Holy Assumption Orthodox Church

Celebrating 125 years witnessing to the Apostolic Faith

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Diocese of the Midwest

OCTOBER 20, 2024

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

EPISTLE: 2 Corinthians 6:16-7:1

Brethren: You are the temple of the living God. As God has said: "I will dwell in them and walk among them. I will be their God, and they shall be My people." Therefore "Come out from among them and be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, and I will receive you." "I will be a Father to you, and you shall be My sons and daughters, says the LORD Almighty." Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.



The rich man and Lazarus

GOSPEL: Lk 16:19-31

The Lord said: "There was a certain rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and fared sumptuously every day. But there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, full of sores, who was laid at his gate, desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man's table. Moreover, the dogs came and licked his sores. So it was that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died and was buried. And being in torments in Hades, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. Then he cried and said, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am

tormented in this flame.' But Abraham said, 'Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things; but now he is comforted and you are tormented. And besides all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed, so that those who want to pass from here to you cannot, nor can those from there pass to us.' Then he said, 'I beg you therefore, father, that you would send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, that he may testify to them, lest they also come to this place of torment.' Abraham said to him, 'They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.' And he said, 'No, father Abraham; but if one goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' But he said to him, 'If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded though one rise from the dead.'

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

MON. Oct 21 Venerable Hilarion the Great; Eph 4:25-32, Lk 10:22-24

TUE. Oct 22 Saint Averkios the Wonderworker, Bishop of Hieropolis, Equal of the Apostles;

Eph 5:20-26, Lk 11:1-10

WED. Oct 23 Apostle James, the Brother of the Lord; Eph 5:25-33, Lk 11:9-13

THU. Oct 24 Martyr Arethas and 4,299 Martyrs with him; Eph 5:33-6:9, Lk 11:14-23

FRI. Oct 25 Martyrs Marcian and Martyrius, the Notaries of Constantinople;

Eph 6:18-24, Lk 11:23-26

SAT. Oct 26 Holy, Glorious Demetrios the Myrrh-gusher; 1 Cor 15:39-45, Lk 8:16-21

NO VESPERS

SUN. Oct 27 18th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, Tone 1

9:10 AM HOURS

9:30 AM DIVINE LITURGY Followed by Coffee Social

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Patti Owens, 311 Woodbridge Road, Vermilion, OH 44089; Basil Glovinsky, 1007 Glendale Drive, Port Clinton, OH 43452; Subdeacon Roger Pinta, P.O. Box 39, Middle Bass, OH 43446; Ed & Irene Vangeloff, 454 Strouse Lane, Sandusky, OH 44870

OCTOBER CANDLE SPONSORS

Altar Candles: Fr. Peter and Mat. Michelle, For Health and God's Blessings for Barbara Wroblewski, and Michal & Helena Tomáš (\$50); Chandelier: Ron and Bobbie Royhab, in Loving Memory of Ron's mother, Elizabeth Naiser Royhab. (\$50); Eternal Light & Icon Screen: Jean Hileman, In memory of mother, Helen Pipenur (Oct 11, 2009); Natalie Twarek, Natalie, In loving birthday memory of mom 10/28 (\$25); Candles at the Cross: Laura Kovach, Birthday blessings to Katelyn and in memory of Uncle Alex and John Kovach (\$20); Candles at St.

