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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 Yuriy, 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, Protopresbyter Gerald Ozlanski, 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 Luciw, 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 Stroz [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 Slaughaupt, Louis & Teresa Bercelli, Tom Nolan, Silvia Martin, Dena & George, Georgia, Lawanda [Evelyn's niece], Maureen Sams, John Kendall, Judi Danser, Darcy, 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, 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, Father Joe Uzar, Tim—surgery, John Wakin, Olivia—young girl with a brain tumor, Rick & Sharon Morgan, John Stasko, John, Kris & Kait, Kristi Wilson, Wendy LaGamba, Melissa Gross [hip replacement], Amy Forbeck, David Salazar, Kitty Mary, Barb Bookser, Dr. Paul Riley, David Hess, Serena, Wyatt, Makenzie, Jennifer, Barbara Shegat & Chaplain Rachelle Zazzu, Candace Irvin, Carol Muschick, Grace Love [knee replacement], Stacie Riley, Joseph Paul Cervo, Jr. [infant], Elizabeth [5-year-old], Lillian Skowvron, 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 Rodrigues & family, Father Deacon James & Diakonissa Kari Rossetti, 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 Jane Dickson, Vespina, Michelle Russo, Julie Tripodi, Alby Oxenreiter, Debbie—HTUCC [knee], Jackie May, Barbara Morvay, David Salsar, N&O, and Susan Pulcini—Father Ted Pulcini's mom. We pray that God will grant them all a speedy recovery.*

**It is possible for anyone to become a saint, but not just anyone can become a priest. This is why we must have reverence for the priest of our monastery and for all priests. The priesthood is a very great Mystery! Gerondissa Makrina (Vassopoulou), Words of the Heart p.498**

**Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ... There is NOTHING 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 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] 956-6626.***

### **SERVICES IN SLICKVILLE**

**SUNDAY, August 13** **OBEDNITZA—UPSTAIRS** **10:30 AM**  
**10<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; FOREFEAST OF THE PROCESSION OF THE MOST HOLY CROSS; RIGHTEOUS EUDOCIMUS OF CAPPADOCIA; MARTYR JULITTA AT CAESAREA**  
*Tone 1*  
1 Corinthians 4:9-16  
Matthew 17:14-23

**MONDAY, August 14** **DORMITION FAST BEGINS**

**SUNDAY, August 20** **OBEDNITZA—UPSTAIRS** **10:30 AM**  
**11<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; AFTERFEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION; MARTYR DOMETIUS OF PERSIA, MARINUS THE SOLDIER, & ASTERIUS THE SENATOR-AT CAESAREA IN PALESTINE; VENERABLE HORUS OF THE THEBAID; VIRGIN POTAMIA OF ALEXANDRIA; VENERABLES PIMEN THE MUCH-AILING, PIMEN THE FASTER, AND MERCURIUS-BISHOP OF SMOLENSK—PERCHEVSKY LAVRA**  
*Tone 2*  
1 Corinthians 9:2-12  
Matthew 18:23-35

**SUNDAY, August 27** **PATRICK FELICE BAPTISM** **10:30 AM**  
**12<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; FOREFEAST OF THE DORMITION; PROPHET MICAH; HIEROMARTYR MARCELLUS-BISHOP OF APAMEA; TRANSLATION OF THE RELICS OF SAINT THEODOSIUS OF PERCHEVSKY LAVRA**  
*Tone 3*  
1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Hebrews 13:7-16  
Matthew 19:16-26; Luke 6:17-23

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## **TROPARION—TONE 1**

When the stone had been sealed by the Jews;  
While the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure Body;  
Thou didst rise on the third day, O Savior,  
Granting life to the world.  
The powers of heaven therefore cried to Thee, O Giver of life:  
Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ!  
Glory to Thy Kingdom!  
Glory to Thy Dispensation, O Thou who lovest mankind.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever,  
and unto ages of ages. Amen.

## **KONTAKION—TONE 1**

As God, Thou didst rise from the tomb in glory, raising the world with  
Thyself.  
Human nature praises Thee as God, for death has vanished!  
Adam exults, O Master!  
Eve rejoices, for she is freed from bondage and cries to Thee:  
Thou are the Giver of Resurrection to all, O Christ!

## **PROKEIMENON—TONE 1**

**READER:** Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set our hope on  
Thee.

**PEOPLE: Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set our  
hope on Thee.**

**READER:** Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the just!

**PEOPLE: Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set our  
hope on Thee.**

**READER:** Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us.

**PEOPLE: As we have set our hope on Thee.**

## **ALLELUIA VERSES**

God gives vengeance to me, and subdues people under me.

