



THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY  
JANUARY 24, 2010

**J**ESUS reached out His miraculous charity to an outcast leper and to a pagan foreigner. These two strangers were attracted to Christ and disposed to believe in Him because of the outstanding miracles He worked. But it was necessary for them to believe definitely, before Jesus would do what they asked.

The compassionate love of Christ teaches us to look to the needs of people, without judging their consciences. Sometimes their distress will be all the greater in proportion to the injury they may have done us. And no one is more destitute than the one who has lost his self-respect and is reduced to begging. Our kindness to those in difficulty will be a sign, a reason for men to believe that the compassion of Jesus is still at work.

PRELUDE	<i>Voluntary in D minor, Op.5 No. 8</i>	John Stanley
ASPERGES ME (Missal pg. 4-5; a weekly reminder of our Baptism)		plainsong
<b>(We KNEEL and listen as the Schola chants the Introit the Priest quietly says the Prayers at the Foot of the Altar, pg. 8-11.)</b>		
INTROIT (KNEEL)	<i>Adorate Deum</i>	Ps. 96:7-8; 1
KYRIE (KNEEL, pg. 12)	<i>Mass in Honour of St. Peter in Chains</i>	Jan Nieland
GLORIA (SIT, pg. 12)		Nieland
COLLECTS (STAND)		
<b>THE EPISTLE (SIT)</b>		Rom. 12:16-21
	<i>If an enemy persuades you to return evil for evil, he has made you an evildoer; you are overcome by evil. Leave judgment and punishment to God. Keep charity triumphant.</i>	
GRADUAL (SIT)		Ps. 101:16-17
ALLELUIA (SIT)		Ps. 96:1
<b>THE HOLY GOSPEL (STAND)</b>		Matthew 8:1-13
	<i>Jesus came to save all men of every condition and race. The charity of Christians to the least of men will help awaken their faith on an ever-present Redeemer.</i>	
SERMON (SIT)		Monsignor John Mangels
NICENE CREED (SIT, pg. 15)		Nieland
OFFERTORY VERSE (STAND)		Ps. 117:16, 17
ANTHEM (SIT)	<i>O Thou the Central Orb</i>	Charles Wood

**(It is proper to sit while the offering is made and the Anthem sung. Stand as you are censed and then sit again until the SURSUM CORDA.)**

PRAYER FOR ACCEPTANCE ( <i>Said aloud by all, pg. 21</i> )		
SURSUM CORDA (pg. 22) & PREFACE OF THE TRINITY (pg. 23) (STAND)		
SANCTUS (KNEEL, Pg. 33)		Nieland
THE CANON OF THE MASS (KNEE)		Missal pg. 35
POST-EPIKLESIS	<i>Benedictus qui venit</i>	Nieland
THE LORD'S PRAYER (STAND)		Missal pg. 44
AGNUS DEI (KNEEL, pg. 46)		Nieland
PRAYER BEFORE COMMUNION		Missal pg. 50a
COMMUNION VERSE		Luke 4:22
COMMUNION	<i>O Sacrum Convivium</i>	Giovanni Croce
POSTCOMMUNION COLLECT (STAND)		
DISMISSAL & BLESSING (KNEEL)		
LAST GOSPEL (STAND)		John 1:1-14
HYMN	<i>Dulce Carmen</i>	Hymnal No. 54
POSTLUDE	<i>Marche in C</i>	George Zoller



ANNOUNCEMENTS

**W**ELCOME to all our visitors to Mass this morning. There are Service books in the pews for your use. While Holy Communion may **only be received by prepared Orthodox Christians**, our non-Orthodox guests are welcome to come forward at Communion for a blessing and the *pain benit*—blessed bread. Please fill out one of the “visitor cards” found in the pew racks and take a moment to sign our guest book in the Narthex! Please join us for Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall (*downstairs*).

Orthodox Christians **must be prepared** for Holy Communion through Sacramental Confession, fasting, prayer, and being at peace with others. A prepared person must have been to Confession recently (*frequency established by his Pastor*), have abstained from food and drink from Midnight and have attended Mass regularly. Please seek and give forgiveness before receiving Communion.

THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS

Please keep Father Alexander Atty, the victims of the earthquake in Haiti, Leena Marie Bristol, Father Augustine Whitfield, OSB, Margaret Boehner, George Strickland, Kh. Diana Falcone, Barb Lovins Bob Neuwoehner, Gabriel and Marcy Valdez, Margie Palucha, Fr. Michael Lewis, Tyrone Lee, Phyllis Roberts, Ben Voogt, David Wiechmann, Shirley Sharkey, Michael Lovins, Miranda, Walter Kunkel, Rev. John Cress, Kathy Walling-Waite, David Delier, Erin Osburn, Dianna Dole, Sheila Bennett, Olga Kelly, Barry Bilger, Merry Braun, Tony Zubricky, Jeremy Hines, Regina Widhalm, Donnie Allison, Paige and Cheryl, the Ken Dole Family, Marilyn Simpson, Patty Rendoff, and Raury Stewart, in your prayers.