Tikhon Icon: For Safety and Health of Nicholas, Tikhon, Gleice, Sophie & Chloe (\$20)



OCTOBER REPOSED

Joseph L. Mazurik (1944) No date provided; Anna Mazur (1945) No date provided; Anna Danchisen (1945) No date provided; William Martin (1982) No date provided; **3**- Anna Tomko (1990); **4**- William Peter Guzy (1974); **5**- John Elchisco Sr. (1982); **5**- Mark Conroy

(2018); **5**- Patricia Schirtzinger (2021); **6**- Andrew Tomko (1970); **6**- Helen Elchisco (1956); **7**- Michael Gresko (1963); **8**- Archpriest Michael Kostyk (1964) Former Pastor; **11**- Helen Pipenur (2009);**12**- Pauline Mary Gresh (1981); **13**- James E Jump (2011); **13**- Tom Grgich (2018); **13**- Michael Mazurik (2018); **14**- George Kaitsa (1991); **15**- Michael Mazurik (1972); **15**- John Kovach (1983); **16**- Mary Kobb (2017); **16**- Tom Wiseman (2020); **18**- Nadezhda Kaitsa (1992); **20**- Elizabeth Naiser Royhab (2006) **20**- Terry Fink (2017); **21**- Alex Mazur (1920); **21**- Terry (Bobbie's cousin) (2017); **27**- Gordon J. Schutt (2021); **28**- George Elchisco (1996); **28**- Anthony Glovinsky (1946); **31**- George Rusincovitch (1994)



VIGILS FOR OCTOBER 13

Susan Guzy 1 In memory of Mike Mazurik and Catherine Beat

Laura Kovach 3 For health and/or healing of Margi H., Matushka Melania, Bailey C., Ron R., Stephanie K., Donnie S., Betty K., David M., Jim K., Hannah S., Mark M.,

Dana M., Bodhi C., Karen D., Kathie J., and Jennifer H.

Birthday blessings to Amy and Tim

Safe travel for Leah and Teresa

Natalie Twarek 8 In loving memory of Mike, For health and recovery of Mary Dziak, For the health Fr Peter & Matushka Michelle, For the health & recovery of Matushka Melania, For health and recovery of Matushka Michelle's brother Walter, For the health and recovery on Ron, Rodney, Betty, Carol, Kayla, Bill, Ruth, Pam, Debbie, Jim, Michelle, Terrie, Clayton, Father Emilian, Patrick and Marty, Mike Heffernan and Barbara Heffernan, Health and healing for Father's dad Michal and Matushka's mom Barbara, For the health of Tony, Bev, Ed, Irene, Father David, Pauline, Judy, Tina, Carole, Gary, Sharon, Tina's dad, Earl, Sonya, Margi & Joe, Jackie, MaryAnn & Bob, Bodhi, Stella, Jake, Pat, special intentions



ATTENDANCE

10/12 Vespers, 7 attending; 10/13 Divine Liturgy, 30 attending (7 guests)

PRAYER LIST

Parishioners & Family: Ron & Bobbie Royhab /Rodney Clevenger / Jennifer Heffernan / Tom Hileman / Pam / Jim Twarek / Ed Garrity / Patti Owens / Barbara Wroblewski / Michal Tomáš / Helena Tomášova / Ruth Sheller / Basil Glovinsky / Dale / Sophie / Jeanne Smith / Carol / David Martin / Fred Soski / Chris Hannon / Subdeacon Roger Pinta / Ed Vangeloff / Irene Vangeloff / Sonja Rose / Ron Royhab / James Bargdill / John Beadle / Carole Conaway / Gary Conaway / Sharon Dietrich / Michael Glovinsky / Shirley Gresh / Joseph Habegger / Elaine Hileman / Betty Kovach / Child Stella Miller / William Pipenur / Earl Rindfleisch / Helen Jean Rofkar / George Royhab / Marianne Royhab / Kathy Jacob / the child Bodhi Cassell / Clifford / Gleice, Sophie & Chloe / Carol / Nora.

Other Requests: Matushka Melania / Mary Dziak / Sharyn Osborne / Christine Zahm / Amy / Bill Byrnes / Michael Heffernan / Susanne / Barbara Heffernan / Rita Mumea / Charles Schlett / Kathy Debevits / Maxwell Chaney / Sidharth Bijilani – friend of Subdeacon Roger and Debbie Pinta / Anthony / Archpriest Ján Čižmár / Archpriest David Lis / Archpriest Emilian & Matushka Laryssa Hutnyan / Donald Gresh / Mark Ludvik / Robert Piznar / Mark Masica / Valerie Ritzenthaler / William / Rick Rowe / Chris.

