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WEEKEND DIVINE SERVICES

Sat.: 7 PM [Festal Evening Prayer]

Sun.: 9 AM [Morning Prayer] 10 AM [Divine Liturgy]

Mystery of Holy Repentance [Confessions]: AFTER Saturday

Evening Prayer or ANYTIME by appointment

SERVICES FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 14, 2015

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST.

The Holy Prophet Eliseus. Our Holy Father Methodius, Patriarch of Constantinople.

PLEASE COME FORWARD AFTER THE DIVINE LITURGY; KISS THE HOLY ICONS, KISS THE HAND CROSS [OR RECEIVE THE HOLY ANOINTING], & PARTAKE OF THE ANTIDORAN [BLESSED BREAD].

SAT. JUNE 13	7:00 PM	FESTAL EVENING PRAYER		
	8:00 PM	Mystery of Holy Repentance		
		[CONFESSIONS]		
SUN. JUNE 14	9:00 AM	MORNING PRAYER		
	10:00 AM	FOR THE PEOPLE		
	11:30 AM	PARISH LUNCHEON		
	12:30 PM	PARSH ADVISORY		
		MEETING		
MON. JUNE 15	The Holy Prophet Amos. The Venerable Jero			
	Priest of Stridon.			
	NO DIVINE	SERVICES ~ OFFICE CLOSED		
TUE. JUNE 16	Our Holy Fat	Father & Wonder-worker Tychon,		
	Bishop of Amathis.			
	7 AM	FIRST HOUR		
WED. JUNE 17	The Holy Martyrs Manuel, Sabel and Ishmael.			
	Our Ven. Fr. Hypatius, Hegumen of the			
	Rufenianos N	Monestary.		
	7 AM	FIRST HOUR		
THU. JUNE 18	The Holy M	artyr Leontius.		
	7 AM	FIRST HOUR		

WE WELCOME OUR VISITORS TO THIS MORNING'S
DIVINE SERVICES. PLEASE LOOK FOR THE
CHANGEABLE PARTS, HYMN NUMBERS, AND
PROPERS ON THE COLORED INSERT.

FRI. JUNE 19 The Holy Apostle Jude, Brother of the Lord.

7 AM FIRST HOUR

SAT. JUNE 20 The Holy Martyr Methodius, Bishop of Patara.

7AM FIRST HOUR

7 PM FESTAL EVENING PRAYER

8 PM MYSTERY OF HOLY

REPENTANCE [CONFESSIONS]

SUN. JUNE 21 FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. The

Holy Martyr Julian of Tarsus.

9:00 AM MORNING PRAYER

10 AM FOR THE PEOPLE

11:15 AM PARISH LUNCHEON

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: our parishioners, family members, friends and others who are ill or infirm: AMY CHIAPPE, ETHAN EYMAN, CULVER "RED" EYMAN, MARGARET EYMAN, BOBBI SPAK, JAY MURTAUGH, BJ NOVAK, ELAINE WILSON, DR. CHARLOTTE NEUMANN, RON ZELLER, NICHOLE RICHARDS, BR. JAMES BROWN S.M., WILLIS WILLIAMS, DAVID BLEVINS, FR. DEACON MICHAEL GEORGE, KATHERYN LOIDOLT, EVIE KOBUS, JOHN BORGERT, LAUREN FIORELLI, CLARE HUNTER, IGNATIO ROMERO, MAGDELINA CHAUBY, ALEXANDER YOUNG, RICHARD MEDWIG, MEGAN ZAHN, JOSEPH COSGROVE, BARB & PHIL LINK, DAVE WILSON, TOMMY CAITO, REBECCA MALY, LILAH NICHOLE MALY, AL MACEK, LINDA STENGER, MATT HIZNAY, ANTHONY JESKO, JENNIFER GOLC, TOMMY SMITH.

IF YOU KNOW SOMEONE TO ADD TO THE LIST PLEASE WRITE

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IT DOWN AND GIVE IT TO FATHER. PLEASE ALSO TELL HIM
WHEN SOMEONE HAS RECOVERED AND CAN BE REMOVED.

