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Sunday Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m. – Weekdays Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

General Confession 1st Sunday of month

Private Confession every Sunday 9:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. or upon request

September 24, 2023

Epistle: 2 Cor 6:1-10; Rom 8:28-39

Gospel: Luke 5: 1-11; Luke 21:12-19

COFFEE HOUR: There is coffee hour after Divine Liturgy. Come and join in Christian fellowship.

THE HEALTH: Please pray for the following: Stephanie Kennedy, Drake Kennedy, Wellington Kennedy, Conrad Kennedy, Gloria Wheeler, Doris Sprague, Judy Wadysz, Anna Hagopian, Reader Gary (Paul) Repella, Michael Gaujanian, Marion Kurtyka, Sonia Kurtyka, Nancy Hawkins, Bradley Webster, Jestin Spears, Matthew Kerrigan, Roger Wodkowski, Daniel Moran, Marge Wade, Mary Varchola, Zlatko Petrovich, , Thomas Barkulis, Tammie Kerrigan, Deacon David Rehn, Ronald Miller, Joan Ruppert, Victoria Lawrence, Ronald Buck, David Tomchuck, Joanne Kowalenok, Sub-deacon Theodore Maloney.

DECEASED: *Nancy Wolenter*, 76, fell asleep in the Lord yesterday, Saturday, September 23, 2023 at E.W. Sparrow Hospital, 1215 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing MI. 48912. Please pray for Nancy's soul and her family. Memory Eternal! It is too early for info on funeral services.

MARRIAGE BANS: This is the first announcement of the marriage of: *Elia Marie Perri and Anthony Gregory Michael Ala* who will be married here at St. Michael's Orthodox Church, on Sunday, October 15, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. Elia is the daughter of Kevin and Tamara Perri and Anthony is the son of Gregory and Julie Ala.

FLOWERS FOR THE CROSS DONATIONS:

Fr. Timothy & Mat. Sherry, Munaco Family \$ 45.00

CHURCH DONATIONS:

Anonymous (building & maintenance) \$300.00

Anonymous (landscaping) \$300.00

Deacon Dan Woytowich (health of Emily & Mae Woytowich -birthdays) \$ 50.00

Nicholas Obrizok Jr (health of Emily, Johnathan, Mae, \$100.00

Angela & Clare Woytowich/ for their birthdays)

Bill Saxby (Memorial offering for Anna Saxby & family) Memory Eternal! \$ 50.00

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING: is scheduled **TODAY, Sunday, September 24th** after Divine Liturgy and coffee hour. Please, all council members, make every effort to attend this meeting. Thank You.

TAKE-OUT DINNER – We thank everyone who placed orders for the take-out chicken dinners.

Wisdom for the Way — “Count Your Blessings”

Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving. Let us shout joyfully to Him with psalms. Psalm 95:2.

Sometimes when you don't feel like praying, or you're consumed with needing to speak to the Lord but can't gather the words, try that old standby – count your many blessings, count them one by one.

It's amazing how you can get carried away from worries and woes and self-concern when you start naming out loud what you're thankful for. Right away your focus shifts from your needs to the Father's graciousness and love. Try it!

Everyday Prayers

Thank You for the Lightning Bugs

I am convinced, Father,

That one reason You bring children

Across our paths is to teach

Us important lessons.

It wasn't long ago that I heard

A small child thanking You for many things.

“And thank You for the lightning bugs,”

He said. What a simple reminder

That there's nothing too insignificant

For which to offer thanks.