Military: Craig Cassell / Jake Ellithorpe / Jordon Fulton / Justin Issler / Tikhon / Nicholas / & All Military



CHARITY OF THE MONTH

"Danbury Holiday Bureau" is the charity we donate to for the month of October.



SUNDAY OFFERING

Sunday, October 13, 2024

Tithe	\$1,692.00
Donations	\$ 34.00
Candles	\$ 50.00
Vigils	\$ 60.00
Holiday Bureau (Oct.)	\$ 225.00
Anonymous Donations	\$ 500.00
Chandelier	\$ 50.00
Total:	\$2,611.00

May the Lord reward you for your financial and spiritual support!



READERS LIST

Sunday Oct 20 – Jake Sunday Oct 27 – Tim Sunday Nov 3 – Joe



CLEANING SCHEDULE

Oct 21, Greg Oct 28, Roddie & David Nov 4, Natalie Nov 11, Basil & Tim



THANK YOU, CARD, RECEIVED

Our parish received a Thank you card from Respect Life Ministries for our charitable donation of \$685.00. Please see the card on our bulletin board.

UP-COMING EVENTS IN OUR PARISH – MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Oct 28th Baking Day – 8:00 AM (Monday)

Nov 3rd Daylight Saving time ends (Sunday)

Nov 15th Nativity Fast begins (*Friday*)

Nov 21st Entrance of the Most Holy Theotokos into the Temple (*Thursday*)

Dec 6th St. Nicholas the Wonderworker (*Friday*)



THANK YOU

We would like to express our sincere thanks to **Ryan Stamp** for installing a new door knob for the hall and rectory. May Our Lord and God reward him abundantly for his kindness, and grant him Many Happy and Blessed Years!



ALL THINGS NEW - ST. MARY'S COOKBOOK

St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church in Marblehead has reprinted its cookbook, "All things New", and they are now available. Proceeds will benefit the church's building fund for roof replacement. The cost is **\$20**. If you would like to purchase a cookbook, please contact **Susan Gallagher** at **(419) 626-0375** and leave a message with your name and contact information.



COFFEE HOUR SPONSOR LIST

Jake Oct 20 -Roddie Oct 27 -Nov 3 -Natalia Nov 10 -Laura

Please sign up to host coffee hour. Signup sheet is located in the Social Hall



2024 LITURGICAL MUSIC WORKSHOP

St Andrew of Crete Music Ministry of the Diocese of the Midwest will hold Liturgical Music Workshop at St Paul the Apostle Orthodox Church in Dayton, OH next Friday and Saturday, October 25-26. For more information and to register for the workshop please https://www.stpdayton.org/. **Please Note:** Fr. Peter and Matushka Michelle

will be attending the workshop and there will be **No Vespers** served next **Saturday, October 26**th.



"THE 1916 PROJECT"

Ottawa County Pregnancy Services is hosting a screening of the documentary "The 1916 Project" and we want to ensure all of the local churches are invited to join us, to spread the word!

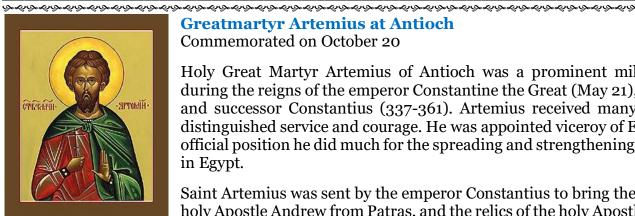
Sunday, 11/3/2024 6:00pm Erie Shores Assembly of God

You can also go to <u>www.the1916project.com</u> for more information!

The 1916 Project is a documentary that exposes the hidden history of the secular moral revolution, and the architects of our current culture of death.

