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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 Antony, Metropolitan Yurij, Anastasia [Metropolitan Yurij's mom], Metropolitan Theodosius [OCA], Archbishop Jovan, Bishop Robert, Father George & Pani Lillian Hnatko, Father John Harvey, Father Jakiw Norton, 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 & Pani Mary Anne 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, Father Lawrence & Matushka Sophia Daniels, Father John Harrold [Saint Sylvester], Joshua Agosto and his family, Eva Malesnick, Stella Peanoske, Nick Behun, Grace Holupka, Virginia Bryan, Joseph Sliwinsky, Gary & Linda Mechtly, 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, 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, Esther Holupka, David Vallor, Henry Faraly, 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 Pryhodzenko, Sonia Luciow, 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], 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 Strozh [child with cerebral palsy], Dr. Kirsten Ream, Patricia Corey, Michelle, Katie Swarm, Richard Dunst, Michelle, Patrick, Linda Morris, Howard Simpson, Chris, David Hiles, Jennifer, Jerry Quinn, Cher Mount, Frank & Janet Horrell, Jim Wandling, Gail, Sirena Sharp, Ron Paulovich, Sandi Anderson, Lina, 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 Filipović, Lynn, Jacqueline, Sharon, Zan Cheng, Kristy, Elaine Ellenberger, Brandon, Anna Tranchine, Demetra, Blase Urban, Catherine Hogel & children, Jennifer & Dylan, Ron Schwartz, Lydia Wilson, Flora Tomlin, 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, Heather Ried, Carla Perry, Linda Elliot, Dennis McDaniel, 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, Tori Reade-Henry's niece, Derick-Glen Burlack's neighbor, Michael, Nichole & Christopher, Ben Douglas, Dianne Donahue, Zachary, Natasha, Noah Willard, Jodi Hanczar, Gregory Cervo, Lisa Bruce, Martha Nezolyk, Kathy Cvetkovich, Judy, Will, Emma, Ginny, Ye-Jin, Maria, John & JoAnn, Jim & Kitty, Phil Bouse, Ralph & Beverly Stoker, Noah Willard, Nikola, Natalie, Nikola, & Nevenka Jovonovich, Julia Collier, Amy Kemerer, Thomas Smith, Tracy Slaugenhaupt, Louis & Teresa Bercelli, Tom Nolan, Silvia Martin, Sarah Dorning, Evelyn Burlack, Dena & George, Georgia, Lawanda [Evelyn's niece], Maureen Sams, John Kendall, Judi Danser, Darcy, Denis

Strittmatter, Nancy, Ian Brick, Cecilia Barnhart, Logan Magorien, Pam Grant, Debbie & Jerry Novosel, and Susan Pulcini—Father Ted Pulcini's mom. ARNOLD: Homer Paul Kline. We pray that God will grant them all a speedy recovery.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY to our November babies: Amy Lewis on the 4th, and Father Bob on the 7th. May God grant them Many Happy, Healthy, Prosperous, and Blessed Years! M'nohaya Lita! God Bless them all!

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, NOVEMBER 04 OBEDNITZA UPSTAIRS IN THE CHURCH 10:30 AM 23RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; HOLY EQUAL-TO-THE-APOSTLES ABERCIUS-BISHOP & WONDERWORKER OF HIERAPOLIS; 7 HOLY YOUTHS [7 SLEEPERS] OF EPHESUS: MAXIMILIAN, JAMLICHUS, MARTINIAN, DIONYSIUS, ANTONINUS, CONSTANTINE, & JOHN; MARTYRS ALEXANDER-BISHOP, HERACLIUS, ANNA, ELIZABETH, THEODOTA & GLYCERIA AT ANDRIANOPOLIS

Tone 6 Ephesians 2:4-10

Luke 16:19-31

Litany in Blessed Memory of Thomas Bryan, John Hanczar, Edward & Helen Pytlak, Mary Blitzkan, Marjorie Yarmeak, Mary Sharon, Rose Pyrch, Frank Barankovich, Mary Krevanich, Katherine Holowaty, & Robert Vetosky—Fr. Bob

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11 OBEDNITZA UPSTAIRS IN THE CHURCH 10:30 AM 24TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; VIRGIN-MARTYR ANASTASIA THE ROMAN; VENERABLE ABRAMIUS THE RECLUSE & NIECE SAINT MARY-OF MESOPOTAMIA; MARTYRS CLAUDIUS, ASTERIUS, NEON, & THEONILLA OF AEGAE IN CILICIA; VENERABLE ANNA/EUPHEMIANUS OF CONSTANTINOPLE; VENERABLE ABRAMIUS-ARCHIMANDRITE OF ROSTOV; REPOSE OF VENERABLE JOB OF POCHAIV; SAINT DEMETRIUS-METROPOLITAN OF ROSTOV

