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### \*\*\*\*DORMITION FAST\*\*\*\*

**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, Metropolitan Theodosius [OCA], Archbishop Jovan, Bishop Robert, Metropolitan Savas, Father George & Pani Lillian Hnatko, Father Jakiw Norton, Father Paul Stoll, Father Igor Soroka, Father Joseph Kopchak, Father Elias Warnke, 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], Father George Livanos, Igumen Patrick, Pani Mary Ann Chubenko, Father Jim Orr, Father Rick Seilier, Panimatka Laryssa Charest, 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, 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, Howard Simpson, 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, 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, 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, Jeff & Buschra Kerr, Steven—Harry Batch's cousin, Rose Mary Pavlovich—Mary Anne Kuznik's Cousin, Stella McKeag, Margaret Sekelsky, Robert Sekelsky, Robert Rodriguez, Dollie Irvin, Joe Mrvos, Alexandra, Katherine Kulik, Micky Delans [COVID-19], Pastor Terry Polen, Eleanor Kitt, and 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.

A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU to Father Robert Holet for his kind donation to our parish. Father Bob was a surprise visitor to Holy Ghost on July 12 and enjoyed our Hot Dog Luncheon. He sent a wonderful note and a very generous donation to us. Thank you, Father Bob and Pani Christine for your kindness! God Bless and keep you always!

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] 279-5640.

#### **SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16 OBEDNITZA UPSTAIRS!!! 10:30 AM 10<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; VENERABLE ISAAC, DALMATUS, & FAUSTUS; VENERABLE ANTHONY THE ROMAN; VENERABLE COSMAS-EUNUCH & HERMIT OF PALESTINE

Tone 1
1 Corinthians 4:9-16
Matthew 17:14-23

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19 TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23 OBEDNITZA UPSTAIRS!!! 10:30 AM 11<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; AFTERFEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURAION; HOLY MARTYRS ARCHDEACON LAURENCE & POPE SIXTUS, FELICISSIMUS & AGAPTUS-DEACONS, AND OTHERS WITH THEM

Tone 2
1 Corinthians 9:2-12
Matthew 18:23-35

FRIDAY, AUGUST 28 DORMITION OF THE MOST HOLY THEOTOKOS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30

OBEDNITZA—UPSTAIRS!!!

10:30 AM

12<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; AFTERFEAST OF THE DORMITION; MARTYR
MYRON OF CYZICUS; MARTYRS THYRSUS, LEUCIUS, & CORONATUS & OTHERS
AT CAESAREA IN BITYNIA; MARTYRS PAUL & SISTER JULIANA OF SYRIA;
MARTYR PATROCLUS OF TROYES; MARTYRS STRATON, PHILIP, EUTYCHIAN, &
CYPRIAN OF NICOMEDIA; VENERABLE ALYPIUS THE ICONOGRAPHER OF
PERCHEVSKY LAVRA

Tone 3 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Matthew 19:16-26

### **BULLETIN INSERT FOR 16 AUGUST 2020**

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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!

#### Frederica Mathewes-Green

Dormition Fast (August 1/14-15/28) is one of the four "Lents" of the year, during which Orthodox Christians make their confession. When I was preparing for confession a year ago I felt frustrated because I know I am a sinner—I know what kind of a person I am, greedy and sneaky and so on—and yet I find it really hard to think of specific incidents of sin, to confess.

So I wrote a prayer (below) that I could say at the conclusion of my confession. I meant it to express my sorrow to God for everything that I didn't remember or didn't recognize as sin.

I would love for more people to use this prayer. So I'm inviting you to copy this and pass it along.

\*You don't have to put my name on it.\* It will travel farther and faster if it's anonymous. I believe my calling is to provide useful wordproducts for Orthodox believers to use. I would love for this prayer to become part of the general treasure of Orthodox resources.

A Prayer to be Said after Telling One's Sins to the Priest O Merciful Lord, you who are all-good and all-loving and patient with me, I know I have sinned; in word, deed, and thought, in knowledge and in ignorance, voluntarily and involuntarily. It is impossible for me to list all my sins, because of their multitude, and my forgetfulness, but especially because of my stony insensibility that prevents me from even noticing them. I truly repent of all these sins, including the ones I don't remember or prevented myself from recognizing as sin. Please forgive me, you who love mankind, and help me to do better; make me your dwelling place, so that I will love holiness and pursue it more closely every day, until the day when at last I see your face.

### **Standing in Worship**

The Orthodox practice of standing for worship Standing before God has been the only acceptable posture for Orthodox Christians from the earliest of times. We recognize that a faithful servant would never sit before his master, for the faithful are all servants of the Lord, whom we worship as we stand in our temples. The Holy Apostle Paul tells us, "Watch ye, stand fast in the faith" (I Cor. 16:13); "Stand, therefore, having your loins girt about with truth (Ephesians 6:14).

As Christians we must always be on guard spiritually, ever more so then when attending the divine services. By standing we subject our bodies to the attention needed to properly and fully worship God with all our mind and soul. We subject ourselves before the Master as His humble servants, being attentive to our God. When we become fatigued during long services we symbolically become offerings to the very God we worship. Saint Paul says: "Present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service" (Romans 12:1).

