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Icon of Healing the Centurion's Servant

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Divine Liturgy

A recording will be made available sometime on Sunday on the parish's Facebook page: facebook.com/pg/ByzantineMilwaukee/videos/. An account is not needed.

Intentions: Happy and eternal repose of the soul of JOSEPH Devine (req. by Eamon and Ester Doherty), JUSTIN John Girtler (fourth anniversary; req. by Joe Radanovich) and SUSAN Frances Klister (104 1/2 years old; req. by Joe Radanovich)

Troparia

- 1. Resurrection (Tone 3):** Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glade! For the Lord has done a wondrous deed by his arm! He has crushed Death by his death becoming the first to rise from the dead. He has delivered us from the mouth of Hades and bestowed great mercy upon the world.
- 2. St. George:** O Great among the saints and glorious martyr, George, since you are a deliverer of captives, a doctor for the sick and a noble attendant to kings, intercede for us to Christ God, that he may save our souls!
- 3. Kontakion:** O never failing Protectress of Christians and their ever-present intercessor before the Creator, despise not the petitions of us sinners, but in your goodness extend your help to us who call upon you with confidence. Hasten, O Mother of God, to intercede for us, for you have always protected those who honor you.

Prokimenon: Sing praise to our God, sing praise! Sing praise to our King, sing praise!

Stichon: All you peoples, clap your hands! Shout to God with cries of gladness

Epistle: Rom 6:18-23

Brethren, now that you have been freed from sin, you have come to serve justification. I speak in a human way because of the weakness of your flesh. For as you yielded your members as slaves to uncleanness and iniquity, so now yield your members as slaves of justification so as to be sanctified. For while you were the slaves of sin, you had nothing to do with justification. But what fruit did you gather then of those deeds of which you are now ashamed? For the end of such things is death. But now, set free from sin and become slaves to God, you have your fruit resulting in sanctification, and as your end, life everlasting. For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is life everlasting in

Alleluia: In you, O Lord, I have hoped: let me never be put to shame. In your goodness, save me and deliver me; lend your ear and hasten my deliverance.

Stichon: Be for me a protecting God, a sheltering house to save me.

Gospel: Healing of the Centurion's Servant, Mt 8: 5-13

At that time when Jesus had entered Capharnaum, there came to Him a centurion who entreated Him, saying, "Lord, my servant is lying sick in the house, paralyzed, and is grievously afflicted." Jesus said to him, "I will come

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and cure him." But in answer the centurion said, "Lord, I am not worthy that You should come under my roof; but only say the word, and my servant will be healed. For I too am a man subject to authority, and have soldiers subject to me; and I say to one, 'Go', and he goes; and to another, 'Come', and he comes; and to my servant, 'Do this', and he does it." And when Jesus heard this, He marveled, and said to those who were following Him, "Amen I say to you, I have not found such

great faith in Israel. And I tell you that many will come from the east and from the west, and will feast with Abraham and Isaac and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven, but the children of the kingdom will be put forth into the darkness outside; there will be weeping and the gnashing of teeth." Then Jesus said to the centurion, "Go your way; as you have believed, so be it done to you." And the servant was healed in that hour.

Stewardship

Last week: candles=\$13; stole offerings=\$40; ordinary collections=\$263. Thanks for your generosity!

Owed to eparchy (assessment, retirement and medical insurance): \$9,177.55

There is a link to donate via PayPal on our website: [byzantinemilwaukee.com/donate](https://www.byzantinemilwaukee.com/donate). Checks can also be mailed to the church.

Prayer List

Please remember—All those who are sick and in need: John & Alice Herro*, Nick Langenfeld, Barb & Bruce Moden (sister- and brother- in-law of Jan Taylor), Eva Nora (niece of the Noras), Bob Peterson, Joe Radanovich, the Rebholz family, Eva Saseen (Theresa and Janelle Herro's niece), Jan Taylor, Kathy Tomaz, Espe Villasenor, John Zambo and Kathy Zambo. For those we have been asked to pray for: Justin & Krysten Hager (Jan Taylor). For those who have died: Susan Frances Klister (104½ years; mother of Joe Radanovich) and Nabil Wahhab.

* Please particularly remember John & Alice Herro, who have both been having health issues recently.

Schedule for This Week

Monday: 10:30am Funeral service for Susan Frances Klister

Sunday: *Fifth Sunday after Pentecost*
10:30am Divine Liturgy

Nowhere in Israel Have I Found as Much Faith

In the Gospel we heard our own faith extolled as it was manifested by humility. The Lord

Jesus agreed to go to the centurion's house to cure his servant, but he replied: I am not

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worthy to have you under my roof; only say the word and my servant will be healed. In protesting his unworthiness the centurion showed himself worthy to have Christ enter not his house but his heart. Yet he could not have said this with such faith and humility unless he already bore within his heart the One he was too overawed to have within his house.

In any case, there would have been no great happiness at the entry of the Lord Jesus within his walls if He were not present in his heart. ... The centurion's house He did not in fact enter, but He took possession of his heart. The centurion said: I am not worthy to have you under my roof. The Lord praised the faith

shown by his humility, replying: I tell you, not even in Israel have I found faith like this. He meant Israel in a physical sense, for the centurion was already an Israelite in spirit.

The Lord had come to the people of Israel, that is to the Jews, to seek out the lost sheep first among that people in whom and from whom he had taken flesh; but not even there, He says, did He find such faith. We can only judge a person's faith from a human viewpoint; but He who sees the heart and whom no one ever deceives testified to the state of this man's heart: on hearing the centurion's humble words He pronounced His assurance of healing.

St. Augustine of Hippo

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