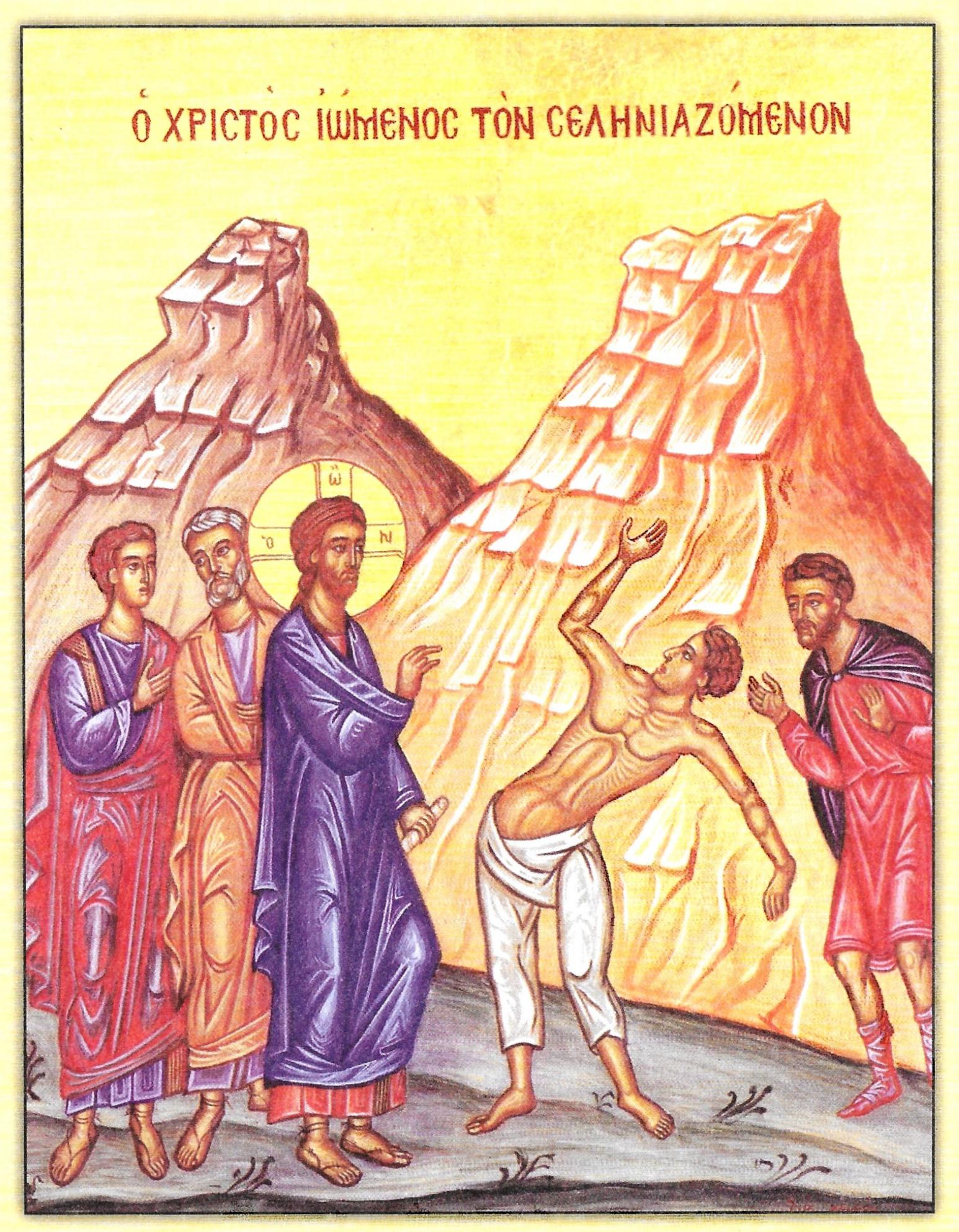
FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST SUNDAY OF ST. JOHN CLIMACUS



Icon of Healing the Boy with a Demon

Journeying to Pascha

Jesus continues today his work of healing and exorcism, and that is appropriate for this time of Lent, because Lent is a time for healing and exorcism. It is a time for us to heal the wounds of our souls – self-inflicted wounds due to our complacency and laziness and self-indulgence. It is time to get rid of those demons of our own sinful habits and anything that keeps us away from God and from living that abundant life that Christ came to give us.

