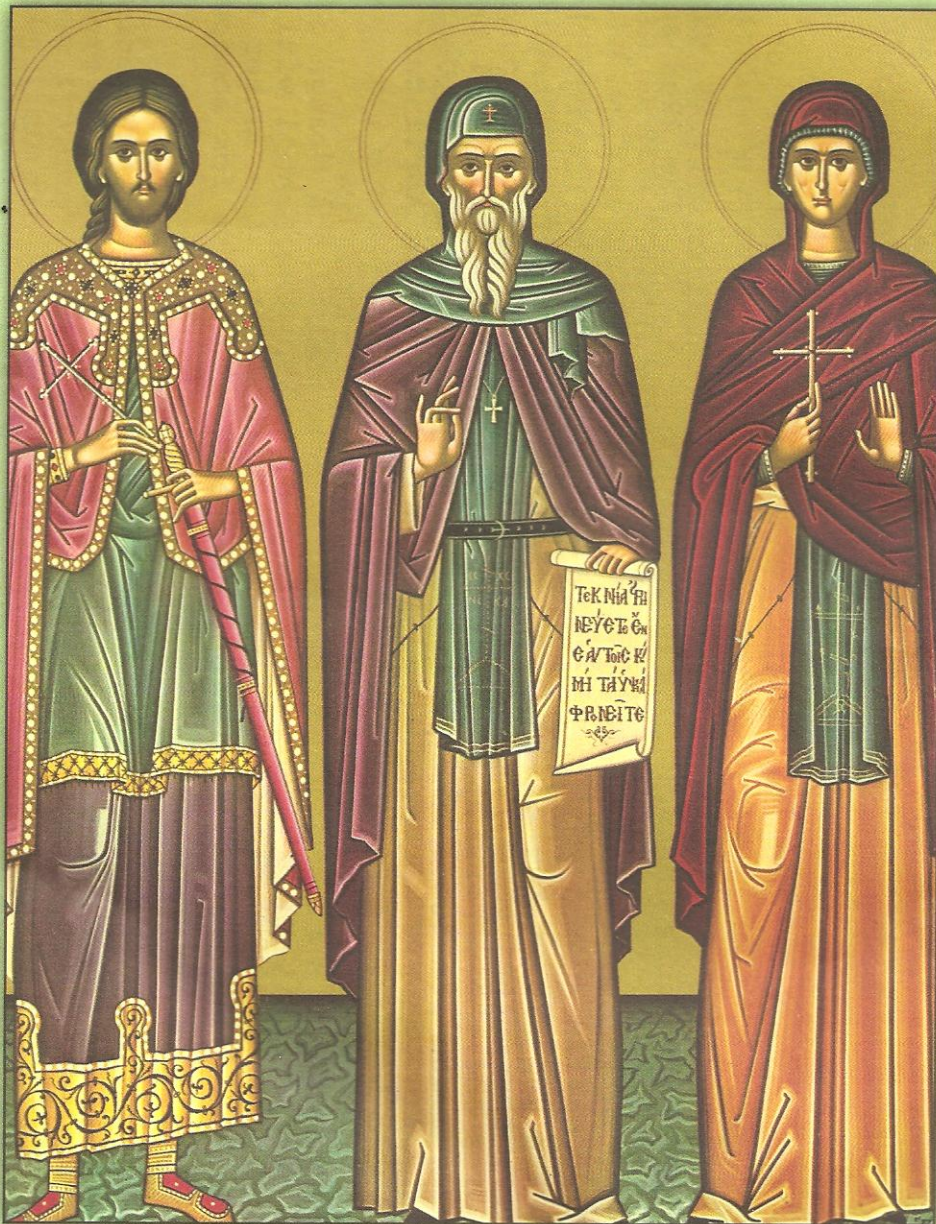


TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



*Icon of Saints Artemis, Gerasimus and Martrona -- October 20th*

## *Be Merciful*

Being a disciple of Christ means being meek and gentle. And from what source may we draw this meekness? If we are continually mindful of our sins, if we grieve for them, if we weep for them. A soul which habitually feels such contrition does not permit itself to become vexed and angry. In truth, where there is sorrow, anger cannot be. Where there is compunction, anger is altogether out of place. Where there is contrition of soul, there is no irritation. The soul that suffers the lash of contrition has no time to be aroused to anger, but it groans bitterly and weeps more bitterly.

