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ON THE MEND: Please keep the following parishioners and others in your prayers for recovery from their illnesses and injuries: Bishop Robert, Father Jakiw Norton, Father Dragan Filipović, Father Stevo Rocknage, Father Paul Stoll, Father Igor Soroka, Father Michael Mihalick [MS], Father Joseph Kopchak, Father Cuthbert Jack, Father Elias Warnke, Father Nestor Kowal, Father Paul Bigelow, Father Emilian Balan, Father John Nakonachny, Deacon Dennis Lapushanski, Protopresbyter Peter Hotrovich, Protodeacon Joseph Hotrovich, Pani-Dobrodijka Sonia Diakiw, Joshua Agosto and his family, Mike Holupka, Eva Malesnick, Stella Peanoske, Joe Nezolyk, Nick Behun, Grace Holupka, Virginia Bryan, Joseph Sliwinsky, Linda Mechtly, Mary Mochnick, Evelyn Misko, Jeanne Boehing, Alex Drobot, Rachelle, Jane Golofski, Doug Diller, Harry Krewsun, Mary Alice Babcock, Dorie Kunkle, Andrea, & Melissa [Betty O'Masta's relatives], Mary Evelyn King, Stella Cherepko, Sam Wadrose, Isabella Olivia Lindgren, Ethel Thomas, Donna, Erin, Michael Miller, Dave May, Grace & Owen Ostrasky, Alverta, Patti Sinecki, David Genshi, Sue Segeleon, Mike Gallagher, Michael Miller, Liz Stumpf, Theodore Nixon, Michelle Corba Kapeluck, Robert Hippert & family, Margaret Vladimir, Luke Emmerling, John Sheliga, George & Mika Rocknage, Robert McKivitz, Liz Obradovich, Halyna Zelinska [Bishop Daniel's mother], Charlotte, Andrew Mark Olynyk, Deborah Finley, Claire Senita, Eleanor Kelly, Bryan, Doris Artman, Nancy Barylak, Patrick Keenan, Khrystyna Chorniy, Anthony Cormier, Nathan Forbeck, Sarah Doyle, Samuel Peters, Jean Stutchell, Charles & Esther Holupka, Wanda Mefford, Lynn (Bush) Gill, David Vallor, Henry Faraly, Betty O'Masta, Julie Eiler, Glenn Miller, Vince Ferro, Michael Pawlyshyn, Dorothy Lednovich, Bob C., Allie— young girl with leukemia, Heather Kramer, Jane Wartinbee, Matthew—21-year-old with cancer, Nicholas Orlando, Mary Ann Kuznik, Michael

Woloschak, Michael Pryhodzenko, Sonia Luciw, Theresa Ditto, Mary Ann Musial, Mary Pelino, Yvonne Christy, Myron & Barbara Spak, Pete Niederberger, Julia Duda, Lisa Pandle, Kris & Julie Hanczar, John Kennedy, Diane McDaniel, Loretta, Nancy, Carol, & Michael Sheliga, Gaelle Kelly, Irma McDivitt, Robin Young, Mckayla, Rachel, Tony Butecoff, Carl & Margaret Reed, Theodore Demopoulos, Jillian Bowman, Lydia Wilson, Robert Pointon, Walter Cecelia, John Persico, Jeff Miller, Mary Kernick, Glenn Miller, Jean Marie, Donna & Walter McCrackin, Doug Smith [Millie Kerr's son-in-law], Bonnie & Eugene Blair [Pani Gina's parents], Mel & Charlotte Malik, Paula Pasquinelli, David Hoenshell, Barbara Macino, Shelley Hill, Mikaela Kapeluck, Linda Cawley, Gerald Cogley, Helen Bozo, June Miller, Corey Guich, Monica Salvatore, Glenda Tickerhoof, Robert Vangrin, Juliana Leis, Susan "Billie" Mason, Pauline Witkowsky, Sera White, LuAnne [Mike Horvath's daughter], Donald Griffey, Deborah Smith, Nancy & Eric Dunik, Julian Stroz [child with cerebral palsy], Thomas Stutzman, Dr. Kirsten Ream, Patricia Corey, Michelle, Katie Swarm, Richard Dunst, Michelle, Jamie Gardner, and Daria Masur. ARNOLD: Stefania Lucci, Steve Sakal, and Homer Paul Kline. We pray that God will grant them all a speedy recovery.

