

#### **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 Theodosius [OCA], Archbishop Jovan, Bishop Robert, Father John Harvey, Father Jakiw Norton, Father Dragan Filipović, Father Paul Stoll, Father Igor Soroka, Father Joseph Kopchak, Father Elias Warnke, Father Nestor Kowal, Father George Yatsko, Father Paul Bigelow, Father Emilian Balan, Father John Nakonachny, Father Steve Repa, Protopresbyter William Diakiw, Archpriest Dionysi Vitali, Protodeacon Joseph Hotrovich, Father Adam Yonitch, Pani-Dobrodijka Sonia Diakiw, Father Paisius McGrath, Father Michael Smolynec, Joshua Agosto and his family, Eva Malesnick, Stella Peanoske, 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, Sam Wadrose, Isabella Olivia Lindgren, Ethel Thomas, Donna, Erin, Michael Miller, Grace & Owen Ostrasky, Patti Sinecki, David Genshi, Sue Segeleon, Mike Gallagher, Liz Stumpf, Theodore Nixon, Michelle Corba Kapeluck, Linda Hippert & family, Margaret Vladimir, Luke Emmerling, John Sheliga, George Rocknage, Robert McKivitz, Liz Obradovich, Halyna Zelinska [Bishop Daniel's mother], Charlotte, Andrew Mark Olynyk, Deborah Finley, Claire Senita, Eleanor Kelly, Bryan, Nancy Barylak, Patrick Keenan, Khrystyna Chorniy, Anthony Cormier, Nathan Forbeck, Sarah Doyle, Samuel Peters, Jean Stutchell, Esther Holupka, Wanda Mefford, David Vallor, Henry Faraly, Betty O'Masta, Julie Eiler, 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 Luciow, Theresa Ditto, Mary Ann Musial, Mary Pelino, Yvonne Christy, Myron & Barbara Spak, Pete Niederberger, Julia Duda, Lisa Pandle, Kris & Julie Hanczar, John Kennedy, Loretta, Nancy, Carol, & Michael Sheliga, Gaelle Kelly, Irma McDivitt, Robin Young, Mckayla, Rachel, Carl & Margaret Reed, Lydia Wilson, Robert Pointon, Walter Cecelia, John Persico, Jeff Miller, Mary Kernick, Glenn Miller, Jean Marie, Donna & Walter McCrackin, Bonnie & Eugene Blair [Pani Gina's parents], Mel &

Charlotte Malik, David Hoenshell, Barbara Macino, Shelley Hill, Mikaela Kapeluck, Linda Cawley, Gerald Cogley, Helen Bozo, Corey Guich, Robert Vangrin, Susan "Billie" Mason, Pauline Witkowsky, Sera White, Donald Griffey, Deborah Smith, Nancy & Eric Dunik, Julian Strozh [child with cerebral palsy], Dr. Kirsten Ream, Patricia Corey, Michelle, Katie Swarm, Richard Dunst, Michelle, Patrick, Linda Morris, Howard Simpson, Chris, Pastor Ed Bowen, David Hiles, Karen Johnson, Jennifer, Jerry Quinn, Cher Mount, Frank & Janet Horrell, Jim Wandling, Gail, Sirena Sharp, Ron Paulovich, Fred DeNorscia, Sandi Anderson, Donald Uebing, Sabrina, Shirley, Denny Mader, Ella Campbell, Tom Hyatt, Bill Janiro, Jean Symanko-Andy's sister, William Lemonakis, Barbara McDougall, Alma Wyke, Lindsay Romanczak & family, Virginia Catherine Pyrch, Susan Lucas, Neil Carter & family, James Paluh, Mickie Weikel, Evelyn Krempasky, Tammy Strunk, Loida Esbry, Darlene Chicka Deskins, Drew, Alice & Keith Philipa, Kateryna Kocelko, Nancy Heinbaugh, Mira Filipovic, Lynn, Jacqueline, Irma Opacic, Sharon, Zan Cheng, Jeff Jones, Kristy, Elaine Ellenberger, Donna Cacioppo [Evelyn's niece], Brandon, Anna Tranchine, Demetra, Blase Urban, Catherine Hogel & children, Jennifer & Dylan, Ron Schwartz, Lydia Wilson, Flora Tomlin, Stella Rossi, Howell Swarm, Jane Bielewicz Allred, Manny "Lazarus" Lopez, Glenn & Lucas Burlack, Katie Elizabeth, Mileva, & Michael, Deirdré Straughan, Terri Paluh, Lori & Steve Lucier, Kyranna Cherpas, Pastor Bruce Nordeen, Millie Koss Good, Heather Ried, Carla Perry, Linda Elliot, Dennis McDaniel, Mike Mangan, Luke Tinsley, Brent, Tricia, Katherine Gorman, Pamela Jaquette, Michael Pawlyshyn, Sherri Walewski, Marika Zeliszczuk, Donna Davis, Jackie Crimbchin, Marta Charron, and Ian Brick. ARNOLD: Homer Paul Kline. We pray that God will grant them all a speedy recovery.

