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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 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, Protopresbyter William & Pani-Dobrodijka Sonia Diakiw, Archpriest Dionysi Vitali, Protodeacon Joseph Hotrovich, Father Paisius McGrath, Father Michael Smolynech, Father Lawrence & Matushka Sophia Daniels, Father Joe Cervo, Father John Harrold [Saint Sylvester], Igumen Patrick, Pani Mary Ann Chubenko, Father Jim Orr, Father Rick S3ilier, Panimatka Laryssa Charest, Fr. Vasyl Sendeha, Father George & Dobrodijka Oksana Bazylevsky, 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 Luciw, Theresa Ditto, Mary Ann Musial, Yvonne Christy, Father Deacon Myron & Barbara Spak, Julia Duda, Lisa Pandle, Kris & Julie Hanczar, John Kennedy, Gaele 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 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, 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], 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, 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 & 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, Steven—Harry Batch's cousin, Rose Mary Pavlovich—Mary Anne Kuznik's

Cousin, Margaret Sekelsky, Robert Sekelsky, Robert Rodriguez, Dollie Irvin, Joe Mrvos, Alexandra & Bowen, Katherine Kulik, Micky Delans [COVID-19], 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, Tim—surgery, John Wakin, Olivia—young girl with a brain tumor, Rick & Sharon Morgan, John Stasko [triple by-pass], John, Kris & Kait, Jeff & Mary Jane Double [COVID-19], Terri Crosby-Vega [COVID-19], Kristi Wilson, Wendy LaGamba, Melissa Gross [hip replacement], Mike, Amy, Nathan, & Ben Forbeck [COVID-19], David Salazar, Ann Zurasky [knee replacement], 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 [5-year-old], Lillian Skowvron, Pani Cathy Danczak, Sue & Greg Heinen, Paul Simpson [Father Bob's cousin, car accident], Sharon Curtis Rivas, Kathy Milcic, Lisa Bolan, David G. [cancer], Donna [dementia] & Darla, Linda Snow, Zack Blair [Pani Gina's nephew], Greg & Mary Lou Sheakley [Pani Gina's cousins—COVID], the McKenna family, David Gazella, Brian & Michele Cannone, Robert & Eleanor Rodrigues & family, Don Menagon [COVID-19], Father Deacon James Rossetti & Diakonissa Kari—ordination!, Steve Sivulich, Michael Welsh, Nick Solominsky, Samantha & Lisa Houser, Sarah Stepanovich Clark, Julia Baloga, Brett Crosby, Randy Lapuh, Henry & Shirley Tkacik, Diane & Arthur Chaklis, Denny Mader, Robert Chicka [cancer], Myra Woodruff [cancer], Zoe Oswald—Fr. Bob's cousin [cancer], 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.

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

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE! PRAY FOR PEACE IN THE WORLD—AND OUR LIVES!

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] 279-5640.

SERVICES IN SLICKVILLE

SUNDAY, September 04

*******NO SERVICE IN SLICKVILLE*******

12TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; AFTERFEAST OF THE DORMITION; MARTYRS AGATHONICUS, ZOTICUS, THEOPREPIUS, ACINDYNUS, SEVERIAN, ZENO, & OTHERS; HIEROMARTYR ATHANASIUS-BISHOP OF TARSUS IN CILICIA; SAINT ANTHUSA OF SYRIA, MARTYRS CHARESIMUS & NEOPHYTUS; VIRGIN-MARTYR EULALIA OF BARCELONA

Tone 3

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Matthew 19:16-26

SUNDAY, September 11

OBEDNITZA—UPSTAIRS

10:30 AM

13TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; BEHEADING OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

*******STRICT FAST DAY*******

Tone 4

1 Corinthians 16:13-24; Acts 13:25-32

Matthew 21:33-42; Mark 6:14-30

Litany in Blessed Memory of Father John Harvey, Father Dragan Filipovic, Frank Gazella, Sr., Suzie Pelczar, Helen McNally, & Gerald Wampler—Fr. Bob

