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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, 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 Joseph Kopchak, Father Anthony Dimitri, Father Cuthbert Jack, Father Elias Warnke, Father Robert Holet, Archimandrite Lev, Father Taras Naumenko, Evelyn Burlack, Joshua Agosto and his family, Harley Katarina Rahuba, Mike Holupka, Eva Malesnick, Helen Likar, Stella Peanoske, Joe Nezolyk, Nick Behun, Grace Holupka, Virginia Bryan, Joseph Sliwinsky, Maria Balo, Linda Mechtly, Mary Mochnick, Mildred Manolovich, Evelyn Misko, Jeanne Boehing, Alex Drobot, Rachelle, Jane Golofski, Doug Diller, Harry Krewsun, 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—an 8-year-old girl with rheumatoid arthritis, Isabella Olivia Lindgren—a 4-year-old with a brain tumor, Dillon, Ethel Thomas, Donna, Erin, Jeff Walewski [thyroid cancer], Michael Miller, Dave May, Grace & Owen Ostrasky, Alverta, Gary Zurasky, Michael Horvath, Patti Sinecki, David Genshi, Sue Segeleon, Mike Gallagher, Michael Miller, Jim Logue—throat cancer, Liz Stumpf, Theodore Nixon, Charles Johnson, Amy Forbeck, Michelle Corba Kapeluck, Gloria Prymak [Liz's niece], Robert Hippert & family, Margaret Vladimir, Luke Emmerling, John Sheliga, George & Mika Rocknage, Robert McKivitz, Tom Marriott, Joe Farkas, Liz Obradovich, Liz, Halyna Zelinska [Bishop Daniel's mother], Charlotte, Peter Natishan, Andrew Mark Olynyk, Deborah Finley, Claire Senita, Brandi Thomas, Eleanor Kelly, Bryan, Peter & Karen Special, Doris Artman, Maureen Sams, Nancy Barylak, Henry & Shirley Tkacik, Carol Kowalcheck, Martin Golofski, Anthony Yerace, Khrystyna Chorniy, Anthony Cormier [3-year-old with cancer], Nathan Forbeck, Andy Torick, Sarah Doyle, Samuel Peters, Jean Stutchell, Bonnie Blair [Pani Gina's mother], Charles & Esther Holupka, Wanda Mefford, Lynn (Bush) Gill, David Vallor, Henry Faraly, Betty O'Masta, Julie Eiler, Glenn Miller, Vince Ferro, Gregory Repa, Michael Pawlyshyn, Dorothy Lednovich, Wally Burlack, Kristin

Batch Vaughn, Bob C., Allie—young girl with leukemia, Heather Kramer, Pete Dimperio, Jane Wartinbee, Steven Sheakley [Pani Gina's cousin], Carmen Talmonti, Tom Fuller, Matthew—20-year-old with cancer, Nicholas Orlando, 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.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to our August babies: John Brunermer on the 1st, Janet Brunermer on the 12th, and Stella Cherepko on the 26th. May God grant them all Many Happy, Healthy, Prosperous, and Blessed Years!

Please remember James John Logue George Senita, John Kirkowski, & Steve Brittain assigned to Iraq, Matthew Machak, Tonia Dec, Michael Repasky, Ed Litwin, and ALL American servicemen and women 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 Eighth Grade and Matt's Sixth Grade collections. THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR HELP! Love, **Alex and Matt**

REMEMBER—PRAYERS ARE <u>ALWAYS</u> <u>FREE!</u>

<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 **CALL FATHER BOB at** [412] 279-5640.

Schedule of Services

Sunday, August 1 Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom 10:30 AM
TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

COMMEMORATION OF THE HOLY FATHERS OF THE SIX ECUMENICAL COUNCILS; VENERABLE MACRINA-SISTER OF SAINT BASIL THE GREAT; VENERABLE DIUSABBOT OF ANTIOCH; BLESSED ROMANUS [OLEHOVYCH]-PRINCE OF RYAZAN; VENERABLE PAISIUS OF PERCHEVSKY LAVRA; BLESSED STEPHEN-KING OF SERBIA AND HIS MOTHER MILITSA; UNCOVERING OF THE RELICS OF SAINT SERAPHIM OF SAROV

Tone 1
I Corinthians 4:9-16
Matthew 17:14-23

Litany in Blessed Memory of Samuel Mrvos, M. Denise Lawrence, Rudy Obradovich, Agnes Rossi, Mary Milanovich, Millie Kitch, Michael Cherepko, & David Yenni—Fr.

