



*Jesus Christ, our
Saviour and Redeemer*

Holy Protection Orthodox Church

Greetings on this blessed Lord's Day! Please take a green information sheet if this is your first time here. You can put in any collection basket or hand to greeter

IN EMERGENCY CALL/TEXT

813-406-2620 (Fr.'s cell). If in middle of night and no answer, call 813-659-0123 or 813-451-9829 (Pani's cell)

Schedule

Today is Tone 6

Sunday July 30
Memorial Ann Bycz
9:45 am Divine Liturgy
11:15 am Fellowship

Tuesday, Aug 1
6:30 pm Bible Study Social Hall

Sunday Aug 6
9:35 am Memorial
9:45 am Divine Liturgy
11:15 am Fellowship

Tuesday, Aug 8
6:30 pm Bible Study Social Hall

Sunday Aug 13
9:45 am Divine Liturgy
11:15 am Fellowship

Monday, August 14
7:30 pm Vigil
Dormition of the Theotokos

Tuesday, Aug 15
6:30 pm Bible Study Social Hall

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today's services are in loving memory of Ann Bycz. May her memory be eternal!

The Outreach Ministry has a new project for us to participate in! Beginning Sunday, July 16, and ending on Sunday, August 13, we will be collecting school supplies to help children be prepared for school. Back packs are in high need (can be found inexpensively at Wal-Mart) and we will be distributing the supplies to organizations in the community.

Please don't forget that if you want a memorial service to please, in addition to mentioning it, also email both Fr. and Pani (panicarrie@yahoo.com) (she keeps Fr.'s schedule).

Stewardship Teams
July 30 Scottie
Aug 6 Nancy
Aug 13 Linda
Aug 20 Rebecca

Readers Schedule
July 30 Mike
Aug 6 John
Aug 13 Brian
Aug 20 Andrew

Please remember to follow the preparatory guidelines for communion (see website www.holyorthodox.org for details).

The grounds ministry needs your help! We need someone with a truck to haul away some trash on the church grounds. If you can help, please see Natalie and Mike Brennan.

We would like to put a blessing box at the front of the church property and need one built. If you can help out, please see Brian Delp.

We need you for our Lenten Retreat Planning! The theme is "Need for Repentance in an Unsorry World". The dates are February 23-24 at the Bethany Center in Lutz and February 25 at our church. Save the dates now, think of your talents and how you can be a part of this fantastic event. Please see Natalie or a Parish Council member for more information.

Prayer Corner: Please pray for the ailing: Mary, Kathy, Susan, Helen, Neila, Alexander, Anna, John, Carol, Mat. Mary, P. Vera, SD. John, Randee, John, Ryan, Marie, Paul, Mary, Pangratios, Tikon, Vasili, Jeremiah, Dcn. Luke, Maria, John David, Elizabeth, Joshua, Alexander, Nicholas, Rebecca, Genevieve, Pantaleimon, Vladimir, Margaret, Sean, David, Sarah, Jonathon, Simon, Gene, Judy, Fr. Michael, Fr. John, Anastasia, Demitrios, Alexandra, Israel, George, Michelle, George, Beth, Alex, George, Joseph, Jacqueline, Michael, Geverlyn, Thomas, Norma, Sally, Sarah, Derek, Susan, Lucy, Beth, Kathy, Phyllis, John, David, Shirley, Kalie, Madeline, Thomas, Patricia, Marie, Archimandrite David, Jake, Tom, Gene, Lisa, Kelly, Beverly, Taylor, Reghyn, Sylvia, Andreas, Josh, Nicole, Joyce, Sandy, Yamileth, Georgina, Kathy, Pam, Tammy, Tatum, Ann, Connor, Dylan, Eli, Shay, Ocean, Lauren, Donna, Kim, Donnie, Lori, Nancy, George, Sharon, Sylvia, Kristi, Gary

*If you would like someone on the bulletin prayer list just let Pani know. Please review the prayer list, if you know of someone who should be taken off, please let Pani know.

The holy, glorious and right-victorious [Greatmartyr Pantaleimon](#) (born [Pantaleon](#)) the [Unmercenary Healer](#) was [martyred](#). His parents were Eustorgius of Nicomedia, a pagan, and [Saint Eubula \(March 30\)](#). They named him *Pantaleon*, which means *in all things like a lion*, but when he [converted](#) to Christianity, he changed his name to *Panteleimon*, which means *all-merciful*. He learned about Christianity from the [priest](#) who later [baptized](#) him, Saint Hermolaus. Hermolaus was living with two other priests, Hermippus and Hermocrates; the three were "survivors of the massacre of 20,000 Christians in 303 ([December 28](#))."^[1]

St. Pantaleimon had been educated as a physician, and he "dedicated his life to the suffering, the sick, the unfortunate and the needy. He treated all those who turned to him without charge, healing them in the name of [Jesus Christ](#). He visited those held captive in prison. These were usually Christians, and he healed them of their wounds. In a short time, reports of the charitable physician spread throughout the city. Forsaking the other doctors, the inhabitants began to turn only to St. Pantaleimon."^[1]

Other physicians brought his case before the Emperor Maximian. St. Pantaleimon confessed to being a Christian and refused to offer sacrifice to the state gods.

"[He] suggested that a sick person, for whom the doctors held out no hope, should be brought before the emperor. Then the doctors could invoke their gods, and Pantaleimon would pray to his God to heal the man. A man paralyzed for many years was brought in, and pagan priests who knew the art of medicine invoked their gods without success. Then, before the very eyes of the emperor, the saint healed the paralytic by calling on the name of Jesus Christ. The ferocious Maximian executed the healed man, and gave St. Pantaleimon over to fierce torture."^[1]

Hermolaus, Hermippus, and Hermocrates were brought forth; they confessed and were beheaded. Throughout the many tortures, St. Pantaleimon remained untouched. Enraged, Maximian ordered that St. Pantaleimon be beheaded. The soldiers took him to an olive tree, but when they struck him while he was praying, the sword melted like wax. After he finished his prayer, "a Voice was heard from Heaven, calling the [passion-bearer](#) by his new name and summoning him to the heavenly Kingdom."^[1] He instructed the soldiers to rise from their knees where they had fallen in fear and to complete the execution. After they followed his instruction, the olive tree became covered with fruit.

Although his body was thrown into a fire, it came out unharmed and was buried by Christians. His head is located on the island of Andros at the [Panachrantos monastery](#)^[2] and, on occasions, is taken to other monasteries for veneration. Some of his [relics](#) can be found at the [Putna Monastery \(Bucovina, Romania\)](#), as well as in the Ss. Peter and Paul Cathedral in Constanța, Romania.

"St. Pantaleimon is invoked in the prayers at the blessing of water and the blessing of oil, together with St. Hermolaus and the other unmercenaries and [wonder-workers](#).^[3] There is an [Akathist](#) hymn in his honor. under the reign of Emperor Maximian (ca. 305 A.D.). His [feast day](#) is celebrated on [July 27](#).