SUNDAY, September 18

OBEDNITZA—UPSTAIRS

10:30 AM

14TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; PROPHET ZACHARIAS & RIGHTEOUS ELIZABETH; MARTYRS THIPHAEL & SISTER THIVEA; VIRGIN-MARTYR RHIAS OF ALEXANDRIA; MARTYRS URBAN, THEODORE, MEDIMNUS, & 77 COMPANIONS AT NICOMEDIA; MARTYR ABDAS; MARTYRDOM OF HOLY PASSION-BEARER HLIB-IN BAPTISM DAVID; MARTYRDOM OF SAINT ATHANASIUS-ABBOT OF BREST

Tone 5

2 Corinthians 1:21-2:4; Hebrews 6:13-20

Matthew 22:1-14; Matthew 23:29-39

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TROPARION—TONE 3

Let the Heavens rejoice! Let the earth be glad!
For the Lord has shown strength with His arm!
He has trampled down death by death!
He has delivered us from the depths of hell,
And has granted the world great mercy!

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

KONTAKION—TONE 3

On this day Thou didst rise from the tomb, O Merciful One!
Leading us from the gates of death.
On this day Adam exults as Eve rejoices;
With the prophets and patriarchs
They unceasingly praise the divine majesty of Thy power!

PROKEIMENON—TONE 3

READER: Sing praises to our God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King,
sing praises!

**PEOPLE: Sing praises to our God, sing praises! Sing praises to our
King, sing praises!**

READER: Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of
joy!

**PEOPLE: Sing praises to our God, sing praises! Sing praises to our
King, sing praises!**

READER: Sing praises to our God, sing praises!

PEOPLE: Sing praises to our King, sing praises!

ALLELUIA VERSES—TONE 3

In Thee, O Lord, have I hoped; let me never be put to shame!

Be Thou a God of protection for me, a house of refuge, in order to save me!

The Tenth Sunday After Pentecost Matthew 17:14-23

And when they were come to the multitude, there came to him a certain man, kneeling down to him, and saying, Lord, have mercy on my son: for he is lunatick, and sore vexed: for oftentimes he falleth into the fire, and oft into the water. And I brought him to thy disciples, and they could not cure him. Then Jesus answered and said, O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I suffer you? bring him hither to me. And Jesus rebuked the devil, and he departed out of him: and the child was cured from that very hour. Then came the disciples to Jesus apart, and said, Why could not we cast him out? And Jesus said unto them, Because of your unbelief: for verily I say unto you, If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place, and it shall remove, and nothing shall be impossible unto you. Howbeit this kind goeth not out but by prayer and fasting. And while they abode in Galilee, Jesus said unto them, The Son of man shall be betrayed into the hands of men: And they shall kill him, and the third day he shall be raised again. And they were exceedingly sorry. (KJV)

Mental illness has been a problem through the centuries. In the current Gospel, the Lord Jesus Christ addressed the issue of the son being afflicted and tormented by the devil.

The father with the afflicted son had the wisdom to turn to the Lord Jesus Christ to address his son's problem. Jesus rebuked the devil and healed the son.

Jesus Christ emphasized the importance of strong faith, fasting, and prayer.

Dealing with mental illness and maintaining mental wellness involve complexities. Turning to Jesus Christ first and foremost and remaining focused on Christ helps to put mental illness and mental wellness into perspective.

Having strong faith, prayer and fasting enable individuals to deal with life's stresses including having a family member with mental health issues. Keeping the focus on Christ, strong faith, prayer, and fasting facilitate mental wellness.

Medical and professional mental health workers exist to address the problems of the mentally ill. The Church makes it clear the Lord Jesus Christ remains primary in the healing process for believers.

The Church has specific prayers to address the attacks by the devil. Living the life in Christ serves believers in all circumstances. The root causes of mental illness are not always readily known even after all these years.

Jesus Christ provides necessary nourishment, guidance, and strength for believers faced with mental health issues personally or with a family member. The power of prayer, fasting, and strong faith cannot be overestimated.

Jesus Christ speaks about moving mountains with strong faith. Having a family member with a lingering mental health issue may become a challenge as large as a mountain.

Faith in Christ, prayer, and fasting will strengthen and guide believers to deal with mental health issues affecting the family. Strong faith, prayer, and fasting equip believers to address the stresses of personal life.