MATUSHKA'S CORNER

"Be humble and loving before all people, and if you cannot love everyone, at least treat everyone with good will. Kindness will open to you the gates of Paradise, humility will lead you there, and love will reveal God to you. God is seen only in truth and divine love, for "God is Love." St. Gabriel of Georgia



Greatmartyr Artemius at Antioch

Commemorated on October 20

Holy Great Martyr Artemius of Antioch was a prominent military leader during the reigns of the emperor Constantine the Great (May 21), and his son and successor Constantius (337-361). Artemius received many awards for distinguished service and courage. He was appointed viceroy of Egypt. In this official position he did much for the spreading and strengthening Christianity in Egypt.

Saint Artemius was sent by the emperor Constantius to bring the relics of the holy Apostle Andrew from Patras, and the relics of the holy Apostle Luke from

Thebes of Boeotia, to Constantinople. The holy relics were placed in the Church of the Holy Apostles beneath the table of oblation. The emperor rewarded him by making him ruler of Egypt.

The emperor Constantius was succeeded on the throne by Julian the Apostate (361-363). Julian in his desire to restore paganism was extremely antagonistic towards Christians, sending hundreds to their death. At Antioch he ordered the torture of two bishops unwilling to forsake the Christian Faith.

During this time, Saint Artemius arrived in Antioch and publicly denounced Julian for his impiety. The enraged Julian subjected the saint to terrible tortures and threw the Great Martyr Artemius into prison. While Artemius was praying, Christ, surrounded by angels, appeared to him and said, "Take courage, Artemius! I am with you and will preserve you from every hurt which is inflicted upon you, and I already have prepared your crown of glory. Since you have confessed Me before the people on earth, so shall I confess you before My Heavenly Father. Therefore, take courage and rejoice, you shall be with Me in My Kingdom," Hearing this, Artemius rejoiced and offered up glory and thanksgiving to Him.

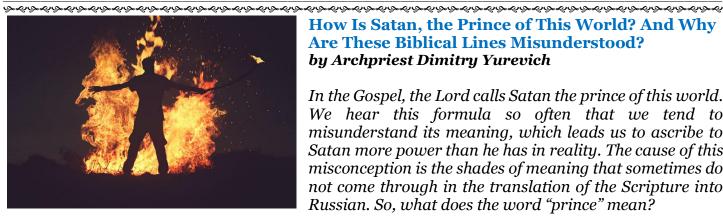
On the following day, Julian demanded that Saint Artemius honor the pagan gods. Meeting with steadfast refusal, the emperor resorted to further tortures. The saint endured all without a single moan. The saint told Julian that he would be justly recompensed for his persecution of Christians. Julian became furious and resorted to even more savage tortures, but they did not break the will of the saint. Finally, the Great Martyr Artemius was beheaded.

His relics were buried by Christians. After the death of Saint Artemius, his prophecy about Julian the Apostate's impending death came true.

Julian left Antioch for a war with the Persians. Near the Persian city of Ctesiphon, Julian came upon an elderly Persian, who agreed to betray his countrymen and guide Julian's army. The old man deceived Julian and led his army into the Karmanite wilderness, where there was neither food nor water. Tired from hunger and thirst, Julian's army battled against fresh Persian forces.

Divine retribution caught up with Julian the Apostate. During the battle he was mortally wounded by an unseen hand and an unseen weapon. Julian groaned deeply said, "You have conquered, Galilean!" After the death of the apostate emperor, the relics of the Great Martyr Artemius were transferred with honor from Antioch to Constantinople.

Saint Artemius is invoked by those suffering from hernias.



How Is Satan, the Prince of This World? And Why Are These Biblical Lines Misunderstood? by Archpriest Dimitry Yurevich

In the Gospel, the Lord calls Satan the prince of this world. We hear this formula so often that we tend to misunderstand its meaning, which leads us to ascribe to Satan more power than he has in reality. The cause of this misconception is the shades of meaning that sometimes do not come through in the translation of the Scripture into Russian. So, what does the word "prince" mean?