REMINDER: Our Annual Slickville Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service will be held tomorrow evening—Monday, November 19th, at 7 PM. Saint Sylvester Roman Catholic Church will host and Rev. Linda Steward will speak. We hope to have you pray with us. Please come and join us as we thank God for all the good things he has given us over the past year!

Please remember Ryan Fuller, James John Logue, George Senita, John Kirkowski, Matthew Machak, Michael Repasky, and ALL American service men and women in your prayers. May God watch over them and all American service men 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 Debbie Paouncic's class. THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR HELP!

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, NOVEMBER 18 Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom 10:30 AM
**TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; MARTYRS GALACTEON & WIFE
EPISTEME AT EMESA; APOSTLES PATROBUS, HERMAS, LINUS, GAIUS, &
PHILOGOGUS OF THE 70; SAINT GREGORY-ARCHBISHOP OF ALEXANDRIA**

Tone 7

Ephesians 2:14-22

Luke 8:41-56

Litany in Blessed Memory of Paul Popichak—Fr. Bob

Parastas in Blessed Memory of Sam Kerr & Mary Pekich—Millie Kerr

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19 SLICKVILLE ECUMENICAL THANKGIVING SERVICE
7 PM

Saint Sylvester Roman Catholic Church—Rev. Linda Steward speaking

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 25 Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom 10:30 AM
**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; SAINT JOHN THE MERCIFUL-
PATRIARCH OF ALEXANDRIA; SAINT NILUS THE FASTER OF SINAI; PROPHET**

AHIJA

Tone 8

Ephesians 4:1-6

Luke 10:25-37

Litany in Blessed Memory of Helen Pytlak—Rebecca, Donna, & Michelle Behun

Parastas in Blessed Memory of George Luciw—Sonia

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 02 Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom 10:30 AM
**TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; PROPHET OBADIAH; MARTYR
BARLAAM OF CAESAREA IN CAPPADOCIA; MARTYR HELIODORUS IN
PAMPHYLIA; MARTYR AZES OF ISAURIA & 150 SOLDIERS WITH HIM; SAINT
BARLAAM & MONK IOASAPH-PRINCE OF INDIA, & SAINT ABENNER THE KING—
FATHER OF IOASAPH; SAINT HILARION OF GEORGIA-WONDERWORKER OF
THESSALONICA; SAINT BARLAAM-ABBOT OF PERCHEVSKY LAVRA**

Tone 1

Ephesians 5:9-19

Luke 12:16-21

Litany in Blessed Memory of Thomas Bryan, Helen Pytlak, Mary Blitskan, Marjorie Yarmeak, Mary Sharon, Rose Pyrch, Frank Barankovich, Mary Krevanich, Katherine Holowaty, & Robert Vitosky—Fr. Bob Parastas in Blessed Memory of Carolyn Holupka—Mike Holupka

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TROPARION—TONE 7

By Thy Cross, Thou didst destroy death!
To the thief, Thou didst open Paradise!
For the Myrrhbearers, Thou didst change weeping into joy.
And Thou didst command Thy disciples, O Christ God,
To proclaim that Thou art 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 7

The dominion of death can no longer hold men captive,
For Christ descended, shattering and destroying its powers!
Hell is bound, while the prophets rejoice and cry:
The Savior has come to those in faith!
Enter, you faithful, into the Resurrection!

PROKEIMENON—TONE 7

READER: The Lord shall give strength to His people! The Lord shall bless His people with peace!

PEOPLE: **The Lord shall give strength to His people! The Lord shall bless His people with peace!**

READER: Offer to the Lord, O you sons of God! Offer young rams to the Lord!

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ALLELUIA VERSES—TONE 7

It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to Thy name, O Most High!

To declare Thy mercy in the morning, and Thy truth by night!

