

Glory to Jesus Christ!
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Glory Forever!
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2 November 2014: Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

The Holy Martyrs Akindynos, Pegasus, Aphthonius, Elpidiphor & Anempodistus.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

- Sat. Nov. 01 **5:00 PM: Sunday Vigil + Suffrages for Thomas Kernicky by Mom and Dad: Fran and John Kernicky**
- Sun. Nov. 02 **10:30 AM: Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost: pro populo Dei**
- Sat. Nov. 08 **9:30 AM: Archangel Michael + Health & Well Being of Ethan Ewing by Martin, Dorothy, and Tina Osif**
5:00 PM: Sunday Vigil + Suffrages for Peter P. Shultz by Mike & Connie Bankovich. Memorial Service w/ Kollyva: 1st Year Anniversary
- Sun. Nov. 09 **10:30 AM: Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost: pro populo Dei**

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	<u>Acolytes</u>	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	
Sat. Nov. 01	-----	L. Knouse	D. Mihalko, J. Kontir	
Sun. Nov. 02	E. & R. Hess	A. Prizzi	R. Garber, D. Hess	
Sat. Nov. 08 am	-----	M. Hulyk	-----	
Sat. Nov. 08 pm	-----	L. Cianciotti	R. Garber, J. Snitzer	
Sun. Nov. 09	M. Ruggieri M. & T. Syphan	A. Syphan	G. Krynicki, J. Overdorff	

10/26/14	Adult \$857.00;	Candles \$60.00;	Archeparchial Charities \$180.00;
Collection	Fuel Oil \$30.00;	Students \$9.00	Total: \$1136.00

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Commentary on today's Apostolic reading from *The Orthodox Study Bible*. 2:16 – Faith in Jesus Christ is grammatically parallel to the works of the law and should be translated «the faith of Jesus Christ». The faith of Christ is the gospel. As the source of works is the Law, so the source of faith is Christ. It is the faith of Christ – His belief, His trust, His obedience – that justifies us, not our faith as such. Christ's faith is seen in His entire life on earth, not in just a few of His crucial works.

2:17 – By Christ should be «in Christ». Justification is not merely legal but actual – effected by our real, personal union with Christ in His glorified human nature. That we could be found sinners shows this union never takes away our free will and explains how some decided to return to Judaism.

2:19 – We die through the Law, not by bypassing or dishonoring it, but by recognizing that it is holy; that we deserve its consequences, [namely] death; and that we voluntarily die to the Law through our death with Christ. Being crucified w/ Christ through Baptism, we come alive to the law of the Spirit, which perfects the intention of the Old Testament Law. There is no contradiction between Law and Gospel. The Law is «holy and just and good» (Romans 7:12). However the Law is weak (Rom 8:3) and obsolete (Heb 8:13), for it is fulfilled in the gospel, in Christ Himself.

2:20 – I have been crucified with Christ means our sinful «passions and desires» (5:24) have been crucified. This is not the crucifixion of human nature, but of the flesh, that is, the corruption into which human nature has fallen. This crucifixion must be willingly and freely accepted, just as Christ freely accepted His death. Living in the flesh (Gr. en sarki) is contrasted with living «in the faith» (Gk. en pistei), translated here by faith. Just as living in the flesh involves the whole person – body and soul –, so living «in the faith» involves the whole person. Justification, therefore, constitutes substantial union with Christ, not just an abstract position of the believer with respect to God.

Next Sunday's Readings:

Galatians 6: 11 – 18 Paul's Final Warning and Benediction

Luke 8: 41 – 56 Jairus Daughter; the Woman Who Touched Jesus' Garment



~ Announcements ~

- **Sincere sympathy and condolences** to the Miscik and Krynicki Families on the passing of **Mary Miscik** this past Tuesday, 28 October. *Eternal rest grant unto Your servant Mary, O Lord, and remember her forever.*
- **Reminder!** The members of the **Handicap Accessibility Committee** want to hear from you. Call or email them with your questions, comments, suggestions.
- **CORRECTION!!!** Our Parish Turkey Bingo is now on **Sunday, 23 November, from 1 to 4:00 pm.** Admission is \$5.00; Specials and Quickies are extra. There will be a 50/50 and Door Prizes. The Kitchen will be open. **Each family with children up through and including Grade 12 is asked to contribute 2 Door Prizes. Some will be asked to provide a dessert. Any other parishioner may also contribute door prizes.** Proceeds will benefit the youth of our parish at Christmas time and our parish Christmas Dinner.
- **58th Annual St. Nicholas Celebration: Sunday, December 7.** Tickets are now available! Adult tickets are \$35 and children (12 & under) are \$15. You may also choose to be a Contributing Sponsor and be recognized in the commemorative program. The theme for the St. Nicholas Celebration this year is "*Celebrating Families*" w/ Kids Korner activities, coloring and drawing contest, and collecting new toys for the Salvation Army. All families and parishioners are encouraged to attend. Please see Father for more information or contact Christie Petty at **cpetty@gcuusa.com** or 724-495-3400 ext. 3923. See Poster.



- **OFFERTORY ENVELOPES!** In the past, when a Holy Day fell on a Sunday, there used to be two envelopes: one for the Sunday and one for the Holy Day. **NOW**, you only receive one envelope with the Holy Day listed on it. Your donation will be recorded next to the Holy Day, not the Sunday. This year *The Exaltation of the Holy Cross* was on a Sunday. Your donation is listed next to the *Holy Day of The Exaltation of the Holy Cross*, not Sunday. **ALSO**, be sure to mark the **amount** on your envelope so that proper credit is given.
- **WISDOM! BE ATTENTIVE!** Upon the recommendation of our insurance company – Catholic Mutual Group – due to the high risk of exposure presented by our cemetery and the residential homes near church property, hunting activities of any kind are **NOT** to take place on Church property. “No Hunting” signs will be posted.
- **Many Thanks** to our parish **Youth Group** for purchasing a pallet of salt for the up-coming winter; and to all who provided baked goods to this week's Bingo.