Bob

Parastas in Blessed Memory of Esther Tylavsky—Nancy & George Shaytar

Sunday, August 8 Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom 10:30 AM ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

HIEROMARTYR HERMOLAUS AND MARTYRS HERMIPPUS & HERMOCRATES-PRESBYTERS AT NICOMEDIA; VENERABLE MOSES THE HUNGARIAN OF PERCHEVSKY LAVRA; VENERABLE MOSES-WONDERWORKER OF PERCHEVSKY LAVRA

Tone 2
I Corinthians 9:2-12
Matthew 18:23-35

Litany in Blessed Memory of Dianne Waryanka & Maxine Kitch-40 days-Fr. Bob

Saturday, August 14 PROCESSION OF THE MOST HOLY CROSS/ BEGINNING OF THE DORMITION FAST

Sunday, August 15 Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom 10:30 AM
TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

TRANSLATION OF THE RELICS OF PROTOMARTYR & ARCHDEACON STEPHEN FROM JERUSALEM TO CONSTANTINOPLE; UNCOVERING OF THE RELICS OF THE RIGHTEOUS NICODEMUS, GAMALIEL, & SON ABIBUS; HIEROMARTYR STEPHEN-POPE OF ROME AND COMPANIONS; BLESSED BASIL OF KUBENSK; SAINT FRIARDUS OF VINDUMITTA IN GAUL

Tone 3
I Corinthians 15:1-11
Matthew 19:16-26

Parastas in Blessed Memory of Rae Ruth Batch—Harry Batch & Family

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TROPARION—TONE 1

When the stone had been sealed by the Jews; While the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure Body; Thou didst rise on the third day, O Savior, Granting life to the world. The powers of heaven therefore cried to Thee, O Giver of life: Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ! Glory to Thy Kingdom! Glory to Thy Dispensation, O Thou who lovest mankind.

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

KONTAKION—TONE 1

As God, Thou didst rise from the tomb in glory, raising the world with Thyself. Human nature praises Thee as God, for death has vanished!

Adam exults, O Master!

Eve rejoices, for she is freed from bondage and cries to Thee:

Thou are the Giver of Resurrection to all, O Christ!

PROKEIMENON—TONE 1

READER: Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set our hope on Thee.

PEOPLE: Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set our hope on

Thee.

READER: Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the just!

PEOPLE: Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set our hope on

Thee.

READER: Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us. **PEOPLE:** As we have set our hope on Thee.

ALLELUIA VERSES

God gives vengeance to me, and subdues people under me.

He magnifies the salvation of the king, and deals mercifully with His Christ, with David and his seed forever!

Frequently the monks on the Holy Mountain would say, "The way you live saves you, not the place where you live."

THE CONSIDERATE BAGPIPER

A bagpiper was asked by a funeral director to play at a grave side service for a homeless man. He had no family or friends, so the service was to be at a pauper's cemetery in the Kentucky back-country.

Not familiar with the backwoods, he got lost; and being a typical man, he didn't stop for directions. He finally arrived an hour late and saw the funeral guy had evidently gone and the hearse was nowhere in sight.

There were only the diggers and crew left and they were eating lunch. He felt badly and apologized to the men for being late. He went to the side of

the grave and looked down and the vault lid was already in place. He didn't know what else to do, so he started to play.

The workers put down their lunches and began to gather around. He played out his heart and soul for this man with no family and friends. He played like he never played before for this homeless man.

And as he played 'Amazing Grace,' the workers began to weep. They wept, he wept, all wept together. When he finished he packed up his bagpipes and started for his car with his head hung low and his heart was full.

As he was opening the door to his car, he heard one of the workers say, "I never seen nothin' like that before and I've been putting in septic tanks for twenty years.

