

ST. NICHOLAS BULLETIN

Sunday, April 15, 2018

St. Thomas Sunday

Tone 1. Epistle, Acts 5:12-20 / Gospel, John 20:19-31

Apostles of the 70: Aristarchus, Pudens and Trophimus

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP HOUR will be held today, following the Divine Liturgy.

ALTAR TABLE CANDLES (7) offered by Dr. Dimitri and Pauline Petro (In loving memory of infant grandson, Jack Petro Zewe). Memory Eternal!

VIGIL OFFERINGS – Sunday, April 15, 2018

ANN O'BRIEN and MARY BEHANNA (Virgin Mary Kiot) – In memory of parents, Andy and Petrina Gernat (2)

HEATHER MOLINA – For health of father, Paul Zolak / For special intentions (2)

SANDY KLIZAS – In memory of Stephen and Helen Drake / In memory of Frank and June Drake / For health of cousin, Jean / For health of Lorraine Mullen (4)

OLGA BOGAN – For health of family / In memory of departed family members (2)

MARSHA REIDMILLER – For special intentions / In memory of grandmother, Mary Vascura / Blessings for newborn grandson, Tobias Francis (3)

DANIEL REIDMILLER – For health of family

BILL MULLEN – For health of wife, Lorraine

SHELLEY MULLEN – For health of mother, Lorraine

LISA MULLEN – For health of mother, Lorraine

ISABELLA MULLEN – For health of grandmother, Lorraine

LISA and ISABELLA MULLEN – For health of brother and uncle, Chris

M/M BILL MULLEN – For health of son, Chris / In memory of sister, Mona Lee / In memory of brother-in-law, Gus / For health of sister, Irma / In memory of sister, Jean (5)

BARBARA DEMCISAK – For health of Fr. Igor / In memory of departed servant, Jennie Demcisak / In memory of departed servant, George Demcisak Jr. / In memory of departed servant, Anne Zuraw (4)

ELEANOR PRYSTASH – In memory of husband, John

JIM PRYSTASH – In memory of dad

KAY JOSEPH – Happy Easter to everyone! / Appreciation for everyone's prayers and thoughtfulness / For good health for Joyce and Maureen (2)

BUNNY JOSEPH – For good health for mother, Kay

LARRY and STEFFIE SMITH – For health of dad, Steven Nonack / For health of brother-in-law, Terry Puskarich / For health of Fr. Igor / In memory of mom (4)

GINNY and DAVE CASCIANI – God's healing hand be upon granddaughter, Gianna

GINNY CASCIANI – God's healing hand be upon husband, David

BILL PRIATKO – God's healing hand be with all of the afflicted in our parish / God's watchful hand be with all of our troops who are in harm's way / God's healing hand be upon daughter-in-law, Dottie / Blessed Memory Eternal to my beloved Katrinka / Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen! (5)

DEBBIE and DAN PRIATKO – Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen! / In memory of our beloved mom / God's healing hand be upon sister-in-law, Dottie / For health of cousin, Donald Pollock / For health of Shirley Yorkman / For health of Fr. Igor / For God's blessings upon our parish (7)

DEBBIE PRIATKO – Special intentions (3)

TOM and ELAINE BACKSTROM – In memory of mom and dad / Special intentions / God's healing hand upon sister, Michele / God's healing hand upon brother-in-law, Paul / God's blessings on our grandchildren, Sydney, Luke, Freddy and Madison / God's blessings on Aaron and Cara / For health of all parishioners (7)

DR. DIMITRI and PAULINE PETRO – Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen! For health of Fr. Igor / For health of granddaughter, Catherine / For health of daughter, Christine and granddaughter Alexandra / For health of daughter, Kyra and grandson, Luke / For safe travels for family / In loving memory of infant grandson, Jack / In loving memory of Matushka Irene / In memory of newly departed Very Rev. John Nehrebecki (11)

CHRISTINE, ALEX and NICK MILCHOVICH – Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen! In memory of infant nephew, Jack Petro Zewe / God's blessings upon Fr. Igor / For health of Dottie Priatko / For health of Paul Zolak (5)

MARK SOROKA – For health of father, Fr. Igor / In memory of mother, Matushka Irene (2)

FR. IGOR SOROKA – In loving and blessed memory of departed Matushka Irene / In blessed memory of departed brother, Very Rev. Vladimir Soroka (2)

On the Sunday of St. Thomas

The Church sees in Thomas' unbelief an opportunity for great faith. Thomas rose to the occasion recognizing Jesus and calling Him both Lord and God. In this example there is hope for all of us who find ourselves from time to time shaken by doubt. But doubt itself is not a sin because it can lead to a deeper and greater faith. If we choose to explore the doubt and search diligently for answers, then God will reveal Himself for doesn't He tell us, "Seek and ye shall find; knock and the door will be opened for you"?

Thomas had this choice. He doubted, yes, but when presented with the Truth he immediately embraced it. He could have turned away and continued forever in the darkness of disbelief. The choice between heaven and hell was his that very day and he chose wisely. The same choice is presented to us day by day, moment by moment. If we refuse to love, then we have also chosen to reject God's love. The anxiety we feel when we face those we will not love is the direct result of our personal rejection of God's love in our lives.