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ON THE MEND: Please keep the following parishioners and others in your prayers for recovery from their illnesses and injuries: Metropolitan Constantine, Patriarch Pavle, Metropolitan Theodosius, Bishop Robert, 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 Michael Mihalick [MS], Ollie Pendylshok, Walt & Evelyn Burlack, Joshua Agosto and his family, Harley Katarina Rahuba, Mike and Hilda Holupka, Eva Malesnick, Helen Likar, Stella Peanoske, Joe Nezolyk, Nick Behun, Grace Holupka, Virginia Bryan, Joseph Sliwinsky, Maria Balo, Linda Mechtly, Mary Mochnick, Mary Pekich, Mildred Manolovich, Evelyn Misko, 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, Cameron [a boy in Matt's class], Faith—a 6-year-old girl with rheumatoid arthritis, Isabella Olivia Lindgren—a 2-year-old with a brain tumor, Dillon, Ethel Thomas, Donna, Nick Malec [Maxine's brother], Erin, Jimmy Fennel [7th Grader], Jim Markovich, Jeff Walewski [thyroid cancer], Carol [Lotinski] Rose, Michael Miller, Dave May, Grace & Owen Ostrasky, Alverta, Margaret Mueller, Gary Zurasky, Michael Horvath, Patti Sinecki, David Genshi, Rita Very & family, Sue Segeleon, Mike Gallagher, Mildred Walters, Michael Miller, Mike Pelchar [Liz's brother], Jim Logue—throat cancer, Liz Stumpf, Ester Tylavsky, Ed Jamison, Theodore Nixon, Charles Johnson, Amy Forbeck, Michelle Corba Kapeluck, Gloria Prymak [Liz's niece], Robert Hippert & family, Margaret Vladimir, Luke Emmerling, John Sheliga, Sabrina, George & Mika Rocknage, Elizabeth Mitchell, Amari Clark, Robert McKivitz, Cliff Dow, Marjorie Pershing, Robert Pauncic, Tim Monta, Amy Kemerer, Tom Marriott, Joe Farkas, and Daria Masur. **ARNOLD:** Stefania Lucci, Ann Ostaffy, Steve Sakal, Homer Paul Kline, and Steve Ostaffy. We pray that God will grant them all a speedy recovery.

REMINDER: There will be NO SERVICE in Slickville NEXT Sunday, June 22, due to the Hierarchical Divine Liturgy and Saint Thomas Chapel Consecration at All Saints Camp. Please plan to visit one of our

neighboring Orthodox Churches for Divine Liturgy. See Fr. Bob if you would like a list of nearby Orthodox Churches in communion with ours.

Please remember David Weaver in Mosul, James John Logue assigned to Iraq, and 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 Sixth Grade and Matt’s Fourth Grade collections. THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR HELP! Love, ALEX AND MATT

REMEMBER—PRAYERS ARE ALWAYS FREE!

Communion Fasting: 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 CALL FATHER BOB at [412] 279-5640.

Schedule of Services

Sunday, June 15 **Divine Liturgy** **10:30 AM**
PENTECOST—TRINITY SUNDAY—DESCENT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
SAINT NICEPHORUS THE CONFESSOR-PATRIARCH OF CONSTANTINOPLE, GREAT-MARTYR JOHN THE
NEW OF SOCHI IN BELGRADE, NEW-MARTYR DEMETRIUS OF PHILADELPHIA, HIEROMARTYR
PHOTINUS-BISHOP OF LYON, NEW-MARTYR CONSTANTINE OF HAGARENES ON MOUNT ATHOS, THE
KYIVAN BROTHERHOOD ICON OF THE THEOTOKOS
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Tone 7
Acts 2:1-11
John 7:37-52, 8:12

KNEELING PRAYERS AFTER DIVINE LITURGY
Litany in Blessed Memory of All Deceased Fathers, Grandfathers, etc.—Fr. Bob
Parastas in Blessed Memory of Catherine Yakim—Ollie Pendlyshok

Sunday, June 22 **Hierarchical Divine Liturgy—ALL SAINTS CAMP 10:30 AM**
NO SERVICE IN SLICKVILLE
SUNDAY OF ALL SAINTS—SAINT THOMAS CAMP CHAPEL CONSECRATION
SAINT CYRIL-ARCHBISHOP OF ALEXANDRIA, 5 NUNS BEHEADED IN PERSIA, MARTYRS THEKLA,
MARIAMNE, MARTHA, MARY, & EMNATHA, SAINT CYRIL-ABBOT OF BELOZERSK, VENERABLE
ALEXANDER-ABBOT OF KUSHTA

