

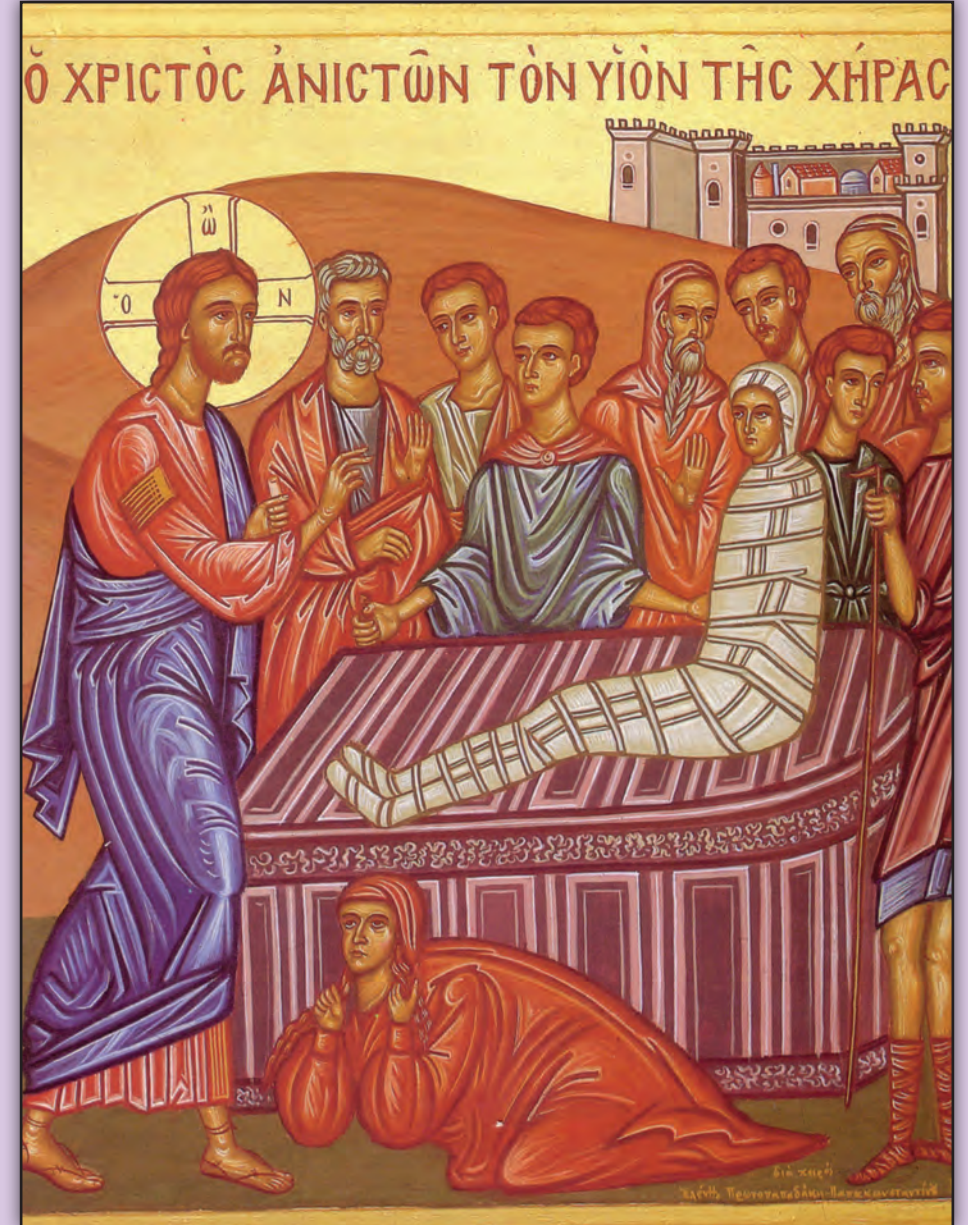
*Jesus the Lord of Life*

How do you respond to the misfortunes of others? In a number of places the gospel records that Jesus was “moved to the depths of His heart.” Our English word “compassion” is a weak translation of the Hebrew word for “sympathy.” Why was Jesus so moved on this occasion? Jesus not only grieved the untimely death of a youth, but he showed the depth of his concern for a woman who lost not only a husband, but an only child as well.