We start to make our way toward Jerusalem. At the end of today's Gospel already there is the prediction of the passion, the death and the resurrection of Christ, giving a little hint in the Gospel that the course of Lent is moving now towards Jerusalem. We have gone through several weeks now of spiritual preparations, Scripture texts, prayers and activities. Now our focus

is starting to turn towards Jerusalem. That will be made more explicit in next Sunday's Gospel, but we are already getting a hint of it now.

There are only three weeks now until Easter, two weeks until Palm Sunday, when we are really liturgically accompanying Christ into the mystery of His Passion.

So it is coming soon, and we have to start turning towards Jerusalem. We have to get focused, we have to get recollected, we have to really revive our Lenten prayer and fasting so that we can make the rest of this journey and be fruitful and overcome the demons and find healing for the wounds of our souls – and go with Christ to his Passion and, through the mystery of His Cross, come to that great, transfiguring, glorious celebration of His Resurrection.

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"Slava Isusu Khristoo!" Glory to Jesus Christ!"

March 13-14, 2021 The Great Fast

THIS WEEKEND WE WILL livestream the Holy Liturgy on Saturday, the 13th, at 6 pm. Be sure to alert all your friends and relatives about this great chance to pray with us via YouTube during this sacred season of the Great Fast of Lent. Next weekend we plan on livestreaming the Holy Liturgy on Sunday, the 21st for the convenience of all our shut-ins and remote audience around the Country.

WE ARE SO VERY GRATEFUL to all our faithful, both in church and around the Country, for their most generous donations to our dear Parish. We are able to carry on our ministry only because of all our generous donors, both here and afar, thanks be to God.

OUR VIRTUAL SUNDAY SCHOOL IS FARING QUITE WELL WITH OUR DEDICATED STAFF OF ten catedists and some 75 students. To register a child, from Preschool through Highschool, simply beam up our parish website and fill out the registration form. We will contact you with an invitation to the proper classroom for the child.

TO BE BAPTIZED AND CHRISMATED SATURDAY: Shaun Thomas, newborn son of Shaun and Emilee Timbario, Bridgeport, pA. We pray today that the Good Lord Jesus the Christ will bless this little angel and his parents with good health, much love and a rebust faith in God "for many good years."

MANOR COLLEGE in Fox Chase will host a Ukrainian Dialogue On Thursday the 18th of March at 6:30 via the Zoom network. For more information on this terrific program, check out the brochure in the church vestibule.

husband of Nina and father of Oksana and Ludmila. On Tuesday, March 9, we sang the requiem service for +Michael A. Lucas, 63, Bridgeport, Pa. He was the husband of Nicole (Hindo) and father of Brett and Michael. Last Saturday we sang the burial liturgy of +Dr. Howard Lyboldt, 79, Palm Beach, FL, the husband of Joanne nee Klus. We all pray that the Good Lord will now take these good men to their rest in heaven to sing with the angels "Vichnaya Pamyat".

THERE IS STILL TIME to include the deceased members of your family in our Saturday morning Panachyda requiem service at 8 am. You can give Father Pastor such a list after the Liturgy this weekend.

DIVINE SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, March 13, 8 am Panachyda for all Deceased Saturday, 6 pm +Helen Popivchak, Martha, Peter)Veronica and Mike) Sunday, 9 am +Mary T. Johnson (The Osciak Family)

Saturday, March 20, 8 am Panachyda for all our deceased Saturday, 6 pm Health of Olga (The Dr. John Cienki Family) Sunday, 9 am +All Souls (the B. Romananyszyn Fam.)

TODAY'S TROPAR

While the stone was sealed by the Jews, and soldiers guarded Your most pure Body, You did rise on the Third day, O savior giving new life to the world. And so the Heavenly Powers cried out to You: "O Giver of Lief, Glory be to You".

GLORY TO THE FATHER AND THE...

TODAY'S KONTAK:

O St. John Climacus, our teacher and father, the

Lord elevated you like an undeceiving star that
enlightens all the world.

TODAY'S PROKIMEN:
The Saints shall exult in glory and joyfully rest forever with the angels.

De Conalde