Tone 8
Hebrews 11:33-12:2
Matthew: 10:32-33, 37-38, 19:27-30

Sunday, June 29 **Divine Liturgy** **10:30 AM**
SUNDAY OF ALL SAINTS OF NORTH AMERICA AND UKRAINE

**SAINT TIKHON-BISHOP OF AMATHUS IN CYPRUS, MARTYRS TIGRIUS & EUTORPIUS OF
CONSTANTINOPLE, VENERABLE TIKHON OF KALUGA, VENERABLE TIKON-WONDERWORKER OF
LUCHOV, SAINT MARK THE JUST OF APOLONNIAS-NEPHEW OF APOSTLE BARNABAS, NEW-MARTYR
HERMOGENES-BISHOP OF TOBOLSK**

Tone 1

Romans 2:10-16

Matthew 4:18-23

Parastas in Blessed Memory of Joe Karas—Rosemary Pavlovich

BULLETIN INSERT FOR 15 JUNE 2008

PENTECOST—TRINITY SUNDAY

DESCENT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

OUR PARISH NAME'S DAY!

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After the Turkish Parliament voted to disallow American troops in Turkey for an Iraq war, the Turkish prime minister phoned President George W Bush: "I had a dream about the United States" he said. "I could see the whole country, and over every building and home was a banner," said Erdogan. "What was on the banner?" asked Mr. Bush. "Long live Turkish-American friendship." answered the Turkish prime minister. "I'm so glad you called" said President Bush. "I, too, had a dream. In my dream, I saw Turkey and it was more beautiful than ever; totally rebuilt with many tall, gleaming office buildings, large residential subdivisions with swimming pools in every yard and over every building and home was a big, beautiful banner." "What did the banner say?" asked the Turkish Prime minister. "I don't know," answered the president, **"I can't read Greek."**

Week by week you come to the Lord's Table to receive bread and wine. What do these things mean to you? Do you regard them merely as some kind of spiritual medicine, which will purge your soul, like a laxative may purge your body? Or do you sometimes wonder what God is saying in these simple elements? Bread and wine represent the fruits of our labor, whereby we turn the things of nature into food and drink for our sustenance. So at the Lord's Table we offer our labor to God, dedicating ourselves anew to His service. Then the bread and the wine are distributed equally to every member of the congregations; the poor receive the same amount as the rich. This means that God's material blessings belong equally to everyone, to be enjoyed according to each person's need. The whole ceremony is also a meal at which everyone has an equal place at the table. Thus we are celebrating our fellowship as brothers and sisters, with

Christ as our unseen elder brother at one end of the table, and God as our unseen father presiding at the other end.

St. John Chrysostom

Religious Jokes--Bob Graham, Crafton H. S. '59, Winter Springs, FL

My home church welcomes all denominations, but mainly they prefer tens and twenties.

If absence makes the heart grow fonder, some people must really love church.

Who was the greatest financier in the Bible? Noah--he was floating his stock while everyone else was in liquidation.

Who was the greatest female financier in the Bible? Pharaoh's daughter--she went down to the bank of the Nile and drew out a little prophet.

What kind of man was Boaz before he got married? Ruth-less.

Who was the first drug addict in the Bible? Nebuchadnezzar- -he was on grass for seven years.

What kind of motor vehicles are in the Bible? Jehovah drove Adam and Eve out of the Garden in a Fury. David's Triumph was heard throughout the land. Honda... because the apostles were all of one Accord.

Who was the greatest comedian in the Bible? Samson--he brought the house down.

Where is the first baseball game in the Bible? In the big inning, Eve stole first, Adam stole second. Cain struck out Abel, and the Prodigal Son came home. The Giants and the Angels were rained out.

How did Adam and Eve feel when expelled from the Garden of Eden? They were really put out.

What is one of the first things that Adam and Eve did after they were kicked out? They really raised Cain.

The ark was built in 3 stories, and the top story had a window to let light in, but how did they get light to the bottom 2 stories? They used floodlights.

Who is the greatest babysitter mentioned in the Bible? David--he rocked Goliath to sleep.

Why was Goliath so surprised when David hit him with a slingshot? The thought had never entered his head before.

What do they call pastors in Germany? German Shepherds.

What is the best way to get to Paradise? Turn right and go straight.

Which servant of Jehovah was the most flagrant lawbreaker in the Bible? Moses, because he broke all 10 commandments at once.

Which area of Palestine was especially wealthy? The area around the Jordan--the banks were always overflowing.

Where is the first tennis match mentioned in the Bible? When Joseph served in Pharaoh's court.

What is the first recorded case of constipation in the Bible? It's in Kings, where it says that David sat on the Throne for forty years.

Which bible character had no parents? Joshua, son of Nun.

Why didn't Noah go fishing? He only had two worms!

How do we know that they played cards in the ark? Because Noah sat on the deck.

