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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, Archbishop Jovan, Metropolitan Savas, Father Paul & Pani Judy 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 Daniels, Father Joe & Protinica Linda Cervo, Igumen Patrick, Father Jim Orr, Father Rick Seilier, Panimatka Laryssa Charest, Father Vasyl Sendeha, Father George & Dobrodijka Oksana Bazylevsky, Father Angelo Artemas, Father John Haluszczak, Dr. Christina Nellis, Father Joshua [Anna], Father Justin (Todd) Mokhiber, Pani Cathy Danczak, Protopresbyter Gerald Ozlanski, Father James Norton, Monk Andrew, Father Dan & Matushka Myra Kovalak, Pastor Terry & Lisa Polen, Chaplain Rachelle Zazzu, Eva Malesnick, Nick Behun, 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, 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, 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, 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, Gene Blair [Pani Gina's dad], 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], Patricia

Corey, Michelle, Katie Swarm, Michelle, Patrick, Linda Morris, Chris, David Hiles, Jennifer, Cher Mount, Jim Wandling, Gail, Sirena Sharp, Ron Paulovich, Sandi Anderson, Lina, Shirley, Denny Mader, Ella Campbell, 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, Mira Filipović, Lynn, Jacqueline, Sharon, Zan Cheng, Kristy, Brandon, Anna Tranchine, Demetra, Blase Urban, Catherine Hogel & children, Jennifer & Dylan, 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, Margie Sekelsky, Fran Fulton, Bill Vizza, Jamie Swarm, Kathy Flaherty, Tori Reade-Henry's niece, Derick-Glen Burlack's neighbor, Michael, Nichole & Christopher, Ben Douglas, Dianne Donahue, Zachary, Natasha, Noah Willard, Gregory Cervo, Lisa Bruce, Kathy Cvetkovich, Judy, Will, Emma, Ginny, Ye-Jin, Maria, John & JoAnn, Ralph & Beverly Stoker, Noah Willard, Nikola, Natalie, Nikola, & Nevenka Jovonovich, Julia Collier, Amy Kemerer, Thomas Smith, Tracy Slaugenhaupt, Louis Berceli, Tom Nolan, Silvia Martin, Dena & George, Georgia, Lawanda [Evelyn's niece], Maureen Sams, John Kendall, 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, Stephen Popichak—Fr. Bob's brother, 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, Mike Ruzzi, Mary Kay Ludovicy, George Dilendorf, Sharon Torick, Carol Behun, Erv Frye, William Lusherand, Colin Kirton—Stage 4 pancreatic cancer, Clifford, Paul Riley, Tonee & Sydnee Turner, Annette Paluh, Theresa Paluh, Cathy Lotinsky, Jeff & Buschra Kerr, Margaret Sekelsky, Robert Sekelsky, Robert Rodriguez, Rita & Joe Mrvos, Alexandra & Bowen, Katherine Kulik, Eleanor Kitt, Maria Warholak, Christy, Mariruth, Judy Previc, Ben Williams, Tim—surgery, Olivia—girl with a brain tumor, Rick & Sharon Morgan, John Stasko, John, Kris, & Kait, Wendy LaGamba, Melissa Gross [hip replacement], Amy Forbeck, David Salazar, Dr. Paul Riley, David Hess, Serena, Wyatt, Makenzie, Jennifer, Alexandra Roberts, Candace, Dave, Jared, & Beth Irvin, Carol Muschick, Grace Love [knee replacement], Joseph Paul Cervo, Jr., Elizabeth, Susan & Greg Heinen, Paul Simpson [Father Bob's cousin], Sharon Curtis Rivas, Kathy Milcic, Lisa Bolan, David G. [cancer], Donna

