

### *A God Who Cries For US*

Making his rounds in a local hospital, a chaplain encountered a man who had sustained minor injuries in an automobile accident. Although his injuries were not life-threatening, those of his wife and small child were more serious. The chaplain encouraged the man to have faith and trust in God to which the man angrily replied, “why should I?” “Look at what God has done to my wife and child,” he continued, “how can I have faith in a God who does things like that.”

The chaplain then told the man about a particular occasion when Jesus was passing through a strange town and came across a funeral procession of a young man. Jesus didn’t know the young man or anyone in his family, but He was moved with pity when He saw the crying mother. “Imagine,” the chaplain said, “the Lord

Himself was so moved by pity that He actually cried with the widow.” Jesus then stopped the procession and raised the young man from the dead and gave him back to his mother. (Luke 7:11-16)

The chaplain concluded by asking the man if he really thought that a God who loves us so much that He actually cries for us is capable of causing bad things to happen to us. The same God who cries for us – and who died for us – will never abandon us in our most critical time of need.

As the chaplain was leaving the man’s room, the doctor entered and told the man that his wife and child would be fine. From out in the hallway, the chaplain overheard the man say, “thank You, Jesus.”

### EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



*Icon of Saint Thomas -- October 6th*

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**Sunday – October 4, 2020**

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

The District of Columbia is at Phase 2, and our Church is open for Divine Liturgies. But, some may not feel ready to return, so we will continue to Livestream our 9:00 a.m. English Divine Liturgy and our 11:30 a.m. Ukrainian Divine Liturgy. The dispensation from attending Sunday Divine Liturgy and Holy Days of Obligation throughout the Archeparchy is still in effect until further notice.

**Sunday Services will be Live Streamed at 9:00 AM and 11:30 AM**

**Platform: <https://www.facebook.com/holyfamilyshrine/>**

**OUR CHURCH IS OPEN FOR LITURGIES**

<b>Sunday October 4</b> <b>9:00 a.m.</b> <b>11:30 a.m.</b>	(For the Parish) (+Natalia and +Iwan Bazarko from Family)
<b>Wednesday October 7</b> <b>9:00 a.m.</b>	(+Ala Unya from Anna Mac)
<b>Thursday October 8</b> <b>9:00 a.m.</b>	(Special Intention of Leonora from Family)
<b>Friday October 9</b> <b>9:00 a.m.</b>	(+Anna Maria Zelinska from the Chalupa Family)
<b>Sunday October 11</b> <b>9:00 a.m.</b> <b>11:30 a.m.</b>	(For the Parish) (Wedding Blessings for Adrian and Tanya from the Oryshkevych Family)

**Pray the Rosary Together!**

Come join us in the comfort of your own home and rediscover the Rosary. It's the prayer of saints and the prayer for you! Our Rosary Prayer Group is dedicated to the Blessed Mother under the title of Our Lady of Fatima and with these uncertain times that we all live in, let us turn to her for help to bring peace for our country. All you need to have is a telephone! The prayer participants receive a special toll-free number and access code and you dial in at the appropriate day and time. **We meet each Tuesday at 6:15 PM.** No matter where you live in the country, you are invited to join us in praying the Rosary. For more information and to join us in prayer, please contact Mary Ellen Keyes at [mekeyes1@yahoo.com](mailto:mekeyes1@yahoo.com) or call her at 301-431-1069.

**Prayer List**

Our prayer list of the sick or elderly and friends of our parish: **Theresa Aranda, Liana Arnold, Fr. Frank Avant, Susan Avant, Charles Belanger, Barbara Blendy, Bluey Family, Yevhenia Borys, Taisia Bullard, Michele Burns, Fr. David Clooney, Mary Connors, Jack Davis, Darlene Dossick, Solomia Dutkewych, Ruth Fedack, Bernard F, Damian Fedoryka, Lilian Garland, Thomas Gutmann, H.H., Josie Hacker, Catherine Hetmansky, 1LT Catherine Hetmansky Hayes (Active Duty Iraq), Julia Hetmansky, Bernadell Rita Higgins, Daniel Horeczko, Nila Iwaskiw, Kateryna Jurach, Sarah Kelt, Dorothy Kozmoski, Suzanne Krumpelman, Fr. Mykhailo Kuzma, Michael Joseph Little, Michele Pretka Litvar, Yaroslava L., Mufada and Family, Sallie Miller, John Moeller, Deborah Pickering, Alexandra Pohorecka, Ron#119, Michael Joseph Radigan, Roman Rusynko, Maria Sawkiw, Lisa Schaible, Christopher Sell, Shliakhta Bogdana, Shliakhta Mark, Shliakhta Andrew, Gerald Stasko, Timothy Stock, Lindsey Sydnor, Thomas Sydnor, Helen Lefcheck Torre, Jarrelyn Trusen, Cindy Turchek, Lisa Pretka Turner, Gloria and Luis Vega, Jennifer Wilson, Nataliya Wozniak, Michael Zabych.** 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.