Jimmy Swaggart is coming out with a new men's magazine, but he can't decide whether to call it 'Prayboy' or 'Repenthouse' .

A cardinal ran into the Pope's office and said, "Your Holiness, Jesus just rode into the Vatican on a donkey. What do we do?"

The Pope looked up from his work and replied, "Look busy."

After the church service a little boy told the pastor, "When I grow up, I'm going to give you some money."

"Well, thank you," the pastor replied, "But why?"

"Because my daddy says you're one of the poorest preachers we've ever had."

A Sunday School teacher challenged her children to take some time on Sunday afternoon to write a letter to God. They were to bring back their letter the following Sunday. One little boy wrote, "Dear God, We had a good time at church today. Wish you could have been there."

A brother spent nine years fighting against the temptation to leave the monastery. Every morning he prepared his cloak to go away, and when evening came he said within himself, "Tomorrow I am going to leave these parts." In the morning he would say, "Let us strive to hold out again today for the Lord's sake." And when he had acted in this way for nine years, God took all temptation from him and he was at peace.

A rambunctious young man told an elderly monk, "I don't believe there is a God."

"Come near me," the monk said. "Don't you know that the cicada you hear singing this moment is telling about God? Don't you see my little kitten's fur, how it is? Not even Queen Frederika owned a coat like this."

The young man was moved by the elder's words. The hardness of his unbelief vanished.

The same witnesses (confessors and martyrs at Lyons) also recommended Irenaeus, who was already at that time a presbyter of the parish of Lyons, to the above-mentioned bishop of Rome, saying many favorable things in regard to him, as the following extract shows: "We pray, father Eleutherus, that you may rejoice in God in all things and always. We have requested our brother and comrade Irenaeus to carry this letter to you, and we ask you to hold him in esteem, as zealous for the covenant of Christ. For if we thought that office could confer righteousness upon any one, we should commend him among the first as a presbyter of the church, which is his position."

... Pothinus having died with the other martyrs in Gaul at ninety years of age, Irenaeus succeeded him in the episcopate of the church at Lyons. We have learned that, in his youth, he was a hearer of Polycarp.

Eusebius, Ecclesiastical History 5.4, 8

Nothing in this world but God can fill our heart or fully satisfy our desires. A fire cannot be put out with brushwood and oil, because only water will put it out. In exactly the same way, the desires of the human heart cannot be satisfied with the goods of this world, because only the Grace of God can quench the thirst of our desires.

St. Innocent of Alaska 1797-1879

The Haircut—*from Very Rev. Paul Pynch*

One day a florist goes to a barber for a haircut. After the cut he asks about his bill and

the barber replies, 'I cannot accept money from you. I'm doing community service this week.' The florist was pleased and left the shop.

When the barber goes to open his shop the next morning there is a 'thank you' card and a dozen roses waiting for him at his door.

Later, a cop comes in for a haircut, and when he tries to pay his bill, the barber again replies, 'I cannot accept money from you. I'm doing community service this week.' The cop is happy and leaves the shop.

The next morning when the barber goes to open up there is a 'thank you' card and a dozen donuts waiting for him at his door.

Later that day, a college professor comes in for a haircut, and when he tries to pay his bill, the barber again replies, 'I cannot accept money from you. I'm doing community service this week.' The professor is very happy and leaves the shop.

The next morning when the barber opens his shop, there is a 'thank you' card and a dozen different books, such as 'How to Improve Your Business' and 'Becoming More Successful.'

Then, a Congressman comes in for a haircut, and when he tries to pay his bill the barber again replies, 'I cannot accept money from you. I'm doing community service this week.' The Congressman is very happy and leaves the shop.

The next morning when the barber goes to open up, there are a dozen Congressmen lined up waiting for a free haircut.

And that, my friends, illustrates the fundamental difference between the citizens of our country and the members of our Congress.

Vote carefully this year.

<http://www.interfax-religion.com/?act=news&div=4781> via Father Joshua

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The Russian Orthodox Church compares divergence with liberal Protestants to "bottomless abyss"

Moscow, June 9, Interfax - Not all participants of the inter-Christian dialogue are ready to pursue partnership and solidarity, Bishop Hilarion of Vienna and Austria, Representative of the Russian Orthodox Church to the European Institutions, said.

"The divergence is so deep, that it can be compared to bottomless abysses," Hilarion said in his interview to the Soyuznoye Veche, the newspaper of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Union of Belarus and Russia, commenting his dialogue with a Lutheran bishop.

According to Hilarion, the [Lutheran] bishop refused to recognize abortion as a sin in a joint document, whereby he expressed "a more liberal approach to this challenge" as compared to the position of the Moscow Patriarchate.

"If we fail to reach consensus even on such matters which are seemingly obvious to all Christians, what can we do about other challenges?" Bishop Hilarion said.

