



## Holy Ghost Orthodox Church

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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], Father Gregory [Wolfenden], Father Joseph Kopchak, Father Charles Mezzomo, 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 7-year-old girl with rheumatoid arthritis, Isabella Olivia Lindgren—a 3-year-old with a brain tumor, Dillon, Ethel Thomas, Donna, Nick Malec [Maxine's brother], Erin, Jim Markovich, Jeff Walewski [thyroid cancer], Carol [Lotinski] Rose, Michael Miller, Dave May, Grace & Owen Ostrasky, Alverta, 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, Robert McKivitz, Cliff Dow, Marjorie Pershing, Amy Kemerer, Tom Marriott, Joe Farkas, Liz Obradovich, Liz, Helen Pytlak, Halyna Zelinska [Bishop Daniel's mother], Mary Ann, Charlotte, Peter Natishan, Michael Spak, Andrew Mark Olynyk, and Daria Masur. **ARNOLD:** Stefania Lucci, Steve Sakal, Homer Paul Kline, and Steve Ostaffy. We pray that God will grant them all a speedy recovery.

**Please remember especially in your prayers: Walter Burlack & Liz Obradovich.**

The sign that you love God is this – that you love your brother; and if you hate your brother, your hatred is towards God. For it is blasphemy if you pray before God while you are angry. For your heart also convicts you that in vain you multiply words: your conscience rightly judges that in your prayers you profit not. *St. Ephraim the Syrian*

Please remember David Weaver in Mosul, James John Logue assigned to Iraq, Matthew Machak, 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, October 26**                      **Divine Liturgy**                      **10:30 AM**  
**19<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, HOLY FATHERS OF THE SIX ECUMENICAL COUNCILS, MARTYRS CARPUS, PAPYLAS, AGATHADORUS, & AGATHONICA AT PERGAMUM, MARTYR FLORENTIUS OF THESSALONICA, MARTYR BENJAMIN-DEACON OF PERSIA, VENERABLE NICETAS THE CONFESSOR OF PAPHLAGONIA, VENERABLE BENJAMIN OF PERCHEVSKY LAVRA**

*Tone 2*  
II Corinthians 11:31-12:9  
Luke 8:5-15

**Sunday, November 2**                      **Divine Liturgy**                      **10:30 AM**  
**20<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, GREAT-MARTYR ARTEMIUS AT ANTIOCH, MARTYRS EBORAS & EUNOUS OF PERSIA, SAINT MATRONA OF CHOIS, MARTYR ZEBINAS OF CAESAREA IN PALESTINE, RIGHTEOUS ARTEMIUS OF VERKOLSK, SAINT GERASMIU THE NEW-ASCETIC OF CEPHALONIA, NEW-MARTYR IGNATIUS OF MOUNT ATHOS**

*Tone 3*  
Galatians 1:11-19  
Luke 16:19-31

*Litany in Blessed Memory of John Lapushansky Harry Bunio, Anna Lotinski, & Julia Golofski—Fr. Bob*

**Sunday, November 9**                      **Divine Liturgy**                      **10:30 AM**  
**21<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, MARTYR NESTOR OF THESSALONICA, MARTYRS CAPITOLINA & EROIS OF CAPPADOCIA, MARTYR MARK OF THASOS & THOSE WITH HIM, VENERABLE NESTOR THE CHRONICLER OF PERCHEVSKY LAVRA, VENERABLE NESTOR OF PERCHEVSKY LAVRA, UNCOVERING OF RELICS OF SAINT ANDREW-PRINCE OF SMOLENSK, SAINT CYRIACUS-PATRIARCH OF CONSTANTINOPLE, PROCLA-WIFE OF PONTIUS PILATE**

*Tone 4*

**BULLETIN INSERT FOR 26 OCTOBER 2008**  
**NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**HOLY FATHERS OF THE SIX ECUMENICAL COUNCILS,**  
**MARTYRS CARPUS, PAPYLAS, AGATHADORUS, & AGATHONICA**  
**AT PERGAMUM, MARTYR FLORENTIUS OF THESSALONICA,**  
**MARTYR BENJAMIN-DEACON OF PERSIA, VENERABLE NICETAS**  
**THE CONFESSOR OF PAPHLAGONIA, VENERABLE BENJAMIN**  
**OF PERCHEVSKY LAVRA**

**TROPARION—TONE 2**

When Thou didst descend to death, O Life Immortal,  
Thou didst slay hell with the splendor of Thy Godhead!  
And when from the depths Thou didst raise the dead,  
All the powers of heaven cried out:  
O Giver of Life! Christ our God! Glory to Thee!

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

**KONTAKION—TONE 2**

Hell became afraid, O Almighty Savior,  
Seeing the miracle of Thy Resurrection from the tomb!  
The dead arose! Creation, with Adam,  
Beheld this and rejoiced with Thee!  
And the world, O my Savior, praises Thee forever!

**PROKEIMENON—TONE 2**

**READER:** The Lord is my strength and my song. He has become my  
salvation.

**PEOPLE:** **The Lord is my strength and my song. He has become my  
salvation.**

**READER:** The Lord has chastened me sorely, but he has not given me over to  
death.

**PEOPLE:** **The Lord is my strength and my song. He has become my  
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## **ALLELUIA VERSES—TONE 2**

The Lord answer you in the day of trouble! The name of the God of Jacob protect you!

Save the king, O Lord, and hear us on the day we call!

### **A GOOD WIFE**

One of the glories of the Byzantine and other eastern churches is the married clergy. How glad I am that it is being restored in the States! Several of the Blesseds proclaimed by Pope John Paul II in Lviv a few years ago were married clergy. Having said this, I must say we often forget the other half of the married clergy—the pani, the priest’s wife, the unsung heroine of the priestly couple. These wonderful women have a vocation of their own and their quiet, sometimes behind-the-scenes work is a blessing for their husbands and children, the parishioners whom they serve and even for us celibate priests.

