

### *Nowhere in Israel Have I Found as Much Faith*

The Lord Jesus agreed to go to the centurion's house to cure his servant, but he replied: *I am not worthy to have you under my roof; only say the word and my servant will be healed.* In protesting his unworthiness the centurion showed himself worthy to have Christ enter not his house but his heart. Yet he could not have said this with such faith and humility unless he already bore within his heart the One he was too overawed to have within his house. In any case, there would have been no great happiness at the entry of the Lord Jesus within his walls if he were not present in his heart.

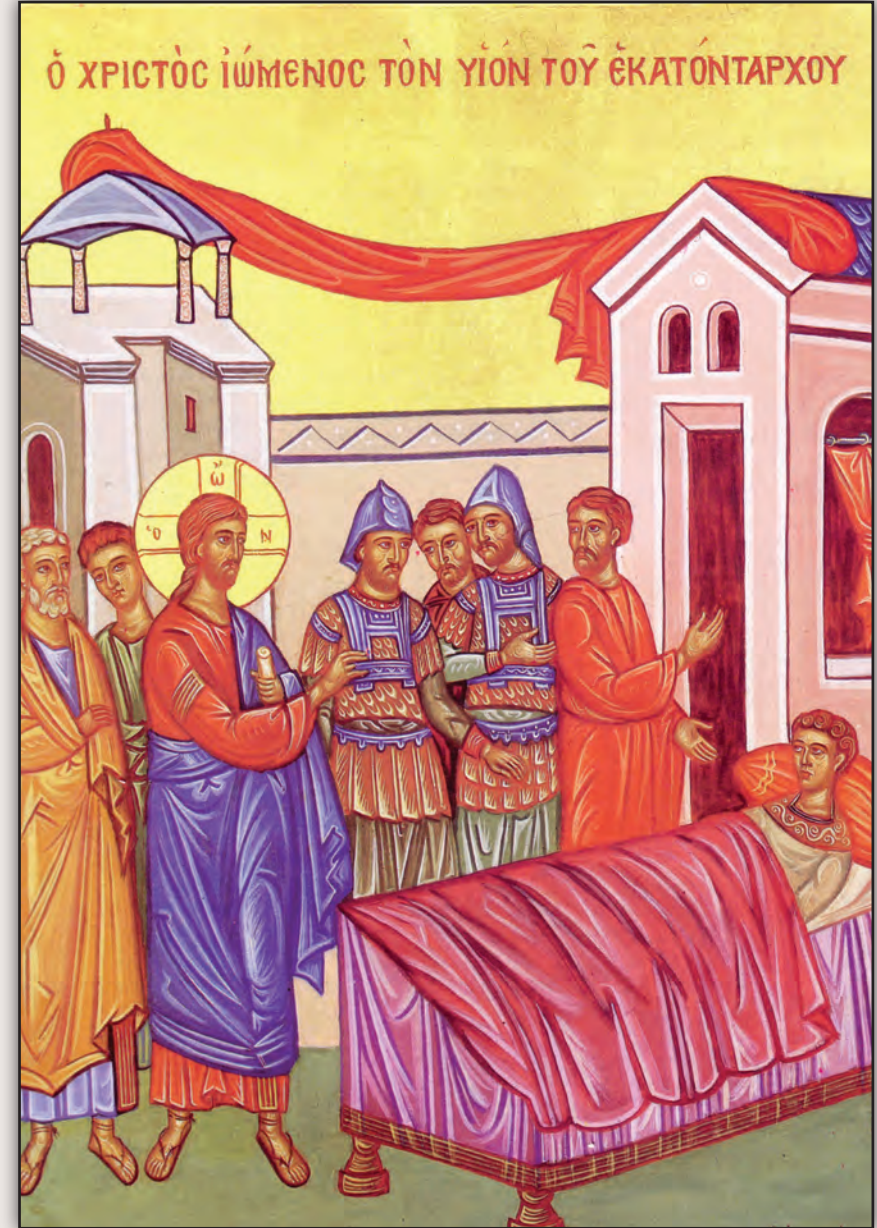
But what emboldened the centurion to act as he did? *I am under authority myself*, he said, *and have soldiers under me; and I say to one man, Go,*

*and he goes; to another, Come here, and he comes; to my servant, Do this, and he does it.*

Now the man who said this was a Gentile as well as a centurion. He was a professional soldier and, as a centurion, acted according to his rank: subject to authority and exercise in authority, obeying as a subordinate and giving orders to those subordinate to him. As for the Lord, though living among the Jewish people, He was already beginning to make it known that His Church would extend throughout the whole world into which He was about to send His apostles. Although the Gentiles would not see him they would believe in him, whereas the Jewish leaders who saw him would put him to death.

*St. Augustine of Hippo*

## FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



*Icon of Christ Healing the Centurion's Servant*

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**Sunday – June 20, 2021**

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

**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.**

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

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**OUR CHURCH IS OPEN FOR LITURGIES**

<b>Sunday June 20</b> <b>9:00 a.m.</b> <b>11:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Father's Day</b> (For the Parish) (Living and Deceased Fathers)
<b>Wednesday June 23</b> <b>9:00 a.m.</b>	(+Blessings for Ann Marie Gogniat from Steve Walsh)
<b>Thursday June 24</b> <b>9:00 a.m.</b>	(+Orysia Dackiw from Family)
<b>Friday June 25</b> <b>9:00 a.m.</b>	(+David and Myron Nagurney from Irene)
<b>Sunday June 27</b> <b>9:00 a.m.</b> <b>11:30 a.m.</b>	(For the Parish) (+Eugenia Osgood from Friend)

**Happy Father's Day 2021**

This Sunday, we greet all of the Fathers of our Parish and wish them God's choicest blessings. Our Fathers are called to be good role models and guardians of our families. Especially in our Parish of the Holy Family, may St. Joseph, faithful foster-father of Our Lord, and faithful spouse of our Ever-Blessed Mother, intercede before our Lord Jesus Christ for health and blessings upon our Living Fathers and for mercy and eternal life upon our Deceased Fathers.

**Prayer List**

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

There is a tendency in our culture to separate the mind from the body, as if the mind is who we really are, while the body is merely a machine that we move wherever we want. Even some Christians would go so far as to say that as long as a man believes that Jesus is Lord, he is saved, regardless of what he does with his body. But, this is not the vision of the human person found in Sacred Scripture or the tradition of the Church. Instead, the human person is a union of spiritual and physical realities, mind and body, soul and flesh. So, what a man does with his body can be a physical sign of the state of his heart and his progress in the spiritual life. Writing to the Church in Rome, St. Paul says that before faith in Christ, before grace and baptism, the Roman Christians were slaves to sin. St. Paul calls now us as well, to be slaves of God instead, to serve righteousness and holiness with our whole life, our whole person, with both our body and our soul.

The Gospel speaks of the Centurion's faith. A spiritual interpretation of the passage could suggest that when a man turns his heart, and all of its thoughts, over to the Lord, he will hand himself over to become a servant of holiness and righteousness and be spiritually healed. If he turns to the Lord often with prayer, and embraces the good thoughts and ignores the evil thoughts, he will easily be able to take command of his unruly body with its passions. Just as the Lord performs miracles by the command of His Word, and the centurion commands his soldiers and servants with his word, likewise, we can offer our bodies and our whole life to bear the fruit of sanctification and holiness. We have two choices: we can be slaves to sin and receive the wages of sin, which is death, hell, and spiritual suffering, or we can repent and become slaves to righteousness, be made right before God, and this will lead us into to life everlasting.