[dementia] & Darla, Adam Snow, the McKenna family, David Gazella, Brian & Michele Cannone, the Rodrigues family, Michael Welsh, Nick Solominsky, Samantha & Lisa Houser, Sarah Stepanovich Clark, Julia Baloga, Brett Crosby, Randy Lapuh, Henry Tkacik, Diane & Arthur Chaklis, Denny Mader, Zoe Oswalt—Fr. Bob's cousin, Barbette [cancer] & Scott, Kristin [cancer], Erm Hartmann, Barbara Bookser, Bob Mazzuca, Marko, Taylor, Terri Crosby-Vega, Christine Mohamed & family, Tammy Marsico, Terry & David Hartnett, Jamie Ball, Kay Williams, Hannah Stewart, Jim Wyko-Alex's friend, Dan Losego, Lisa Bruce, Yvette, Barry Bender, Andrew Zelleznick, Byron & Cecilia Scott, Vespina, Michelle Russo, Julie Tripodi, Debbie— HTUCC, 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 & Colton Rosati, Jessica Shirley, Mark [kidney cancer], Steve Milcic, Wilbert Wagner, Bob Wojciechowski, Ashley, Beth, Sharon Svitek, Laura, Christopher, & ane Dickson, Luke D, Diane Murphy, Kristin Vaughn [Harry's daughter], George Petronsky, Doug & Darcie Burkholder, Michael, Jeane, and Katie Byerly, Acolyte Photios & family [Joanne, Richard, Heather, Keith, James, Debbie, James, Sophia, Zachary, Tabitha, Argynios, Barbara, Aristotle, Alexander, Kalev, Nina, Elias, Elijah, Jessica], Richard Scharba [Metropolitan Antony's brother], George Lawrence, Edie McGrath, Samantha Lopez, Bob [cancer], Syble Elliott, Maria Ancevski, Krystyna, John, & Jeffrey, Dottie & family, Bonny Diver & Ashley Smock, Steve, Jill Morocco, Mike Pelino, Maddie Stewart, Hutchinson Family, David Urban, Vicky Moore, Casi [cancer], Ashley & Andy, Marion Mamula, Dominic [cancer], Diane Hughes, Jenny Case, John Chovanes, Edward Poturich, Jeff, Chris, & Mills family, Sarah's son, Rachel, Alex, & little Charlie, Steve & Vonnie Gerson, and Lauren, Dan, & the baby... We pray that God will grant them all a complete and speedy recovery.

As far as possible, be discreet in your conversations and do not overly open up to others. One will say it to another and another to yet another, and then what will come of that? Saint Paisios of Mount Athos, Spiritual Counsels Vol. II Spiritual Awakening p.234

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 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, August 03 *****NO SERVICE IN SLICKVILLE—Fr. Bob at All Saints Camp*****

8TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; PROPHET EZEKIEL; SAINT SYMEON OF EMESAFOOL FOR CHRIST & FELLOW-FASTER SAINT JOHN; SAINT ONUPHRIUS
THE SILENT & SAINT ONUPHRIUS THE RECLUSE OF PERCHEVSKY LAVRA

Tone 7 1 Corinthians 1:10-18 Matthew 14:14-22

SUNDAY, August 10 OBEDNITZA—SAINT JOHN CHRYSOSTOM—UPSTAIRS 10:30 AM 9TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; HOLY APOSTLES OF THE 70 AND DEACONS PROCHORUS, NICANOR, TIMON, & PARMENAS; MARTYR JULIAN OF DALMATIA; MARTYR EUSTATHIUS & MARTYR ACACIUS OF APAMEA; VENERABLE MOSES-WONDERWORKER OF PERCHEVSKY LAVRA

Tone 8 1 Corinthians 3:9-17 Matthew 14:22-34

Litany in Blessed Memory of Father Peter Natishan, Samuel Mrvos, Matushka Virginia Pyrch, David Yenni, Denise Lawrence, Rudy Obradovich, Michael Horvath, John Sheliga, Anna Harte, Mildred Kitch, Agnes Rossi, & Michael Cherepko! May God grant them the Kingdom of Heaven and Life Everlasting! Vechnaya Pam'yat! Memory Eternal! God Bless their families and friends

THURSDAY, August 14 DORMITION FAST BEGINS

SUNDAY, August 17 *****NO SERVICE IN SLICKVILLE *****

10TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; HOLY 7 YOUTHS OF EPHESUS-MAXIMILLIAN,
JAMBLICUS, MARTINIAN, JOHN, DIONYSIUS, EXACUSTODIANCONSTANTINE, & ANTONINUS; MARTYR EUDOCIA; MARTYR ELEUTHERIUS

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TROPARION—TONE 7

By Thy Cross, Thou didst destroy death!
To the thief, Thou didst open Paradise!
For the Myrrhbearers, Thou didst change weeping into joy.
And Thou didst command Thy disciples, O Christ God,
To proclaim that Thou art risen, granting 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 7

The dominion of death can no longer hold men captive, For Christ descended, shattering and destroying its powers! Hell is bound, while the prophets rejoice and cry: The Savior has come to those in faith! Enter, you faithful, into the Resurrection!

PROKEIMENON—TONE 7

READER: The Lord shall give strength to His people! The Lord shall bless His people with peace!

PEOPLE: The Lord shall give strength to His people! The Lord shall bless His people with peace!

READER: Offer to the Lord, O you sons of God! Offer young rams to the Lord!

PEOPLE: The Lord shall give strength to His people! The Lord shall bless His people with peace!