EPARCHIAL PASTORAL PLAN BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT

The Pastoral Plan is being implemented in a variety of ways at the eparchial and parish levels.

Visit www.parma.org for a video update from Bishop John.



2015 EPARCHIAL "COMINGTOGETHER"GATHERING ANNOUNCED

Save the date for **Saturday, October 10** for the "Coming Together" events that will take place in each region of the eparchy. These day-long gatherings will provide inspiration and support to parishes through the four priorities of the Pastoral Plan: discipleship, sacramental practice, vocation, and vibrant parishes. Our Parish will be participating in the "Coming Together" Gathering at St. Nicholas Church in

Munster, IN. More details and registration in early September.

Tithes for the month of May 2015

Date (Collection	Candles H	oly Day	Building Fund Raising	Weekly Totals
5/3/15	\$860.93	\$140.50	\$10.00	\$625.54	\$1,636.97
5/10/15	\$863.98	\$177.00	\$5.00	\$1,031.58	\$2,077.56
5/17/15	\$ \$714.02	\$17.99	\$25.00	\$ 928.12	\$1,685.13
5/24/15	\$ \$794.67	\$149.00	\$25.00	\$1,167.35	\$2,136.02
5/31/15	\$596.06	\$48.00	\$0.00	\$1,045.00	\$1,689.06
Totals S	\$3,829.66	\$532.49	\$65.00	\$4,797.59	\$9,224.74

Tithes for the month of June 2015

Date Collection Candles Holy Day Building Fund Raising Weekly Totals 6/7/15 WITH APPEAR IN AN UPCOMING BULLETIN
Totals

Many thanks to those who sacrificially contribute to St. Athanasius the Great Parish. Please consider it your personal spiritual goal to donate a full tithe [10% of your income] for the support of YOUR parish.

Bring the full tithes into the storehouse [of the Temple], that there may be food in my house; and thereby put me to the test, says the LORD!

Candles Available	Monthly Donation	<u>Intention</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
Eternal Lamp	\$40.00	Ukraine Dai	nny & Olga Vaughn
Icon Screen (6)	\$40.00	Alison Hendricks	S Judy Ernst
Tetrapod (2)	\$30.00	Sonia Douglas	Judy Ernst
Nativity Icon	\$25.00 Far	nily/Friend Da	nny & Olga Vaughn
Theotokos of Vladimii	r Icon \$25.00	Special Intention	Glen Grabow
Resurrection Icon	\$25.00	_	ny & Olga Vaughn
St. Athanasius Icon	\$25.00	+Fr. Sid Sidor	Richard Medwig
Holy Table	\$40.00	Peter/Christine M	ajanja Judy Ernst

Give a spiritual Gift to someone in need. We have candle Gift Cards you can send or give to a loved one, friend or someone in need of prayers. A single 6-day candle is \$5. For an entire month the cost is \$25. When giving your donation use the candle envelope in the back of the Church. Paired with it, take the candle card to give as a gift. In addition to the name on the candle, please specify a start date if you would like the Church to light the candle[s] in front of the Icons of our Lord or the Theotokos for you on a future date. Thank you!

MANY THANKS Many Thanks to everyone who welcomed Father Cyril Farmer o. Carm. as he covered for Fr. Bryan last week. I understand that he had a problem with the Parish Vestments size.

As some of you may know Father Bryan concelebrated the Wedding Divine Services of former St. Athanasius the Great Parishioner Kirk Rich to his bride Laura Reksc Rich at Our Lady of Walsingham Anglican Roman Catholic Church in Houston, TX. Also concelebrating was Kirk's present Pastor the Very Rev. Protopresbyter Elias Luis Rafaj, of St. John Chrysostom Byzantine Catholic Church in Houston, TX. Kirk Rich recently completed the process of Canonical Transfer from the Roman Church to the Byzantine Catholic Church. He is currently studying for his Doctorate in Music at the University of Houston. He is also the organist at a Synagogue and a Church in Greater Houston.

May God grant Kirk and Laura many happy and blessed years!



