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Бюлетень – Bulletin

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November 24, 2024

Twenty-seventh Sunday after Pentecost. Post-feast of the Entrance of the Mother of God. Holy Great-Martyr Catherine (310-13). Holy Great-Martyr Mercurius (249-51).

Schedule of Sunday Services

11.24.2024 – 27-ма Неділя після Зіслання Святого Духа.

9:30 а.т. - Вервиця і сповідь 10:00 а.т. - Служба Божа

<u>12.1.2024 – 28-ма Неділя після</u> <u>Зіслання Святого Духа.</u>

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Pentecost

9:30 a.m. – Rosary & confession 10:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy

12.1.2024 - 28th Sunday After

<u>Pentecost</u>

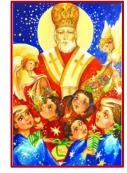
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Our annual Saint Nicholas Party will be December 8 after liturgy. Please bring a dish to share Chicken will be provided.



Парафіяльні Оголошення

- 1. Запрошуємо долучатись усіх бажаючих для приготування вареників. Просимо приходити у четвер вранці для підготовки продуктів і у п'ятницю для ліплення.
- 2. Ласкаво запрошуємо всіх відвідувачів загостити до нас на каву, канапки і солодке у церковному залі після Святої Літургії.
- 3. Ми закликаємо всіх наших парафіян молитися за мир у світі, особливо про закінчення війни та мир в Україні.

Parish Announcements

- 1. We are in need of additional volunteers for our pyrohy ministry, especially in the food preparation area (Thursday morning) and in the cooking area (Friday).
- 2. A warm welcome to all our visitors today. We invite you to join us for coffee, sandwiches and sweets following our Liturgy.
- 3. Please pray to God for peace in the world, especially for the end of the war and peace in Ukraine.

Sunday Collections for Sunday, November 10, 2024:

Total Collections for Our Feast Day November 10, 2024 = \$2,196.00

Sunday Collections for Sunday, November 17, 2024:

Envelopes: \$255.00 Loose Cash: \$215.00 Priest Pension Fund: \$15.00

Candles: \$227.00 Entrance into the Temple of BVM: \$5.00 TOTAL: \$717.00 Please mail your donations to: St. Josaphat, 8624 White Oak Ave, Munster IN 46321. THANK YOU!

Prayer list of the sick or aged parishioners & friends of the parish



Pat Baker, Barbara Zajac, Melody Fisher, Donald William Churilla, Olga Wasylowsky, Teodozia Shyika Lucyk, Stephanie Babij, Charlotte Scheuer, Georgia Sosnowski, Myroslava Iwachiw, Irene Karpinec, and young Samuel Rocha. Remember those who have suffered or died due to Covid 19. Please pray for those who have been killed, injured or displaced due to war in Ukraine.

If you know of someone who should be on this list, please let me know the name of the individual. Our intercessory prayer for the sick and aged is truly helpful and comforting. Father Volodymyr would like to visit our sick and elderly parishioners, especially those who cannot be with us for liturigies. Please call him at 773-979-4737 to let him know who would like a visit. О. Володимир бажає відвідати хворих та старших парафіян, які не можуть приходити до церкви. Просимо повідомити його за номером 773-979-4737.

Who is Saint Catherine of Alexandria?

Born about 287 AD, Catherine was the daughter of King Constus, who was the governor of Alexandria during the reign of the emperor Maximian (286-305). After the death of her father, she lived with her mother in Alexandria. Her mother was secretly a Christian who, through her spiritual father, brought Catherine at the age of 14 to the Christian Faith. In a vision, St. Catherine received a ring from the Lord Jesus Himself as a sign of her betrothal to Him. This ring remains on her finger even today. Catherine was greatly gifted by God and was well educated in Greek philosophy, medicine, rhetoric and logic. In addition to that, she was of unusual physical beauty. When the iniquitous Emperor Maxentius offered sacrifices to the idols and ordered others to do the same. Catherine boldly confronted the emperor and denounced his idolatrous errors. The emperor. seeing that she was greater than he in wisdom and knowledge, summoned fifty of his



wisest men to debate with her on matters of faith and to put her to shame. Catherine outwitted and shamed them. In a rage, the emperor ordered all fifty of those men burned. By St. Catherine's prayers, all fifty confessed the name of Christ and declared themselves Christians before their execution. After Catherine had been put in prison, she converted the emperor's commander, Porphyrius, and two hundred soldiers to the true Faith, as well as Empress Augusta-Vasilissa herself. They all suffered for Christ. During the torture of St. Catherine, an angel of God came to her and destroyed the wheel on which the holy virgin was being tortured. Afterward, the Lord Jesus Christ Himself appeared to her and comforted her. After many tortures, Catherine was beheaded at the age of eighteen, on November 24, 310. Milk, instead of blood, flowed from her body. Her miracle-working relics repose in a monastery on Mount Sinai. In the Middle Ages, when the story of her mystical marriage to Christ was widely circulated, she was one of the most popular saints and one of the most important virgin martyrs. St. Joan of Arc said that Catherine's was among the heavenly voices that spoke to her.

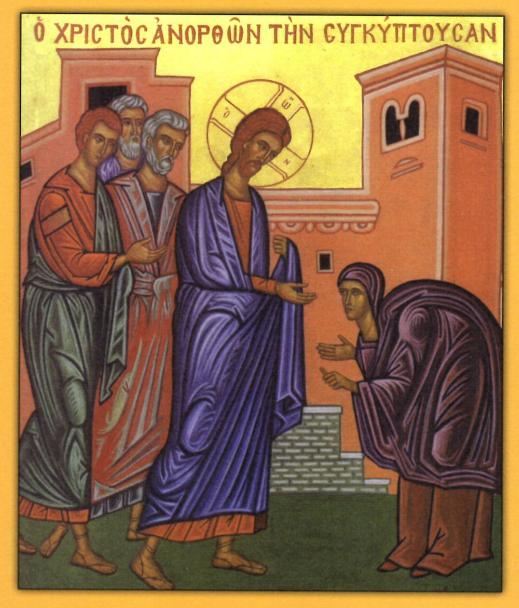
Healing a Stooped Woman

Luke 13:10-17 relates the story of Jesus'healing of a deformed woman who had endured a debilitating infirmity for eighteen years. What began as a slightly bent posture developed into a stoop so profound that she could no longer look up. Every year increased her suffering, and after all those years, her situation became extremely severe. In this, we see a parallel with sin. Its effects begin slowly and almost unnoticeably, but with the passing of time, its influence increasingly corrupts the sinner. The longer the sinner continues in his sin, the more his heart hardens.

While teaching in the synagogue, Jesus sees her in the audience and is immediately moved with compassion and grace to heal her (Luke 13:10-12). She does not appeal to Him for help, but He takes it upon Himself to help her, expressing His deep compassion. It is inherent in God's character to take special notice of the needy.

What He saw would certainly not have been attractive, but, unlike men, Christ does not aid just the beautiful but those who truly need His help. Sinners sometimes feel they are too repugnant to God to be saved (Psalm 44:24-26), but Christ's healing of this disfigured woman emphasizes that His ability to help is determined, not by the state of the needy person, but by the limitless power of God. Christ's blood is able to wash away even the greatest of sins!

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Icon of the Healing of the Stooped Woman (Luke 13:10-17)