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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 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.

The antimension must be consecrated and signed by a bishop. The antimension and the chrism are the means by which a bishop indicates his permission for priests under his omophorion to celebrate the Divine Liturgy and Holy Mysteries in his absence, being in effect the church's license to conduct divine services. (wiki)

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 18 OBEDNITZA DOWNSTAIRS IN THE CHURCH HALL 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

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 25 OBEDNITZA UPSTAIRS IN THE CHURCH 10:30 AM 26TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; SAINT JOHN THE MERCIFUL-PATRIARCH OF ALEXANDRIA; VENERABLE NILUS THE FASTER OF SINAI; PROPHET AHIJA

Tone 1 Ephesians 5:8-19 Luke 10:25-37

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 02 OBEDNITZA UPSTAIRS IN THE CHURCH 10:30 AM 27TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; PROPHET OBEDIAH, MARTYR BARLAAM; MARTYR HELIODORUS; MARTYR AZES & 150 SOLDIERS WITH HIM; VENERABLE BARLAAM & MONK IOASAPH-PRINCE OF INDIA & SAINT ABENNER THE KING-FATHER OF IOASAPH; VENERABLE HILARION OF GEORGIA-WONDERWORKER OF THESSALONICA; VENERABLE BARLAAM-ABBOT OF PERCHEVSKY LAVRA

Tone 2
Ephesians 6:10-17
Luke 12:16-21

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, and Robert Vetosky--Fr. Bob

BULLETIN INSERT FOR 18 NOVEMBER 2018

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TROPARION—TONE 8

Thou didst descent from on high, O Merciful One! Thou didst accept the three-day burial to free us from our sufferings! Our Lord, our Life and Resurrection, 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 8

By rising from the tomb,
Thou didst raise the dead and resurrect Adam.
Eve exults in Thy Resurrection,
And the world celebrates Thy Rising from the dead,
O greatly Merciful One!

PROKEIMENON-TONE 8

READER: Pray and make your vows before the Lord our God!

PEOPLE: Pray and make your vows before the Lord our God!

READER: In Judah, God is known; His name is great in Israel!

PEOPLE: Pray and make your vows before the Lord our God!

READER: Pray and make your vows. **PEOPLE:** Before the Lord our God!

<u>ALLELUIA VERSES—TONE 8</u>

Come let us rejoice in the Lord! Let us make a joyful noise to God our Savior!

Let us come before His face with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to Him with psalms.

The prescribed Gospel reading for today is the Parable of the Rich Man (Luke 16:19-31). Here is a short but powerful sermon on this reading by the late *Metropolitan Anthony Bloom*:

The Parable of the Rich Man—November 30, 1980

The end of today's Gospel reading is a warning about something that we could all be aware of all the time, that is that death is at our elbow, that much, very much, of what we do will perish with us as unnecessary, mortal.

Does this mean that Christ's warning about the closeness of death should frighten us and deprive us of creative strength? No, on the contrary; the Fathers used to say, "keep a constant memory of death," not in the sense that we should be afraid of death and live under its constant shadow, but rather because nothing but the awareness of the fact that life is short, that it may end at any moment, can give to every moment its final meaning, and to the whole of life the feeling that we must hurry to do good, that we must hurry to live in such a way that at whatever moment death overtakes us, it will be a moment of triumphant life. We would live with such depth, so intensely, if only this awareness were with us constantly. If we were to know that the words that I am now speaking to you were the last, how differently would I say them, and how differently would you listen!

If we were to feel that the person we were talking to might be dead within a few minutes, how careful we should be that our words and actions in relation to him should be the culmination of all the love and care of which we are capable, that they should be the triumph of everything that is best and highest in our relationship.

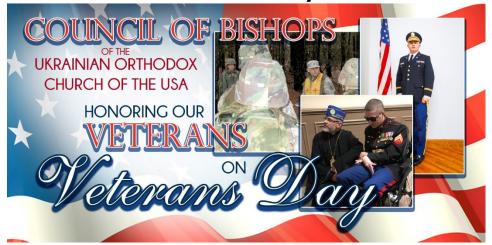
The reason that we live so badly, utter so many empty words, rotten words, dead words, commit so many actions that afterwards burn in our soul like wounds, is that we live as though this life was merely a rough draft of the life we will one day be living, when we have had time to shape the draft into the final story. But that is not how things work; death comes and the draft remains rough, his life has not been lived, just blotted, and there remains regret for the person who could have been great, but turned out shallow and insignificant.

