

Glory to Jesus Christ!
Слава Иисусу Христу!

St. Mary ~ Holy Protection
Byzantine Catholic Church
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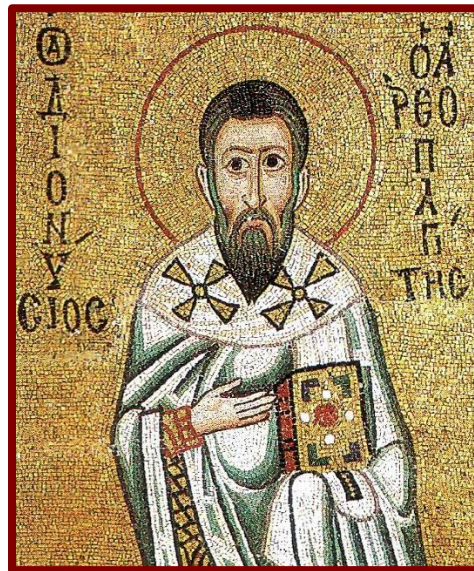
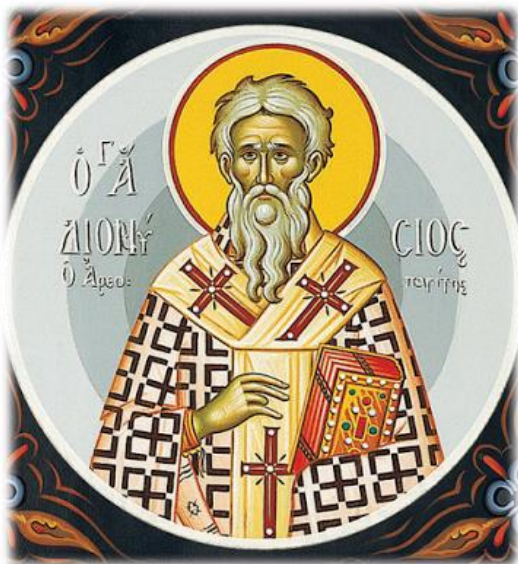
Glory Forever!
Слава на вики!

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3 October 2021 / 7530 ~ 19th Sunday after Pentecost

The Holy Bishop and Martyr Denis the Areopogite



LITURGY SCHEDULE:

Sat. Oct. 02 17:00 19th Sunday after Pentecost *Suffrages pro populo*
Sun. Oct. 03 10:30 19th Sunday after Pentecost *Suffrages for +Christopher Davis – David Regalla, POKROV POTLUCK LUNCHEON AFTER LITURGY*
Sat. Oct. 09 17:00 20th Sunday after Pentecost *Suffrages pro populo, esp. for +Helen Krynicki – Mary Ellen Sopko*
Sun. Oct. 10 10:30 20th Sunday after Pentecost *Suffrages for +Christopher Davis – David Regalla*



09 / 26 / 2021
COLLECTION

Adults: \$910
Holy Day: \$35

Children \$8
Candles: \$71

Maintenance: \$145
TOTAL: \$1169



Imitate God - THE DIVINE IMAGE SEEN IN HUMAN MERCY. ORIGIN: The traces of the divine image are clearly recognized not through the likeness of the body, which undergoes corruption, but through the intelligence of the soul. We see the divine image

in its righteousness, temperance, courage, wisdom, discipline, and through the entire chorus of virtues that are present essentially in God. These can be in people through effort and the imitation of God, as also the Lord points out in the Gospel when he says, "Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful" and "Be perfect, as your Father is perfect." ON FIRST PRINCIPLES 4.10.

MERCY AN ATTRIBUTE OF GOD. CYRIL OF ALEXANDRIA: Closely neighboring, so to speak, upon the virtues which we have just mentioned is compassion, of which He next makes mention. For it is a most excelling thing, and very pleasing to God, and in the highest degree proper for pious souls. It may suffice for us to imprint upon our mind that compassion is an attribute of the divine nature. «*Be merciful,*» He says, «*as your heavenly Father is merciful.*» COMMENTARY ON LUKE, HOMILY 29.

MERCY ON THE JUST AND THE UNJUST. JUSTIN MARTYR: We pray for you that you might experience the mercy of Christ. He instructed us to pray for our enemies, when He said, «*Be kind and merciful, even as your heavenly Father is merciful.*» We can observe that almighty God is kind and merciful, causing His sun to shine on the ungrateful and on the just and sending rain to both the holy and the evil. All of them, He has told us, He will judge. DIALOGUE WITH TRYPHO 96.

HEBREW FOR CHRISTIANS: «*For Your lovingkindness is before my eyes: and I have walked in Your truth.*» A word variously translated as «mercy, loving



kindness, steadfast love, compassion, even goodness» is the Hebrew word **chesed** (the Septuagint (LXX) or the Greek Old Testament usually uses

ἐλεος – «mercy», from the word for olive oil). **Chesed** is one of the thirteen attributes of God that the Jewish sages derived from the study of God's revelation to Moses (Exodus 34:6-7). In this verse, we are told that by putting God's **chesed** «before our eyes» – that is, by choosing to believe in the lovingkindness of God toward us through a heart of faith – we are enabled to walk in God's sure truth: for indeed the Lord God our Savior is the Source and Fulfillment of all real and abiding love. As the apostle John wrote, «*Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loves is born of God, and knows God. He that loves not knows not God; for God is love.*» (1 John 4:7-8). Let us always thank God for the **chesed** He has so freely demonstrated to us in our Lord Jesus the Messiah.



~ Announcements ~

- *Be filled with the Spirit, speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord, giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ...* Ephesians 5:18-20
GOD WITH US ONLINE presents «**Singing our Faith, Music as Catechesis in our Eastern Tradition.**» Live webinar, **October 13th, 8:00 – 9:00 pm ET**. Register at godwithusonline.org/events/singing-our-faith/.

- **ASSEMBLY OF THE BYZANTINE CATHOLIC RUTHENIAN METROPOLITAN CHURCH 2021.** 'One Body in Christ: Re-emerging from the Pandemic' is an in-person event sponsored by the Archeparchial Office of Religious Education, November 5 & 6 at St John the Baptist Cathedral, Munhall. Each parish is encouraged to send a representative or two. The parish will cover the registration fee.