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October 25, 2020

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost,

The Holy Martyrs and Notaries Marcan and Martyrius

Epistle: Galatians 2:16-20 Gospel: Luke 16:19-31 Tone: 4



Leaders of the Apostles and teachers of the world, pray to the Master of all to grant peace to the world and great mercy to our souls.

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE
WEEKDAYS: MONDAY–FRIDAY 10:00AM
SATURDAY: Not Now! 4:00PM (Vigil Sunday-Eng.)
SUNDAY: 8:30 AM (Ukr.) & 10:00 AM (Eng.)
Confessions are heard before each Divine Liturgy:
Saturday 3:00PM to 3:30 PM
Sunday 8:00AM to 8:30AM and 9:30AM until 10:00AM
Religious Education – Saturday 10:00AM – 11:00AM
Call Alice O'Doy @203-734-3055 for more information.

Preservation – Please use the form in church vestibule, mail it to the church or bring it to Bob Jaskilka, Michael Wysowski, Jr. or Fr. Edward Young
Address or Name Change/New Phone Number – Please update your records. See Bob Jaskilka, or Michael Wysowski, Jr. to update this info. Returned checks are subject to a **\$35.00 fee**.

Bulletin Notices – Notices for the bulletin must be **in writing** by Wednesday @6PM to be included in that week's bulletin.

Parish Council meets every 3rd Wednesday of every month @7:15pm in the church hall.

Rectory Office Hours - Thursday 10AM – Noon
or by Appointment on other days

******Please Note ******
Mass Offerings , Sorokousty
Mother's Day, Father's Day
Checks must be made out to the Fr. Young
not the Church ! Thank You...

Baptism Arrangement for baptism is to be made personally at the Parish Office. Please call rectory for an appointment.
Marriage – Arrangements for marriage are to be made at least **6 months prior** to the Wedding date. Please call rectory for an appointment.
Sick Calls – To arrange for Sacraments for the elderly and sick at home, please call Parish Office Fr. Young at 203-734-3895, **Please advise the rectory of any hospitalization.**
In your Estate planning – Remember Sts. Peter & Paul Church in your will.
Stewardship - "As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace" (1 Peter 4:10). All Catholics, should give generous support—time, money, prayers, and personal service according to their circumstances—to parish and diocesan programs and to the universal Church

Special Share in the Eucharist *- Bread & Wine offered for a week, month, or year. Donations: one week - \$20.00 Donors/intentions will be listed.
Bob Jaskilka, or Michael Wysowski, Jr or Fr. Edward Young
Eternal Light *- offered to light for a week \$10.00.
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Virgin Mary's Lamp and Sacred Heart Lamp* also available for offering! Offered to light for a week is 10.00, each.
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All start on Monday to Sunday!
***Offering must be made when dates are reserved!**




A Welcome to St. Peter and St. Paul Parish to all who are worshipping with us today. If you are over twenty-one years of age and have not yet registered, have moved or will be moving, or have a new telephone number, **please fill out the form below**. Each household **must be registered** at St. Peter and St. Paul and every adult receives a set of stewardship envelopes. Registration also entails an annual dues to the parish. If a parishioner is not registered, it is difficult for church authorities to issue him or her a sponsor certificate, reference, or any other certification.

Name _____ Phone# _____
Address _____ E-mail _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
(Please come down to the Basement to be properly registered after or before liturgy)

Prayer for our Nation (U.S.A): God our Father, Giver of life, we entrust the United States of America to Your loving care. You are the rock on which this nation was founded. You alone are the true source of our cherished rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Reclaim this land for Your glory and dwell among Your people. Send Your Spirit to touch the hearts of our nation's leaders. Open their minds to the great worth of human life and the responsibilities that accompany human freedom. Remind Your people that true happiness is rooted in seeking and doing Your will. Through the intercession of Mary Immaculate, Patroness of our land, grant us the courage to reject the "culture of death." Lead us into a new millennium of life. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Bread and Wine Offering - None Offered

