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### BULLETIN OF JULY 22, 2018

#### SUNDAY/JULY 22

##### **Eighth Sunday After Pentecost**

##### **St. Mary Magdalene**

9:10a.m. Hours; 9:30a.m. Divine Liturgy  
Blessing of Autos/Bikes/"Things That Move"  
Coffee Hour

#### MONDAY/JULY 23

##### **Icon, "Joy of All That Sorrow"**

9:30a.m. Akathist to Icon

#### WEDNESDAY/JULY 25

6:30p.m. Memorial for Atopere Filippini

7:00p.m. Compline & Akathist to

##### **St. Jacob of Sitka, Alaska**

#### THURSDAY/JULY 26

7:00p.m. Vespers

#### FRIDAY/JULY 27

##### **Great-Martyr Panteleimon**

8:00a.m. Divine Liturgy

#### SATURDAY/JULY 28

9:30a.m. Akathist to Our Lord; Confession

5:30p.m. Blessing of Apples, Vespers &  
Compline; Confessions

#### SUNDAY/JULY 29

##### **Ninth Sunday After Pentecost**

9:10a.m. Hours; 9:30a.m. Divine Liturgy  
Coffee Hour; Question & Answer Period

#### GREAT-MARTYR AND HEALER PANTELEIMON

*Commemorated July 27<sup>th</sup>*

Panteleimon was born in Nicomedia of a Christian mother and a pagan father. His mother was called Eubula and his father Eustorgius. As a young man he studied the science of medicine. The priest, Hermolaus, invited Panteleimon to be with him and taught him the Faith of Christ and baptized him. Panteleimon miraculously cured a blind man whom the other doctors treated in vain; he cured him by the power of Christ and baptized him. Out of envy the doctors accused Panteleimon of being a Christian and he went before the Emperor Maximian to stand trial. "He stood before the earthly king in body but in thought he stood before the heavenly King." Before the emperor, he freely declared that he was a Christian and, before the eyes of the emperor, he healed a paralytic of a long-standing illness. This miracle drew many pagans to the Faith of Christ. The emperor subjected him to torture but the Lord appeared to him on several occasions and delivered him whole and unharmed. Saint Hermolaus with Hermippas and Thermocrates were then martyred. Sentenced to death, Saint Panteleimon knelt for prayer. At that moment the executioner struck him on the neck with a sword and the sword broke as though it were made of wax. The executioner was unable to execute him until the saint completed his prayer and until Panteleimon told him to behead him. His relics possessed the ability to heal. Panteleimon was executed under an olive tree which, after that, became all adorned with fruit. PANTA LEON means, "all merciful" "all compassionate." The All-merciful God received his righteous soul and glorified him among His great saints. This wonderful martyr suffered honorably for Christ in his youth, on July 27, 304 A.D. Saint Panteleimon is invoked in prayers at the time of the "Blessing of Waters" and in the blessing of the holy oils used in the "The Sacrament of Holy Unction," together with Saint Hermolaus and the other unmercenary saints and wonder-workers. A most beautiful church dedicated to this saint is located on Holy Mount Athos.



### ***Offerings Week of July 22***

**Relics Candle:** for parishioners; in memory of Michael, Justina, Rosalia, Anastasia, Eva, Panteleimon and Ivanna; in memory of Ivanna.

**Olive Oil:** for the health of Hyaden (birthday) for the health of Robert & Stacey (anniversary); in memory of Alex and Clara; in memory of Bocai and Sarchisian families.

### ***Synodicon: Memory Eternal!***

July 23, 1988 John Suseck  
July 23, 1988 David Riegler  
July 24, 1950 Joseph Hamernick  
July 24, 1965 Steven Sabat  
July 24, 1996 Roman Bodenchuk  
July 24, 2004 Elizabeth Tyevech  
July 25, 1941 Maria Kuch  
July 25, 1966 Joseph Verkon  
July 25, 1973 John Pawlik  
July 26, 1917 Michael Kohut  
July 25, 1956 Michael Evanoff  
July 26, 1977 Clara Bartushak  
July 26, 1977 Peter Cresina  
July 28, 1946 Sophie Sufrinko  
July 28, 1985 Euzebius Tarangul  
July 28, 1999 Nicholas Barnosky  
July 29, 1980 Helen Monko

### ***Coffee Hour Schedule***

July 22 Sokol, Nasledysheva, Staina & Sarchisian  
July 29 Chirnoaga, Moldoveanu, Vajda & Sue

### ***Counters Schedule***

July 22 Larissa M. & Paulina N.  
July 29 Peter B. & Ekaterina M.

