

ST. NICHOLAS BULLETIN

Sunday, January 15, 2023

Tone 6. Epistle, 1 Tim., 1:15-17; Gospel, Luke 18:18-27

Ven. Paul of Thebes / Ven. John the Hut-Dweller / Ven. Gabriel of Lesnovo

SERVICES

SATURDAY 6:00 p.m. VESPERS
(Holy Resurrection Church, Belle Vernon)

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

WE WERE INFORMED THAT 2023 OFFERING ENVELOPES will not be delivered until sometime in February. In the meantime, please use a plain envelope and write down your name, amount of offering, and purpose of offering. Thank you!

2023 CHURCH CALENDARS are available for pick up in the Church Hall.

ALTAR TABLE CANDLES (7) and ANALOI TABLE CANDLES (7) offered by Rodney Prystash, in loving memory of father, Ralph Prystash (40th Day Remembrance). Memory Eternal to the departed Ralph!

EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 7, THERE WILL BE a SLIGHT INCREASE in the cost of vigils and altar/analoi tables candles. We regretfully have to increase the price because of higher manufacturing costs for vigils and candles. Cost of vigils will be \$3.00 each and cost of altar/analoi candles will be \$4.00 each (\$28 for 7 candles on each table). Cost of regular candles will continue to be \$1.00 each. Thank you for continuing to support our Church.

SUPER BOWL HOAGIE SALE will be held on Saturday, February 11. To order, call Caroline Ruev at 724-379-6478 or Denise Ricci at 724-483-8428 by February 5. Cost is \$9.00/hoagie. Sponsored by our St. Nicholas Society. Pickup is Saturday, February 11, from 11 a.m. to Noon. Workers are asked to be at the Church Hall at 8 a.m. on Saturday, February 11.

REMEMBER the SICK and SHUT-INS in your prayers.

VIGIL OFFERINGS – Sunday, January 15, 2023

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

ALBERT HANNA – Special intentions

DAVE and GINNY CASCIANI – For strength and recovery of Tom Petro

SANDY CARROLL – For safe travel / For health of family

KEN BEHANNA – For health and welfare of our Church

JANINE SHEPLER – For health of brother-in-law, Mike / Anniversary remembrance of sister, Becky / Special intentions for son, Billy and Jodi (2) / For health of sister, Tammy

INA PRYSTASH – In memory of husband, Ralph / For health of daughter, Jacque / For health of family

M/M TERRY RUGH – In memory of father, Ralph / For health of mother, Ina

JACQUE RUGH – For health of husband, Terry

RODNEY PRYSTASH – In memory of dad, Ralph / For health of family

VLAD KASH – In memory of Fr. Igor

TOM and ELAINE BACKSTROM – Special intentions / In memory of mom and dad / God's healing hand be upon sister, Michele / God's blessings upon grandchildren, Sydney, Luke, Freddy, and Madison / For health of family

MICHAEL HORAN – Memory Eternal for my loving wife, Rebecca / For health of Cindy / For special intentions

DR. DIMITRI and PAULINE PETRO – Birthday remembrance of father, Michael Petro / For health of Christine and Alexandra (2) / For health of son, Tom / For health of Shelley and Russell (2) / For health of Jonah and Catherine (2) / For health of Natalie, Rob, and Giada (3) / For health of Kyra, Noah, and Will (3) / Safe travel for Adam / Safe travel for Stephanie

SANDY AITKEN – In memory of departed babba, Eva Dran / In memory of brother, Ethan / In memory of father, Lee / In memory of Fr. Igor / In memory of newly departed uncle, Ralph Prystash / In memory of newly departed Mat. Emily Shuga / For health of mother, Pauline / For health of Aunt Bunnie / For health of Aunt Rosemary

M/M ROB MONTINI – For health of Giada / For health of brother, Tom

MARK SOROKA – In blessed memory of father, Fr. Igor / In blessed memory of mother, Mat. Irene

The practice of the Jesus Prayer is the most important practice for those seeking inner peace. This is a practice of love of God. It is motivated not just for relief from anxiety, but for a desire to walk your life in union with Christ and to experience the peace He had in all kinds of situations.

The prayer is simple, "*Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me a sinner.*" You simply repeat it over and over. You begin your prayer time in a special quiet place where you have your icons and a candle which you can light before you begin. Take a few moment to quiet your body and repeat the Trisagion prayer, then begin the repletion of the Jesus Prayer. Focus on the words. Say it aloud in the beginning. Don't try and rush. As the Elder Thaddeus of Vitovnica says, "*We should say the words of the prayer knowing that the Lord sees us and He is listening to us.*"