Being an active believer, and following the teachings of Christ and the Church prevents life's stresses from becoming overwhelming. Strong faith, prayer, and fasting are preventive measures against depression and despair in life.

The cure for all forms of mental illness is not readily apparent. Jesus Christ is always present to help family members to address the issue of a mentally ill family member and to seek the care necessary.

The present Gospel is always timely. The present Gospel reveals Jesus Christ's healing power and authority to rebuke the devil. Dealing with mental illness requires serious attention.

Jesus Christ offers hope to families with a member suffering from mental illness. The father in the current Gospel verifies the value of having hope in Jesus Christ. The father is an example for believers with a suffering family member.

The Gospel remains relevant through the centuries. The Gospel applies to daily life. Believers investing in studying the Gospel and reading the Gospel regularly make a lasting investment in mental wellness.

The Lord God is a good and loving God with the power to heal illnesses, diseases, and infirmities. Wise individuals like the father in the present Gospel turn to Jesus Christ for guidance and help.

Jesus Christ did not disappoint the father in the Gospel. Jesus Christ does not disappoint believers exercising strong faith, prayer, and fasting. Love for Jesus Christ and for suffering family members are essential in the Christian life.

The father in the current Gospel loved his son and sought healing for the son.

Family members are always wise to turn to Jesus Christ when seeking healing of a suffering loved one.

The Gospel has lasting wisdom. The Gospel documents the love and healing power of Jesus Christ. Seekers of healing benefit immeasurably from the wisdom and content of the Gospel.

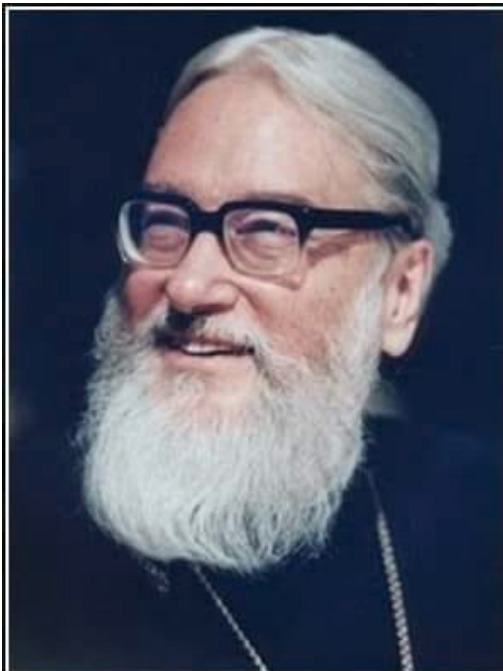
God's Holy Church offers daily healing for all forms of infirmities and afflictions. All illnesses and afflictions are not necessarily visible. Jesus Christ is aware of the presence of any hurt in a person's heart, mind and soul.

The illness and cure of the soul are of paramount importance. Jesus Christ is the way to ensure the soul is tarnish-free and healthy.

Being faithful to Jesus Christ in the Church is the pathway to health of the soul.

*The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost. August 8/21, 2022. St. Emilian the Confessor. Venerable Zosimas of Tuman. Hidden Valley, Pennsylvania.
Father Rodney Torbic*