10/24	Saturday		No Liturgy
10/25	Sunday	10:00 AM	Offered for the Member of the Holy Name Society Living & Deceased by Bishop Paul Pro Populo (For All Parishioners) - За Всіх Парафіян by Fr. Edward +Kelly Nichole Castaldi and +Stefan Ivan Karpishka req by Peter & Barbara Pysarchyk by Fr. Stefan
10/26	Monday	10:00 AM	Feast of the Holy and Glorious Great-Martyr Demetrius +Jerry Kasprzyk req. by Melania Kasprzyk
10/27	Tuesday	10:00 AM	+Anna Klokiw req. by Peter & Barbara Pysarchyk
10/28	Wednesday	10:00 AM	+Brenia, Fetzko & Herney family
10/29	Thursday		No Liturgy
10/30	Friday	10:00 AM	+Michael Pawlyk req. by Wayl & Jaroslawa Sembrat & Family
10/31	Saturday		No Liturgy
11/01	Sunday	8:30 AM 10:00 AM	Pro Populo + Judith Walker req. by Holy Name Society

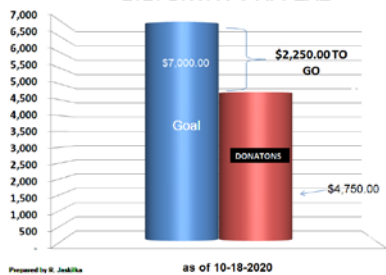
ETERNAL LIGHT		<i>None Offered</i>		
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY LAMP		<i>In loving memory of +Anna Lypen from Maria & Michael R. Telep</i>		
SACRED HEART OF JESUS LAMP		<i>In loving memory of +Anna Lypen from Maria & Michael R. Telep</i>		
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2020 & Past Church Dues (Blue Book) (Kollekta)

During Lent & every Saturday & Sunday dues current & past will be collected in the church hall after the 4:00 PM Vigil and 8:30 AM & 10AM Sunday Liturgies.
Please bring your dues book to the church hall dues will not be collected in the rectory Back on January 25, 2005 the Parish Council voted to increase the yearly dues to \$75.00 per member. This is the first increase since 1998. The number of upcoming projects that are needed to keep the church building in good repairs, such as painting, doors, walls, fixing the roof, warranted this increase.
Do not place dues in your weekly envelope offering !
Please remember - this is not our church but YOUR church!
Please fulfill your responsibility to your Church!!

******Notice ******The Ladies room **is closed for renovation** till further notice. Mens's bathroom will be used by everyone.

2020 BISHOPS APPEAL



2020 STAMFORD CHARITIES DIOCESE APPEAL

The month of October continues the Stamford Diocese Charities Appeal for 2020. This fund provides support for many programs in the Diocese as indicated in the Sower. Our offering reminds us that we are members of a greater body of the Church that operates beyond the barriers of our local parish and that each one of us has a role to play in the Church's mission of evangelization and sanctification. Please note: that at this time our seminary in Stamford is growing and needs your support.

You have received by mail your request for support. Please help this fund as you have in the past.

Please do not send your donation to Stamford!!! Do not use Paypal !!!

There will be collectors to take your donation for 2020 in the church hall or mail it in to church !
Donations \$4,750.00 or 67.9% to go \$2,250.00 This week \$575.00.

MARTA			BAXER	\$500.00
JOSEPH	&	CYNTHIA	ZURAW	\$75.00

October 31 - Turn clocks back Saturday Night 1 hour before you go to bed !!!!

The 2020 Stamford Diocesan Charities Appeal form has been sent. Please make checks payable to: "The Byzantine Rite Diocese of Stamford" and send or bring your donation to the church.

Cash is acceptable form for payment.

Do not use Paypal for your donation !

Since every parish in the diocese has been assessed a target for this campaign, **please do not sent your gift directly to Stamford.** Our parish needs to be properly credited to meet its goal of seven thousand dollars. We have met our goal over the last nine years and have not had to put any additional strain on our parish's treasury. While many of our regular contributors have fallen asleep in the Lord, it is even more essential that every parishioner consider such diocesan programs as vocations, religious education, evangelization, and stewardship worthy of personal charity. This Year 2020 because of Covid-19 we are beginning the Charities Appeal in September which is later than other years. Hopefully now by God's grace as Autumn approaches we all will be blessed with good health in our homes and our community.

TWENTYFIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Epistle - St. Pauls letter to the Galatians 2:16-20 ~ Gospel - Luke 16: 19-31

Homily on the Epistle Reading for the 21st Sunday after Pentecost and the 6th Sunday of Luke (Galatians 2: 16-20) "It is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me" (verse 20)

There is a story about a monk who despaired of the cross God had given him and complained of it constantly. God finally relented and offered him a chance to select a different cross. He led the monk into a room filled with several crosses from which to pick. The monk was appalled at what he saw: huge crosses, bloody crosses, crosses with nails. He wandered through the room and finally spied a lovely small silver cross tucked away in a corner. He picked this cross and held it up saying, "I'll take this cross!" God simply replied, "But that is the cross you already had!"

We should ask ourselves: Do I embrace the cross God has given me? Or do I try to take my salvation or as St. Paul says, my justification, into my own hands? Am I trying to get to heaven without God's help or guidance? In the gospel from the Sunday after the Exaltation of the Precious Cross (Mark 8:34 ? 9:1), Jesus says, "*Whoever desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross and follow Me*" (v.34). Like the monk we may not want the cross we've been given or we may "think we know a better way than the way Jesus is leading us".

This relates to St. Paul's words from today's Epistle (Galatians 2:16-20) where he says, "a man is not justified by the works of the law but by faith in Jesus Christ" (v.16). Let us take a closer look at this verse. Whenever we hear the word "justify" in the scripture, we should think of the more accurate translation "righteous"... So to be justified is to be made righteous which means to act in an upright, moral, virtuous way. When we hear "works of the law" we should think of the Mosaic Law, the Tablets of the Law given to Moses by God (Exodus 20). This Law gave commandments for life that instructed the Israelites on how to relate to God and to each other. This law revealed the difference between good and evil and functioned as a tutor that would lead them to the Messiah, Jesus Christ (Gal.3:24). In this particular verse "faith in Christ" should be translated "faith of Christ". The faith of Christ is the absolute trust and obedience He placed in God the Father demonstrated throughout His life but especially leading up to and including His Crucifixion and Death. Reflected in many of his epistles, St.

Paul was addressing the problem of Judaizers in the early Church. Judaizers were those Christians who demanded that new followers of Christ must be circumcised and follow the Jewish dietary laws.

So how does all of the above relate to us 2,000 years later? We no longer have the problem of Judaizers but we still have the problem of people thinking that their righteousness apart from Christ can do them good. How often do we think, "I did a good deed yesterday, I don't need to pray today. I went to Liturgy last week, I can probably skip Liturgy this week. I confess to God in my personal prayer, I don't need to go to the Sacrament of Confession with the priest. I received Holy Communion last year during Holy Week so I'm all set until next year." Even worse may be "I did something good for someone or I attended Liturgy or I received communion, so now I can sin a little bit. I deserve it or I earned it." It's kind of like some people approach dieting or fasting. Unfortunately, what we're doing in these situations is taking our spiritual life into our own hands instead of continually placing it in the hands of God.

In order to be made righteous by the faith of Christ, we must seek to imitate as best we can, the absolute trust in and obedience towards God the Father. Bargaining with God using our righteous actions as leverage is making the same mistake as the ancient Judaizers and that is to place our faith in our works rather than in God. To think or try to become righteous before God in order to get to heaven without living in the life of His Church, the Body of Christ, is to be ashamed of Christ and His words (Mk.8:38). Hopefully, we can now understand better that to lose our life for Christ and the Gospel is expressed when we deny ourselves from what we want or what we think is best (Mk.8:34-35). That taking up our cross is to be crucified with Christ. And finally, that to place our complete trust in God is to have the faith of Christ. Thus, *"it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me"* (Gal.2:20).
(Excerpt from <http://www.stgeorgegoc.org/Fr.Rickssermons>)

CATECHISM - CHRIST OUR PASCHA - TODAY'S EPISTLE / GOSPEL LESSON :

RIGHTEOUS: Page 75, Section 208; Page 83, Section 231; Page 112, Section 321; Page 220,

Sections 677, 678

VIRTUE: Page 266,
Sections 831, 832



THE FEAST OF ST. DEMETRIUS OF THESSALONIKI
FEASTDAY -
OCTOBER 26 ~
Born: 270 Martyred :
306

Great Martyr Dimitrios, the Myrrh-flowing and Wonderworking Saint, was a Christian and the son of the military commander of Thessalonica in the early fourth century. St. Dimitrios was the only son and was, because of this, most carefully cherished

and educated. When his father died, Dimitrios was appointed by Emperor Maximian to take his place. Maximian was an opponent of Christ and charged Dimitrios to persecute and to kill the Christians in that city.