PARISH REPAIR, RENOVATION AND RENEWAL PROJECTS

We need your help in the continuation of the repair, renovation and renewal of our Parish Property. The following projects need to be completed or performed:

- 1] Complete the repair, replacement and painting of the Buttressing around the Church, and on the bell-tower.
- 2] Complete the construction and instillation of the room partitions in the Parish Hall.
- 3] Clean the siding on the Rectory and scrap and repaint the exposed wood especially on the porches and around the windows.
- 4] Replace and paint the window sill on the large west window in the Church.
- 5] A number of people expressed the desire to plant flower beds around the Church and Rectory. Father Bryan responds with: If you are willing to plant and take care of the flowers, please feel free to do so. Father has a brown thumb, and can only manage to kill plants and flowers either from "Kindness" or "Neglect." So if you wish to plant and take care of them, go right ahead.

If everyone would volunteer to coordinate and/or take care of these projects we can get a lot accomplished this summer, even with our very limited financial resources.

Remember St. Athanasius the Great Parish's most important asset is YOU!

<u>UPDATE ON THE PROJECT TO DEMOLISH THE FORMER ASSUMPTION</u>

SCHOOL BUILDING On Wednesday June 10th, the day after returning from Houston Father Bryan had a very positive meeting with City/County Council Member Jeff Miller, the Executive Director of the West Indianapolis Development Corporation Jeff Gearhart and Jeff Roeder from the Office of the Mayor of Indianapolis. We continued to brainstorm and discuss various scenarios to seek and obtain the monies to demolish the former Assumption School Building. We will have to receive assistance from governmental organizations or elsewhere in order to tear down the structure. This MAY mean surrending the property in order to have it torn down. Jeff Miller has promised his assitance in dealing with the harrassment of the Dept. of Code Enforcement.



ST. ATHANASIUS THE GREAT PARISH LUNCHEON~

<u>Parish Luncheon Donations</u> ~ All of us enjoy the Post-Liturgy Parish Luncheon held every Sunday here at St. Athanasius the Great Parish. But we all also need to remember that this Luncheon does not appear "ex nihalo"

[from nothing]. We need EVERYONE to share in providing our weekly repast. Please consider helping provide the various foods for the meal. You will find it helpful if you go to the Parish Page on the www.perfectpotluck.com website, to receive suggestions about what is needed for the upcoming Sunday. You can also



call Dr. Judy Ernst at (317-313-6144), to receive more information and instructions about using the Perfect Potluck website.

If you are unable to make food for the Potluck, we will also welcome donations of Cash, Milk, Coffee, Cookies, Crackers, Fruit Punch, Fruit Juices etc. Please also remember our parishioners who have gluten-intolerance, peanut-allergies, etc. There is a

donation basket on the buffet table to accept your cash donations to help pay for the various staples provided by the Parish. Please contribute \$5 or \$10 per family if you are NOT providing food for the potluck.

We also need help with food preparation and set-up either before Vespers Saturday Evening or before and after the Sunday Divine Liturgy.

Your assistance in cleaning up after the Luncheon is also greatly appreciate. We need at least 8 people to help with clean up! If you didn't help with set up, please consider helping with clean up.

Please be sure to invite any of our visitors and guests to join us for the Luncheon. Thank you for your help!

PARISH ADVISORY BOARDS MEETING

<u>NEXT Meeting</u> ~ The next Advisory Boards meeting will be after the Parish Luncheon TODAY @ 12:30 or 1 PM. We will continue our discussions about our progress regarding our Pastoral Plan. This includes progress regarding a sign for the Church and tearing down of the former Assumption School!



