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## 15 January, 2012: Thirty-First Sunday After Pentecost

Our Venerable Fathers Paul of Thebes and John the Hut-dweller.

## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Sat.	Jan.	14	<ul><li>5:00 PM, Sunday Vigil</li><li>+ George, Agnes, and George Stephen Rusinko requested by Aimee &amp; Michael Kakos</li></ul>					
Sun.	Jan.	15	10:30 AM: 31st Sunday after Pentecost: For Our Parishioners					
Sat.	Jan.	21	5:00 PM, Sunday Vigil +Margaret & John Molchan requested by the Overdorff Family					
Sun.	Jan.	22	10:30 AM: 32 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost: For Our Parishioners					
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			<b>Acolytes</b>		<b>Readers</b>		<u>Ushers</u>	
Sat.	Jan.	14	M. Mihalko		D. Cholock	J.	Kontir, R. Garber	
Sun.	Jan.	15	D. Cianciotti		L. Cianciotti	D.	& C. Cianciotti	
Sat.	Jan.	21	M. Mihalko		M. Hulyk	J. 1	J. Snitzer, R. Garber	
Sun.	Jan.	22	E. Hess		J. Hess	W	. Furwa, J. Knouse	

**Collection:** 01/08/12: Adult \$ 925; Student \$ 5; Holy Day \$ 252; Candles \$ 46;

Initial \$ 13; Total: \$ 1241

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Living in a society which emphasizes the acquisition of as many material things and wealth as possible, we sometimes become so attached to our belongings that we go to great lengths to keep them to ourselves. We forget that the more attached we become to earthly things the more foreign we become to heavenly things. The following story is an inspirational example of detachment.

One night thieves went to a certain hermit. "We came to take your things," they said to him viciously. Without losing composure, the hermit said to them, "Come in and take whatever you like." They emptied his poor hut of every last thing and left hurriedly. They forgot, however, to take a small flask that was hanging from a beam of the roof. The hermit took it down and, running behind the robbers, shouted for them to listen and to stop. "Come back, brothers, and take this too."



And he showed them from afar the small flask. They were amazed by his forgiving nature and returned, not to take the flask, but to offer repentance and to return all of his things. "This is, indeed, a man of God," they said among themselves.

Ancient Fathers of the Desert

**Aristotle**, one of the most famous among the Greek philosophers, once said: «Anybody can become angry – that is easy, but to be angry with the right person, and to the right degree, and at the right time, and in the right way – that is not within everybody's power, and is not easy.» **Saint Paul**, who established many churches among the Greek speaking peoples of Asia Minor, tells the Colossians to put to death what is earthly in them – and so are we. One of the things that he urges them to remove from their lives is **ANGER**. We are to put away the kind of anger that is a boiling passion within us; the kind of anger that is abiding and habitual; the kind of anger that cannot forget a hurt or an injury; the kind of anger that nurses its wrath to keep it warm; the kind of anger that seeks revenge. This is uncontrolled anger; anger that is **SINFUL**.

By Fr. Anthony M. Coniaris



## ~ ANNOUNCEMENTS ~

- > ~~SCHOLARSHIP~~ GCU Lodge 321 has established a scholarship for graduating seniors who have been members of the lodge for at least one full year prior to applying for the scholarship. The scholarship can be used to attend a post high school professional school, trade school, college, or university having 501 C (3) status. The amount of the scholarship will be determined by the Scholarship Committee. Applications will be accepted until February 28, 2012. The winner will be announced in early May; however the award check will be sent out in late August. Applications are available in the Rectory. Questions will be answered by the Scholarship Chairman, Laurene Kristof at 724-532-0126.
- > <u>FYI</u> Parents, when planning for your child's future, consider investing in a GCU insurance policy or annuity for your child. This investment would then entitle your child to be eligible for the GCU scholarship mentioned above upon graduation.
- ➤ <u>ATTENTION ROSARY SOCIETY MEMBERS</u>: It is time for the collection of dues: \$12.00 per year. <u>Some members still owe from previous years</u>. Please seal your money in an envelope, write your name on it, and throw it in the collection basket. It will be given to Virginia Schachte. Please take care of this obligation ASAP.
- ➤ Marriage in 2012? Any couple planning to get married this year should attend the two-part Pre-Cana Program offered by the Archeparchy on Saturday March 10<sup>th</sup> and March 24<sup>th</sup> at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, 210 Greentree Road, Munhall, PA. See Father for the Registration Form.

- > BCW REMINDER: for those of you subscribing to the Byzantine Catholic World, it is time to once again renew your subscriptions. Please turn in your \$12.00 remittance **ASAP** to the parish office, either cash or check made payable to "St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church." Please indicate any corrections that need to be made to the
  - spelling of names and/or changes in address. If you do not presently subscribe to our archeparchy's newspaper, you are encouraged to do so. The 57th year of publication for the BCW will start with the first issue of the new year on January 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- > JORDAN WATER, blessed at Theophany, is still available in the Narthex.
- > Thank you to Mary Ann Kontir, Father; Lisa Cianciotti, Joanne Gayton and Cheryl Rusinko for donating a cake to our Friday Bingo.
- > St. Vincent College Concert Series: George Li, 15 year old winner of the 2011/2012 Bronder Prize for Piano, will perform selections from Beethoven, Chopin, Debussy, Liszt, & Czerny on Saturday, January 21, at 8:00 pm in Carey Auditorium. He gave his first public performance at Boston's Steinway Hall at the age of nine. Single tickets are \$25.00 and may be reserved and purchased in advance by calling 724-805-2565, or purchased at the door.

