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ON THE MEND: Please keep the following parishioners and others in your prayers for recovery from their illnesses and injuries: Archbishop Daniel, 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 Joe Cervo, Father John Harrold [Saint Sylvester], Pani Mary Ann Chubenko, 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, 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, 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, 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, Deborah Smith, Nancy & Eric Dunik, Julian Strozh [young lady 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, 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, 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, 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, Mike Pawlyshyn-Jeannie Stutchell's brother, 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 Jennings, Patrick Felice [Melanie's husband], Tim Sams, Mike Ruzzi, Cindy M., Stephen Popichak—Fr. Bob's brother, Mary Kay Ludovicy, Pastor Sara Irwin, George Dilendorf, Andy Torick, Carol Behun, Erv Frye, William Lusherand, Bill Boretsky, Colin Kirton—Stage 4 pancreatic cancer, Clifford, Joe Veto, Paul Riley, Tonee & Sydnee Turner, Annette Paluh, Cathy Lotinsky, Monk Andrew, Susan Pulcini—Father Ted Pulcini's mom. ARNOLD: Homer Paul Kline and Walter Sakol. We pray that God will grant them all a speedy recovery.

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

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 08 TO TUESDAY FEBRUARY 18-FAST FREE PERIOD!!!

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16 OBEDNITZA DOWNSTAIRS IN THE CHURCH HALL 10:30 AM

SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON; HOLY AND RIGHTEOUS SIMEON THE GOD-RECEIVER AND ANNA THE PROPHETESS; PROPHET AZARIAS; MARTYRS PAPIAS, DIODORUS, & CAUDIANUS; MARTYRS ADRIAN & EUBULUS; MARTYR BLAISE

Tone 2 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 Luke 15:11-32

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23 OBEDNITZA DOWNSTAIRS IN THE CHURCH HALL 10:30 AM SUNDAY OF THE LAST JUDGEMENT; MEATFARE SUNDAY; HIEROMARTYR CHARALAMPUS-BISHOP OF MAGNESIA IN THESSALY WITH MARTYRS PORPHRIUS & BAPTUS; MARTYRS ENNATHA, VALENTINA, & PAULA OF PALESTINE; VENERABLE PROCHORUS OF PERCHEVSKY LAVRA; SAINT ANNA-WIFE OF PRINCE YAROSLAV

> *Tone 3* 1 Corinthians 8:8-9:2 Matthew 25:31-46

SUNDAY, MARCH 01 OBEDNITZA DOWNSTAIRS IN THE CHURCH HALL 10:30 AM FORGIVENESS SUNDAY; CHEESEFARE SUNDAY; EXPULSION OF ADAM AND EVE FROM PARADISE; GREAT-MARTYR THEODORE OF TYRE; SAINT MARIAMNE-SISTER OF APOSTLE PHILIP; UNCOVERING OF THE RELICS OF MARTYR MENAS THE MELODIUS OF ALEXANDRIA; SAINT THEODORE THE SILENT OF PERCHEVSKY LAVRA

> *Tone 4* Romans 13:11-14:4 Matthew 6:14-21

Litany in Blessed Memory of Mary Smith, John Metrick, Andrew Hanczar, Anna Lawrence, Daria Mazur, Michael Cicio, Charles Shumsky, Terry Reinhart, Jean Stutchell, Joseph Vangrin, Frank Riznow, Michael Holupka, & Joe Nezolyk—Fr. Bob

MONDAY, MARCH 02

CLEAN MONDAY-GREAT LENT BEGINS!!!

BULLETIN INSERT FOR 16 FEBRUARY 2020

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TROPARION-TONE 2

When Thou didst descend to death, O Life Immortal, Thou didst slay hell with the splendor of Thy Godhead! And when from the depths Thou didst raise the dead, All the powers of heaven cried out: O Giver of Life! Christ our God! Glory to Thee!

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit...

KONTAKION—TONE 3

I have recklessly forgotten Thy glory, O Father; And among sinners I have scattered the riches which Thou gavest me. And now I cry to Thee as the Prodigal: I have sinned before Thee, O merciful Father; Receive me a penitent and make me as one of Thy hired Servants.