Let’s look at three of these valiant ladies. As a newly ordained priest in 1971, I was assigned to Holy Ghost Church, Northside Brooklyn, NY. Father Nicholas Wojakowsky was the pastor and Pani Anna, his wife. At that stage of his life Father Nicholas was ailing, and in fact was dying. Pani Anna took good care of Father and shielded him as much as possible from things that would upset or hurt him. Father died in the Spring of 1972, and Pani outlived him by many years, dying in Syracuse, NY. As I face my various maladies and health problems, I often wish I had a Pani Anna to care for me!

Father Myron and Pani Olga Sterniuk came to SS. Peter & Paul Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church in 1921, allegedly to cover the parish “for the summer” so the previous pastor could go home to Galicia for a vacation. Father was pastor in Plymouth until 1974—53 years! That’s one long vacation! Plymouth was a “mixed” parish: Galicians, Lemkos, Transcarpathians, with a healthy admixture of independent tending Russophiles. After her death a few years after her husband’s both the Ukrainian and Transcarpathian presses lauded Pani Olga for keeping the parish Catholic and from splitting, because she taught all the children all those years. (Fr. Myron was a close relative of the late Metropolitan Volodymyr Sterniuk, locum tenens of the see of Lviv between the death of Patriarch Joseph and the arrival of Patriarch Myroslav Ivan in Ukraine.)

Pani Sophia Klos was the wife of Father Basil Klos of St. Michael Church, Yonkers, NY. My spiritual director, Father Theodore Humanitzki, had his first assignment as a priest in Yonkers. Father Ted had intended to be a Roman Catholic priest and in fact was in his last year of studies for the New

York Archdiocese when he found out he was Ukrainian Catholic. He was ordained for Stamford and when he got to Yonkers he was faced with a strange Liturgy, language and culture, not to mention the Old Calendar. He told me that there were many times he just wanted to leave and call it quits. Pani Sophia, however, would sit him down in the rectory kitchen with a cup of tea and console and counsel the young priest. She saved a great vocation for our church.

I am glad there are many wonderful *panis* in our church. I pray there will be many more!

*A good wife who can find? She is far more precious than jewels. The heart of her husband trusts in her. (Proverbs 31)*

--Archpriest Charles A. Mezzomo

## **Patriarch of Constantinople Addresses Synod of Bishops**

VATICAN CITY, 18 OCT 2008 (VIS) - In the Sistine Chapel at 5 p.m. today, the Holy Father presided at the celebration of first Vespers of the 29th Sunday of Ordinary Time, marking the participation of Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew I of Constantinople in the work of the current Twelfth Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops.

The ceremony, which was attended by more than 400 cardinals, bishops, priests, religious and lay people, began with a few brief words of introduction by Benedict XVI.

In his English-language talk, Bartholomew I highlighted how this "is the first time in history that an Ecumenical Patriarch is offered the opportunity to address a Synod of Bishops of the Roman Catholic Church, and thus be 'part of the life' of this sister Church at such a high level. We regard this as a manifestation of the work of the Holy Spirit leading our Churches to a closer and deeper relationship with each other, an important step towards the restoration of our full communion".

"It is well known that the Orthodox Church attaches to the synod system fundamental ecclesiological importance. Together with primacy, synodality constitutes the backbone of the Church's government and organization. ... Therefore, in having today the privilege to address your Synod our hopes are raised that the day will come when our two Churches will fully converge on the role of primacy and synodality in the Church's life, to which our joint theological commission is devoting its study at the present time".

"We have explored", he concluded, "the patristic teaching of the spiritual senses, discerning the power of hearing and speaking God's Word in Scripture, of seeing God's Word in icons and nature, as well as of touching and sharing God's Word in the saints and sacraments. Yet, in order to remain true to the life and mission of the Church, we

must personally be changed by this Word. The Church must resemble the mother, who is both sustained by and nourishes through the food she eats. Anything that does not feed and nourish everyone cannot sustain us either. When the world does not share the joy of Christ's Resurrection, this is an indictment of our own integrity and commitment to the living Word of God".

Following the Patriarch's talk, the Pope thanked him for his words assuring him they would be studied and examined by the Synod. "This too was a joyful experience", he said, "an experience of unity, perhaps not perfect but real and profound. I thought to myself: your Fathers, whom you quoted widely, are also our Fathers and ours are also yours. And if we have shared Fathers how can we not be brothers?"

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*The merciful person is he who gives to others what he himself received from God, whether it be money, or food, or strength, a helpful word, a prayer or anything else that he has through which he can express his compassion for those in need.*

*St. Peter of Damascus*

### **Steeler jokes**

Q: What do you call 47 millionaires around a TV watching the Super Bowl?

A: The Cleveland Browns.

Q: What do the Cleveland Browns and the Pope have in common?

A: They both can make 70,000 people stand up and yell 'Jesus Christ.'

Q: How do you keep a Cleveland Brown out of your yard?

A: Put up goal posts.

Q: Where do you go in Ohio in case of a tornado?

A: To the Browns Stadium- you never see a touchdown there.

Q: What do you call a Cleveland Brown with a Super Bowl ring?

A: A thief.

Q: Why doesn't Columbus Ohio have a professional football team?

A: Because then Cleveland and Cincinnati would want one.

Q: What's the difference between the Browns and a dollar bill?

A: You can still get four quarters out of a dollar.

Q: How many Browns does it take to win a Super Bowl?

A: Nobody knows and may never find out.

Q: What do the Cleveland Browns and possums have in common?

A: Both play dead at home and get killed on the road