Tone 7
2 Corinthians 11:1-6; Galatians 5:22-6:2
Luke 8:16-21; Luke 6:17-23

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18 OBEDNITZA UPSTAIRS IN THE CHURCH 10:30 AM 25TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; MARTYRS GALACTON & WIFE EPITEME AT EMESA; APOSTLES PATROBUS, HERMAS, LINUS, GAIUS, & PHILOLOGUS OF THE 70; SAINT GREGORY-ARCHBISHOP OF ALEXANDRIA

Tone 8 Ephesians 4:1-6 Luke 8:41-56

Litany in Blessed Memory of Paul Popichak-Fr. Bob

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TROPARION-TONE 6

The angelic powers were at Thy tomb; the guards became as dead men.

Mary stood by Thy grave, seeking Thy most pure body.

Thou didst capture hell, not being tempted by it.

Thou didst come to the Virgin, granting life.

O Lord who didst rise from the dead: 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 6

When Christ God, the Giver of Life,

Raised all of the dead from the valleys of misery with His mighty hand, He bestowed resurrection on the human race.

He is the Savior of all,

The Resurrection, the Life, and the God of all!

PROKEIMENON—TONE 6

READER: O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance.

PEOPLE: O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance. **READER:** To Thee, O Lord, will I call. O my God, be not silent to me. **PEOPLE:** O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance.

READER: O Lord, save Thy people.

PEOPLE: And bless Thine inheritance.

ALLELUIA VERSES—TONE 6

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the heavenly God.

He will say to the Lord: My Protector and my Refuge; my God, in whom I trust.



Statement of His Eminence Metropolitan Savas on today's tragedy in Pittsburgh:

"A brother helped by a brother is like a strong city." (Proverbs 18:19)

We Pittsburghers take pride in our city of neighborhoods. The horrific violence inflicted on our neighbors of The Tree of Life Congregation in Squirrel Hill this morning tears at the hearts of us all. An attack against the Jewish community, in fact an attack against any community based on race, faith, or ethnicity, is an attack against us all—it is an assault against humanity, a sin of the most grievous magnitude. We Greek Orthodox Christians of the Metropolis of Pittsburgh extend our fervent prayers to God on behalf of the families of those who have suffered loss or endured injuries this day. We join with all people of good will in committing ourselves to the renunciation of violence in speech and act directed at communities of faith, and to the restoration and maintenance of civility and peace.

Response to Pittsburgh Synagogue Shooting

The shocking news of this morning's shooting attack on the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh, killing and wounding innocent worshippers, has pierced the hearts of all people of faith.

The Diocese of Eastern America of the Serbian Orthodox Church extends its sincere condolences to the Jewish community in Pittsburgh, to Mayor Peduto, and to all local and state officials and members of the community affected by this senseless hate crime.

We offer our heartfelt prayers to the Lord of Justice and Mercy to give comfort to those who have lost loved ones, to bring healing and recovery to the wounded and traumatized, and to bless the people of Pittsburgh with His healing presence.

+Irinej, Bishop of Eastern America, The Serbian Orthodox Church

The Christian Community of Southwest Pennsylvania Shares in Grief, Expresses Support After Mass Shooting at Pittsburgh Synagogue CONTACT: Rev. Liddy Barlow Saturday, October 27, 2018

PITTSBURGH – Christian Associates of Southwest Pennsylvania expresses deep sympathy to our Jewish brothers and sisters following this morning's mass shooting at Tree of Life Congregation in Squirrel Hill. Together, we pray that the memories of the dead may be always a blessing. We pray for healing for the wounded. We pray for peace for the frightened and traumatized. We pray for an end to all violence fueled by hatred and bigotry.

For decades, the Jewish community of Southwest Pennsylvania has been our cherished partner as we have worked together for interfaith understanding and the well-being of our shared neighborhoods. In this time of great suffering, we stand ready to offer our tears, our strength, and our support. We look forward to standing with our Jewish brothers and sisters in public expressions of sorrow and solidarity in the coming days.