### ***Ushers Schedule***

July 22 Edward S. & Kahka K.  
July 29 Jerome S. & Adrian M.

### ***Readers Schedule***

July 22 Daniel T. / July 29 Peter G.



### ***OCMC – Orthodox Christian Mission Center – Health Team to Guatemala – November 9-18, 2018***

Our parish is happy to have one of our parishioners participate in this Mission Work, Lisa Keller. If you wish to help defray the cost of travel you may make a donation for this team member by name at [www.ocmc.org/donate](http://www.ocmc.org/donate) (Guatemala November Health Team) or directly to Lisa.

### ***Names Day Greetings***

St. Ann/July 25: Lisa Keller, Jill Peterson, Dolly Bakaletz & Anna Kaliashvili  
Many Blessed Years!

### ***Congratulations & Many Blessed Years!***

To our devoted long time parishioner Natalie Ratzkovich, celebrating her 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday! Our prayers and love for our dearest Serb!

### ***The Holy Dormition Lent – Aug. 1-14***

This is one of “the Four Lents” of the year. This two week fast is a time of repentance to prepare us to celebrate the Repose, Burial, Resurrection and Ascension of the Mother of God. A fast is observed from meat, dairy, fish, wine and oil. Your Parish Wall Calendar indicates days when the fast is mitigated.

For those that regularly receive the Holy Gifts at the Divine Liturgy, if you have not been to Confession anytime after Pascha (April 8<sup>th</sup>), you must go to Confession in the month of August to continue to approach the Chalice. This discipline is for both adults and children of Confession age.

### ***Summer Vacation Check List***

- Pack an icon and prayer book.
- Book for spiritual reading.
- Observe the Fasting Days of Wednesday and Friday and the days of the Dormition Lent (Aug. 1-14).
- For Sundays, locate Orthodox Church.
- Make your parish offerings before you go.
- Ask for a Prayer of Travelers.
- Find and seek Jesus Christ Everywhere.
- Be thankful to God for All Things!

## ***The Necessity of Every Person in the Parish*** **- St. Paisios of Athos (+1993)**

Everyone is necessary in the Church. Everyone offers their services to her, no matter what their character is, mild or strict. The Body of the Church is like the human body. Just as we need both sweet and sour foods, even bitter herbs, because each food has something to contribute in vitamins and other nutrients, so too, for the Body of the Church, every one of us is indispensable. Each person complements the character of the other, and all of us are obliged to tolerate not only the spiritual temperament of others, but also their human weaknesses.

Now unfortunately, there are those who have irrational expectations from other people. They expect everyone to have the same spiritual temperament as their own; and if others do not coincide with their personalities, if they are a bit more lenient or more severe, they immediately conclude that they are not spiritual people.



### **ON FERVENT PRAYER TO GOD**

*By St. Nikolai Velimirovich*

"Prayer consisting of words alone does not help if the heart does not participate in prayer. God hears only a fervent prayer. Abba Zoilus of Thebaid was once returning from Mt. Sinai and met a monk who complained to him, that they are suffering much from drought in the monastery. Zoilus said to him: 'Why don't you pray and implore God?' The monk replied: 'We have prayed and have implored, but there is no rain.' To this, Zoilus replied: 'It is evident that you are not praying fervently. Do you want to be convinced that it is so?' Having said this, the elder raised his hands to heaven and prayed. Abundant rain fell to the earth. Seeing this, the astonished monk fell to the ground and bowed before the elder, but the elder, fearing the glory of men, quickly fled. The Lord Himself said: 'Ask and it will be given you' (St. Luke 11:9). In vain are mouths full of prayer if the heart is empty. God does not stand and listen to the mouth but to the heart. Let the heart be filled with prayer even though the mouth might be silent. God will hear and will receive the prayer. For God only listens to a fervent prayer."