Now, I know that many laugh when they hear these words, but I do not cease mourning for those who laugh. The present time is the

time for mourning and grieving, because we commit sins in word and deed.

Indeed, hear what the Psalmist said, "Have mercy on me, O God, according to your great mercy." Well, then, we also must have mercy on our neighbors in this way: according to the great mercy shown to us. For, we shall obtain the kind of treatment from our Lord that we give to our fellow servants. And what is "great mercy" like? When we give, not from superfluities, but from our necessities. But if we do not even give from our superfluities, what hope will there be for us? When shall we be rid of these sins of ours? Where shall we be able to flee and find salvation?

*St. John Chrysostom*

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"Slava Isusu Khristoo!"  
"Glory to Jesus Christ!"

Oct. 20, 2013  
The 22nd Sunday

THE MARIAN JUNIOR SODALITY will attend the 9 am Holy Liturgy this week and pledge their devotion to Our Lord and His Holy Mother Mary, the Mother of God. We are all so very proud of these young ladies and their service to our Church and our community. All parish teens and pre-teens are most welcome to join this group. Denise Daniels and Dr. Michele Burns, with assistance from April Carr and Megan Wilson, lead this Sodality.

WE RECEIVED a truck-load of pumpkins, some 120 of the orange globes, for all our Sunday School students and staff. The School will have their annual pumpkin party next Sunday, the 27th. See Father Pastor if you would like to obtain one of these fall fruits for someone special in your family.

WE THANK DAN FRANCIS AND MARK RICHARDS for taking and developing the family portraits last month. Be sure to claim your family's photographic prize after Liturgy this weekend.

TO BE BAPTIZED AND CHRISMATED SATURDAY: Kayden Eugene, newborn son of Christopher and Ashley (McCann) Margh, Audubon, PA. We all pray that our Good Lord Jesus Christ will bless this little angel and all his family with much love, good health and a strong faith in God "for many good years".

OUR SONDAYS WITH PARENTS, adult education, Sunday, Oct. 27, at 10:10 am in the School Lounge. Our topic will be "The Dynamics of the Liturgy", i.e. what is actually going on during that 45 minutes in church. We guarantee that you will be surprised and inspired to learn so much! Coffee/tea and sweets on us!

IN NOVEMBER we will count all the folks at both the Saturday and Sunday Liturgies AND report the numbers to Archbishop Stefan. Gather up your familial clan and support our beautiful parish, rapidly aging Pastor this November! The future of our Church is in your hands!

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DIVINE SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, 6 pm +Ronald Ryen (The Hitchens Family)  
Sunday, 9 am +Walter Paul (Antoinette, Lois, Dr. Debbie)  
Thursday, 7 am +Anna Mohilani (Jim Deskiewicz)  
Friday, 7 am +Deceased in the Brady Family (Helen Brady)  
Saturday, 8 am Health of Dr. Noel (Parents Nicholas and Kathleen)  
Saturday, 6 pm For all the Faithful  
Sunday, 9 am +Ivan Levchuk, Anna Berezowska (The Berezowsky Family)

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TODAY'S TROPAR: O Faithful, let us glorify and adore the Word, Who with the Father and the Spirit has no beginning, and Who for our salvation was born of a Virgin. For He has deigned to ascend the Cross and suffer death, and raise up the dead by His most glorious Resurrection.

GLORY BE TO THE FATHER...

TODAY'S KONTAK: Into Hades You did descend, O Savior Almighty, and You destroyed its gates. As our Creator You raised again with You all the dead, destroying the sting of death. And so we all cry out: "Save us all, O Lord Jesus Christ."

TODAY'S PROKIMEN: You, O Lord, will protect and keep us from this generation forever.

