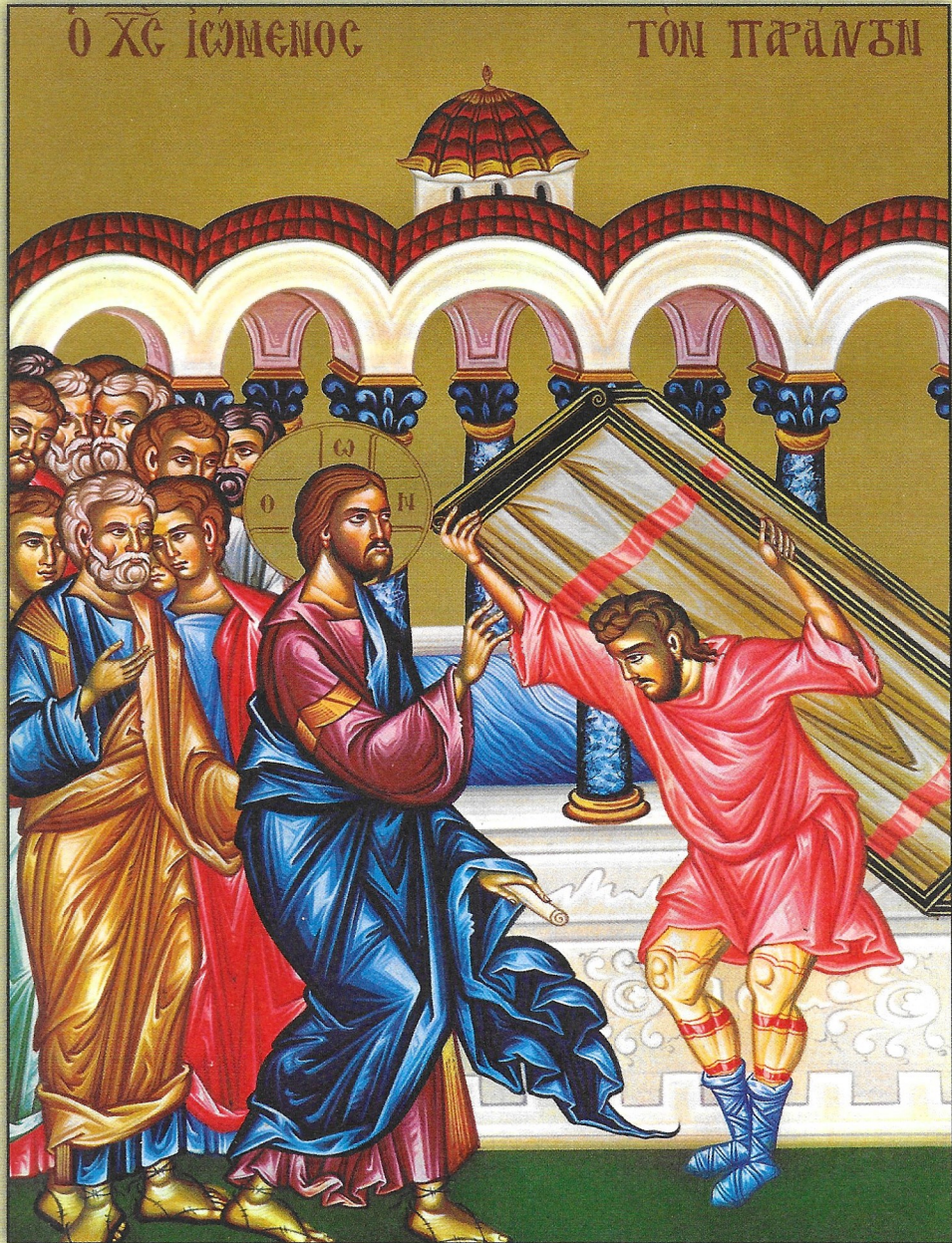


SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Icon of Christ Healing the Paralytic

Rise and Walk

It is easier said than done. Whether the sins of the paralytic were forgiven, only He who forgave them knew for sure. "Arise and walk." Both he who arose and those who saw him arise were able to vouch for this. Hence there is a bodily sign in order to demonstrate a spiritual sign, though its impact is to curb the imperfections of body and soul. And we are given an understanding of sin and many bodily weaknesses to come. Perhaps, too, sins are forgiven first, so that with the causes of infirmity removed health may be restored.