### **FULLY GIVEN TO GOD**

*By St. Silouan the Athonite*

The Lord gave us the Holy Spirit, and the man in whom the Holy Spirit lives feels that he has paradise within him.

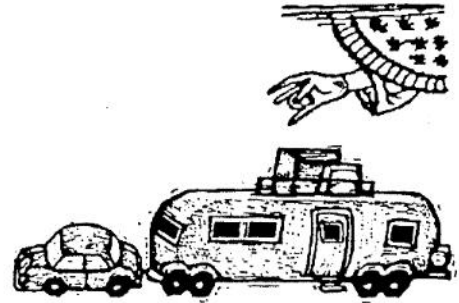
Perhaps you will say, 'Why is it I have not grace like that?' It is because you have not surrendered yourself to the will of God but live in your own way. Look at the man who likes to have his own way. His soul is never at peace and he is always discontented: this is not right and that is not as it should be. But the man who is entirely given over to the will of God can pray with a pure mind, his soul loves the Lord, and he finds everything pleasant and agreeable.

Thus did the Most Holy Virgin submit herself to God: 'Behold, the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to Thy word.' And were we to say likewise—'Behold the servant of the Lord; be it unto me according to Thy word'—then the Lord's words written in the Gospels by the Holy Spirit would live in our souls, and the whole world would be filled with the love of God, and how beautiful would life be on earth! And although the words of God have been heard the length and breadth of the universe for so many centuries, people do not understand and will not accept them. But the man who lives according to the will of God will be glorified in heaven and on earth."



## THE BLESSING OF AUTOMOBILES

O Lord our God, Who makes the clouds Thy chariot and Who walks on the wings of the wind, Who has sent to Thy servant, the Prophet Elias, a chariot of fire, Who has guided man to invent this (car, truck, motorcycle, etc.) which is as fast as the wind. We thank Thee for Thou hast provided Thy servants with this vehicle to serve their various needs. Therefore, O Master, pour out now upon it Thy heavenly blessings; assign to it a guardian angel to preserve it from all evil. And as Thou didst grant faith and grace by Thy deacon Philip to the man from Ethiopia who was sitting in his chariot and reading holy Scripture, show the way of salvation to Thy servants. So that helped by Thy grace and always intent on doing good works, they may after all the trials of their pilgrimage on earth, attain to everlasting joys, through the intercessions of our Most-pure Lady, the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary, by the power of the precious and life-giving Cross; through the prayers of the holy Angels; of St. Nicholas the Wonderworker and of all the Saints: For Thou art the Provider and Sanctifier of all things and to Thee do we ascribe glory, and to Thy Only-begotten Son, and Thy All-holy, good, and life-creating Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.



## 10 COMMANDMENTS FOR DRIVERS

- I. Always begin a trip with prayer, making the Sign of the Cross and entrusting yourself to the Lord.
- II. Never drink and drive.
- III. Never try to shorten the time of a trip. If you started out late, you will arrive late. Do not speed.
- IV. Apologize to a driver whom you have interfered with, even when you did not intend to. After all, when we are walking, and bump someone, we apologize without thinking. So why should there be a different ethic behind the wheel?
- V. Always yield way to someone who is in a great hurry, or is driving aggressively. If you do not yield, he will still pass you, but the situation will be more dangerous.
- VI. Give a wave of thanks to a driver who makes way for you.
- VII. Drive in such a way that you won't fear seeing a police car. Remember that God is watching, even if the police are not.
- VIII. Stay as far away as possible from cars that have dents or show signs of accidents. But be careful not to judge, or you may share in their misfortune.
- IX. Never speed up when another driver tries to pass you, or to get into your lane. Do not treat your neighbor in a way you do not want to be treated.
- X. After every trip, thank God for its safe completion. Be thankful after any trip, and not just a successful one. After all, almost always it could have been worse!