Now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

KONTAKION-TONE 2

Hell became afraid, O Almighty Savior, Seeing the miracle of Thy Resurrection from the tomb! The dead arose! Creation, with Adam, Beheld this and rejoiced with Thee! And the world, O my Savior, praises Thee forever!

PROKEIMENON-TONE 2

READER: The Lord is my strength and my song. He has become my salvation.

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READER: The Lord has chastened me sorely, but he has not given me over to death.

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ALLELUIA VERSES-TONE 2

The Lord answer you in the day of trouble! The name of the God of Jacob protect you!

Save the king, O Lord, and hear us on the day we call!

The Lord God is patient. God waits for sinners to repent. God's love for sinners continues even when sinners are recalcitrant. The opportunity to repent always exists.

God is ready to welcome the returning sinner. New beginnings and a new life in Christ are possible. The desire for wholeness and healing in Christ foster repentance.

God heals the broken-hearted. God alleviates the deepest hurt. The tarnished soul is cleansed by God's purifying love. Being mindful of God's healing power makes a difference.

Persons stressed by the press of sins and turmoil in life find peace in the Lord Jesus Christ. Jesus said: "Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls." (Mt.11:29)

Believers may struggle with the same inclinations to sin over a period of time. Frustration may set in. Hope may fade that the certain inclinations to sin will ever be defeated.

The Lord strengthens believers to continue to fight against sin. Believers are encouraged to regularly repent and begin anew in Christ. With each new beginning, the battle can continue to be waged.

Evil is successful only when the believer yields to despair. There is reason to hope as long as the believer is willing to sincerely fight against sin. Victory with Christ is possible.

Relief and joy come from the Lord's love and forgiveness. Hope is strengthened and renewed when God's forgiveness is received and appreciated.

True repentance makes a decided difference in the most serious of sinners.

The lives of the saints reveal the positive changes occurring when sin is rejected and Christ is fully embraced. St. Mary of Egypt and St Moses the Black are two examples of repentance resulting in radically changed lives.

Danger exists in taking God's patience for granted and procrastinating. Repentance needs to occur throughout life. Life's fullness is experienced when lived in Christ.

Believers deny themselves the extensive and lasting joy in Christ when failing to repent. Thank God for the patience with each believer. Thank God for affording believers the opportunities to repent and begin anew

Holy Hieromartyr Clement, Bishop of Ancyra. January 23/February 5, 2020.Hidden Valley, Pennsylvania.Father Rodney Torbic

Ecumenical Patriarch: First of all, we are Orthodox and then Greeks, Russians, Ukrainians

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Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew spoke of "the wound of Orthodoxy" and described ethnophyletism as "a great danger."

"First of all, we are Orthodox, and then Greeks, Russians, Bulgarians, Ukrainians and everything else," he said during an interview on a Greek radio station in Australia. He pointed out, "Since the fall of communism, there is a resurgence of ethnophyletism in the Church world."

Moreover, he stressed the need to respect traditions by sounding the alarm about the future of Europe. "It is our duty, as representatives of the Churches, to make greater efforts to ensure that Europeans follow the teachings of the Gospel in their everyday life. We must not cut off from our roots and not forget that Christianity is the foundation of the European civilisation," he said.

Church of Hagia Sophia belongs to all humanity

The Ecumenical Patriarch opposed the conversion of the Church of Hagia Sophia into a mosque. "Hagia Sophia belongs to all humanity," he added, "and for us, it will always be a historic, traditional, and glorious Christian Church. We want it to remain a museum so that people from all over the world will continue to admire it."

The Ecumenical Patriarch also referred to several issues of modern life, such as scientific discoveries and fake news. "We want everything to be done in moderation [...] Moderation is the best thing." In particular, he referred to the cloning of Dolly the sheep, which is "an abuse of science and technology." He also spoke of fake news in the Church world. "It is a sin to mislead people with fake news," he said.

Our love of God and our love for one another are intimately bound up.

We love a God who restores justice, who liberates captives, who shows no partiality, who listens to the hurting, who speaks truth, who brings transformation to hearts as well as systems.

If this is the God we love and the God whose image we are made in, then we are capable of being His hands and feet. We are empowered to create change with empathy and trust.

...His Eminence, Archbishop Daniel