That is what today's Gospel is about, not that we should be afraid of death, but that, knowing that it can come at any moment, every moment must be perfect, every word must be a word of life, filled with the Spirit, fit to enter eternity. And every action of ours in relation to each one of us should be such as to give life and express the fullness and depth and strength of the love and reverence which we should feel for each other and for all. Let us consider this, and then if we can act upon it, every word and every action will acquire the dimension of eternity and shine with its light.

Amen!

In Christ Service, Fr. George Livanos

Council of Bishops of the UOC of the USA: Honoring Our Veterans on Veterans Day



Beloved clergy and faithful of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA:

It is with a profound sense of appreciation and prayer that we take this opportunity to write to you as our Nation honors our Veterans.

November 11, 2018 is Veterans Day, originally known as Armistice Day.

The Armistice to end World War I, known at that time as the war to end all wars, was signed by and between the Germans and the Allies in the early morning of November 11^{th} , 1918–exactly 100 hundred years ago this year–which became effective at the 11^{th} minute, after the 11^{th} hour, on the 11^{th} day of the 11^{th} month.

There have been many wars since World War I. In today's world in which people continue to resort to violence to settle conflicts, war is still a commonly known existence in our lives.

In the United States of America, the function of Veterans Day is slightly different from that of similar holidays in other countries. Unlike the practice in other countries, where this calendar date is set aside specifically for honoring those who died in action, Veterans Day in the US honors all American veterans, whether living or deceased. Our specific commemoration of those who perished during armed conflict is made on Memorial Day at the end of May each year.

Our Veterans Day observance is particularly important on the Spiritual Center/Metropolia of our Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA, where the National Ukrainian-American Veterans Memorial is located before St. Andrew Memorial Church in South Bound Brook, NJ. We take pride in the fact that many Ukrainian Americans have served in the Army, Air Force, Navy, Marines and Coast Guard-during times of war or times of relative peace-many living in our parish communities throughout the country, along with those presently serving in any branch of the Armed Forces. We owe them all a great debt and we pray for them on this day.

Veterans Day should be a celebration of lives well lived, as veterans contribute so much to our communities, and should serve as a reminder that many have made great sacrifices and carry heavy physical, mental, and emotional burdens from their years of service. This must be a day that we express our deep concern that they receive the necessary care for these burdens. To those presently serving, perhaps far away from loved ones, we say on this day that we carry you in our hearts and prayers. To those families missing someone special to them, we express our appreciation for your patriotism and embrace you, also, in our prayers, for you serve, as well.

It is easy for us on this special day to remember and thank those who served. However, this must not be a one-day remembrance! We must remember them each and every day we live as citizens of this great nation that continues to lead the world and set the example of freedom—the ultimate cause for which all our Armed Forces personnel served and serve so unselfishly.

So, we offer our prayers of Thanksgiving for our veterans and their families. May God bless each one of you-our veterans, our present Armed Forces and our great country-the United States of America.

A Prayer for Veterans Day

O, God of love and mercy, we ask for blessings on all those who have served and are serving their country in the Armed Forces of the United States of America.

We ask for healing for the veterans who have been wounded, in body and soul, during conflicts around the globe.

We pray especially for the young men and women, in the thousands, who are coming home from Iraq and Afghanistan with injured bodies and traumatized spirits. Bring solace to them, O Lord. May we pray for them when they are unable to pray.

Have mercy on all our veterans from World War I and II, Korea, Vietnam, Iraq, and Afghanistan and all other armed conflicts. Bring peace to their hearts and peace to the regions they fought in.

Bless all the soldiers who served in non-combative posts. May their calling to serve continue in their lives in many positive positions.

Give us all today a creative vision to see a world grown weary with fighting, with the goal of affirming the life of every single human being-in peace.

For You are a Merciful and Loving God in Holy Trinity and to You we give glory-Father, Son, and Holy Spirit-unto the ages of ages. Amen.