thee, the Water of Wisdom, and drank abundantly! She inherited the Kingdom on high, And is ever glorified.

### PROKEIMENON—TONE 3

READER: Sing praises to our God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!

PEOPLE: Sing praises to our God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!

READER: Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy!

PEOPLE: Sing praises to our God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!

READER: **Sing praises to our God, sing praises!** PEOPLE: Sing praises to our King, sing praises!

#### ALLELUIA VERSES

Go forth and prosper and reign, because of truth and meekness and righteousness.

### You love righteousness and hate iniquity.

The Hymn to the Theotokos (Replaces "It Is Truly Meet")

The angel cried to the Lady Full of Grace Rejoice, 0 Pure Virgin! Again I say: Rejoice! Your Son is risen from His three days in the tomb! With Himself He has raised all the dead! Rejoice, all ye people!

Shine! Shine! O New Jerusalem! The Glory of the Lord has shone on you! Exult now and be glad, 0 Zion! Be radiant, 0 Pure Theotokos, in the Resurrection of your Son!

### **COMMUNION HYMNS**

Receive ye the Body of Christ; taste ye the fountain of immortality.

## Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise Him in the highest!

Saint Sylvester Roman Catholic Church will hold its annual Pig Roast, Dinner, Polka Mass, & Dance on Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, with dinner being served at 6:30 PM. There will be a Polka Mass at 5:30 PM. Music by The Larry Pacek Combo will begin at 8:00 PM, playing until 11:00 PM. ADVANCED TICKETS ONLY! Please call 724-668-7394 for tickets--\$15.00 per person.

### **Dear Pastor**

Dear Pastor, I would like to go to heaven someday because I know my brother won't be there. Stephen. Age 8, Chicago

Dear Pastor, I think a lot more people would come to your church if you moved it to Disneyland. Loreen. Age 9. Tacoma

Dear Pastor, I liked your sermon where you said that good health is more important than money but I still want a raise in my allowance. Sincerely, Eleanor. Age 12, Sarasota

Dear Pastor, Please pray for all the airline pilots. I am flying to California tomorrow. Laurie. Age 10, New York City

Dear Pastor, I hope to go to heaven some day but later than sooner. Love, Ellen, age 9. Athens

Dear Pastor, Please say a prayer for our Little League team. We need God's help or a new pitcher. Thank you. Alexander. Age 10, Raleigh

Dear Pastor, My father says I should learn the Ten Commandments. But I don't think I want to because we have enough rules already in my house. Joshua. Age 10, South Pasadena

Dear Pastor, Who does God pray to? Is there a God for God? Sincerely, Christopher. Age 9, Titusville

Dear Pastor, Are there any devils on earth? I think there may be one in my class. Carla. Age 10, Salina

Dear Pastor, I liked your sermon on Sunday. Especially when it was finished. Ralph, Age 11, Akron

Dear Pastor, How does God know the good people from the bad people? Do you tell Him or does He read about it in the newspapers? Sincerely, Marie. Age 9, Lewiston

–David L. Sheets

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# THE MARINE—via e-mail from Pani Cindy Mycyk

A nurse took the tired, anxious serviceman to the bedside.

"Your son is here," she said to the old man.

She had to repeat the words several times before the patient's eyes opened.

Heavily sedated because of the pain of his heart attack, he dimly saw the young uniformed Marine standing outside the oxygen tent. He reached out his hand. The Marine wrapped his toughened fingers around the old man's limp ones, squeezing a message of love and encouragement.

The nurse brought a chair so that the Marine could sit beside the bed. All through the night the young Marine sat there in the poorly lighted ward, holding the old man's hand and offering him words of love and strength. Occasionally, the nurse suggested that the Marine move away and rest awhile.

He refused. Whenever the nurse came into the ward, the Marine was oblivious of her and of the night noises of the hospital-the clanking of the oxygen tank, the laughter of the night staff members exchanging greetings, the cries and moans of the other

patients.

Now and then she heard him say a few gentle words. The dying man said nothing, only held tightly to his son all through the night.

Along towards dawn, the old man died. The Marine released the now lifeless hand he had been holding and went to tell the nurse. While she did what she had to do, he waited.

Finally, she returned. She started to offer words of sympathy, but the Marine interrupted her.

"Who was that man?" he asked. The nurse was startled, "He was your father," she answered. "No, he wasn't," the Marine replied. "I never saw him before in my life."

"Then why didn't you say something when I took you to him?"

"I knew right away there had been a mistake, but I also knew he needed his son, and his son just wasn't here. When I realized that he was too sick to tell whether or not I was his son, knowing how much he needed me, I stayed."

The next time someone needs you ... just be there. Stay.

WE ARE NOT HUMAN BEINGS GOING THROUGH A TEMPORARY SPIRITUAL EXPERIENCE.

WE ARE SPIRITUAL BEINGS GOING THROUGH A TEMPORARY HUMAN EXPERIENCE. (love this line)

PLEASE PASS THIS ONE ON AND GOD WILL BLESS YOU! THIS IS WHAT WE ARE PUT ON THIS EARTH TO DO ANYWAY. RIGHT? HAVE A GREAT DAY AND BLESS SOMEONE ELSE IN SOME LITTLE WAY TODAY!
GOD IS SOOOOOOOOO GOOD.