We addressed this question to Archpriest Dmitry Yurevich, head of the department of Biblical Studies at Saint Petersburg Religious Academy.

In the Gospel of John, we find the following passage referring to Satan as the prince of this world: "Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be cast out (John 12:31)." In John 14:30, we read: "I will no longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming, and he has nothing in Me." Likewise, Apostle Paul's epistle to the Ephesians reads: "And you He made alive, who were dead in trespasses and sins, in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience."

All these passages are about Satan, ruler of the demons who used to be angels, but took the side of darkness, despised God and fell away from Him. If we interpreted the words of Christ and the Apostle Paul literally, we might conclude that Satan is ruling the world in which we live, and he is pulling the strings.

In common understanding, a ruler or prince is an individual who controls the territory, commands an army, occupies the throne by the right of inheritance, and has the authority to execute or imprison those who rebel against him. In other words, we refer to a feudal lord of the Middle Ages, who, in those times, was more a military leader than an absolute ruler. The Slavs called them princes, the Scandinavians Kronungs, the Turks pashas, but the meaning was generally the same. They were referring to a legitimate authority with the power to enforce their will. This is perhaps what comes to our mind as we read in the Scripture about Satan as the ruler of the world, and leads us to misinterpret the Scripture. At the root of this misunderstanding is an important nuance lost in the translation. As we know, the Gospel of John and Paul's epistles were written in Greek. The Greek word translated as "prince" has the root "arche," which means "elder" and is present in modern words such as "archpriest", "anarchy", or "archive". The true meaning of the word in the Greek original is "elder", and hence "archive", a derivative from this root, refers to a collection of old texts.

But who was an elder? He was a man of authority, to whom others listened and followed his advice or instructions. An elder has power over others, but it is not based on force, but the universal belief in his knowledge and competence. We can also refer to him as an informal leader.

The Gospel refers to Satan by this name, elder. What should we take it to mean? It means that Satan is a deceiver and tempter, with an ambition to lead others. In literal understanding, he is a demagogue, a leader of the masses. In his evil-doing, he does not rely on his power but uses people as his proxies.

As Paul writes in his epistle to the Ephesians (6:12), "For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places." Referring to the exercise of power, Paul uses a different term, "rulers". Again, the original Greek word does not refer to all rulers, but only to rulers of the darkness, and their power does not extend beyond its limits.

Reflecting on evil in human societies, Saint Maxim the Confessor, a 7th-century theologian from Byzantine, remarked that the devil would be powerless to do anything to people if he were not acting through the agency of people. The devil is a cunning manipulator. He does not bring people to obey him through his power, or witchcraft. People obey him voluntarily when tempted to do evil. As Saint Maxim the Confessor explained in his commentaries on the writings of Saint Dionysius the Areopagite, When disposed towards evil, we often give the enemy the space to attack us, deriving our power in ourselves and using it against ourselves. But the enemy becomes powerless when we do not give in and rely on God's help, which is at hand. We use against ourselves the power that we derive within us!

If so, the power of the enemy is exaggerated. It does not rest in his capabilities, legitimacy or brutal force. He uses the power that we allow him to have. We do not obey him out of fear of his punishment, but only when we give in to his deception. We take his side because we consider it profitable or convenient, or because we choose not to notice his deceit or not to believe in his existence.

A deep believer who lives by the Gospel prays for God's help and partakes in the sacraments of the Church is immune to the power of the devil. To him, he is not a prince, but an impostor. True power belongs to God, the Creator of all things. It is not of this world. We may not notice this power amid the iniquities and troubles of the world, but that does not make it any less real. It is a power to which we pledge our obedience every day when we say these lines from the Lord's prayer: "may Your will be done on earth as in heaven."