"Almsgiving above all else requires money, but even this shines with a brighter luster when the alms are given from our poverty. The widow who paid in the two mites was poorer than any human, but she outdid them all." *St. John Chrysostom* 

Please remember in your prayers—our dear 'Little Father' Emilian, who returned to Romania to undergo surgery for back pain. This particular procedure is not offered here in the United States. He asked for our prayers and expressed his thanks for the love and fellowship he has shared with the Holy Ghost Parish Family. He said he looks forward to returning to us pain-free at some time in the future...may God watch over him and heal him...Fr. Bob

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: All Christians and the others in the Middle East who are suffering during this time of great tragedy and unrest. May God watch over and keep them safe! Lord have mercy!

Please remember 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!

# 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 ask 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, JULY 17 NO SERVICE IN SLICKVILLE

4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; SAINT ANDREW-ARCHBISHOP OF CRETE;

VENERABLE MARTHA-MOTHER OF SAINT SYMEON STYLITES THE YOUNGER;

MARTYRS THEODOTUS & THEODOTA; HIEROMARTYR THEODORE-BISHOP OF

CYRENE

*Tone 3*Romans 6:18-23
Matthew 8:5-13

SUNDAY, JULY 24 OBEDNITZA—DOWNSTAIRS 10:30 AM

5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; MIRACLE OF GREAT-MARTYR EUPHEMIA THE ALL-PRAISED OF CHALCEDON; HIEROMARTYR CINDEUS OF PAMPHYLIA; BLESSED EQUAL TO THE APOSTLES OLHA-PRINCESS OF KIEV-IN BAPTISM HELEN

Tone 4
Romans 10:1-10; 2 Corinthians 6:1-10
Matthew 8:28-9:1; Luke 7:36-50

Litany in Blessed Memory of Helen Pytlak & Brenda—Robert & Rena Pytlak

SUNDAY, JULY 31 DIVINE LITURGY OF SAINT JOHN CHRYSOSTOM 10:30 AM 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; HOLY FATHERS OF THE FIRST SIX ECUMENICAL COUNCILS; MARTYR EMILIAN OF SILISTRA IN BULGARIA;

#### MARTYR HYACINTH OF AMASTRIS; VENERABLE PAMBO-HERMIT OF EGYPT; VENERABLE JOHN THE LONG-SUFFERING AND VENERABLE PAMBO THE RECLUSE OF PERCHEVSKY LAVRA

Tone 5
Romans 12:6-14; Hebrews 13:7-16
Matthew 9:1-8; John 17:1-13

# **BULLETIN INSERT FOR 17 JULY 2016**

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#### TROPARION—TONE 3

Let the Heavens rejoice! Let the earth be glad! For the Lord has shown strength with His arm! He has trampled down death by death! He has delivered us from the depths of hell, And has granted 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 3**

On this day Thou didst rise from the tomb, O Merciful One! Leading us from the gates of death. On this day Adam exults as Eve rejoices; With the prophets and patriarchs They unceasingly praise the divine majesty of Thy power!

## **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-TONE 3**

In Thee, O Lord, have I hoped; let me never be put to shame!

Be Thou a God of protection for me, a house of refuge, in order to save me!

# UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH OF THE USA CONSISTORY OFFICE OF PUBLIC RELATIONS—PRESS RELEASE

# Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA Offers Prayers Following the Police Officer Shootings in downtown Dallas, TX

Once again, the news media confronts us with the sad reality to inhumane distraction of the most sacred God-given human life. Following the most horrific, deplorable, and senseless acts of Police shooting in Dallas, TX, the Council of Bishops of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA expresses its solidarity with the people of Dallas, TX, whose residents were shaken by violence and extends heartfelt prayers to the families of those who were killed or injured as a result of the attack.