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ALLELUIA VERSES—TONE 7

It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to Thy name, O Most High!

[Прот. О. Ярема Петрів] Protoirea Jeremiah Petriv:

Talking to the students at the Last Supper, the Savior commanded them peace. "Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives, I give to you" (In. 14: 27), —about this gift to mankind, Christ speaks immediately after the promise to send the Holy Spirit. God's peace is not just different from the peace of the earth, known to men to that moment. This is a completely different state of mind, a state in which a person gets rid of anxiety and fear. Peace in God is the state of man free from sin and evil, in which he temporarily finds comfort.

In the time of Christ, the very concept of peace was not something new: if there are wars—and because of the sinful nature of man they, unfortunately, constantly accompany humanity, —there is also time between them, which will be called "peace". Human peace is inseparable from war and exists only as opposed to war, becoming not its own peace but merely the "absence of war".

Peace in God, unlike man, is completely self-sufficient. It exists on several interconnected levels: internally, where one has found reconciliation with God and himself, interpersonal—reconciliation with the people around him, and global—peace in the world that every Christian aspires to. This peace is not just about ending the armed conflict, but overcoming evil, the sin that prevents man from getting right with God and fellow men. By defeating internal evil, a man becomes able to challenge external: hunger, evil, diseases, and wars that bring death to God's creation.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called the sons of God" (Mf. 5: 9). Peacemaking from the point of view of Christianity is not always about professional activity as a peacemaker, which, though honorable, is accessible to few. To be a peacemaker, to be a bearer of God's peace for oneself and others is the responsibility of every Christian, regardless of their background and walk of life.

The Lord does not just give us His peace. He teaches us to show him by giving his love. Do not only ask for peace in prayer, but to actively participate in peacekeeping, seeking opportunities to combat sin, and daily practice them.

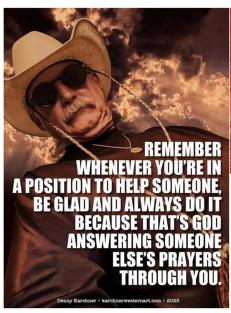


Father Raphael [Ralph Ervin Moore] contributes:

Saint Isaac says, "Prepare your heart to go."

If you are wise, you will expect your departure every hour.

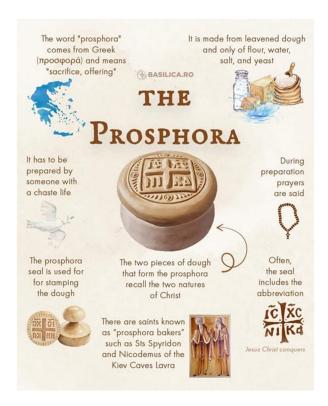
Everyday tell yourself that whoever's coming to pick me up is already at the door. Why am I sitting idle? I must leave forever, no return. Go to sleep with these thoughts every night, and contemplate them all day. And when it is time to depart, be ready, and say: Come in peace. I knew you were coming, and I neglected nothing that could help me on this journey."

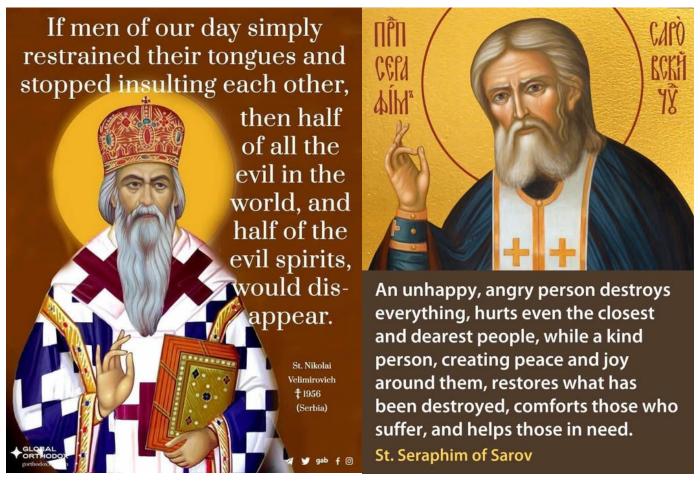




Be constantly committed to prayer or to reading [Scripture]; by praying, you speak to God, in reading, God speaks to you.

St. Cyprian





Prayers that are offered up to God remain behind closed doors if they do not contain love, for only love can open the doors for prayer. *Venerable Ephraim the Syrian*

THIS APPLIES TO ALL OF US:

A woman came to confession and spent the entire session griping about her husband's shortcomings. At the end, the Priest told her, "Send your husband up for absolution since you have confessed all his sins. When you are ready to confess YOUR sins, I'll absolve you."

