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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 George & Pani Lillian Hnatko, 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 Smolynech, Joshua Agosto and his family, Eva Malesnick, Stella Peanoske, Nick Behun, Grace Holupka, Virginia Bryan, Joseph Sliwinsky, Gary & 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, 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 Luciw, Theresa Ditto, Mary Ann Musial, Mary Pelino, Yvonne Christy, Myron & Barbara Spak, 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, Pauline Witkowsky, Sera White, Donald Griffey, Deborah Smith, Nancy & Eric Dunik, Julian Stroz [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 Pynch, 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 Filipović, 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, Mary [Corba], Stella McKeag, Margie Sekelsky, Gary Howell, Fran Fulton, Gina Catanese, Bill Vizza, Jamie Swarm, Kevin Allen (from Ancient Faith Radio), Kathy Flaherty, Michael Woloschak, Tori Reade-Henry's niece, Derick-Glen Burlack's neighbor, Michael, Nichole & Christopher, Sam Bonnell, Cheryl Pomeroy, and Ian Brick. ARNOLD: Homer Paul Kline. We pray that God will grant them all a speedy recovery.

"You do not know the right thing to do? Ask your guardian angel. There will come a good thought and your heart will know what to do. The heart will be peaceful." - Archimandrite Ionniky

In conjunction with Slickville's Centennial Celebration next year, the Centennial Committee is selling tear-off raffle tickets to help finance the celebration and fireworks. Bill Kuznik is the keeper of the tickets which cost \$2 and are sold every week. Please see Bill if

you are interested or with any questions. We have a list of winning numbers in the bulletin insert! 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 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 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, NOVEMBER 13 DIVINE LITURGY OF SAINT JOHN CHRYSOSTOM 10:30 AM
21ST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; APOSTLES STACHYS, AMPLIAS, URBAN,
NARCISSUS, APELLES, & ARISTOBULUS OF THE 70; MARTYR EPIMACHUS OF
PELUSIUM WHO SUFFERED IN ALEXANDRIA; VENERABLE MAURA OF
CONSTANTINOPLE; VENERABLE SPYRIDON & NICODEMUS—PROSPHORA-
BAKERS OF PERCHEVSKY LAVRA**

Tone 4

Galatians 2:16-20

Luke 8:26-39

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20 DIVINE LITURGY OF SAINT JOHN CHRYSOSTOM 10:30 AM
22ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; HOLY 33 MARTYRS OF MELITENE;
VENERABLE LAZARUS; MARTYR THEODOTUS OF ANCYRA; MARTYRS
MELASIPPUS, CASSINA, & THEIR SON ANTONINUS; MARTYRS AUTUS,
TAURION, & THESSALONICA**

Tone 5

Galatians 6:11-18

Luke 8:41-56

Litany in Blessed Memory of Paul Popichak—Fr. Bob

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27 OBEDNITZA DOWNSTAIRS IN CHURCH HALL 10:30 AM
23RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; HOLY AND ALL-PRAISED APOSTLE PHILIP;
SAINT JUSTINIAN THE EMPEROR OF BYZANTIUM AND HIS WIFE THEODORA;
SAINT GREGORY PALAMAS-ARCHBISHOP OF THESSALONICA

Tone 6

Ephesians 2:4-10; 1 Corinthians 4:9-16
Luke 10:25-37; John 1:43-51

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28 NATIVITY [SAINT PHILIP'S] FAST BEGINS

BULLETIN INSERT FOR 13 NOVEMBER 2016

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TROPARION—TONE 4

When the women disciples of the Lord
Learned from the angel the joyous message of Thy Resurrection;
They cast away the ancestral curse and elatedly told the apostles:
Death is overthrown! Christ God is 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 4

My Savior and Redeemer,
As God rose from the tomb
And delivered the earthborn from their chains.
He has shattered the gates of Hell,
And as Master, He has risen on the third day!

PROKEIMENON—TONE 4

READER: O Lord, how manifold are thy works! In wisdom hast Thou made them all.

PEOPLE: **O Lord, how manifold are thy works! In wisdom hast Thou made them all.**

READER: Bless the Lord, O my soul! O Lord my God, Thou art very great!

PEOPLE: **O Lord, how manifold are thy works! In wisdom hast Thou made them all.**

READER: O Lord, how manifold are thy works!

PEOPLE: In wisdom hast Thou made them all.

ALLELUIA VERSES—TONE 4

Go forth and prosper and reign, because of truth and meekness and righteousness.

You love righteousness and hate iniquity.



LOSING CONTROL

(Wednesday, November 2)

"We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to (his) purpose (κατὰ πρόθεσιν)." (Rom 8: 28)

How helpful this verse is for me these past couple of days, when my schedule has been thrown off because of a very inconvenient flight-cancellation (we were kept on the tarmac in Philadelphia from 10 PM until 4 in the morning, at which point the flight was finally cancelled, and we headed back to the terminal to try and re-book our flights). So I find myself back in Vienna, a day and a half later than I had planned.

This could be disorienting, this loss of control of my plans. But in faith, it is actually rather "orienting." Because amidst this disruption of my plans, I'm reminded of "another" plan – of God's "plan" or His "purpose," which is never disrupted. In His light, *"we know that all things work together for the good."* So let me make the best, rather than the worst, of my disrupted schedule today, because God's love enables me to do that, *"according to His purpose"* for me. Glory be to Him.

