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**ON THE MEND:** Please keep the following parishioners and others in your prayers for recovery from their illnesses and injuries: Father Bob, Archbishop Daniel, Metropolitan Antony, Metropolitan Yurij, Archbishop Jovan, Metropolitan Savas, Father Jakiw Norton, Father Paul Stoll, Father Joseph Kopchak, Father Elias Warnke, Father George Yatsko, Father Paul Bigelow, Father Emilian Balan, Father John & Pani Mary Anne Nakonachny, Father Steve Repa, Archpriest Dionysi Vitali, Protodeacon Joseph Hotrovich, Father Paisius McGrath, Father Michael Smolynec, Father Lawrence & Matushka Sophia Daniels, Father Joe & Protinica Linda Cervo, Father John Harrold [Saint Sylvester], Igumen Patrick, Pani Mary Ann Chubenko, Father Jim Orr, Father Rick Seilier, Panimatka Laryssa Charest, Fr. Vasyl Sendeha, Father George & Dobrodijka Oksana Bazylevsky, Father Angelo Artemas, Father John Haluszczak, Father Simon & Dr. Christina Nellis, Father Joshua [Anna], Father Justin (Todd) Mokhiber, Pani Cathy Danczak, Joshua Agosto and his family, Eva Malesnick, Nick Behun, Grace Holupka, Joseph Sliwinsky, Gary & Linda Mechtly, Evelyn Misko, Jeanne Boehing, Alex Drobot, Rachelle, Jane Golofski, Doug Diller, Harry Krewsun, Mary Alice Babcock, Dorie Kunkle, 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, Robert McKivitz, Liz Obradovich, Halyna Zelinska [Archbishop 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—young man with cancer, Nicholas Orlando, Mary Ann Kuznik, Michael Pryhodzenko, Sonia Luciow, Theresa Ditto, Mary Ann Musial, Yvonne Christy, Father Deacon Myron & Barbara Spak, Julia Duda, Lisa Pandle, Kris & Julie Hanczar, John Kennedy, 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, Linda Cawley, Gerald Cogley, Corey Guich, Robert Vangrin,

Pauline Witkowsky, Sera White, Deborah Smith, Nancy & Eric Dunik, Julian Strozh [young lady with cerebral palsy], Dr. Kirsten Ream, Patricia Corey, Michelle, Katie Swarm, Michelle, Patrick, Linda Morris, Chris, David Hiles, Jennifer, 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, Alma Wyke, Lindsay Romanczak & family, Susan Lucas, Neil Carter & family, James Paluh, Mickie Weikel, Evelyn Krempasky, Tammy Strunk, Loida Esbry, Darlene Chicka Deskins, Drew, Alice & Keith Philipa, Kateryna Kocelko, 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, 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, Sherri Walewski, Marika Zeliszczuk, Donna Davis, Jackie Crimbchin, Marta Charron, Mary [Corba], 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, Dena & George, Georgia, Lawanda [Evelyn's niece], Maureen Sams, John Kendall, Judi Danser, Darcy, Denis Strittmatter, Nancy, Ian Brick, Cecilia Barnhart, Logan Magorien, Pam & Gordon Grant, Debbie & Jerry Novosel, Noah Willard, Sandra Dillard, Danielle McCann, Barry [Father Jim Orr's cousin], Tim Joyce, Joe Samchuck—vocations, Albert Heckman, Brianna Stumpf, Stanley Porembka, David & Terry Coyne Hartnett, Mike C., Jennifer Scheirer [Nick Behun's daughter], Catherine Beecham [Father Bob's cousin], JoAnne & Dave Andrews, Rev. Peg Bowman, Pat & Jan Jennings, Tim Sams, Mike Ruzzi, Stephen Popichak—Fr. Bob's brother, Mary Kay Ludovicy, Pastor Sara Irwin, George Dilendorf, Andy & Sharon Torick, Carol Behun, Erv Frye, William Lusherand, Colin Kirton—Stage 4 pancreatic cancer, Clifford, Joe Veto, Paul Riley, Tonee & Sydnee Turner, Annette Paluh, Theresa Paluh, Cathy Lotinsky, Monk Andrew, Jeff & Buschra Kerr, Rose Mary Pavlovich—Mary Anne Kuznik's Cousin, Margaret Sekelsky, Robert Sekelsky, Robert Rodriguez, Dollie Irvin, Rita & Joe Mrvos, Alexandra & Bowen, Katherine

