

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Icon of the Catch of Fish

Christ Continues to Catch People

He told Simon and his companions to sail off a little from the land and to let down the net for a draught. But they replied that they had been toiling the whole night and had caught nothing. However, in the name of Christ, they let down the net, and immediately it was full of fish. By a visible sign and by a miraculous type and representation, they were fully convinced that their labor would be rewarded, and the zeal displayed in spreading out the net of the gospel teaching would be fruitful. Within this net they should most certainly catch the shoals of the heathen. But note that neither Simon nor his companions could draw the net to land. Speechless from fright and astonishment for their wonder had made them mute, they beckoned to their partners, to those who

shared their labors in fishing, to come and help them in securing their prey. For many have taken part with the Holy Apostles in their labors, and still do so, especially those who inquire into the meaning of what is written in the holy Gospels. Yet besides them there are also others: the pastors and teachers and rulers of the people, who are skilled in the doctrines of truth. For the net is still being drawn, while Christ fills it, and calls to conversion those who, according to the Scripture phrase, are in the depths of the sea, that is to say, those who live in the surge and waves of worldly things.

Saint Cyril of Alexandria

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Sunday – September 24, 2023

Glory to Jesus Christ – Glory to Him Forever + Слава Ісусу Христу – Слава на віки

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Sunday September 24 9:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	(For the Parish) (+Katherine Szypot from the Iwanczuk-Petric Family)
Wednesday September 27 9:00 a.m.	(+Vasyl Nichveda from Family)
Thursday September 28 9:00 a.m.	(Health of Fr. Nestor Iwasiw from Friends)
Friday September 29 9:00 a.m.	(+Maria Bodnaruk from Lesia)
Sunday October 1 9:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Protection of the Mother of God (For the Parish) (+Jane O'Shea from Cindy Turchek)

FALL CATECHISM FOR CHILDREN AGES 3-6 HAVE BEGUN

All children ages 3-6 are welcome to join Holy Family's Catechism classes this fall with Co-Catechists Lindsey Fedyk and Julia Dezelski. Classes will be held between the two liturgies from 10:15-11:15. Please email Lindsey (lindseyfedyk@gmail.com) with any questions and to register your family. Classes will be held on: 9/24, 10/8, 10/22, 11/5, 11/19, 12/3, 12/17

Prayer List

Our prayer list of the sick or elderly and friends of our parish: **Theresa Aranda, Liana Arnold, Valarie Balthis, Charles Belanger, Barbara Blendy, Bluey Family, Yevhenia Borys, Terry Boyle, Taisia Bullard, Robert Matthew C., Olena Chalupa, Mary Connors, Veronica Cosio, Darlene Dossick, Solomia Dutkewych and Theresa, Ruth Fedack, Bernard F, Lindsey Fedyk, Lilian Garland, Alice Gogniat, Thomas Gutmann, H.H., Josie Hacker, Catherine Hetmansky, Vanessa Hetmansky, Bernadell Rita Higgins, Daniel Horeczko, Fr. Nestor Iwasiw, Nila Iwaskiw, Frank Karasinski, Sarah Kelt, Dorothy Kozmoski, Suzanne Krumpelman, Mr. Marko, Michael Joseph Little, Paul Marynowych, Fr. Roman Mirchuk, Michele Pretka Litvar, Yaroslava L., Mufada and Family, Sallie Miller, John Moeller, Thomas Nagurney, Deborah Pickering, Alexandra Pohorecka, Patricia Pylypec, Ron#119, Michael Joseph Radigan, Roman Rusynko, Lisa Schaible, Christopher Sell, Michael Sharr, Shliakhta Bogdana, Shliakhta Mark, Shliakhta, Andrew, Larry Sosnowich, Lindsey Sydnor, Thomas Sydnor, Stefania Szahaj, Helen Lefcheck Torre, Lisa Pretka Turner, Gloria and Luis Vega, Anne Woroniak, Rose Wilson, Jennifer Wilson, Paul Yarrish.** If you know of someone who should be on this list, please email or call with the name of the individual. Our intercessory prayer for the sick and the aged is truly helpful and comforting. In your Christian Charity, kindly remember our sick parishioners in your prayers and perhaps a card or note.

God With Us Catechism

Today the Church proclaims to her children two biblical texts which, at first glance, seem to conflict. First, Saint Paul, quoting the Old Testament (Lv 26: 11.2), instructs God's people to "come out" from among the unbelievers and "be separated." Then, in the Gospel proclamation we learn of Jesus' withdrawal from his own people, and journey into a foreign land where he encounters a woman who is, according to the law, unclean. How are we to reconcile these two texts? While in the Old Testament God's people were called to physically separate themselves from "unclean" peoples in order to avoid the influence of paganism, in the New Testament Jesus teaches us where true holiness is found. The "separation" which Saint Paul calls for in the Epistle is not an ethnic or regional one (cf. Gal 3:28), but rather a spiritual one – a separation from sin. And this separation from sin happens when we, like the Canaanite woman, proclaim Jesus as our "Lord" and cry out to him "help me." Through faith in the Lord we are united to him, and become temples of the Holy Spirit. No longer will the Father be worshiped in a temple made of dead stones, either in Jerusalem or in any other city built by men (Jn 4:21), but in the hearts of those who profess Jesus as King and Lord.