Orthodox Quote of the Day

- -Geronda, when someone is not needy but pretends to be, should we help him?
- -Christ said, We should give to him who begs from us without examining. Even if someone who begs from you is not in need, you should still give to him. Be happy in giving to him. *Elder Paisios of Mount Athos, Spiritual Counsels Vol. II Spiritual Awakening p.189*

The Lord endures for a long time. He then only terminates the life of a person when He sees him ready for the transition to eternity, or when He sees no hope for his correction. –St. Ambrose of Optina

"A wise man is not one who has received many diplomas and awards. Not one who is erudite and very clever: he knows a lot of things and seeks to show this knowledge. A wise man is a humble person who by his humility received the Grace of the Lord, and it shines through him to the world. Sanctifies those who come in contact with this person. In his presence, everything becomes clear...Even if you didn't ask each other a single question." Metropolitan of Mesoghean and Lavreotika Nikolai (Hadzhinikolau) ("Humility is the main secret")

Acts of Faith Perspective from The Washington Post

Perspective Interpretation of the news based on evidence, including data,
as well as anticipating how events might unfold based on past events...

A Christian message about the Pittsburgh synagogue shooting:

If you hate Jews, you hate Jesus, too!



A man walks near a memorial outside Tree of Life synagogue in Pittsburgh on Oct. 28, a day after a gunman killed 11 people there. (Brendan Smialowski/AFP/Getty Images)

By Russell Moore October 29 at 6:00 AM

On the Jewish Sabbath this week, a white-nationalist terrorist killed 11 worshipers at Pittsburgh's Tree of Life synagogue in what is being called the deadliest attack on Jewish people in American history. Sadly, at a time when it seems as though every week brings more bloodshed and terror in this country, we should not let the news cycle move on without a sober reflection of what this attack means for us as Christians.

Such is especially true as we look at a world surging with resurgent "blood-and-soil" ethno-nationalism, much of it anti-Semitic in nature. As Christians, we should have a clear message of rejection of every kind of bigotry and hatred, but we should especially note what anti-Semitism means for people who are followers of Jesus. We should say clearly to anyone who would claim the name "Christian" the following truth: If you hate Jesus, you hate Jesus.

Anti-Semitism is, by definition, a repudiation of Christianity as well as of Judaism. This ought to be obvious, but world history, even church history, shows us this is not the case. Christians reject anti-Semitism because we love Jesus.

I will often hear Christians say, "Remember that Jesus was Jewish." That's true enough, but the past tense makes it sound as though Jesus' Jewishness were something he sloughed off at the resurrection. Jesus is alive now, enthroned in heaven. He is transfigured and glorified, yes, but he is still Jesus. This means he is still, and always will be, human. He is still, and always will be, the son of Mary. He is, and always will be, a Galilean. When Jesus appeared before Saul of Tarsus on the Road to Damascus, the resurrected Christ introduced himself as "Jesus of Nazareth" (Acts 22:8). Jesus is Jewish, present tense.

Indeed, much of the New Testament is about precisely that point. Jesus is a son of Abraham. He is of the tribe of Judah. He is of the House of David. Jesus' kingship is valid because he descends from the royal line. His priesthood, although not of the tribe of Levi, is proved valid because of

Melchizedek, the priest's relation to Abraham. Those of us who are joint-heirs with Christ are such only because Jesus is himself the offspring and heir of Abraham (Galatians 3:29).

As Christians, we are, all of us, adopted into a Jewish family, into an Israelite story. We, who were once not a people, have been grafted on, in Jesus, to the branch that is Israel (Romans 11:17-18). That's why the New Testament can speak even to gentile Chrisitans as though the story of their own forefathers were that of the Old Testament scriptures. We have been brought into an Israelite story, a story that started not in first-century Bethlehem but, millennia before, in the promise that Abraham would be the father of many nations.

Whatever our ethnic background, if we are in Christ, we are joined to him. That means the Jewish people are, in a very real sense, our people, too. An attack on the Jewish people is an attack on all of us.

The reason this is critically important to reassert is because the blood-and-soil movements often want to claim the word "Christian." The way they define this, you will notice, is in opposition to some other group. They are "Christian" instead of Jewish, or "Christian" instead of Muslim or some other religious identity. What they usually mean is "European white identity" defined in terms of "Christendom." This accused killer had posted social media rants not only against Jewish people but also against Jewish people's efforts to help refugees and migrants fleeing Latin American persecution.

Such types have long been with us. Notice the way the "German Christian" movement wanted to maintain "the church" and "the Bible" but whitewashed them of their Jewishness. A Bible with its Jewishness wrung out of it is no Bible. A Christ with his Jewishness obscured is no Christ at all. We cannot even say his name, "Jesus," or "Yahweh saves" without immediately being confronted with our Lord's Jewishness.