Kulik, Pastor Terry Polen, Eleanor Kitt, Stacie & Gary, Maria Warholak, Stacie & Gary, Anna Sekelik, Christy, Mariruth, Rich & Judy Previc, Ben Williams, Denis Strittmatter, Father Joe Uzar-newly ordained, Timsurgery, John Wakin, Olivia—young girl with a brain tumor, Rick & Sharon Morgan, John Stasko [triple by-pass], John, Kris & Kait, Kristi Wilson, Wendy LaGamba, Melissa Gross [hip replacement], Amy Forbeck, David Salazar, James Mary, Barb Bookser, Dr. Paul Riley, David Hess, Serena, Wyatt, Makenzie, Jennifer, Carolyn Strittmatter, Barbara Shegat & Chaplain Rachelle Zazzu, Candace Irvin, Carol Muschick, Grace Love [knee replacement], Stacie Riley, Joseph Paul Cervo, Jr. [infant], Elizabeth [5year-old], Lillian Skowvron, Pani Cathy Danczak, Sue & Greg Heinen, Paul Simpson [Father Bob's cousin], Sharon Curtis Rivas, Kathy Milcic, Lisa Bolan, David G. [cancer], Donna [dementia] & Darla, Linda Snow, the McKenna family, David Gazella, Brian & Michele Cannone, Robert & Eleanor Rodrigues & family, Father Deacon James Rossetti & Diakonissa Kariordination!, Michael Welsh, Nick Solominsky, Samantha & Lisa Houser, Sarah Stepanovich Clark, Julia Baloga, Brett Crosby, Randy Lapuh, Henry & Shirley Tkacik, Diane & Arthur Chaklis, Denny Mader, Myra Woodruff [cancer], Zoe Oswalt—Fr. Bob's cousin [cancer], Barbette [cancer] & Scott, Kristin [cancer], Erm Hartmann, Barbara Bookser [cancer], Bob Mazzuca [cancer], Marko, Taylor, Terri Crosby-Vega, Christine Mohamed, Sue Demko, Tammy Marsico, Terry & David Hartnett, Jamie Ball, Kay Williams, Hannah Stewart, Jim Wyko—Alex's friend, Dan Losego, Lisa Bruce, Yvette, Barry Bender, Scott McDougall, Pam & Jennifer, Andrew Zelleznick, Jill Bailey, Byron & Cecilia Scott, Laura, Christopher, & baby Dickson, and Susan Pulcini—Father Ted Pulcini's mom. We pray that God will grant them all a speedy recovery.

#### PLEASE REVIEW THE NAMES ON THE PRAYER LIST ABOVE AND LET FATHER BOB KNOW ANY NAMES THAT CAN BE REMOVED...

Your way of your life lies along narrow paths and sorrows, as it is promised to all who follow Christ. Those who follow Him like the matchless Peter and the first-called Andrew are destined for the cross. **St. Ignatius (Brianchaninov), Bishop of the Caucasus and the Black Sea,** Harbor for Our Hope: On Acquiring Peace Amidst Suffering p.20

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ... There is <u>NOTHING</u> to keep us from praying...for each other, for our family and friends, and most of all for the first responders—EMTs, nurses, doctors, firefighters,

police officers, and members of our military who keep us safe. Be well and be SAFE!!! God Bless!

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 <u>CALL FATHER BOB</u> at [412] 956-6626.

#### SERVICES IN SLICKVILLE

SUNDAY, June 11 OBEDNITZA—UPSTAIRS 10:30 AM 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; SUNDAY OF ALL SAINTS; VIRGIN-MARTYR THEODOSIA OF TYRE; VIRGIN-MARTYR THEODOSIA

> *Tone 8* Hebrews 11:33-12:2 Matthew 1:32-33, 37-38-19:27-3

MONDAY, JUNE 12 APOSTLES' FAST; SAINTS PETER & PAUL FAST BEGINS

SUNDAY, June 18 OBEDNITZA—UPSTAIRS 10:30 AM 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; SUNDAY OF ALL SAINTS OF NORTH AMERICA, MOUNT ATHOS, & UKRAINE; HIEROMARTYR DOROTHEOS-BISHOP OF TYRE; MARTYRS MARCIAN, NICANDER, HYPERECHIUS, APOLLONIUS, LEONIDES, ARIUS, GORGIAS, SELENIAS, IRENE, & PAMBO; SAINT THEODORE THE WONDERWORKER; TRANSLATION OF THE RELICS OF BLESSED IHOR-GEORGE-GREAT PRINCE OF KYIV; BLESSED CONSTANTINE-METROPOLITAN OF KYIV

> Tone 1 Romans 2:1-16; Hebrews 11:33-12:2 Matthew 4:18-23; Matthew 4:25-5:12

SUNDAY, June 25 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; SUNDAY OF ALL SAINTS OF GALICIA, HALYCH, & ODESSA; VENERABLE ONUPHRIUS THE GREAT; VENERABLE PETER OF MOUNT ATHOS; VENERABLE JOHN, ANDREW, HERACLEMON, & THEOPHILUS-HERMITS OF EGYPT

#### **BULLETIN INSERT FOR 11 JUNE 2023** 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; SUNDAY OF ALL SAINTS; VIRGIN-MARTYR THEODOSIA OF TYRE; VIRGIN-MARTYR THEODOSIA IROPARION-TONE 4

## TROPARION—TONE 4

As with fine porphyry and royal purple, Thy Church has been adorned with Thy Martyrs blood Shed throughout the world She cries to Thee, O Christ God: send down Thy bounties on Thy people, Grant peace to Thy habitation and great mercy to our souls.

