

# October 4th, 2020 **Hieromartyr Hierotheus** 17th Sunday After Pentecost HOLY DO

# **Scripture Readings**

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 6:16-7:1

Brethren, what agreement has the temple of God with idols? For you are the temple of the living God. As God has said: "I will dwell in them and walk among them. I will be their God, and they shall be My people." Therefore "Come out from among them and be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, and I will receive you. I will be a Father to you, and you shall be My sons and daughters, says the LORD Almighty." Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

#### Gospel: Luke 6:31-36

The Lord said: just as you want men to do to you, you also do to them likewise. But if you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive back, what credit is that to you? For even sinners lend to sinners to receive as much back. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, hoping for nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High. For He is kind to the unthankful and evil. Therefore be merciful, just as your Father also is merciful.

- **CT** Birthdays & Anniversaries
- Oct 2 Daryl Mikita
- Oct 3 Michael Hlatki
- Oct 3 Mark Manyik
- Oct 6 David Rozdilsky
- Oct 8 Rita Evanoika
- Oct 11 Fr. Stephen Osburn
- Oct 12 Steven & Sarah Dumler
- Oct 21 Dan and Vickie Tipton
- Oct 21 Bill Tressler
- Oct 22 Luke Fischer
- Oct 25 Brady Billmire
- Oct 28 Kenny Stephens Oct 29 - Steven Dumler

RVICES

Prayers for Rain - 7:00 AM (7th) Reader's Vespers - 5:00 PM (10th) Divine Liturgy - 9:30 AM (11th)

"The demons attack the person who has attained the summits of prayer in order to prevent his conceptual images of sensible things from being free from passion; they attack the gnostic so that he will dally with impassioned thoughts; and they attack the person who has not advanced beyond the practice of the virtues so as to persuade him to sin through his actions. They contend with all men by every possible means in order to separate them from God.'

- St. Maximos the Confessor

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **Calhan Community Highlight**

LeAnn Perry and the Cactus Flowers competed yesterday at a rodeo in Limon. Sadly, they only took 2nd; however, after yesterday's event, they are now ranked 1st by 1 point going into their world finals at the end of the month. May God look after all of the competitors and May He Grant them all Many Years!

#### Special Collection for the North-Western Fires

As many of you may have heard through our Facebook account, there have been some crazy wildfires as of late throughout the West, especially in California, Oregon, and Washington. Many families have lost their homes and entire towns have gone up in flames. Many of our own parishes in those areas have been effected by these devasting events. His Eminence, Archbishop Benjamin has requested all parishes to help not only our sister churches but also their neighbors at this time of crisis. We will be taking a special collection today and every Sunday until the middle of October to help. If you would like to donate directly, a special fund has been setup here: *Diocese of the West, attn: Fire Relief, 806 Talent Ave., Talent, OR 97540.* Please be generous above and beyond your normal tithing and May God look after all those during this difficult time.

# Parish Council (October 18th)

Our monthly parish council meeting will be the 18th, instead of next Sunday the 11th. Mat. Lindsey has requested the date moved so that she can take Fr. Stephen out on his birthday. He objected to this and lost the argument.

# **Rose Marie Ladies Meeting Today**

Fr. Stephen would like to have a quick meeting with the Ladies after Liturgy today.

# Bake Sale Signup w/ Special Plea (Tentative Bake Sale Dates: Nov. 21st - 22nd)

There is a signup sheet in the Narthax. We still need a few more signups in order to make this work. If you commit to bake, please also make sure to list the amount you are baking and the price of the items. It is important that we as a community work together to break our dependence on these types of events such as Slavic Fest or bake sales when working through our budget. We should always treat those events as above and beyond our normal involvement and let tithing and stewardship be our focus in our budget. As Christians, we are all called upon to be worthy stewards of the manifold blessings which our Heavenly Father has bestowed upon us. The very concept of Stewardship is based upon our thankfulness toward God. So as we attempt to make the proper offering to God, we pray that He be merciful unto us and guide us to truly love Him with all our heart, with all our soul, with all our mind, and to love our neighbor as ourself. (Matthew 22:37-39) Therefore, whether you give to the church on a regular basis, or annually, we're asking everyone to consider contributing, prayerfully a little more each month (a minimum of \$20 more a month per family) to help make up for the loss of income from our extra events. This is something we need our entire church community's help with. Our greatest blessing is our family and this parish is our family. It also shows an obedience to God by making His Work a financial priority in our lives. So let us all come together as a community united behind this common cause and May God look after our parish according to His Will and His Will alone, so that His Name May Always Be Glorified!

## **Photo Directory**

This year we will be creating a special updated Photo Directory Book that will be available free to everyone in the parish. With the help of Mat. Lindsey and Sheila, Fr. Stephen will be organizing and scheduling family photo sessions in the Church over the coming weeks and months to be ready this Christmas. Everyone will also receive a disc of the photos taken that they may use for their own Christmas cards. If you would like to donate to this, above and beyond your normal tithing, you may see Fr. Stephen or Lori to do so. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask Fr. Stephen or any parish council member. (One side note, unless something changes over the coming months, all Diocesan guidelines for Covid-19 will still apply. During shoots, masks may be taken off but after, distancing and mask rules still apply).

## Bryan Hlatki's Address

Bryan is now in a more permanent location for the next few years and with everything happening with Covid, I'm sure he'd love to hear from everyone. If you'd like to send him something, here is his address: *EOCR Hlatki Bryan 618 4th St. Williamsburg VA 23185*. Once things get back to "normal" again, we will have our youth put together a fun care package for Bryan.

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