The magnitude of the violence in Dallas, TX on Thursday night is stunning. Several police officers were killed and other law enforcement officers and two civilians were wounded in a deadly gunfire at the conclusion of a peaceful march protesting recent killings of other human beings in Baton Rouge and Minneapolis.

Naturally, our first concern is for the families who have lost loved ones in this tragic attack. We pray for consolation and healing for both the families and those killed and wounded. We are reminded of the everpresent danger to those who are dedicated to protecting us, and when such violence is directed against members of law enforcement and aggravated by racial enmity, the harm to the character of our society is even more destructive and offensive.

Recently, we have been swept up in the escalating cycle of violence that has touched people throughout our country and the world. All lives matter: black and white, Christian and Muslim, etc. We are all children of God and all human life is sacred and precious.

We cannot lose respect for each other and we call upon all of our civic leaders to speak to one another and work together to come to a sensible resolution to this escalating violence. Let us implore God our Heavenly

Father to touch the minds and hearts of all people to work together for peace and understanding.

As your archpastors, we ask all Ukrainian Orthodox faithful in our Sacred Metropolia in the United States of America and throughout the world, as well as all people of good will to join us in prayer for the repose of the officers of Dallas police department murdered and for the peace of their families and colleagues. Pray for all of those injured and wounded in these violent acts. Pray also for all members of our law enforcement communities who daily put themselves in harm's way to serve and protect the people of our community from crime and violence.

With prayers in Christ, the Merciful Savior and Counselor of our souls, +Antony, Metropolitan of the UOC of the USA +Daniel, Bishop of the UOC of the USA

## **Dear Friends in Christ,**

People have been asking for pictures of Martha. The beautiful thing about these past few days has been the sheer number of strangers who've come forward to pray and fast, people who don't even know who we are, nor do they know what Martha looks like. The large picture immediately below this text [left] was taken two weeks ago at our church VBS. I hesitate to add the smaller picture at the bottom of the page [right], but I only do so because I want people to know how real the need is.





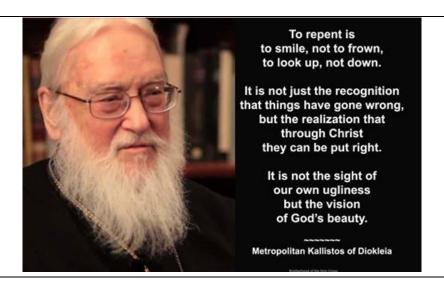
She is improving remarkably well (she squeezed her sister's fingers when she heard that she was going to get new ballet slippers!). More good news: tomorrow around noon she will have her third operation, but this one is to finally close the large incision on her left thigh.

This speedy turn-around is driven by the prayers and fasting of good people like you. Thank you so much on behalf of Martha, Halyna, all our daugthers, I remain,

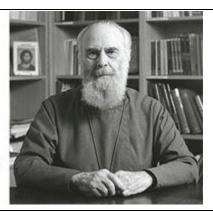
Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr Jason Charron

PS: In your kindness, please pray for the Pronger family of Walkerton, who welcomed into the world a new baby boy (Tobias), but who is one month premature.



One Sunday Met. Anthony gave a sermon as follows: "Last night a woman with a child came to this church. She was in trousers and with no headscarf. Someone scolded her. She left. I do not know who did that but I am commanding that person to pray for her and her child to the end of his days to God for their salvation. Because of you she may not go to church ever again". He turned around and entered the altar. That was the entire sermon.







A HOLY NATION (Tuesday, July 12)

"But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, that you may declare the wonderful deeds of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were no people but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy but now you have received mercy." (1 Pet 2: 9-10)

Once we were "no people" at all, St. Peter says to us rather outrageously. Why not? Because we were God-less, and left to our own devices, we were fragmented, both within ourselves and amongst ourselves. Of course we can build "nations" and imagine any one of them to be "a chosen race," but our own "nation-building" efforts, when based on ourselves and our self-proclaimed "chosen-ness" and not God's, tend to breed division and divisiveness. It is only God, the One Creator, Who can and does unify creation, calling us "out of darkness into His marvelous light."

Let me align myself today with His kind of nation, "a holy nation" that has "received mercy" and extends it into this world. "From now on, let no man trouble me" with other alliances (Gal 6: 17), that I may declare "the wonderful deeds of Him," rather than the divisive and confusing deeds of men.

Happy Sts. Peter and Paul to those of us celebrating today!