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

The universe offers Thee the God-bearing martyrs As the first fruits of creation, O Lord and Creator. Through the Theotokos and their prayers establish Thy Church in peace.

## **PROKEIMENON—TONE 4**

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: God is wonderful in His saints, the God of Israel.
PEOPLE: Pray and make your vows before the Lord our God!
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## ALLELUIA VERSES-TONE 4

The righteous called, and the Lord heard them.

Many are the afflictions of the righteous; but the Lord delivers them out of them all.

### **COMMUNION HYMNS**

Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise Him in the highest!

Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the just.

The Great Feast of Pentecost John 7:37-52, 8:12 In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto Me, and drink. He that believeth on Me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. (But this spake He of the Spirit, which they that believe on Him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.) Many of the people therefore, when they heard this saying, said, Of a truth this is the Prophet. Others said, This is the Christ. But some said, Shall Christ come out of Galilee? Hath not the scripture said, That Christ cometh of the seed of David, and out of the town of Bethlehem, where David was? So there was a division among the people because of Him. And some of them would have taken Him; but no man laid hands on Him. Then came the officers to the chief priests and Pharisees; and they said unto them, Why have ye not brought Him? The officers answered, Never man spake like this Man. Then answered them the Pharisees, Are ye also deceived? Have any of the rulers or of the Pharisees believed on Him? But this people who knoweth not the law are cursed. Nicodemus saith unto them, (he that came to Jesus by night, being one of them,) Doth our law judge any man, before it hear him, and know what he doeth? They answered and said unto him, Art thou also of Galilee? Search, and look: for out of Galilee ariseth no prophet. Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth Me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life. (KJV)

Believers are blessed today and every day to experience the Lord Jesus Christ. Experiencing the Lord Jesus Christ is necessary for sanity, peace, and truth in this earthly life.

God's Holy Church is where best to experience and learn about the Lord Jesus Christ. The Church proclaims and offers the experience with Christ until the glorious Second Coming

The present Gospel includes Jesus' invitation for believers to come to Him and to drink. Jesus' words are proclaimed as they are known and preserved in the Church.

In the Church believers learn about Jesus Christ as He has been known down through the centuries by the saints and martyrs. The saints and martyrs have lived in Christ and witnessed to Him in their lives.

The saints and martyrs are proof of the value of living in Christ, drinking from Christ, and bearing witness to Him. Believers benefit greatly from looking to the saints and martyrs and learning about Jesus Christ from them. Jesus describes Himself as the light of the world and as the antidote of darkness. Jesus said His followers shall have the light of life. Jesus' message of light is welcomed in today's world so often filled with news darkening to life.

Today's world is plagued with increased violence and the absence of truth. Greed and debauchery are very actively present. The Lord God is needed for believers to live a life of sanity and peace.

On this Great Feast of Pentecost, the Descent of the Holy Spirit is at the forefront of believers' thoughts. Belief in the Holy Spirit is first expressed at Baptism and is reaffirmed at each Divine Liturgy.

The Holy Prophets of old were filled with the Holy Spirit spoke out about the decay and decadence of the times in which they lived. The Holy Prophets have words of wisdom to address the decay and decadence in today's world.

God's Holy Church is where to learn to put present life into perspective. The Church teaches the way of Christ as the path to the Heavenly Kingdom and eternal life.

The Church teaches the love of Christ as the foundation and essence of human relationships. Greed and violence have no part in the Christian life. Prayer and fasting facilitate love and the sharing of earthly treasures.

Wisdom has been garnered in God's Holy Church down through the centuries. The Holy Spirit has filled and guided the Church through the centuries. God's love permeates the Church around the world and through the centuries.

Pentecost is a Great Feast in the Church and fills the heart, mind, and soul with the Holy Spirit. The Church celebrates Pentecost with a certain fulness unique in the Church's ecclesiastical year.

The vibrancy of life is accentuated on Pentecost. Believers actively participating in the Divine services on the Great Fast of Pentecost rejoice and are transformed by the Holy Spirit.

The hunger in the soul is nourished and satisfied by participating in the Great Feast of Pentecost and each of the feasts of God's Holy Church. Humans benefit by living and dwelling in unity in God's Holy Church.

God blesses and nourishes believers throughout life from conception until departure from this life. The Lord God is the Creator and Giver of Life. Pentecost is not only a celebration of life but also an expression of gratitude for life.

God's Holy Church is where to give continuous thanks for life and for being able to live and grow in Christ. Jesus offers unending growth for those choosing to come to Him for nourishment and to drink from Him. Jesus offers nourishment and light for the soul in the present world. Believers need not suffer in hunger and darkness in the soul when Christ is ever-present to transform life into brightness and joy.

Peace and joy are always possible in Christ. Embracing and following Christ ensures peace and joy regardless of life's circumstances. On this Great Feast of Pentecost rejoice and give abundant thanks to the living and loving Triune God.

The Great Feast of Pentecost. May 22/June 4, 2023. Hidden Valley, Pennsylvania. Father Rodney Torbic