He magnifies the salvation of the king, and deals mercifully with His Christ,  
with David and his seed forever!

Confession must be sincere, deep, and full. **Righteous John, Wonderworker of Kronstadt**, My Life in Christ p.280

**The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost** Matthew 14:22-34

*And straightway Jesus constrained his disciples to get into a ship, and to go before him unto the other side, while he sent the multitudes away. And when he had sent the multitudes away, he went up into a mountain apart to pray: and when the evening was come, he was there alone. But the ship was now in the midst of the sea, tossed with waves: for the wind was contrary. And in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went unto them, walking on the sea. And when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, It is a spirit; and they cried out for fear. But straightway Jesus spake unto them, saying, Be of good cheer; it is I; be not afraid. And Peter answered him and said, Lord, if it be thou, bid me come unto thee on the water. And he said, Come. And when Peter was come down out of the ship, he walked on the water, to go to Jesus. But when he saw the wind boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink, he cried, saying, Lord, save me. And immediately Jesus stretched forth his hand, and caught him, and said unto him, O thou of little faith, wherefore didst thou doubt? And when they were come into the ship, the wind ceased. Then they that were in the ship came and worshipped him, saying, Of a truth thou art the Son of God. And when they were gone over, they came into the land of Gennesaret. (KJV)*

God's Holy Church provides Scripture readings for each day of the year to guide believers to the Heavenly Kingdom and eternal life. Applying the Scriptures to daily life keeps the believer united with Christ and faithful.

The Church in love for believers provides the daily calendar of Scripture readings for believers to utilize. Being a Christian entails work throughout all the days of earthly life.

Tempests arise in life as they did on the sea in the current Gospel. Believers drawing near to Christ are to be resolute in faith. Peter's beginning to sink shows the peril of being afraid when approaching Jesus Christ.

The Lord Jesus Christ is always present to save believers reaching out in faith. Jesus saved Peter when Peter cried out as he began to sink. The Lord Jesus Christ is always worthy of a believer's confidence.

The Church through her teachings helps believers to put life into perspective and to understand life's events. The Church offers Christ's reassuring presence through the Divine services and Holy Mysteries.

Believers never need feel alone in facing the waves of life. Jesus Christ is ever-present. Constant prayer, reading the Holy Scriptures and

attending the Divine services consistently keeps the believer united with Christ.

Individuals and families face challenges as life progresses. Sons and daughters may change dramatically as they grow in age. Husbands and wives may find their marriage is changing with the passing of time.

Jesus Christ is ever-present in the Church to lead believers to address the changes and challenges in life. The hunger in the soul for internal peace and love is addressed by Christ in the Church.

Christ's reassuring love and peace are ever-present. Just as Jesus did not let Peter sink into the water when he cried out, Jesus will not let contemporary believers sink in despair when they reach out in faith.

Developing and maintaining faith takes work. Maintaining a practice of consistent prayer requires dedication and is a form of work. Actively participating in the Divine services is a form of work.

Reading the Holy Scriptures takes effort. Dedication is necessary to read the Scriptures regularly throughout life. The desire for God's Kingdom and eternal life makes putting forth the effort worthwhile.

The disciples in the boat recognized Jesus as the Son of God and worshipped Him. Believers putting forth the effort to actively living in Christ in the Church fully experience Christ as the Son of God.

Peter's safety was secured when he cried out to Jesus. Contemporary believers find safety and security in reaching out to Christ in prayer to address life's challenges.

The journey to the Heavenly Kingdom and eternal life begins at the Baptismal font and continues until the last breath and heartbeat of life. Patience and resolute faith are necessary to the end.

Repentance enables believers to begin anew in Christ when errors in judgment and actions occur. Repentance restores the unity with Christ and brings the healing of forgiveness by Christ.

The Church has weathered the storms of every century. Believers benefit by placing full confidence in God's Holy Church. Now is the time to firmly grip the out-stretched hand of Jesus Christ in God's Holy Church.

*The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost. Holy Martyr Christina of Tyre. Martyrs of Prebilovci and lower Hercegovina. July 24/August 6, 2023. Hidden Valley, Pennsylvania. Father Rodney Torbic*

What is the velocity of movement of the angels? Angels are spiritual beings and the velocity of the spirit is equal to the velocity of thought. The velocity of thought is the velocity of the spirit. **Elder Thaddeus (Strabulovich) of Vitovnica**, Our Thoughts Determine Our Lives: The Life and Teachings of Elder Thaddeus of Vitovnica p.203



One must force himself to prayer when he has not spiritual prayer; and thus God, beholding him thus striving and compelling himself by force, in spite of an unwilling heart, gives him the true prayer of the Spirit. **St. Macarius the Great**