COFFEE HOUR SIGN-UP

The Sign-up sheet for COFFEE HOUR is by the kitchen in the Parish Hall. Remember, we have **pot-luck on the last Sunday of every month**, normally. That means everyone brings a dish to share. On the other Sundays, individuals or families can sign-up to bring something to provide hospitality for their fellow parishioners and our guests. Hopefully everyone will sign-up to take his turn and help with “KP” duty afterwards.

## SOME UP-COMING EVENTS: MARK YOUR CALENDARS.

- **Septuagesima Sunday** (1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Pre-Lent) Sunday, January 31
- **Tuesday, Feb. 2: Candlemas**—solemn blessing of candles, Mass at 10am
- **Wednesday, Feb. 3 St. Blaise Day**—blessing of throats, Mass at 10am
- **ORTHODOX LENT** begins on *Ash Wednesday, February 17.*
- **ORTHODOX HOLY WEEK** is **March 28-April 3**
- **ORHTODOX EASTER** is **April 4th.**

## LIVING THE CHURCH'S WAY

As Christians, we belong to the Body of Christ—The Church. We should endeavor in all things to live the Church's life. The beginning point for doing this is to live by the Church's Calendar. Our lives should be ordered by the Fasts and Feasts of the Church. Every Orthodox home should have a Church Calendar! Get yours in the bookstore today!

## NEW UPDATED PARISH DIRECTORY

We are in the process of updating the Directory. Please see Joel Levitt as soon as possible to make sure you are both in the directory and that your information is current and correct..

## SANCTITY OF LIFE SUNDAY

Today, Orthodox Christians are encouraged to consider the Gift and Sanctity of Human life. 37 years ago, the infamous decision of Roe vs. Wade decision of the Supreme Court was handed down. Since that time Christians, of all persuasions, have prayed and worked for an overturn of that decision. You are encouraged to pray and to volunteer at pro-life works. Here are some examples of what the Church has said about abortion since the beginning:

### **The Lord's Teaching to the Heathen by the Twelve Apostles (*The Didache*):**

- 1 There are two ways, one of life and one of death; and between the two ways there is a great difference.
- 2 Now, this is the way of life:...

The second commandment of the Teaching: "Do not murder; do not commit adultery"; do not corrupt boys; do not fornicate; "do not steal"; do not practice magic; do not go in for sorcery; **do not murder a child by abortion or kill a newborn infant.** "Do not covet your neighbor's property; do not commit perjury; do not bear false witness"; do not slander; do not bear grudges. Do not be double-minded or double-tongued, for a double tongue is "a deadly snare." Your words shall not be dishonest or hollow, but substantiated by action. Do not be greedy or extortionate or hypocritical or malicious or arrogant. Do not plot against your neighbor. Do not hate anybody; but reprove some, pray for others, and still others love more than your own life.

**From Augustine of Hippo** (354-430) Sometimes, indeed, this lustful cruelty, or if you please, cruel lust, resorts to such extravagant methods as to use poisonous drugs to secure barrenness; or else, if unsuccessful in this, to destroy the conceived seed by some means previous to birth, preferring that its offspring should rather perish than receive vitality; or if it was advancing to life within the womb, should be slain before it was born.-*De Nube et Concupiscentia* I.17 (15)

**From Hippolytus** "Women who were reputed to be believers began to take drugs to render themselves sterile, and to bind themselves tightly so as to expel what was being conceived, since they would not, on account of relatives and excess wealth, want to have a child by a slave or by any insignificant person. See, then, into what great impiety that

lawless one has proceeded, by teaching adultery and murder at the same time!" (*Refutation of All Heresies* [A.D. 228]).

**From the Letter to Diognetus:**\_(speaking of what distinguishes Christians from pagans) "They marry, as do all others; they beget children but they do not destroy their offspring" (literally, "cast away fetuses").

**From the Letter of Barnabus:**\_"You shall not destroy your conceptions before they are brought forth; nor kill them after they are born."

**From St. Clement:**\_"Those who use abortifacients commit homicide."

**From Tertullian:**\_"The mold in the womb may not be destroyed."

**From St. Basil the Great:**\_"The woman who purposely destroys her unborn child is guilty of murder. The hair-splitting difference between formed and unformed makes no difference to us."



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### ***THIS WEEK AT SAINT AUGUSTINE'S***

Monday, Jan. 25	The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle	Mass 10:00am
Tuesday, Jan. 26	<i>St. Polycarp of Smyrna, B.M.</i>	
Wednesday, Jan. 27	St. John Chrysostom B.C.D.	Mass 10:00am
	<b>Intention:</b> Benefactors of St. Augustine's Parish	
Thursday, Jan. 28	<i>Feast of St. Agnes, V.M.</i>	
Friday, Jan. 29	feria <i>abstinence</i>	
Saturday, Jan. 30	Our Lady on Saturday <b>Intention:</b> Basil Carlton Thomas	Mass 10:00am
		Vespers 5:30pm
Sunday, Jan. 31	Septuagesima Sunday	High Mass 10:00am

**CONFESSIONS:** *The Sacrament of Confession is available following Vespers on Saturday evening, after all weekday Services, and anytime by appointment.*

