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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, 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, 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 & Terri Berceli, 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, Margaret Sekelsky, Robert Sekelsky, Robert Rodriguez, 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, Dr. Paul Riley, David Hess, Serena, Wyatt, Makenzie, Jennifer, 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, 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 [knee replacement], 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, 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, Randy & Adrienne Kuny, Vince Berardinelli, Mason Martin [Karns City HS QB] & family, Martin Mrvos, Jeff McCoy, Lauren & Sloane Valentina Persico, Alexis & baby Colton Rosati, Jessica Shirley, Steve Milcic, Wilbert Wagner, and Jill Morocco. We pray that God will grant them all a speedy recovery.

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 CALL FATHER BOB at [412] 956-6626.

SERVICES IN SLICKVILLE

SUNDAY, November 26 OBEDNTIZA—UPSTAIRS 10:30 AM 25TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; SAINT JOHN CHRYSOSTOM-ARCHBISHOP OF CONSTANTINOPLE; MARTYRS ANTONINUS, NICEPHORUS, & GERMANUS OF CAESAREA IN PALESTINE; MARTYR MANETHA OF CAESAREA IN PALESTINE

Tone 8
Ephesians 4:1-6; Hebrews 7:26-8:2
Luke 10:25-37; John 10:9-16

TUESDAY, November 28 Saint Philip's Fast/Advent/PILIPKIVA Begins

SUNDAY, December 03 OBEDNTIZA—UPSTAIRS 10:30 AM 26TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; FOREFEAST OF THE ENTRY OF THE THEOTOKOS TO THE TEMPLE; VENERABLE GREGORY DECAPOLITES; SAINT PROCLUS-ARCHBISHOP OF CONSTANTINOPLE; MARTYR DASIUS; MARTYRS EUSTACE, THESPESIUS, & ANATOLIUS OF NICAEA; HIEROMARTYRS NERSES, JOSEPH, JOHN, SAVERIUS, ISAAC, & HYPATIUS-BISHOPS OF PERSIA; MARTYRS AZADES, SASONIUS, THECLA, & ANNA

Tone 1
Ephesians 5:8-19
Luke 12:16-21

Litany in Blessed Memory of Thomas Bryan, Pearl Hanczar, John Hanczar, Helen Pytlak, Mary Blitskan, Marjorie Yarmeak, Rose Pyrch, Cynthia Mycyk, Frank Barankovich, Mary Krevanich, Katherine Holowaty, & Rober Vetosky—Fr. Bob

SUNDAY, December 10 OBEDNTIZA—UPSTAIRS 10:30 AM 27TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; GREAT-MARTYR JAMES THE PERSIAN; VENERABLE PALLADIUS OF THESSALONICA; 17 MONK-MARTYRS IN INDIA; VENERABLE ROMANUS THE WONDERWORKER OF CILICIA

Tone 2
Ephesians 6:10-17
Luke 13:10-17

BULLETIN INSERT FOR 26 NOVEMBER 2023

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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!

ALLELUIA VERSES-TONE 8

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 Twenty Fourth Sunday after Pentecost Luke 8:41-56

And, behold, there came a man named Jairus, and he was a ruler of the synagogue: and he fell down at Jesus' feet, and besought him that he would come into his house: For he had one only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she lay a dying. But as he went the people thronged him. And a woman having an issue of blood twelve years, which had spent all her living upon physicians, neither could be healed of any, Came behind him, and touched the border of his garment: and immediately her issue of