THE AKATHIST TO THE THEOTOKOS, THE INEXHAUSTIBLE CUP, HEALER OF ALCOHOLICS

WEDNESDAY JUNE 3[™] 7 PM
WEDNESDAY JULY 15[™] 7 PM
WEDNESDAY AUGUST 19[™] 7 PM
WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 16[™] 7 PM
WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 11[™] 7 PM
WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 9[™] 7 PM
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DO YOU KNOW ANYONE WHO IS TROUBLED BY THE DISEASE OF ALCOHOLISM OR CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY? THIS IS A POWERFUL PRAYER SEEKING THE INTERCESSION OF THE THEOTOKOS FOR THE HEALING OF THIS TERRIBLE AND DEBILITATING DISEASE. PLEASE GIVE THEIR FIRST NAME TO FR. BRYAN AND JOIN US FOR THIS LIFE-CHANGING AND HEALING AKATHIST.

<u>Upcoming celebrations of the Paraclis to the Theotokos</u> <u>and Mystery of Holy Anointing "Ancient Healing Service" at 7 PM.</u>

[This schedule may change due to changed circumstances]

Wednesday June 24 Paraclis & Holy Anointing

Wednesday August 29 Paraclis & Holy Anointing

Wednesday September 30 Festal Evening Prayer & Holy Anointing

Wednesday October 28 Paraclis & Holy Anointing

Wednesday November 18 Paraclis [or Emanuel Moleben] & Holy Anointing

Wednesday December 16 Paraclis [or Emanuel Moleben] & Holy Anointing

Please invite your friends and join us for this beautiful Healing Service!

<u>DIVINE SERVICES AND SPECIAL EVENTS</u> AT ST. ATHANASIUS THE GREAT CHURCH

4TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST [FATHERS' DAY] CELEBRATION

Sat. June 20 7 PM FESTAL EVENING PRAYER

8 PM HOLY REPENTANCE

Sun. June 21 9 AM FESTAL MORNING PRAYER

10 AM FESTAL DIVINE LITURGY

11:15 AM WEEKLY SUNDAY LUNCHEON

NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CELEBRATION

Tue. June 23 7 PM FESTAL EVENING PRAYER

Wed. June 24 7 AM FIRST HOUR

7:30 AM FESTAL DIVINE LITURGY

4TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST CELEBRATION

Sat. June 27 7 PM FESTAL EVENING PRAYER

8 PM MYSTERY OF HOLY

REPENTANCE

Sun. June 28 9 AM FESTAL MORNING PRAYER

10 AM FESTAL DIVINE LITURGY

11:30 AM PARISH LUNCHEON

FEAST OF SAINTS PETER & PAUL CELEBRATION

Sun. June 28 12:30 PM VESPERS OF SS. PETER & PAUL

Mon. June 29 7 AM FIRST HOUR

7:30 AM FESTAL DIVINE LITURGY

5th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST CELEBRATION

Sat. July 4 7 PM FESTAL EVENING PRAYER

8 PM HOLY REPENTANCE



Parma Eparchy Upcoming Ordinations~ From the Office of His Grace Bishop JOHN of the Eparchy of Parma

Father Deacon Kenneth M. Malley will be ordained [Cheirtonia] to the Presbyterate on Sunday July 12, 2015 at a 4pm Hierarchical Divine Liturgy by His Grace Bishop JOHN Kudrick of Parma, held at the Cathedral of St

John the Baptist, 1900 Carlton Road Parma, Ohio.



<u>Seminarian Bryan Scotton</u> will be ordained [*Cheirothesia*] to the Holy Orders of Acolyte, Reader and Sub-Deacon on Sunday June 28, 2015 at the Shrine of Our Lady of Mariapoch, Mumford Rd. Burton Ohio at 11:00 am.

WE WISH FATHER DEACON KENNETH SUBDEACON ANDREW AND SEMINARIAN BRYAN MANY HAPPY AND BLESSED YEARS!



Subdeacon Andrew James

Summerson is being ordained [Cheirtonia] to the Holy Order of Deacon for the Eparchy of Parma. He is being ordained by His Grace, Archbishop Cyril Vasil, S.J., the Secretary of the Congregation for the Oriental Churches today in the City of Rome at the Church of Saint Antony the Great [The Church at the Pontifical College Russicum].