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Luke 7:11-16

And it came to pass the day after, that He went into a city called Nain; and many of His disciples went with Him, and much people. Now when He came nigh to the gate of the city, behold, there was a dead man carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow: and much people of the city was with her. And when the Lord saw her, He had compassion on her, and said unto her, Weep not. And He came and touched the bier: and they that bare him stood still. And He said, Young man, I say unto thee, Arise. And he that was dead sat up, and began to speak. And He delivered him to his mother. And there came a fear on all: and they glorified God, saying, That a great prophet is risen up among us; and, That God hath visited His people. (KJV)

Let us give thanks to God for the opportunity to hear the Holy Gospel today. Let us thank God for this celebration of the Divine Liturgy in this beautiful church.

Let us ever be mindful of God in our lives.

Let us thank God for the opportunity to pray in peace and tranquility, to draw closer to God and to experience the presence of God. Let us thank God for His mercy, love and willingness to allow us to enter His Holy Church.

Too often we are distracted in life. Too often we fail to take time to draw near to God in prayer. Too often we fail to be attentive to the teachings and lessons of the Holy Gospel.

Too often the blessings of God are overlooked. Too often the blessings of God are taken for granted. Too often we are not appreciative of all that we have and receive from God.

The widow in the current Gospel had lost her only son. She knew what it was like to lose a husband and now her only son. She had no other children. We can only imagine the thoughts going through her mind and the feelings in her heart.

We cannot take hearing the Gospel for granted. We cannot take celebrating the Divine Liturgy in the parish church for granted. We cannot take the people near and dear to us in our lives for granted.

We do well to thank God for the continuous blessings in our lives. We do well to value greatly the opportunity to hear the Gospel and to have the parish church to celebrate the Divine Liturgy.

We do well to be continuously grateful for the dear people in our lives. Too often changes occur that are unexpected and heart-wrenching. The widow in the current Gospel had experienced the loss of her husband.

The woman in the current Gospel suffered from the death of her only son. Her feelings of devastation are beyond measure. Fortunately, the Lord Jesus Christ changed her circumstances.

Unexpectedly and to her benefit, the Lord Jesus Christ made the widow's life better. Her life became better at a point when life seemed most difficult. The Lord Jesus Christ returned the widow's son to life.

The Lord Jesus Christ showed His love for the woman. The Lord Jesus Christ revealed His healing power. Christ who would later be crucified and rise from the grave showed that He had power over death to grant life to this son.

When we are at our lowest point in life, let us remember this Gospel. Let us remember Christ is stronger than death. Let us remember that Christ can make things better in our life. Let us pray with the greatest fervor and hope.

Exceeding joy replaced any sense of sorrow this woman felt. St. Nikolai Velimirovic once wrote:“ Believing Christians should not despair over even the greatest loss.”

The current Gospel is a message of hope for individuals in the direst circumstances. The present Gospel verifies the value of looking to the Lord Jesus Christ to make a difference in personal life.

The Lord Jesus Christ changed the life of the woman in the current Gospel. Christ changed the life of the son that that was dead and became alive. Individuals that witnessed the miracle and hear of it through the centuries are affected.

This is a Gospel lesson about faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. The current Gospel serves to strengthen the faith of the attentive. The current Gospel teaches clearly and directly about the power of Christ over death.

We may not always understand immediate happenings in life. With patience, faith and hope in God, God’s goodness and mercy may be revealed at a later time.

The present Gospel reminds us God is present even in our darkest hours.

Centuries ago when Abraham went to the mountain with Isaac, it seemed like he would be killing his only son in obedience to God. God saw Abraham’s faith and spared Isaac.(Gen.22:1-18)

Every day is an opportunity to strengthen faith in God. Every day is a day to experience the love of God and the willingness of God to listen. God’s love for each person exceeds human understanding.

Christ on the Cross deserves attention and consideration throughout life. Christ’s power over death demonstrated in the current Gospel, the raising of Lazarus(Jn.11:1-44) and at Pascha(Mt.28:6) merits daily consideration.

Our love and appreciation of God are embarrassingly minute in comparison to God’s love and mercy for each of us. Let us thank God every remaining moment of life for His love, mercy and goodness.

*St. George Serbian Orthodox Church, Carmichaels, Pennsylvania. October 24/November 6, 2016. Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost. St. Arethas, Greatmartyr
Father Rodney Torbic*

UPDATE ON SLICKVILLE TICKET WINNERS:

CONGRATULATIONS to our own Harry Batch, who had the winning ticket for the November 4th drawing.

We have now had several winners—you may be next! Be sure to check your old tickets as well! There are still FOUR WINNING TICKETS that have not been claimed:

09/09/2016 #295

09/16/2016 #320

10/07/2016 #834

10/28/2016 #948

Check your tickets and contact Bill Kuznik if you have a winning ticket!

Remember, the tickets are the main way to finance the fireworks display for the Slickville Centennial Celebration next August.

More details on the Centennial will be forthcoming—please check the Centennial website for more information: <http://slickville100.com>