With love in Christ, Abbot Tryphon

#### The Holy Oblation—The place where heaven and earth are united

As a priest, I bear the awesome burden of offering the Holy Oblation before the Throne of God, on behalf of all the people whose names are submitted to the monastery, and who are Orthodox. I offer for my spiritual children, and even for the whole world. I commemorate my own

beloved parents, Albert and Dolores, who both converted to the Orthodox Faith while in their mid-seventies, and who both lived many years in Orthodoxy before reposing in the Lord.

I remember my best friend in college, Russell, who, like myself, converted from Lutheranism to Orthodoxy, and died at the age of 56, in the pastoral care of my friend Archpriest Nicholas Letten. I offer the Holy Oblation for the people who regularly attend the Sunday and Holy Day Liturgies, here in our monastery's temple. I offer, like all priests, the Holy Oblation for our nation, our civil authorities, and our armed forces. I offer the Eucharistic sacrifice for our Holy Patriarch Kirill, our Metropolitan Hilarion, for Archbishop Kyrill of San Francisco, and my Bishop Theodosy of Seattle. I offer the Oblation for all those who have no one to pray for them, and for those who have died, but are forgotten. I offer the Holy Sacrifice for all the clergy of the Seattle area, and for my brother priests of the diocese. I offer the Holy Sacrifice for myself.

As a priest, I am a Servant of the Altar, and when I stand before the holy table I am bound together with every priest who has ever served, and with everyone who has laid down his life for Christ, as a martyr. I am bound to every Christian who has ever lived. I am bound to Christ in His Eternal Kingdom wherein the Heavenly Banquet is eternally celebrated, eternally offered, and am falling down, together with all the heavenly hosts, in worship of the Holy Trinity.

The whole of the cosmos is united together in this heavenly offering, for it is the very source of Life itself. This offering is not simply a "symbol" or "memorial" of something that took place in the past, but a place where we meet the Eternal God, for Christ said, "he who eats of My Body, and drinks of my Blood, has life". Within this celebration we enter into the place where there is neither time, nor space, and we enter into the Heavenly Kingdom, where the Church Triumphant (in heaven) unites with the Church Militant (on earth). We enter into the Communion of Saints! I am a proponent of frequent communion because we need the Eucharist. It sustains us, encourages us, fortifies us, heals us, transforms us. The early Christians received whenever they gathered together, for they knew the communal participation in the Eucharistic banquet was life giving.

With love in Christ, Abbot Tryphon



#### **Compassion**

Psalm 77/78:38-But he, being full of compassion, forgave their iniquity, and destroyed them not: yea, many a time turned he his anger away, and did not stir up all his wrath. (KJV) The Lord forgives iniquities many times as an expression of great compassion. The Lord's compassion serves to encourage believers to sincerely repent of sins. Believers repenting of their sins completely benefit from the Lord's compassion. Wise believers seeking the Kingdom of God do not hesitate to repent quickly. God's compassion enables believers to begin anew to seek the Heavenly Kingdom.

Psalm 85/86:15-But thou, O Lord, art a God full of compassion, and gracious, long suffering, and plenteous in mercy and truth. (KJV)

God's compassion is an example to be followed by believers in personal life. Serious believers exercise compassion at home, on the job and in the community. Recipients of the Lord's compassion experience personal peace and feel loved. When believers are compassionate in personal life, relationships are improved. Guidance and strength from the Lord inspire believers to practice compassion.

# Psalm110/ 111:4-He hath made his wonderful works to be remembered: the Lord is gracious and full of compassion. (KJV)

Hope rises in life and is envisioned when the Lord is compassionate to believers. The Lord God's compassion reveals goodness in life continues to be achievable. God's compassion reassures believers and reaffirms the extent of God's love. Compassion results in the cleansing of the soul and peace being restored to life. Experiencing God's compassion is a tasting of the wonders of the Lord's love.

## Psalm 111/112:4-Unto the upright there ariseth light in the darkness: he is gracious, and full of compassion, and righteous. (KJV)

New possibilities in life open for believers grateful for the Lord's compassion. When God's compassion is honored, paths for new life in the Lord are revealed. The Lord's compassion sheds light on paths to follow to the Heavenly Kingdom. Joy in the Lord becomes achievable as a direct result of the Lord's compassion. The Lord God is due unending gratitude and honor for being compassionate.

## Psalm 144/145:8-The Lord is gracious, and full of compassion; slow to anger, and of great mercy. (KJV)

Wisdom exists in adhering to the ways of the Lord and not tempting God's wrath. When sins occur, repenting and seeking God's compassion are rightfully needed. The mind immersed in the Lord God will seek to daily adopt the ways of the Lord. The Lord's attributes will be embraced by believers seeking to the please the Lord. The soul is at peace when the Lord God forgives iniquities and is compassionate.

