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TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Epistle: Galatians (6:11-18)

See with what large letters I have written to you with my own hand! As many as desire to make a good showing in the flesh, these would compel you to be circumcised, only that they may not suffer persecution for the cross of Christ. For not even those who are circumcised keep the law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may boast in your flesh. But God forbid that I should boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision avails anything but a new creation. And as many as walk according to this rule, peace, and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God. From now on let no one trouble me, for I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus. Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.

Gospel: Luke (16:19-31)

“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, they won’t be persuaded though one rise from the dead.”

TROPARION TONE V

Let us, the faithful, praise and worship the Word, Co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit, born for our salvation from the virgin, for He willed to be lifted up on the cross in the flesh, to endure death and to raise the dead by His glorious resurrection.

TRANSFER OF THE RELICS OF ST. NICHOLAS, WONDERWORKER

TROPARION – TONE IV

The day of the joyous celebration has come; the city of Bari rejoices and with it the whole universe leaps from joy, singing the spiritual songs and psalms. For today, the holy feast, on the occasion of the transfer of the honorable and exceedingly healing relics of St. Nicholas the Wonderworker, has shone forth with the radiant rays, like the sun that does not set, driving away the darkness of temptations and calamities from those who faithfully exclaim to thee: “Save us, as our protector, O great Nicholas!”

VENERABLE MOTHER PARASKEVA – ST. PETKA

TROPARION – TONE IV

You loved the silent and solitary life, and fervently followed Christ your Bridegroom. Having taken His easy yoke in your youth, and having manfully armed yourself by the sign of the Cross against your spiritual enemies; through ascetic labors, fasting and prayers, and by your tears, you extinguished the coal of passions, O glorious Paraskeva. And now as you stand in the heavenly Bride-chamber with the Wise Virgins in the presence of Christ, pray for us who venerate your precious memory.

KONTAKION TONE V

You did descend into hell, O my Savior, shattering its gates as almighty; resurrecting the dead as Creator, and destroying the sting of death. You have delivered Adam from the curse, O Lover of Man, and we all cry to You: “O Lord, save us!”

KONTAKION TONE III

TRANSFER OF THE HOLY RELICS OF ST. NICHOLAS, WONDERWORKER

Your relics, O Saint Nicholas, came out as a star from the east to the west. The sea was sanctified by your journey, and the city of Bari, through you, has received the grace. For working for us, you have appeared as an excellent, wonderful and merciful Wonderworker.

VENERABLE MOTHER PARASKEVA – ST. PETKA

KONTAKION TONE VI

Let us praise in song the Holy and Venerable Paraskeva, protectress of all those who suffer; for having left the perishable, she receives imperishable life forever. Therefore, she had obtained miracle-working glory through grace given to her by the commandment of God.

KONTAKION OF THE THEOTOKOS - TONE VI

Steadfast protectress of Christians, constant advocate before the Creator: do not despise the cry of us sinners, but in your goodness come speedily to help us who call on you in faith. Hasten to hear our petition and to intercede for us, O Theotokos, for you do always protect those who honor you.

SAINTS WE COMMEMORATE TODAY – Hieromartyr Lucian of Antioch; Venerable Euthymios the Younger of Athos; Savvinos, bishop of Catania; Venerable Varsos.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Many **new** spiritual books are available to purchase at the tutor's desk. Please take a look at the various titles and acquire them for the benefit of our church and for the enrichment of your soul.

Skolarac Serbian Language Classes – Have begun from 4:00 ó 5:30 p.m. in the downstairs hall. Ages 3-5 years old. Still interested? Sign-up at:

www.skolarac.org

Tiny Tammies – Meets on Mondays from 6:00-6:30 p.m. in the parish home for ages 3-6 years old. Contact Sonja Capuzzi: sonjacapuzzi@gmail.com

October is Orthodox Youth Month:

"Remember now your Creator in the days of your youth." (Ecclesiastes 12:1)

This month, we celebrate the contributions and needs of our Orthodox youth.

Therefore, we call upon our youth to share in the many opportunities to minister in the Church. **The youth are encouraged to read the Epistle, chant and sing in the choir, help distribute bulletins, pass around the offering plate, assist in church school, and help serve drinks and snacks after Divine Liturgy.** Active participation for all our parishioners, youth and adults alike, is glorious before God's eyes. Let us remember the examples who have gone before us, óThey continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers." (Acts 2:42)

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The Committee for the 2019 SNF Summer Golf Tournament has met and is excited to begin planning for this big event for our church and local SNF lodges. To be successful, we will need everyone's help! There will be many opportunities

for you to contribute. The Committee will keep you informed of our progress over the coming months. Pam Matejevich will be coordinating volunteers for the event which will take place August 7-11, 2019. Reach out to Pam or to Chairman Dushan Markoff to offer your help or ask any questions!

Maintenance Group is preparing for winter! Sauerkraut, sour heads, applesauce, smoked kielbassi, Italian sausage, smoked spare ribs, bacon, pumpkin pie, and organic potatoes will be available very soon to purchase for the upcoming winter months. Details to follow.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Today: Kolo Srpskih Sestara Slava celebration of Sveta Petka
Please stay and enjoy the delicious banquet prepared by our Sisters.

October 31st: St. Peter I, Metropolitan and Wonderworker of Cetinje; Holy Apostle and Evangelist Luke ó Liturgy at 10:00 a.m.

November 3rd: Memorial Saturday ó Zadusnice- Service remembering our beloved fallen before us ó 10:00 a.m. óPlease give Father George a list of names that you wish to be commemorated.

November 8th: Holy and Glorious Great-martyr Demetrius ó Liturgy at 10:00 a.m.

November 18th: Our Saint Nicholas parish family will be celebrating its 113th anniversary. Mark your calendar and plan to attend this beautiful, rich event honoring our fallen founding clergy, family, members, parishioners, and benefactors. Let's spend the day together, as a family, sharing a meal and watching an entertaining program consisting of all auxiliary organizations coming together as one!

November 21st: Synaxis of the Archangel Michael ó Liturgy at 10:00 a.m.

November 28th: Nativity fast begins

REMINDERS

Adult Bible Study – Bible study every Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

Vespers ó Saturday evening 6:00 p.m. Confession 6:30 p.m.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT:

VENERABLE MOTHER PARASKEVA OF SERBIA

This glorious saint was of Serbian descent, and was born in the town of Epivat between Selymbria and Constantinople. St. Paraskeva's parents were wealthy, devout Christians. They also had a son, Euthymius, who was tonsured a monk during his parents' lifetime, and later became the famous Bishop of Madytos. The virgin Paraskeva always yearned for the

VENERABLE MOTHER PARASKEVA...CONTINUED...

ascetic life for the sake of Christ. After her parents' repose, she left her home and went first to Constantinople, then to the wilderness of Jordan, where she lived the ascetic life until old age. Who can express all the labors, sufferings and demonic temptations that St. Paraskeva endured in the course of her many years?

In her old age, an angel of God once appeared to her and said, "Leave the wilderness and return to your homeland; it is necessary that you render your body to the earth there, and your soul to the habitation of the Lord." St. Paraskeva obeyed, and returned to Epivat. There she lived for two years in ceaseless fasting and prayer and gave up her soul to God and took up her abode in Paradise. St. Paraskeva entered into rest in the eleventh century. Over the course of time her relics were translated to Constantinople, to Trnovo, again to Constantinople, and then to Belgrade. Her relics now repose in Romania, in the town of Iasi. In Belgrade, the well of St. Petka miraculously heals the sick who draw near with faith in God and love for this saint.