St. Jerome

Furthermore, so it could be understood that He was in a body and that He could forgive sins and restore health to bodies, Jesus said, "That you may know that the Son of

Man has power on earth to forgive sins," then He said to the paralytic, "Arise, take up your pallet." He could have simply said "Arise," but since the reason for doing every work had to be explained, He added, "Take up your pallet and go home." First He granted remission of sins; next He showed His ability to restore health. Then, with the taking up of the pallet, He made it clear that bodies would be free from infirmity and suffering; lastly, with the paralytic's return to his home, He showed that believers are being given back the way to paradise from which Adam, the parent of all, who became profligate from the stain of sin, had proceeded.

St. Hilary of Poitiers

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ABOUT 250 YEARS AGO America fought and won a war of 7 years to gain its freedom and independence from England, a great victory we are now celebrating. Ukraine is now fighting a brutal war against Russia to maintain its freedom and independence. And so we all pray today that the Good and Just Lord Jesus to bless and fortify the people and army of Ukraine to fight and win this fierce battle for freedom.

FATHER RONALD will be absent from the Parish from July 17 to July 28 this summer. Father plans to catch a ton of fish and even a lot of rest. Father Joseph Loya of Villanova University will be at the parish to celebrate the Liturgy on Saturday, July 22 at 6 pm. If there is a death in your family or other emergency, please call the parish office for help at 610 246 6141 and speak to Michele.

WE ARE SO VERY GRATEFUL to all our Faithful for their generosity to our beloved parish. Our PEOPLE both in the pews and in their homes on YOUTUBE keep our parish financially solvent and stable. May the Good Lord bless all of you with good health and much love.

OUR PARISH PEACH TREES are now ready to hand over their golden fruit from our parish orchard, the only orchard in our area. So help yourself after Liturgy to some tasty, free and healthy fruit. It's yours for the picking!

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY for our parish elderly and ailing faithful: Gina Plisiewicz, Dottie Dolgash, Luba Jackson, Olga Danko, Alice Machita, Jim Deskiewicz, Pat Pasquale, Vera Tryciecky, Ed and Sophie Tomchick, Frank and Sandi Katarynick, and all our ailing Brothers and Sisters in the Lord. Perhaps a card, a bulletin, a kind word?

PLEASE REMEMBER in your prayers Father Roman Mirchuk, who volunteered to serve in Eastern Ukraine, the major center of the current War. He is now hospitalized and is trying to catch a flight to the USA.

SO FAR THIS SUMMER, we performed a ton of work in cleaning and preparing our Parish Hall for the coming fall catering season. Thanks to some great volunteers, we mopped and buffed all the floors, cleaned the kitchen. In fact, we received an A-1 from the recent County Inspectors! Thanks be to God! So spread the word that we will open for business this Fall for weddings, banquets and fund raisers with great food at great prices!

SPECIAL NOTES: Please remember Jim Martyniuk in your prayers. Jim is in the hospital seriously ill. Also, there will be no Livestreaming of the Liturgy this weekend, for our Super Technician is on vacation. Danny should be back the following week.

DIVINE SERVICES THIS WEEK

Saturday, July 8, 6 pm	Thomas Snyder (Somits Family)
Sunday, July 9, 9 am	Roman, George Dychdala (Bill M.)
Saturday, July 15, 6 pm	Michael, Anna (Russell Chomiak)
Sunday, July 16, 9 am	Peter Chomiak (Nelta Lechman)

TODAY'S TROPAR: O Faithful, let us adore and glorify the Word, Who with the Father and the Spirit has no beginning, and Who for our salvation was born of a Virgin. He has deigned to ascend the Cross and suffer death and by His glorious Resurrection to raise up the dead. GLORY TO THE...

TODAY'S KONTAK: Into hell You did descend, O Savior Almighty and You destroyed its gates. As Creator You did raise again with You all the dead and destroyed the sting of death, freeing Adam from curse. So we all cry out: "Save us O Master."

TODAY'S PROKIMEN: You, O Lord, will protect us and keep us from this day forward.

Слава Україні! О. Романко