Holy Martyrs Trophimus and Theophilus. July 23/August 5, 2020. Hidden Valley, Pennsylvania. Father Rodney Torbic

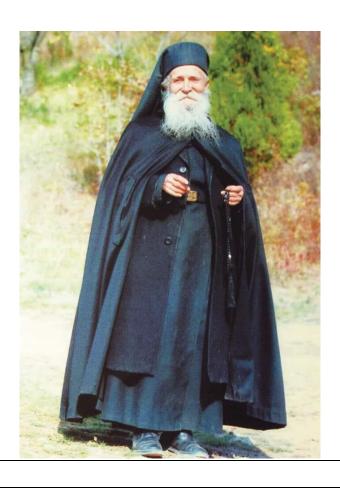
A young monk came for advice to Abba Moses.

"Father," he said, "I understand how you can sin with sight, hearing, taste, or touch. But how can one sin with smell?"

"If you put your nose in someone else's business," the elder replied.

The Lord is not tired of hearing us complain all the time. He is tired of our sins, not our turning to Him for help. He wants us to call upon Him all the time and to pour out hearts to Him. Prayer should not be something that is said and forgotten. You stand in front of an icon, recite your prayers, and go about your business. That is not prayer.

Our Thoughts Determine Our Lives-Elder Tadej of Vitovnica p.113



#### 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)

Great-Martyr and Healer Panteleimon John 15:17-16:2

These things I command you, that ye love one another. If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before it hated you. If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you. Remember the word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord. If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you; if they have kept my saying, they will keep yours also. But all these things will they do unto you for my name's sake, because they know not him that sent me. If I had not come and spoken unto them, they had not had sin: but now they have no cloak for their sin. He that hateth me hateth my Father also. If I had not done among them the works which none other man did, they had not had sin: but now have they both seen and hated both me and my Father. But this cometh to pass, that the word might be fulfilled that is written in their law, They hated me without a cause. But when the

Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me: And ye also shall bear witness, because ye have been with me from the beginning. These things have I spoken unto you, that ye should not be offended. They shall put you out of the synagogues: yea, the time cometh, that whosoever killeth you will think that he doeth God service. (KJV)

The world is facing a great crisis at this time. The coronavirus has caused wide-spread concern and fear. Dramatic societal changes to daily life have taken place. The Church is facing great challenges.

Believers are in search of peace and reassurance. Fearful believers are not unlike Peter who became fearful when the waves of the sea became rough from the wind.

When Peter cried out to Jesus for help, Jesus stretched forth His hand to Peter and led him to safety. During these days of great turmoil that extend beyond the coronavirus, believers need to reach out to the Lord Jesus Christ in firm faith.

Today, God's Holy Church commemorates the Great-Martyr and Healer Panteleimon. For centuries, Orthodox faithful have turned to St. Panteliemon seeking his prayerful intercession before the Lord.

St. Panteliemon is a source of great joy to believers, particularly those working in the field of healthcare. Individuals facing health issues and healthcare workers look to St. Panteliemon with confidence and assurance.

The Church provides formal prayers for the ill and healthcare workers

to utilize in seeking St. Panteliemon's intercession. St. Panteliemon increases the hopes of the ill and those employed in healthcare.

In today's society, hope in the Lord is of great importance. Peter's hope decreased when the wind increased and the waves became rough. Peter would have perished if he did not reach out to the Lord.

Today, reaching out to the Lord in faith is of maximum importance. Societal actions minimize the importance of faith in the Lord. Societal actions may even run counter to and be opposed to placing faith in the Lord.

St. Panteliemon's faith in the Lord has shined through the centuries as a beacon of hope. God's Holy Church keeps hope alive in the darkest of hours.

Jesus kept Peter from perishing even as he walked upon the sea.

The Church is where believers need to be today and every day. The Church offers the way, the truth and the life for all of life. In good times and bad, the Church is the place to be.

The Church is not only for this life. The Church leads to eternal life. Believers learn in the Church how to live now and the paths required to take to life eternal.

Wise individuals look to the teachings in God's Holy Church for guidance and direction. The Church offers nourishment for the constant hunger in the soul. The Church provides peace for the mind and heart. When concerns arise in life, the Church is where to turn. We read in Proverbs: "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths." (Prov.35:6)

Today give thanks to the Lord God for His Holy Church. Give thanks to St. Panteliemon for his unyielding faithfulness to the Lord. Through the prayers of St. Panteleimon, may the Lord God save us and give us peace.

The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost. The Great-Martyr and Healer Panteliemon. July 27/August 9, 2020. Hidden Valley, Pennsylvania. Father Rodney Torbic

MEMORY ETERNAL! Surrounded by her family, Virginia Catherine Pyrch fell asleep in the Lord in hope of the resurrection on Aug. 5th at 2:57 AM. She was born Nov. 14, 1940 in Sewickley, PA. We were married for 59 yrs. She was a nurse for 40 yrs. and a Navy wife for 23 yrs. while I served as a Navy Chaplain on active duty. Virginia was a loving mother to our three daughters: Katya, Beth, and Faith and had six grandchildren. We appreciate the many prayers offered during her extended illness. Thank you and God bless you. Father Paul Pyrch