Homily by St. John Chrysostom on Matthew 17

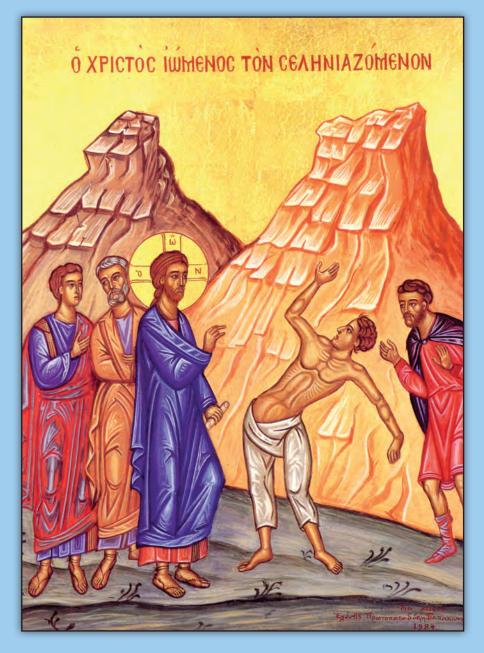
This man the Scripture signifies to be exceedingly weak in faith; and this is many ways evident - from Christ's saying, "All things are possible to him that believes;" from the saying of the man himself that approached, "Help my unbelief;:" from Christ's commanding the devil to "enter no more into him;" and from the man's saying again to Christ, "If You can." Yet if his unbelief was the cause, it may be said, that the devil went not out, why does He blame the disciples? Signifying, that even without persons to bring the sick in faith, they might in many instances work a cure. For as the faith of the person presenting oftentimes availed for receiving the cure, even from inferior ministers; so the power of the doers oftentimes sufficed, even without belief in those who came to work the miracle.

And both these things are signified in the Scripture. For as to those that cast him down, not for faith but for cowardice did they cast him, unintentionally and by chance, for fear of the band of robbers, and so they fled: while the person himself that was cast in was dead, yet by the mere virtue of the holy body the dead man arose.

Whence it is clear in this case, that even the disciples were weak; but not all; for the pillars Galatians 2:9 were not present there. And see this man's want of consideration, from another circumstance again, how before the multitude he pleads to Jesus against His disciples, saying, "I brought him to Your disciples, and they could not cure him."

But He, acquitting them of the charges before the people, imputes the greater part to him. For, O faithless and perverse generation, these are His words, how long shall I be with you? Matthew 17:17 not aiming at his person only, lest He should confound the man, but also at all the Jews. For indeed many of those present might probably be offended, and have undue thoughts of them.

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Icon of healing the possessed boy (Matthew 17:14-23)

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Sunday July 28	
9:00 a.m.	(+Motria Sloniewsky from Family)
11:30 a.m.	(For the Parish)
Wednesday July 31	
9:00 a.m.	(Blessings on Great grandchildren and Grandchildren from Ruth)
Thursday August 1	
9:00 a.m.	(+Fr. Stephen Shawel and +Fr. Joseph Denischuk from Irene)
Friday July 26	
9:00 a.m.	(+Theodore and +Michael Fedack from Family)
Sunday August 4	
9:00 a.m.	(For the Parish)
11:30 a.m.	(Health of Myroslava from Theresa Caryk)

Prayer List

Our prayer list of the sick or elderly and friends of our parish: Theresa Aranda, Liana Arnold, Valarie Balthis, Charles Belanger, Barbara Blendy, Bluey Family, Yevhenia Borys, Terry Boyle, Taisia Bullard, Mary Connors, Veronica Cosio, Darlene Dossick, Solomia Dutkewych and Theresa, Ruth Fedack, Bernard F, Lindsey Fedyk, Ferne Fisanich, Myroslava Futey, Lilian Garland, Thomas Gutmann, H.H., Josie Hacker, Catherine Hetmansky, Vanessa Hetmansky, Bernadell Rita Higgins, Ellen Hitchens, Daniel Horeczko, Boris Hlynsky, Nila Iwaskiw, Sarah Kelt, Dorothy Kozmoski, Suzanne Krumpelman, Mr. Marko, Michael Joseph Little, Melissa Martin, Paul Marynowych, Michele Pretka Litvar, Yaroslava L., Mufada and Family, Sallie Miller, John Moeller, Thomas Nagurney, Deborah Pickering, Alexandra Pohorecka, Patricia Pylypec, Ron#119, Michael Joseph Radigan, Roman Rusynko, Lisa Schaible, Christopher Sell, Michael Sharr, Shliakhta Bogdana, Shliakhta Mark, Shliakhta, Andrew, Larry Sosnowich, Lindsey Sydnor, Thomas Sydnor, Stefania Szahaj, Lisa Pretka Turner, Gloria and Luis Vega, Anne Woroniak, Fr. George Worschak, Rose Wilson, Jennifer Wilson, Paul Yarrish. 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.

NEW PAROCHIAL VICAR APPOINTED FOR HOLY FAMILY TO ASSIST FR. ROBERT

The Chancery has announced that Father Mykola Dziurakh is appointed the new parochial vicar at the Ukrainian Catholic National Shrine of the Holy Family effective July 28. Fr. Mykola will assist Fr. Robert in the spiritual care of our Washington community and Front Royal Community.

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WE WELCOME OUR NEW ASSISTANT PASTOR, FATHER MYKOLA, AND HIS WIFE, ULIANA, TO OUR HOLY FAMILY COMMUNITY THIS SUNDAY PLEASE JOIN US DOWNSTAIRS AFTER EACH DIVINE LITURGY TODAY TO GREET THEM