blood stanched. And Jesus said, Who touched me? When all denied, Peter and they that were with him said, Master, the multitude throng thee and press thee, and sayest thou, Who touched me? And Jesus said, Somebody hath touched me: for I perceive that virtue is gone out of me. And when the woman saw that she was not hid, she came trembling, and falling down before him, she declared unto him before all the people for what cause she had touched him, and how she was healed immediately. And he said unto her, Daughter, be of good comfort: thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace. While he yet spake, there cometh one from the ruler of the synagogue's house, saying to him, Thy daughter is dead; trouble not the Master. But when Jesus heard it, he answered him, saying, Fear not: believe only, and she shall be made whole. And when he came into the house, he suffered no man to go in, save Peter, and James, and John, and the father and the mother of the maiden. And all wept, and bewailed her : but he said, Weep not; she is not dead, but sleepeth. And they laughed him to scorn, knowing that she was dead. And he put them all out, and took her by the hand, and called, saying, Maid, arise. And her spirit came again, and she arose straightway: and he commanded to give her meat. And her parents were astonished: but he charged them that they should tell no man what was done. (KJV)

The present Gospel is a lesson on the value of having strong faith in the Living, Loving and Merciful God. Jesus performed two great miracles in the present Gospel as a lasting lesson for believers interested in having strong faith.

The woman with the issue of blood for twelve years was healed when she drew near and touched Jesus. Jesus restored life to Jairus' daughter. The two miracles affect attentive believers' hearts, minds, and souls.

Who but the Living, Loving, Merciful God could heal a medical condition of twelve years in duration with a single touch? Who but the Living, Loving, Merciful God could give life to a child already dead?

The Lord Jesus Christ once told His disciples: "with God all things are possible" (Mk. 10:27) The present Gospel opens the heart, mind, and soul to the unlimited possibilities of having faith in the Living, Loving, Merciful God.

Jesus told the woman with the issue of blood that her faith had made her whole. The restoration of life to Jairus' daughter certainly is reason to place confidence and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Today's world is very challenging. Believers face personal responsibilities which can be very stressful. Parish churches struggle with continuing in an uncertain world filled with violence and multiple concerning social issues.

Husbands and wives have the challenge of raising sons and daughters in today's world. Personal relationships in the home, school, and at work are subject to different perilous influences.

Having order and peace in daily life are challenges believers contend with on a regular basis. The Lord Jesus Christ verified in the present Gospel the value of strong faith establishing peace in the heart, mind, and soul.

Strong faith in God makes a difference in personal mental and physical health. Resolute faith in God guides families through the growth process desirable for husbands, wives, parents, and children.

Firmness of faith in God is necessary among church leaders and is essential in the clergy. Hunger in believers' souls is adequately addressed only with the firmest of faith in God.

Parishes grow and are transformed in proportion to the faith in God held by the clergy, church leaders, and parishioners. Families develop and mature in direct relationship to the extent that the faith in God rests in members' hearts, minds, and souls.

Businesses and governments succeed when principles of faith in God are manifested in daily working relationships. Chaos, disorder, and violence are evidence of the lack of faith in God.

The Holy Prophets of old spoke about societal ills. Believers today have a choice whether to heed the Prophets. Believers today will choose whether to listen to the lessons of faith in the present Gospel.

Having strong faith in the Living, Loving, Merciful God is a voluntary action. Plenty of disbelievers exist in the world. There are always disbelievers. The woman with the issue of blood that was healed was a firm, patient believer.

Jairus had the wisdom to come to Jesus Christ when his daughter was ill and dying. Jairus' decision to look to Christ proved beneficial beyond expectations. Jairus witnessed death being overturned by Jesus Christ, the Giver of Life.

Hearers of today's Gospel will choose what they will do with facts presented in the Gospel. Believers taking the Gospel to heart will have their lives transformed. Attentive believers will experience the unlimited joy of new life in Christ.

Parish churches hear this Gospel every year. When parishioners are attentive, the parish is transformed and renewed. Marriages are renewed and strengthened when husbands and wives increase their faith.

Hope emanates from the present Gospel. The darkness of death and illness are dispelled in today's Gospel. Christ's victory over illness and death is attested in the present Gospel.

The Twenty Fourth Sunday after Pentecost. St. Paul the Confessor, Patriarch of Constantinople. Venerable Barlaam, Abbot of Khutyn. November 6/19, 2023. Hidden Valley, Pennsylvania. Father Rodney Torbic











