



***The Glorious Great Martyr Demetrius***  
***October 26***

Saint Demetrius was a Thessalonian, a most pious son of pious and noble parents, and a teacher of the Faith of Christ. When Maximian first came to Thessalonica in 190, he raised the Saint to the rank of Duke of Thessaly. But when it was discovered that the Saint was a Christian, he was arrested and kept bound in a bath-house. While the games were under way in the city, Maximian was a spectator there. A certain friend of his, a barbarian who was a notable wrestler, Lyaeus by name, waxing haughty because of the height and strength of his body, boasted in the stadium and challenged the citizens to a contest with him. All that fought with him were defeated. Seeing this, a certain youth named Nestor, acquaintance of Demetrius', came to the Saint in the bath-house and asked his blessing to fight Lyaeus single-handed.

Receiving this blessing and sealing himself with the sign of the precious Cross, he presented himself in the stadium, and said, "O God of Demetrius, help me!" and straightway he engaged Lyaeus in combat and smote him with a mortal blow to the heart, leaving the former boaster lifeless upon the earth. Maximian was sorely grieved over this, and when he learned who was the cause of this defeat, he commanded straightway and Demetrius was pierced with lances while he was yet in the bath-house, As for Nestor, Maximian commanded that he be slain with his own sword.



**Prayer of Protection from the Coronavirus**

O God Almighty, Lord of heaven and earth and of all creation visible and invisible, in Your ineffable goodness, look down upon Your people gathered in Your Name. Be our helper and defender in this day of affliction. You know our weakness. You hear our cry in repentance and contrition of heart.

O Lord Who loves mankind, deliver us from the impending threat of the coronavirus. Send Your Angel to watch over us and protect us. Grant health and recovery to those suffering from this virus. Guide the hands of physicians, and preserve those who are healthy that we may continue to serve You in peace and glorify Your Most Honorable and Majestic Name, of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages. Amen



**Oct. 25, 2020**

**Twenty-first Sunday  
after Pentecost, Tone 4;  
The Holy Martyrs and  
Notaries Marcian and  
Martyrius (351);**

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*In the Booklet of Changeable Parts*  
*(Small white book)*

**Announcements:**

**Wednesday: Akathist and Holy Anointing**

On Wednesday evening, October 28<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m. we will have the last celebration of the Akathist Hymn to the Mother of God "Healer of Cancer." As part of this Akathist Service Holy Anointing will be administered to those who wish to receive it. It was a wonderful experience to come and pray during this month of October asking Our Lady for that healing touch during a time of suffering and pain. From the bottom of my heart I thank all who came for these Divine Services. It was a great spiritual experience.

**Sarris Christmas Candy sale!**

It is time for a Sarris Candy sale fundraiser. As last year, we will have this fundraiser, twice a year, before Christmas and before Easter. Twenty five percent of the proceeds from the sale will go to St. George Church. The order forms are available in the vestibule. Orders are due November 24. Delivery and pickup will be on Sunday, December 14 after Divine Liturgy. You only need to return the price sheet. **Make checks payable to St. George Church.**

## Welcome Matthew Mark!

We welcome into our parish family Matthew Mark Lytvynskyy, son of Taras and Olexandra Lytvynskyy who received the Holy Mysteries of Christian Initiations (Baptism, Chrismation and Holy Eucharist) last Saturday, October 17th. May Almighty God bless Metthew and his family for many happy and blessed years: *Многая Літа!*

## Pyrohy

After almost half a year of the break, we are back to our pyrohy production. As you know we cancel our Pyrohy Festival instead we would like to concentrate on a Christmas sale. So, we are planning every week to make extra, freeze it and have it ready for pre-Christmas sale. Help is very much needed with our pyrohy activity!

Our total income from last week's sale was **\$613.00** Sincere thanks to all our dedicated pyrohy workers for their hard work. Thank you.

## Collection- May God bless you...

The total for Sunday of September 27, 2020 was **\$1,024.00**  
(Collection: \$925.00, loose & candles: \$99.00)

## Sincere thanks to all for your kindness and generosity to our Holy Church!



Please, remember to turn your clock **1 hour back next Sunday, November 1st, 2020 before you go to bed. Standard Time Resumes!!!**

## Church Mice

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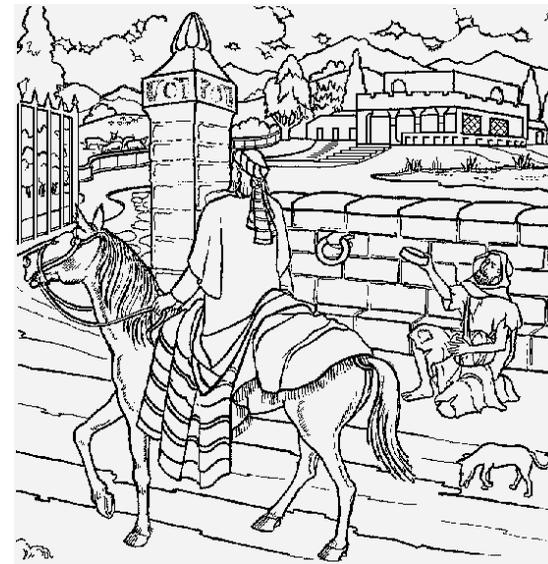


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## Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

*The Lord said, "There was a rich man, who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, full of sores, who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man's table..."*

As we can see in today's Gospel reading, Lazarus did not blame anyone for his poverty and misery. Unlike insurance companies in our modern day society, he certainly did not blaspheme against God for his situation. He did not even reproach the rich man for his meanness. No, he accepted in humility his situation. And because of his humility he went to heaven, to the bosom of Abraham.



As for the rich man, to whom tradition gives the name of Dives, he on the contrary never once thought of thanking God for his wealth. He did not show his gratitude to God by caring for the poor men at his gate. No, he feasted at sumptuous banquets and lived for his belly. No doubt he attributed his wealth to his own imagined cleverness. For he possessed no humility, he had only hard-heartedness, allowing Lazarus to die at his gates, surrounded by stray dogs who licked Lazarus' sores, while he made merry. And because of his hard-heartedness he went down to hell. Dives' attitude is rather like that of those clever people who imagine that with their computers and satellites no ill thing will ever befall them. "Saved" by modern science, they imagine that no electrical failure will cause their satellites to fall out of the sky, and that no power cut will ever put their computer out of operation.

On this Sunday we must remember that nothing we have is our own. We cannot possess anything. It is all God's. The moment we actually begin to claim it as our own is actually the time we begin to lose those gifts God has given. As we see today the Rich Man was so self-absorbed and never saw Lazarus. He was not aware of Lazarus' pain, his hunger, and his need even to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man's sumptuous table. Let us all make a commitment to live our lives in simplicity and awareness. Our every singular act of love to each "Lazarus" we encounter, will begin to change the world, one person at a time. Amen.