According to him, many Protestant communities are experiencing the "radical liberalization of morals" during the last decades, when, for example, the same-sex union is considered a marriage, and members of sexual minorities are ordained bishops.

"It's not just apostasy, it is sacrilege! Neither Orthodox, nor Catholic Church can accept such drastic perversion of the Christian moral teaching," Bishop Hilarion believes.

Why Parents Have Gray Hair ... via Mike Holupka

A father passing by his son's bedroom was astonished to see the bed nicely made up and everything neat and tidy. Then he saw an envelope propped up prominently on the pillow. It was addressed, "Dad".

With the worst of premonitions going through his mind, he opened the envelope and read the letter with trembling hands:

Dear Dad,

It is with great regret and sorrow that I'm writing you. I had to elope with my new girlfriend because I wanted to avoid a scene with you and Mom.

I've been finding real passion with Joan and she is so nice. I knew you would not approve of her because of all her piercings, tattoos, and her tight motorcycle clothes. I know she is much older than I am but it's not only the passion, Dad, she's pregnant.

Joan says that we are going to be very happy. She owns a trailer in the woods and has a stack of firewood, enough for the whole winter. We share a dream of having many more children.

Joan has opened my eyes to the fact that marijuana doesn't really hurt anyone. We'll be growing it and trading it with the other people in the commune for all the cocaine and ecstasy we want.

In the meantime, we'll pray that science will find a cure for AIDS so Joan can get better; she sure deserves it!

Don't worry Dad, I'm 15 years old now and I know how to take care of myself. Someday, I'm sure we'll be back to visit so you can get to know your grandchildren.

Your son, Chad

P.S. Dad, none of the above is true. I'm over at Tommy's house. I just wanted to remind you that there are worse things in life than the report card that's in my desk drawer.

I love you! Call when it is safe for me to come home.

Old Folks Are Funny Too *via Mike Holupka*

An elderly gentleman of 83 arrived in Paris by plane. At the French customs desk, the man took a few minutes to locate his passport in his carry-on bag.

"You have been to France before, monsieur?" the customs officer asked, sarcastically.

Whiting admitted he had been to France previously. "Then you should know enough to have your passport ready. "The American said, "The last time I was here, I didn't have to show it."

"Impossible. Americans always have to show your passports on arrival in France!"

The American senior gave the Frenchman a long hard look. Then he quietly explained. "Well, when I came ashore at Omaha Beach on D-Day in 1944 to help liberate this country, I couldn't find any Frenchmen to show it to."

from An Athonite Gerontikon

There was a certain Moses, a black Ethiopian, who served as houseman to some official in the administration. His master discharged him for exasperating behavior and for stealing; he was thought even to have committed murder... They say that he had been head of a robber gang, and the principal story of his stealing episodes was one in which he bore a grudge against a shepherd who one night stood between him and his objective with his dogs. Desiring to kill the shepherd, he searched for the place where he kept the sheep. He was notified that it was across the Nile. The river was then in full flood and at least a mile across, so he put his sword between his teeth, placed his cloak on his head, plunged into the river, and swam to the other side. While he was swimming across the river, the shepherd was able to escape by burying himself in the sand. Well, Moses selected and killed four rams, tied them together with a cord, and swam back again. He came to a small slaughtering place and skinned them. Then he ate the best part of the meat and sold the sheepskins to buy some wine. He then drank off a measure of wine, equal to eighteen Italian pints, and went off fifty miles to where he had his band. He was suddenly brought to his senses by some circumstance and he betook himself to a monastery...

Among other things, this too is told of him: Four robbers, not knowing who he was, fell upon him in his monastic cell. He tied them all together like a package, put them on his back like a bundle of straw, and took them to the church where the brethren had gathered.

"Since I may not hurt anyone, what do you want me to do with these?"

The robbers confessed and knew then that he was Moses, the onetime notorious and well-known robber. They glorified God and spurned the world because of his conversion. For they reasoned thus, "If he who was such a strong and powerful thief fears God, why should we put off our own salvation?"

It was said of Abba Moses the Ethiopian, that the demons attacked him, trying to draw him back into his old ways of intemperance and impurity. He was tempted to such an extent, that he nearly failed in his resolution. Then he went to the great Isidore, I mean the one in Scete, and related all the details of the contest to him.

Isidore said, "Do not be discouraged. These were the beginnings, and for this reason they were the more severe as they attacked, since they were testing your character. A dog does not by nature stay away from a meat market, but only if the market is closed up and no one gives him anything does he stop coming by. So also in your case. If you stand firm, the demon will have to leave you in discouragement."

Palladius, Historia Lausiaca 19.5-6--Abba Moses the Ethiopian, commemorated 28 August