The scriptures make clear that God takes no pleasure in the death of anyone (e.g., Ezekiel 33:11); God desires life, not death. Jesus not only had compassion, He also had power – the ability to restore life and make whole again. Jesus, however, incurred grave

risk by approaching the bier, since contact with a dead body made one ritually impure. His touch not only restored life but brought freedom and wholeness to soul as well as body.

This miracle is reminiscent of the prophet Elisha who raised another mother’s son (see 2 Kings 4:18-37). Jesus claimed as His own one whom death had seized as its prey. By His word of power He restored life for a young man marked for death. Jesus is Lord not only of the living but of the dead as well. Jesus triumphed over the grave and He promises that because He lives, we also shall live in Him (John 14:19). Do you trust in the Lord’s power to give life and hope in the face of misfortune and despair?



*Icon of the Healing of the Widow's Son (Luke 7:11-16)*

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**Sunday – October 10, 2021**

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

**Our Church is open for Divine Liturgies. 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**

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

**OUR CHURCH IS OPEN FOR LITURGIES**

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| <b>Sunday October 10</b><br><b>9:00 a.m.</b><br><b>11:30 a.m.</b> | (+Cathleen Jacobson from Family) Fr. R.<br>(For the Parish) Fr. R.<br>(+Anna Shashkewych from Family) Fr. A. |
| <b>Monday October 11</b><br><b>9:00 a.m.</b>                      | (+Monsignor Leon Mosko from Friend)  |
| <b>Tuesday October 12</b><br><b>9:00 a.m.</b>                     | (Deceased of the Slota Family from Lydia Gifler)   |
| <b>Wednesday October 13</b><br><b>9:00 a.m.</b>                   | (Deceased of the Sabol Family from Ellen)  |
| <b>Thursday October 14</b><br><b>9:00 a.m.</b>                    | (Deceased of the Nagurney-Medwid Family from Irene)  |
| <b>Friday October 15</b><br><b>9:00 a.m.</b>                      | (+Anna and +Wesley from Ruth)  |
| <b>Sunday October 17</b><br><b>9:00 a.m.</b><br><b>11:30 a.m.</b> | (For the Parish)<br>(+Helen Caldwell from the Mulvey Family)   |

**CONCERNING FUTURE PARISH EVENTS**

**District of Columbia Mayor Bowser announced July 29 that the District is re-instituting a universal, indoor masking mandate for everyone, even those fully vaccinated. Persons attending Church in the District, even if they are fully vaccinated, must wear a mask. Fellowship with Cake and Coffee after the Sunday Divine Liturgies will also continue to be suspended.**

**Everyone is kindly asked to return to wearing a mask during the Divine Liturgies.**

**WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST PARISHIONER, OLEH MATVYEV**

We welcome our newest parishioner, Oleh Matvyeyev, infant son of Oleh and Olga. Oleh was baptized, chrismated, and received the Holy Eucharist on Sunday, October 10. May God grant Oleh and his family many happy years – Mnohaya Lita!

**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, Robert Matthew C., Mary Connors, Jack Davis, Darlene Dossick, Solomia Dutkewych and Theresa, Ruth Fedack, Bernard F, Lindsey Fedyk, 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, Mr. Marko, 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**

Today the Church proclaims the inspirational story of the resurrection of the dead son, the only son, of the widow of Naim. It is one of Jesus' chief miracles. In the person of the widow we can see the most destitute, the most hopeless of people. In those days, a widow was left often times with no means of financial security – no means to provide the basic necessities of life. No means, that is, unless there is left to her a son who can look out for her and offer her protection. Sadly, this widowed woman is the wife of a dead man and now the mother of a dead son – truly, she was bereft of hope. She was indeed in a hopeless state – a state of real need. And as Jesus comes to this woman to restore her dead son to life, the woman receives not only her son but also the possibility of life for herself. It was for this reason, to restore life to a world in the stronghold of death, that Jesus was born of the Theotokos. It is for this reason, to give life back to mankind, that he was crucified, was buried and on the third day rose again. The Church challenges us today to become a people formed in the image and likeness of Christ – a people whose sole identity is to give our life that others might live. Every aspect of our life, then, must be about giving of ourselves to those around us. And through giving of ourselves we proclaim in our actions the Good News of Jesus Christ.

**PRACTICAL CHALLENGE QUESTIONS:**

1. What are the different kinds of “needs” that people have?
2. Is there a way to be dead in our heart and yet alive in our body? If so, how can we become more like Jesus to those who are spiritually dead?
3. What are some practical ways in which we can help others who are in need?