

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



*Icon of the Unmerciful Servant (Matthew 18:23-25)*

### *Condemn Ourselves for Our Sins, and to Forgive Others*

Two things therefore does He here require, both to condemn ourselves for our sins, and to forgive others; and the former for the sake of the latter, that this may become more easy (for he who considers his own sins is more indulgent to his fellow-servant); and not merely to forgive with the lips, but from the heart.

Let us not then thrust the sword into ourselves by being revengeful. For what grief has he who has grieved you inflicted upon you, like you will work unto yourself by keeping your anger in mind, and drawing upon yourself the sentence from God to condemn you? For if indeed you are watchful, and keepest yourself under control, the evil will come round upon his head, and it will be he that will suffer harm; but if you should continue indignant, and displeased, then yourself will undergo the harm not from him, but from yourself.

For if we be willing, no one shall be able to injure us, but even our enemies shall advantage us in the

greatest degree. And why do I speak of men? For what can be more wicked than the devil; yet nevertheless, even hence have we a great opportunity of approving ourselves; and Job shows it. But if the devil has become a cause of crowns, why are you afraid of a man as an enemy?

See then how much you gain, bearing meekly the spiteful acts of your enemies. First and greatest, deliverance from sins; secondly, fortitude and patience; thirdly, mildness and benevolence; for he that knows not how to be angry with them that grieve him, much more will he be ready to serve them that love him. Fourthly, to be free from anger continually, to which nothing can be equal. For of him that is free from anger, it is quite clear that he is delivered also from the despondency hence arising, and will not spend his life on vain labors and sorrows.

*St. John Chrysostom*

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Glory to Jesus Christ!  
Slava Isusu khristoo!

August 24-25, 2019  
The 11th Sunday

OUR ARCHBISHOP BORYS, along with Bishop Andrij, paid an unofficial to us on Thursday. Of course, he chose the day when the carpet cleaners took over the rectory and the painters did the same for the Church. But the Archbishop was quite pleased with all he saw and witnessed and asked Father Pastor to send his love and prayers to all our Faithful.

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THIS WEEK WE WILL CELEBRATE Ukrainian Independence Day, as we all pray for our struggling brothers and sisters in Ukraine. Our good folks in Ukraine are currently with a poor economy and their rapacious neighbor to the North. May God bless the folks in Ukrainian with peace and prosperity for many good years - Na mnohaya leeta!

ON TUESDAY WE SANG the burial prayers for +Thomas Moran, 70, at Calvary Cemetery in Conshohocken. And on Wednesday we sang the Liturgy for +Dempsey James Dudziak, 4,, as well as the burial prayers in Valley Forge Cemetery. May the Resurrected Lord Jesus now take +Thomas and +Dempsey home to Paradise - Eternal Memory!

THIS SUNDAY AT 12 NOON Archbishop Borys and four other Hierarchs will sing the Holy Liturgy at our pilgrimage church in Centralia, PA. If you cannot join the hundreds of pilgrims on Sunday, be sure to watch this blessed event on EWTN on Friday, August 30, at 3:30 pm. Please be sure to share this news with all your friends and neighbors.

OUR PARISH SCHOOL will open once again in its 47th consecutive year of teaching our youth and adults about Jesus Christ and His Holy Church. This year we will have registration of all our parish youth on Saturday and Sunday, Sep. 21 and 22 before and after the scheduled Liturgies. This event will coincide with our annual Fall Homecoming feast. Please remember that our school is free for all students. And our parents are obliged to bring their young ones to Sunday School with classes from Preschool through Highschool.

ARCHBISHOP BORYS has approved our selection of the members of our Parish Financial Council and the Parish Pastoral Council for the current year. The members of the Finance Council are: Dr. John Solar, Chief Zenny Martyniuk and Father Pastor. The members of the Pastoral Council are: Father Pastor, Pat Pascale, Steve Marshalick, Joann Timbario, Dottie Strouse, Juanita DeGrazio, Gina Plisiewicz, Borys Pawluk Jr., Bebe Pastino, Josie DeNolfi, Bert LeGendre and Kathy Plush. We thank all these fine folks for serving our Parish, as we thrive and grow together as a joyful and vibrant Community of Christ.

#### DIVINE SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, 6 pm +George Halas (The Simko Family)  
Sunday, 9 am +Michael and Agnes Fonock (The Fonock Children)  
Thursday, 7 am +Olga and George (Bill Maruszczak)  
Friday, 7 am +Kathy Nicola (Husband Joseph)  
Saturday, 8 am Health of Martha Dinich (Parish Auxiliary)  
Saturday, 6 pm +Roman Kruk (The Parish Auxiliary)  
Sunday, 9 am +The Boychuck (Sons Bill and John)

TODAY'S TROPAR: When You did descend unto death, O Life Immortal, You  
vanquished hell with the splendor of Your divinity.  
When You raised up the dead from the subterranean abodes,, all the powers  
of heaven sang to Your glory, O Lord Jesus. GLORY BE TO THE...

TODAY'S KONTAK: You did rise from the tomb, O Savior Almighty, even  
as hell saw this wonder and was afraid. Today Adam  
and Eve rejoice with all the angels in Your Resurrection, O Lord Jesus.

TODAY'S PROKIMEN: My strength and my song is the Lord, my Salvation.

*F. Conales*