We groan anytime an innocent human life is taken. We weep every time there is a terrorist attack. We should do so this time as well. But we should also make very clear that those who carry out such repulsive attacks on the Jewish people are an attack on the image of God, an attack on Jesus as a son of Adam. But such attacks are, even more specifically, an attack on Jesus as a son of Abraham. When you lash out at a synagogue's rabbi, you are attacking our rabbi as well.

If you hate Jews, you hate Jesus.

Russell Moore is president of the Ethics & Religious Liberty Commission, the policy arm of the Southern Baptist Convention. This piece first appeared on his site, <u>russellmoore.com</u>.

The Twenty Second Sunday after Pentecost Luke 16:19-31

There was a certain rich man, which was clothed in purple and fine linen, and fared sumptuously every day: And there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, which was laid at his gate, full of sores, And desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man's table: moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. And it came to pass, that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom: the rich man also died, and was buried; And in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame. But Abraham said, Son, remember that thou in thy lifetime receivedst thy good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things: but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented. And beside all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed: so that they which would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us, that would come from thence. Then he said, I pray thee therefore, father, that thou wouldest send him to my father's house: For I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment. Abraham saith unto him, They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them. And he said, Nay, father Abraham: but if one went unto them from the dead, they will repent. And he said unto him, If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead. (KJV)

God is always bigger and greater than we can fully comprehend. We benefit by always looking to God for further learning. We will never know enough about God.

The hunger to know God and to know about God is within the person. God's Holy Church provides the best place for the learning to occur. God's Holy Church is where the hunger can be addressed and peace achieved.

The current Gospel is read each year in the Church. The value of learning from Moses and the Holy Prophets is verified. Believers of each generation benefit from studying Moses and the Prophets.

Moses and the Prophets have an integral part in the liturgical life of the Orthodox Church. The Church points to Moses and the Prophets in addressing contemporary life of each generation.

The current Gospel teaches that suffering in this life does not mean eternal suffering. Lazarus suffered in poverty in this temporary earthly life. He was well cared for after he departed this life.

The rich man lived in luxury in his temporary earthly life. He suffered and was tormented after he died. The rich man focused on himself and his

luxury. He did not share and care for the hungry Lazarus at the gate nearby.

How often do we see pockets of great poverty in communities with luxurious neighborhoods? How often do we hear of individuals with abundant wealth seeking only more material wealth and oblivious to the nearby poor?

How often do we look to the words of the Holy Prophets and find they provide an accurate critique of the decadence existing today? How often do we look to Moses and the Prophets to learn how far we are from worshipping God?

Every year on Great and Holy Saturday we look to the Old Testament readings as references as thoughts of Christ's Resurrection fills our minds and hearts.

Centuries have passed since the time of Moses and the Holy Prophets. We know from the appearance of Moses and Elijah on Mt. Tabor with Christ that Moses and Elijah are not time limited. (Mt.17:1-4)

Let us continue to look to Moses and the Holy Prophets for the benefit of our own learning about God. Let us look to Moses and the Holy Prophets to learn more about Christ in our lives.

May we always keep our eyes open for the hungry persons near us and do everything we can to help address the hunger. Let our hearts not be hardened in luxury and greed. May we freely share the wealth and abundance we have.

If the rich man in the current Gospel had looked beyond his own luxury to care for the suffering Lazarus at his gate, his life would have been much different after his death.

The Lord teaches: "Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me. (Mt.25:40) Pray for God to remove the blinders of selfishness from our minds and open our hearts.

The Christian life involves giving freely out of love from our hearts. The Lord Jesus Christ gave His life freely and willingly. How much do we sacrifice in our daily lives out of love for Christ and interest in following Christ?

Today's Gospel serves as a measure for Christians. Today's Gospel is a basis for assessing whether each of us as Christians sees the poverty in our midst and freely shares with the needy.

Giving to the needy nearby can take many different forms. Material goods can be shared. Time and effort to help others in need can make a

difference. A change in attitude and recognition of poverty nearby can bring change.

The present Gospel intends change. Believers will hear this Gospel throughout the world today. Serious believers will take action as a result of this Gospel. Serious believers will help the suffering people nearby.

May the Gospel at each Divine Liturgy always be fresh and affect our souls. May we always have ears to hear the Lord and to apply Christ's words in our daily lives. "Blessed are they that hear the word of God, and keep it." (Lk.11:28)

The Twenty Second Sunday after Pentecost. Holy Martyr Lucian, Presbyter of Antioch; Venerable Euthymius the New. October 15/28, 2018. Hidden Valley, Pennsylvania. Father Rodney Torbic

