

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



*Icon of the Rich Fool (Luke 12:16-21)*

## *Christ and the Law*

When Christ says to him, “if you would enter life, keep the commandments,” the man expects him to add immediately, “My commandments.” “Which ones?” he asks. He was quite deceived in his expectation. For Christ did not answer him as he expected, but simply pointed him to the law.

This is not because the law is perfection, for “no one is justified by the law,” as it is written, but because the life lived according to the law is a kind of introduction to the eternal life, briefly acquainting trainees to the things above. “For the law was put in charge to lead us to Christ.”

The law is the starting point for social justice. Christ is the perfection. For the beginning of good is to act justly, He says. Just action then is shown by the law, but goodness is shown by Christ. The law taught us to repay those who wish to harm us, as in “eye for eye, tooth for tooth.”

But Christ taught us to let go such balanced vengeance, with the view to the greater good, teaching that “if anyone strikes you on the right cheek, turn to him the other also; and if anyone would sue you and take your coat, let him have your cloak as well.”

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Glory to Jesus Christ!  
Slava Isusu Khristoo!

Nov. 19-20, 2022  
The 24th Sunday

ONLY A FEW APPLICATIONS remain for the scholarships from the Knights of Columbus of the Bridgeport Council to benefit our parish youth. These monetary awards are to be given out to our parish youth who attend Catholic Schools and are faithful members of our Church. See Father Pastor after church for an application for your son/daughter this week.

WE REPORTED LAST WEEK that Archbishop Borys just decreed that the COVID Virus is no longer a legitimate reason to stay away from services in our Church. Please inform one and all that the weekend (Saturday/Sunday) Divine Liturgy is a moral obligation for all Ukrainian Catholics, just as in the Roman Cath. Church. After all, if you love the Lord, you certainly will visit Him in His Holy Home at least once a week!

ARCHBISHOP BORYS HAS ORDERED ALL Pastors to count all the faithful in church every weekend in November. Please make every effort to come to church with all your family. After all, The Archbishop selected Fr. Pastor Ronald as the "Priest of the Year" and, by deduction our Parish as the "Parish of the Year". So come and be counted, both in Church and in Heaven, so that both the Archbishop and the Lord Jesus will take note!

PLEASE PRAY FOR Father Mark Fesniak, a young up-state Pastor, who is grievously ill from a COVID LONG SICKNESS IN A Harrisburg Hospital. Your prayers can/will raise Fr. Mark up from his ailment, we trust.

OUR HIGHSCHOOLERS in Sunday School will be greeting all our LIVESTREAM AUDIENCE with a Thanksgiving prayer this Saturday before the 6 pm Divine Liturgy. We thank these bright youngsters and their Teachers Dr. Michele and Dr. George for their terrific leadership. We are so proud of them.

WE WILL SING the burial prayers for +Marie Sedor, 92, next Saturday, Nov. 26, at St. Augustine Cemetery at 11 am. All are invited to attend. We pray that the Good Lord Jesus will now take +Marie home to Heaven!

PLEASE REMEMBER all our parish deceased and ailing, particularly Vera Tryciecky, Jim Patzuk, Dottie Dolgash, Luba Jackson, Frank and Sandi Katarynick, Alex and Vera Fedorkiw, Olga Danko. A prayer, a kind word..?

DIVINE SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, Nov. 19, 6 pm	Steve Merino (Joanne Colt)
Sunday, Nov. 20, 9am	+Olga Rovito (Debbie and Lois Paul)
Saturday, Nov. 26, 6 pm	+Benjamine, Jack, James (Maryellen)
Sunday, Nov. 27, 9 am	+Eileen Pace (Lida Dychdala)

TODAY'S TROPAR:

By Your Cross You destroyed death and opened Paradise to the Good Thief. You stopped the sighs of the Myrrhbearing women and told them to tell the Apostles that You rose from the dead, O Christ God, Glory be to You, AMEN.

GLORY TO THE FATHER AND THE SON...

TODAY'S KONTAK:

No longer can the power hold us in captivity, for Christ has descended crushing its might. Hell is now fettered, as the Prophets all rejoice. The Savior has now appeared to all the Faithful saying: Come forth, O Faithful, to the Resurrection, amen.

TODAY'S PROKIMEN:

The Lord gives strength to the Faithful and Bless them with peace.

*Слава Господи! D. Romanog*