

July 19, 2020

Fathers of the First Six Ecumenical Councils



SAINT GEORGE BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Fighting the Good Fight with Faith

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever! ~ Slava Isusu Christu! Slava Na V'iki!

Divine Services for the Week:

- SUN., JULY 19
8:30 A.M. FATHERS of the FIRST SIX ECUMENICAL COUNCILS
DIVINE LITURGY
+ Andrew Opsatnik, offered by Prudy Peya
- MON., JULY 20
6:00 P.M. FEAST of the HOLY PROPHET ELIJAH
DIVINE LITURGY, *blessing of cars*
- SUN., JULY 26
8:30 A.M. EIGHTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST
DIVINE LITURGY
+ Margaret Klacik, offered by JoAnn & Francis Hersh family

Blessing of Cars - In our Holy Church, it has been a nice tradition to bless vehicles in commemoration of the prophet Elijah who was taken into heaven on a fiery chariot. He is therefore known as the patron saint of vehicles, reminding us that we must struggle to manifest holiness in our lives, especially when we travel. Blessing of vehicles (cars, bicycles, etc.) will take place tomorrow, Monday, July 20, following the 6:00 P.M. Divine Liturgy. Just as we have our homes blessed each year, everyone is encouraged to bring their vehicles for this Blessing.

Eternal Memory - We offer prayerful condolences to the family of parishioner Angie Yuhasz who fell asleep in the Lord on Thursday, July 9. In blessed repose, grant O Lord eternal rest to the soul of Your departed servant Angie and remember her forever! *Vičnaja jej pamjat'!*

Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel:

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the malice and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all evil spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

Happy Birthday Greetings This Week:

None for the week

Wedding Anniversaries this Week:

None for the week

Please Pray For Our Sick and Shut-ins

HOME – Eileen Batcha, Natalie Jugan-Diaz, Rebecca Dickun, Marianne Dove, Jean Herdt, Rebecca Hutcheon, Kevin Joray, Mary Ann Jugan, Neil Jugan, Josephine Maruhnich, Mary Salamon, John Simunick, Bonnie Taylor

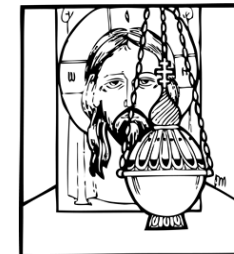
Hunter's Care Home (1916 Main St, Aliquippa, PA 15001) – Mary Poiarkoff

West Hills Health & Rehab Center (951 Brodhead Road, Coraopolis, PA 15108) – Alice Haber

Epistle Readers – July 19: Louisa Hersh – July 26: Joanne Futato

Ushers – July 19: F. Hersh/E. Maruhnich July 26: R. Mudron/J. Yurosky

Troica Holders – July 19: R. Mudron – July 26: R. Dzumba



THIS WEEK'S SANCTUARY LAMP

July 19 - 25, 2020

Burns before the real presence of our Lord for:

+ Veronica Maruhnich

(In Loving Memory)

Offered By:

Son, Ed & Isabel Maruhnich



On Prayer and Anxiety - *It is good not to be anxious about particular things or to pray for them specifically, but to seek only the kingdom and the word of God (cf. Mt 6:25-33). If, however, we are still anxious about our particular needs, we should also pray for each of them. He who does or plans anything without prayer will not succeed in the end. And this is what the Lord meant when He said: 'Without Me you can do nothing'.*

- St. Kosmas Aitolos

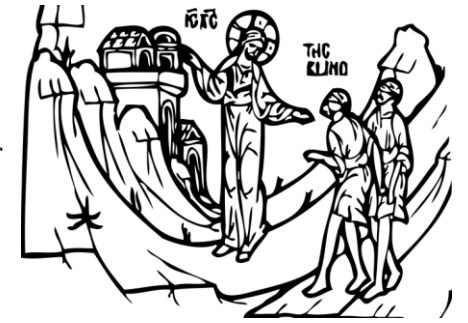
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JERICO BLIND BEGGAR ROAD
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 JUMPED RABBUNI MASTER FAITH



On Healing

At that time, as Jesus passed on from there, two blind men followed Him, crying aloud, "Have mercy on us, Son of David."



Again and again we hear in the Gospel the story of men or women who were healed of their illnesses, and it seems so simple in the Gospel: there is a need, and God meets it. Why is it then — we ask ourselves — that it does not happen to each of us? Each of us is in need of physical healing and of the healing of our soul. And yet, only a few are healed — why? What we miss in the reading of the Gospel is that Christ did not heal people indiscriminately. One person in a crowd was healed; many, who were also sick in body or soul, were not. That comes from the fact that, in order to receive the grace of God, so that it acts in us unto the healing of soul or body, or both, we must be open to God — not to the healing, but to God.

Illness is something which we so often wish to banish from our experience, not only because it hampers our life, not only because it is accompanied by pain, but also — I suspect even more — because it reminds us of our frailty, it speaks to us of our mortality.

What can we do then? We must ask ourselves attentive questions, and when we come to God asking Him to heal us, we must first prepare ourselves to be healed. To be healed means not just to be made whole with a view to going back to the kind of life which we had before, it means being made whole in order to start a new life, as though we had become aware that we had died in the healing act of God, aware that all that was the old man in us, this body of corruption of which St. Paul speaks, must go in order for the new man to live.

Are we capable of receiving healing? Are we willing to take upon ourselves the responsibility of being made new in order to enter, again and again, into the world in which we live, with a message of newness — to be light, to be salt, to be joy, to be hope and faith and love, to be surrendered to God?

Let us reflect on it, because we all are sick in one way or another; we all are frail, all are weak, all are incapable of living to the full, even the life which is offered us on earth. Let us reflect on it, and become capable of opening ourselves to God in such a way that He may work His miracle of healing, make us new — but in order for us to bring our newness, indeed God's newness, into the world in which we live. Amen.

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Holy Mystery of Reconciliation Before and after Liturgies
 Holy Mysteries of Initiation Contact the church office
 Holy Mystery of Anointing Ask prior to surgery or serious illness
 Holy Mystery of Marriage Contact the church office eight months prior to wedding
 Religious Education Classes September through May, following Sunday Divine Liturgy
 Pirohi Sales 2nd Friday of each month, Sept. through May
 St. George Ladies' Guild & Men's Club Everyone welcome to participate



A time is coming when men will go mad, and when they see someone who is not mad, they will attack him, saying, "You are mad; you are not like us."

St. Anthony the Great