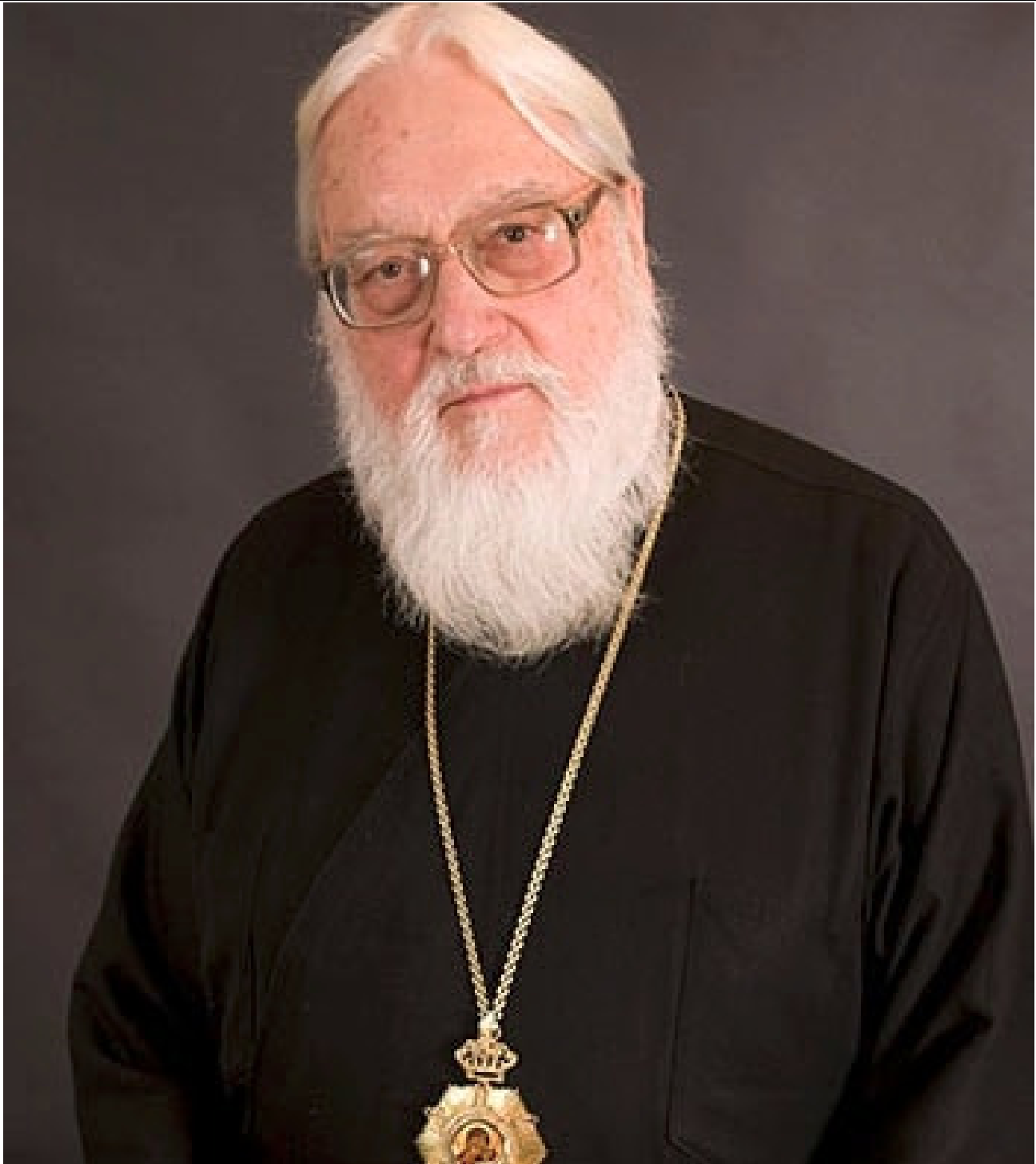
Metropolitan Savas: "If we want to fare well in this life and to go to Paradise, and to call our God father, we must have two loves: love for God and love for our neighbor. It is natural for us to have these two loves, and contrary to nature not to have them. Just as a swallow needs two wings in order to fly in the air, so we need these two loves, because without them we cannot be saved... If you wish to be saved, seek no other thing here in this world as much as love." St. Kosmas the Aetolian (+1779)



We see that it is not the task of Christianity to provide easy answers to every question, but to make us progressively aware of a mystery. God is not so much the object of our knowledge as the cause of our wonder.

— Kallistos Ware —

AZ QUOTES



Metropolitan Kallistos Fell Asleep in the Lord

The Holy Archdiocese of Thyateira and Great Britain sadly announces the falling asleep of His Excellency Metropolitan Kallistos of Diokleia on Wednesday 24th August 2022.

A noted scholar, lecturer and author, and devout and faithful clergyman, a beloved spiritual father, His Excellency served Christ and His Church for many years. His words, spoken and written, made Orthodoxy known to the entire world, especially to his native land.