The Garbage Dump

Pamela Anastasia Barksdale

In June, Fr. Luke Veronis brought a group of Mission Institute students to Tirana. We toured the ministries of the Orthodox Church in Albania and, of course, showed off all the fruits of renewal and miraculous growth: Church buildings and ministries we have been blessed with by the grace of the Holy Spirit. Fr. Luke felt his students were receiving a skewed perspective of Albania--seeing only the progress and not the problems—so we took the students to a Roma (gypsy) encampment on the Lana River near the edge of town. Twenty or more families were living in lean-to tents in the middle of a garbage dump, without water, electricity, or sanitation. We spoke with the families and heard their appeal for just a little "buk" (bread). The real problems, however, go deeper than food; although that is a beginning. Later, we stopped by my apartment for some refreshments and a break on the tour. As the group admired my view of the fountain at Zogu Zi and Mt. Dajti in the distance, they looked down and there in the middle of downtown Tirana was an open space filled with garbage, just like the abandoned field of the gypsy camp. This group and subsequent groups of visitors have commented on this eyesore. I look at this garbage dump and I see a playground, maybe even a water park for the children who live in the huge, back to back apartment complexes to play in.

In Portland, Oregon there is a Waterfront Park downtown, with a wonderful water fountain that serves as a sprinkler system on hot days for the children to play in. They run to and fro, and in and out of the rhythmic jets of the water's geyser-like eruptions, laughing and playing for hours. I see in the dense undergrowth of trees and bushes a shaded walkway with benches for

moms to stroll on with their baby carriages and a place for the elderly to sit outside in the cool of the evening, to play horseshoes and Bocce ball or checkers and backgammon. It's a vision of what the world can become with love and care, rather than the garbage dump that it currently is, with children trying to play soccer with a tattered ball, in between cars in the overcrowded parking lot. I am still trying to find out who owns the field, and if it is possible to somehow turn it into a park; and I hope one day, with the Lord's blessing, to bring this project as a special request to my prayer partners in America and ask for your help to make this world a better place, especially for our children. Until then, please look around your own neighborhoods and see how you might transform your "eyesores" and "garbage dumps" into the Kingdom of God.

The Holy Spirit teaches us to love our enemies, so that the soul pities them as if they were her own children. There are people who desire the destruction, the torment in hell-fire of their enemies, or the enemies of the Church. They think like this because they have not learned divine love from the Holy Spirit, for he who has learned the love of God will shed tears for the whole world.

You say that So-and-so is an evil-doer and may he burn in hell fire. But I ask you - supposing God were to give you a fair place in paradise, and you saw burning in the fire the man on whom you had wished the tortures of hell, even then would you really not feel pity for him, whoever he might be, an enemy of the Church even? Or is it that you have a heart of steel? But there is no place for steel in paradise. Paradise has need of humility and the love of Christ, which pities all men. The grace of God is not in the man who does not love his enemies.

O merciful Lord, by Thy Holy Spirit teach us to love our enemies, and to pray for them with tears.

O Lord, send down Thy Holy Spirit on earth that all nations may know Thee, and learn Thy love.

O Lord, as Thou Thyself didst pray for Thine enemies, so teach us, too by Thy Holy Spirit, to love our enemies.

O Lord, all peoples are the work of Thy hands; turn them from enmity and malice to repentance, that all my know Thy love.

O Lord, Thou didst command us to love our enemies, but it is hard for us sinners, if Thy grace be not with us.

O Lord, pour down Thy grace upon the earth.

Let all the nations of the earth come to know Thy love; to know that Thou lovest us with a mother's love, and more than a mother's love for even a mother may be forgetful of her children, but Thou forgettest never, because Thy love for Thy creation is boundless, and love cannot forget.

O merciful Lord, by the riches of Thy mercy save all peoples.

St. Silouan the Athonite +1938

Abba Paul the Barber and his brother Timothy lived in Scetis. They often used to argue. So Abba Paul said, "How long shall we go on like this?" Abba Timothy said to him, "I suggest you take my side of the argument and, in my turn, I will take your side." And they spent the rest of their days in this practice.

Never confuse the person, formed in the image of God, with the evil that is in him; because evil is but a chance misfortune, an illness, a devilish reverie. But the very essence of the person is the image of God, and this remains in him despite every disfigurement. St. John of Kronstadt

Saint Sylvester Roman Catholic Church has placed a Saint Vincent DePaul collection box in their parking lot for clothes and shoes only. If you have extras that you don't wear and that are in good condition, please consider donating them to those less fortunate. God loves a cheerful giver and one of Christ's commands was to clothe the naked!