



## ***The Gerasene Demoniac***



*At that time, as Jesus arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, there met him a man from the city who had demons; for a long time he had worn no clothes and he lived not in a house but among the tombs...*

To demonstrate his authority over all things, today's Gospel reading relates the story of Our Lord healing a man possessed by many demons in a territory inhabited by Gentiles. He dramatically transforms the human life of a man by ordering the demons to leave him.

The man is said to be “possessed” by demons. This English term is too strong. In the original Greek verse 27 says he “had” demons and verse 36 says he was “demonized.” Our understanding of demonic possession, even replacing a person's personality, is foreign to the New Testament.

The unclean spirit is actually many demons. When Jesus asks its name, the answer is “Legion.” The Roman legion at this time consisted of 5,000 to 6,000 foot soldiers, and so the name implies a large number of demons.

The local people are terrified by what has happened. Their fear does not lead to praise of God, but rejection of Jesus. The healed man wants to follow Jesus as a disciple, but his vocation is to share what has happened to him with his own people.

By healing a Gentile, Our Lord demonstrates that His message is not only for Israel but for the whole worlds, including us today. We, too, should take the healing of sin that we receive through His resurrection, and through the reception of the Holy Mysteries-Sacraments, and proclaim this to all with whom we have daily contact.

***Make an effort , then, to meet more frequently to celebrate God's Eucharist and to offer praise. For, when you meet frequently in the same place, the forces of Satan are overthrown, and his baneful influence is neutralized by the unanimity of your faith. Peace is a precious thing: it puts an end to every war waged by heavenly or earthly enemies.***

***St. Ignatius of Antioch***



**October 30, 2022**

Twenty First Sunday after Pentecost. Octoechos Tone 4. Saints Zenobius and Zenobia

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(Small white book)*

## **Announcements:**

### **This Sunday: Coffee Social**

In the end of every month, after Children's Divine Liturgy, we are planning to have a coffee social. We need sponsors for upcoming coffee socials. If a family or group of individuals wishes to sponsor a coffee social, please let Fr. Igor know.

### **Sarris Christmas Candy sale!**

It is time for a Sarris Candy sale fundraiser. As last year, we will have this fundraiser, twice a year, before Christmas and before Easter. Twenty five percent of the proceeds from the sale will go to St. George Church. The order forms are available in the vestibule. Orders are due November 5, 2022. Delivery and pickup will be on Sunday, December 10, 2022 after Divine Liturgy. You only need to return the price sheet. **Make checks payable to St. George Church.**

### Haven't Seen Someone in a While?

Visit them or give them a call or an email. It is nice to hear from a friend from Church. Let them know that you miss seeing them and hope that everything is okay.

### E-mail the Bulletin

We will be happy to email our parish bulletin to you each week. Just send an email request to: saintgeorgepghs@yahoo.com, and you will be added to our electronic mailing list.

### Prayer List:

Make a point of praying for everyone on the prayer list. If you don't have one, contact the office and we'll send you one. In a special way, at this time, remember the following members of our parish family: **Barbara Fedora, Patricia Della-Regione, Kate Wyko, Thomas Kunsak, Orysia Barshowski, Kathee Shabla and Rose Shedno.**

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Sincere thanks to all our women and men who work so hard on this parish activity. Our total income from last week's sale was **\$1083.00** Thank you!

### Collection- May God bless you...

The total for Sunday, Oct.16, 2022 was **\$1,334.00 + \$1083.00**

(Regular: \$1060.00, Loose & candles: \$4.00, Ukraine aid: \$45.00, Reimb.: \$225.00)

**\*Sincere thanks to all for your kindness and gene**



*Please, remember to turn your clock **1 hour back** next **Saturday, November 6, 2022** before you go to bed. **Standard Time Resumes!!!***

## Dear Ukrainians and our American Friends!



Thank you very much each and every one for your continued prayers and support towards our Beloved Ukraine during this tremendous crisis — WAR in Ukraine, which was started by Russian federation several days ago. These are really difficult times for our Nation, but we believe in God's protection and in our army and all who defend our peace-loving country from

Russian aggression.

Many of our friends ask how they may help.

First, your continued **prayers**. This is the most powerful weapon that may be used against enemies, and IT WORKS.

Second, your **donations**. Our Eparchy invites you to make donations to the Humanitarian Aid Fund for Ukraine. This can be done as follows:

A. You can donate through the St. George Ukrainian Catholic Church by making checks payable to "St. George Ukrainian Catholic" with memo "Humanitarian Aid Fund for Ukraine", and sending to 3455 California Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15212 or through <http://www.saintgeorgepittsburgh.org> PAYPAL and make a memo "WAR VICTIMS AND HUMANITARIAN CRISIS IN UKRAINE";

B. You can donate on the St. Josaphat Eparchy website <https://stjosaphateparchy.com> and click on Donate through PAYPAL and make a memo "WAR VICTIMS AND HUMANITARIAN CRISIS IN UKRAINE";

3. Encourage local financial and other institutions to make contributions.

4. Additionally what can be done is sharing the news and contacting The White House/President, Congress, Senators, appealing to do more sanctions and military assistance to Ukraine.

**May God bless our Heroes! May God Bless Ukraine! May God bless All of Us!**