The clergy are asked to offer the appropriate memorial services and the faithful are asked to pray that God will receive his soul in His Kingdom and number him among the just.

When funeral arrangements are finalized, they will be made known to the public.

May his memory be eternal

Obituary: Metropolitan Kallistos Ware

25 August 2022

Elena Narinskaya



Bishop Kallistos Ware in a video in support of women's ministry in 2017
Canon Hugh Wybrew writes:

WITH the death of Metropolitan Kallistos on 24 August, a couple of weeks before his 88th birthday, the Orthodox Church has lost one of its best theologians and pastors, and Oxford a distinguished scholar and teacher.

Close contemporaries, Timothy Ware and I first met at Oxford, when I was an undergraduate and he a graduate student. He had come to Magdalen College from Westminster School, and had graduated in both classics and theology. He was then a traditionally minded Anglican. But his experience of Orthodox worship in a Russian Orthodox church in London so

impressed him that, at the age of 24, he was received into the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of Thyateira & Great Britain.

Timothy the layman soon became Kallistos the monk, and spent time at the monastery of St John the Theologian, on Patmos. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1966, and served in the Greek Orthodox parish of the Annunciation, in Oxford. In the same year, he was appointed Spalding Lecturer in Eastern Orthodox Studies, in the University of Oxford, where he taught for the next 35 years. He was an excellent lecturer in the best Oxford manner, seasoning scholarship with humour, and supervised many doctoral theses. In the parish, he was appreciated as a spiritual father, and attracted converts.

While still a layman, he had published in 1963 *The Orthodox Church*, of which a revised edition was published in 1993. It is still regarded as one of the best introductions to Orthodoxy, and was followed by *The Orthodox Way*, a no less clear and concise account of Orthodox spirituality. With Mother Mary, he published English translations of liturgical texts in *The Lenten Triodion* and *The Festal Menaion*, and wrote many articles for various journals. With others, he worked for many years on an English translation of the *Philokalia*, of which four of the five volumes have already been published.

In 1970, he was elected a Fellow of Pembroke College, where he enjoyed Oxford's collegiate life, and his colleagues enjoyed his wisdom and wit. He kept his connection with the college after he retired as a Fellow, preaching occasionally in chapel.

The present Chaplain, the Reverend Dr Andrew Teal, has said that the students loved him, and called him Gandalf. They were particularly impressed by his emphasis on green pastoral theology on Patmos: trees planted after confession meant that it was re-forested after the devastation of the Second World War.

Dr Teal recalls this conversation with the Bishop, combining humour with spiritual direction, when he was driving him to his clinic: "K: 'Is this a new vehicle?' A: 'No, it's my old one. I love it.' K: 'Love it, Father?! One can only *love* persons. You may love your car, but your BMW does not love you!'"

Bishop Kallistos never lost a certain affection for the Anglican Church in which he had grown up. Among his many other ecumenical commitments, he was a member of the Anglican-Orthodox international theological dialogue, and, in 2017, was awarded the Lambeth Cross for Ecumenism by the Archbishop of Canterbury for his outstanding contribution to the dialogue. He was an enthusiastic member of the Fellowship of St Alban and St Sergius, founded in 1928 to foster mutual understanding between Anglicans and Orthodox, and he was a trustee of

the two ecumenical houses founded by Nicholas and Militsa Zernov, the House of St Gregory and St Macrina and the House of St Theosevia.

As a senior Greek Orthodox bishop, he could on occasion stand on his dignity. But not far beneath his episcopal exterior—he was never seen in public without his monastic habit—there lurked an English Oxford don. Among the stories that he enjoyed telling, one related how he once fell asleep during a sermon, and woke up to discover that he was himself the preacher.

Metropolitan Kallistos has been a major figure not only in the Orthodox Church, but more widely in English-speaking Christianity. He has helped many to a greater understanding of the Orthodox Christian tradition, and made an important contribution to its scholarly study. He has now, as the Orthodox say, “reposed in the Lord”. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.



24 August 2022 It is now official, according to Metropolitan IRENEI: Metropolitan KALLISTOS reposed at about 1am local time. Memory eternal!