On this day died Saint Abba Isaac the martyr, who was from the city of Difra, in the north of Egypt. Unto this holy man the angel of the Lord appeared, in a vision of the night, and he woke him up and said unto him, "Go thou to the city of Tuw, that thou mayest receive the crown of martyrdom"; and he rose up to salute his father and his mother before he departed. And they wept over him, and they would not let him go until the angel of the Lord came a second time and brought him out from his city and took him to the city of Gemwa Tuw. When he arrived there, he found that the governor was in the bath house, but as soon as he came out the saint cried out boldly before him, saying, "I am a Christian. I believe on our Lord Jesus Christ." And the governor commanded one of his soldiers to take Saint Isaac with him to his house, and to guard him until he came back from the city of Nakyos (Nikiu). And as Saint Isaac was passing along the road with the soldier, a certain blind man, who was sitting by the wayside, begged him, saying, "Have compassion upon me, O saint of God, and heal my eyes." And Saint Abba Isaac petitioned God for the blind man, and his eyes were opened immediately. When the soldier saw this miracle he believed on our Lord Jesus Christ, and became a Christian. And when the governor returned, the soldier confessed the Lord Jesus Christ before him, and received the crown of martyrdom. After this the governor tortured this saint very severely, and he sent him to the city of Behnesa (Oxyrhynchus); [to suffer] divers tortures. And when the saint was on the ship he begged that someone might give him a cup of water, and a certain sailor, who was

blind in one eye, gave him a cup of water; and the saint sprinkled some of the water over him, and his eye was opened, like its fellow. And when the men of the city of Behnesa saw the tortures which were inflicted on Saint Abba Isaac, and the mighty signs which he performed, they took him and carried him to the governor, and said unto him, "Kill him, or send him away; act quickly and immediately." And straightway the governor commanded the soldiers to cut off his head, and they cut off his head with a sword, and he received the crown of life. And there were there certain believing men, and they lifted the body of Saint Abba Isaac upon a wagon, and they drew it with oxen, and brought it to the city of Difra. And when they could not find a boat to carry it over the river, the oxen forded the river, carrying the body of the saint upon their backs, and the believers brought it into his house. And they pulled down the church, and built another church in his name, and they laid the body therein, and many signs and miracles took place [there] through it. *Salutation to Isaac.*
St. Isaac the Martyr, commemorated 14/27 May—Ethiopian Synaxarion

Before the war begins, seek after your ally; before you fall ill, seek out your physician; and before grievous things come upon you, pray, and in the time of your tribulations you will find Him, and He will listen to you. *St. Isaac the Syrian*

From the Paradise of the Desert Fathers: "Abba Lot went to see Abba Joseph and said to him, 'Abba as far as I can I say my little office, I fast a little, I pray and meditate, I live in peace and as far as I can, I purify my thoughts. What else can I do?' then the old man stood up and stretched his hands towards heaven. His fingers became like ten lamps of fire and he said to him, 'If you will, you can become all flame.'"

Wisdom from Paradise of the Desert Fathers: "From Palestine, Abba Hilarion went to the mountain to abba Anthony. Abba Anthony said to him, 'You are welcome, torch which awakens the day.' Abba Hilarion said, 'Peace to you, pillar of light, giving light to the world.'"

From the sayings of St. Clement of Alexandria: "Philosophy came into existence, not on its own account, but for the advantages reaped by us

from knowledge, we receiving a firm persuasion of true perception, through the knowledge of things comprehended by the mind."

From the sayings of St. John Chrysostom: "Wherefore I choke with grief, that when so many blessings are laid before us, we are slothful, and despise them; we use every exertion to have splendid houses here, but how to gain in heaven so much as a little resting-place, we care not, we think not."

Be pleasing to Him for Whom you are soldiers, Him from Whom you will receive your reward. None of you must be a deserter. Let your baptism serve as a shield, faith as a helmet, love as a spear, endurance as full armor. Your works are your deposits so that you may receive the full sum due you. Therefore be patient with one another in gentleness, as God is with you. *St. Ignatios of Antioch*

From the sayings of Abba John the Dwarf: "You know that the first blow the devil gave to Job was through his possessions; and he saw that he had not grieved him nor separated him from God. With the second blow, he touched his flesh, but the brave athlete did not sin by any word that came out of his mouth in that either. In fact, he had within his heart that which is of God, and he drew on that source unceasingly."

We will add today's "Kissing the Cross" collection to the previous two weeks and will forward that to the IOCC Superstorm Sandy relief fund. IOCC has been helping those most affected by the storm in New Jersey, New York, and the East Coast since it first came ashore. God Bless you all for your generosity and especially for your prayers, which are always free!

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