Instead, Dimitrios disobeyed Maximian and openly confessed and preached Christianity. Hearing of this, the Emperor was furious and on his way back from battles against the Sarmathians he went to Thessalonica to look into the matter. He summoned Dimitrios and questioned him about his faith. Dimitrios confessed his belief as well as his disgust for idolatry (and thus openly criticizing the

Emperor himself). The enraged Emperor cast him into prison, and Dimitrios, knowing his fate, had his servant Lupus give his wealth to the poor (being glad that suffering for Christ was to be his lot). During the Middle Ages, he came to be revered as one of the most important Orthodox military saints, often paired with George of Lydda. Demetrius was also venerated as patron of agriculture, peasants and shepherds in the Greek countryside during the Middle Ages.

From the Feast of Saint Demetrius: Kontakion of the Great Martyr, in Tone II: He that gave thee invincible strength, * O Demetrius, * hath dyed the Church in the streams of thy blood, * and hath kept thy city unharmed, ** for thou art its confirmation. **Ikos:** Assembling in faith, let us all hymn the great Demetrius as a warrior and martyr of Christ, crying out together in hymns and songs unto the Master and Creator of the universe: Deliver us from earthquake and want, O Lover of mankind, through the prayers of the Theotokos and of all Thy holy martyrs, for in Thee do we all place our trust, that we be delivered from misfortunes and tribulations. For Thou are our confirmation.

Today the universal festival of the passion-bearer doth call us together. Come, then, ye who love the feasts of the Church, and let us radiantly celebrate his commemoration, saying: Rejoice, thou who didst rend the garment of impiety with faith and didst robe thyself in manliness of spirit! Rejoice, thou who didst wreck the schemes of the alien one with the might given thee by the One God! Rejoice, thou who with thy pierced limbs didst spiritually portray the suffering of Christ for us! Him do thou entreat, O Demetrius, adornment of spiritual athletes, that we be delivered from enemies, visible and invisible, and that our souls be saved!



Martyr Marcian and Martyrius the Notaries, of Constantinople Commemorated on October 25 Troparion — Tone 3: In holy zeal you dispelled the error of Arius / and proclaimed the Trinity, one in essence. / Holy martyrs Marcian and Martyrius, / unshaken bulwarks of Holy Faith, / entreat Christ our God to grant us His great mercy.

Kontakion — Tone 4: (*Podoben:* "As You were voluntarily raised...") From your youth you were good athletes, wise Marcian and Martyrius, / vanquishing the Arian heretics; / you kept the faith perfect by following in the footsteps of your bishop and

teacher Paul, / therefore, you are worthy to be with him in eternal life, / as respected defenders of the Holy Trinity.

The Martyrs Marcian and Martyrius, Notaries of Constantinople served in a Constantinople cathedral. Marcian was a reader and Martyrius a subdeacon. They both performed in the capacity of notaries, i.e. secretaries, for Patriarch Paul the Confessor (November 6).

Arian heretics expelled and secretly executed the righteous Patriarch Paul. His throne was given to the heretic Macedonius. The heretics attempted to entice Saints Marcian and Martyrius over to their side

by flattery. They offered them gold and promised to consecrate them as archbishops, but all the efforts of the Arians were in vain.

Then the impious threatened to slander them before the emperor, and sought to intimidate them with torture and death. But the saints steadfastly confessed Orthodoxy, as handed down by the Fathers of the Church. Marcian and Martyrius were sentenced to death. Before death, the martyrs prayed, "Lord God, Who has invisibly created our hearts, and directed all our deeds, accept with peace the souls of Your servants, since we perish for You and are considered as sheep for the slaughter (Ps 32/33:15; 43/44:22). We rejoice that by such a death we shall depart this life for Your Name. Grant us to be partakers of life eternal with You, the Source of life." After their prayer the martyrs, with quiet rejoicing, bent their necks beneath the sword of the impious (+ ca. 335).

Their holy bodies were reverently buried by Right Believing Christians. Later, by decree of Saint John Chrysostom, the relics of the holy martyrs were transferred to a church built in their honor. Believers here were healed of many infirmities through the prayers of the saints, to the glory of the One Life-Creating Trinity.



The Most Rev. Paul Patrick Chomnycky, O.S.B.M., Bishop of Stamford will grace our parish by a visit Sunday 25 October 2020 to celebrate Divine Liturgy for the intentions of the Holy Name Society Members living and deceased. Hopefully as many of you as possible will be at Divine Liturgy at 10:00 AM. We are most grateful to His Excellency for taking time to visit our parish.

Bishop Paul:

Ordained October 1, 1988, Priest of the Order of St. Basil the Great

Appointed Apostolic Exarch of Great Britain, April 5, 2002

Titular Bishop of Buffada

Consecrated Bishop, June 11, 2002

Appointed Eparch of Stamford January 3, 2006

Installed as fourth Eparch of Stamford, February 20, 2006

Bishop Paul Patrick Chomnycky, O.S.B.M., age 51, was born in Vancouver, British Columbia on May 19, 1954. His father, Stephan, had immigrated to Canada in 1948 from the village of Wilchiwchyk, Husiatyn County of the Ternopil Oblast, Ukraine, while his mother, Jessie Delawski, was born in Musidora, Alberta, Canada. He has a twin sister, Patricia, who is an elementary school teacher in Maple Ridge, British Columbia, and both of his parents passed away in 1996.

After graduating from the University of British Columbia with a Bachelors Degree in Commerce in 1980, the Bishop worked as an accountant for two years. Responding to God's call to a vocation, he entered the novitiate of the Order of St. Basil the Great, the Basilian Monastery in Glen Cove, New York, in November 1982. He professed final vows in Rome on January 1, 1988 and was ordained to the priesthood on October 1, 1988 by Bishop Jerome Chimy, O.S.B.M. at Protection of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church in Vancouver. Further studies followed in Philosophy at the University of St. Anselm and the Gregorian University in Rome receiving a Bachelor's in Sacred Theology in 1990. Upon his return to Canada he served briefly as an assistant pastor at Sts. Peter and Paul Church in

Mundare, Alberta and St. Basil's, Edmonton. Eventually he would return to both parishes as their pastor in 1997 and 2000 and also served as the pastor of St. Mary's Church in Vancouver from 1994 to 1997.

During his tenure as pastor at St. Basil's in Edmonton and St. Paul's in Mundare, he was also the superior of the local Basilian monastery. Bishop Chomnycky also served as the Director of the Basilian Fathers museum in Mundare, a member of the Provincial Council of the Basilian Fathers of Canada, and a member of the college of consultors of the Edmonton Eparchy. He was appointed Exarch for Ukrainian Catholics in Great Britain on April 5, 2002 and ordained bishop on June 11, 2002 by His Beatitude Lubomyr Cardinal Husar.

Akathist to St. Demetrios the Great Martyr and Myrrh-streamer

Kontakion in the Plagal of the Fourth Tone

O faithful, let us praise with hymns and divine praises the Myrrhstreamer, who deposed the cruelty of the tyrant, and conquered the audacity of Lyaaios, and preached Christ as God clearly, and let us cry out to him: **Rejoice, O Martyr Demetrios.**

Angels were astonished in heaven, beholding the godless rage of the tyrant (3), and as you were put to death by his decree, O Demetrios, we cry out to you thus:

Rejoice, the sacred pinnacle of martyrs,

Rejoice, the joyous radiance of Saints.

Rejoice, for you were placed in a pit as one condemned,

Rejoice, for you ascended to Heaven as one without a body.

Rejoice, dweller in the ranks of the Angels,

Rejoice you who bore the tortures of the tyrant.

Rejoice, for you despised the wiles of the enemies,

Rejoice, for your soul now dwells in Heaven.

Rejoice, O Martyr Demetrios.

The divine Nestor, beholding himself in manliness, approached the king with boldness: "Your exceeding danger appears as an abomination to my soul. For I will put to death the godless Lyaaios, crying out: **Alleluia.**

Martyr Saint Demetrios, * believers all and your city * faithfully depend on you * for your ardent patronage, and they say to you: * As you saved us before, * many times, O Martyr, * from disaster and calamity, * likewise deliver us * from impending evils and suffering; * for Godly-minded as we are, * we sincerely trust that you care for us. * And pray to the Lord Christ * to grant us the forgiveness of our sins, * to cure diseases afflicting us, * and to end our suffering.

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