Subdeacon Andrew is married to Laura Ieraci Summerson who works for Vatican Radio and the Catholic News Service

St Tikhon the Wonderworker, Bishop of Amathus in Cyprus



Saint Tikhon, Bishop of Amathus, was born in the city Amathus on the island of Cyprus. His parents raised their son in Christian piety, and taught him the reading of sacred books. It is said that the gift of wonderworking appeared in St Tikhon at quite a young age.

His father was the owner of a bakery, and whenever he left his son alone in the shop, the holy youth would give free bread to those in need. Learning of this, his father became angry, but the son said that he had read in the Scriptures, that in giving to God one receives back a hundredfold. "I," said the youth, "gave to God the bread which

was taken," and he persuaded his father to go to the place where the grain was stored. With astonishment the father saw that the granary, which formerly was empty, was now filled to overflowing with wheat. From that time the father did not hinder his son from distributing bread to the poor.

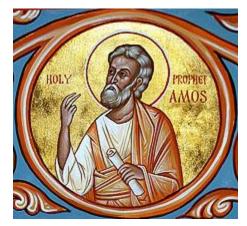
A certain gardener brought the dried prunings of vines from the vineyard. St Tikhon gathered them, planted them in his garden and besought the Lord that these branches might take root and yield fruit for the health of people. The Lord did so through the faith of the holy youth. The branches took root, and their fruit had a particular and very pleasant taste. It was used during the lifetime of the saint and after his death for making wine for the Mystery of the Holy Eucharist.

They accepted the pious youth into the church clergy, made him a reader. Later, Mnemonios, the Bishop of Amathus ordained him a deacon. After the death of Bishop Mnemonios, St Tikhon by universal agreement was chosen as Bishop of Amathus. St Epiphanius, Bishop of Cyprus (May 12), presided at the service.

St Tikhon labored zealously to eradicate the remnants of paganism on Cyprus; he destroyed a pagan temple and spread the Christian Faith. The St Tikhon the Wonderworker [Page 2] holy bishop was generous, his doors were open to all, and he listened to and lovingly fulfilled the request of each person who came to him. Fearing neither threats nor tortures, he firmly and fearlessly confessed his faith before pagans.

In the service to St Tikhon it is stated that he foresaw the time of his death, which occurred in the year 425.

The name of St Tikhon of Amathus was greatly honored in Russia. Temples [Churches] dedicated to the saint were constructed at Moscow, at Nizhni Novgorod, at Kazan and other cities. But he was particularly venerated in the Voronezh diocese, where there were three archpastors in succession sharing the name with the holy hierarch of Amathus: St Tikhon I (Sokolov) (+ 1783, August 13), Tikhon II (Yakubovsky, until 1785) and Tikhon III (Malinin, until 1788).



The Holy Prophet Amos, third of the Twelve Minor Prophets, lived during the eighth century before Christ. At this time the Hebrew nation was divided into two kingdoms: Judea and Israel. The Judean king Hosiah ruled in Jerusalem, but the ten separated Israelite tribes were ruled by Jeroboam II, an idol-worshipper. At Bethel he set up an idol in the form of a golden calf, which they

worshipped, after they rejected the God of Israel.

The Prophet Amos was a Judean, from the city of Thecua in the land of Zebulon. Simple and untaught, but fervent in faith and zealous for the glory of the true God, this former shepherd and dresser of sycamore trees (Amos 7:14-15) was chosen by the Lord for prophetic service. He was sent to the kingdom of Israel to denounce the impiety of King Jeroboam, and also the Israelites for falling away from God. The prophet predicted a great misfortune which would befall Israel and the neighboring pagan nations, because of their impiety. As a result of his denunciations, the Prophet Amos repeatedly suffered beatings and torture. He returned to

<u>The Holy Prophet Amos [Page 2]</u> Bethel, and threatening inevitable misfortunes, he continued to call the Israelites to repentance.

The idolatrous priest Amaziah of the pagan temple particularly hated the prophet. The prophet predicted speedy destruction for him and all his household, and for this he was subjected to beatings. Hosiah, the son of Amaziah, struck the saint on the head with a club and seriously wounded him. Still alive, the Prophet Amos reached his native village and died there around 787 B.C. He is not to be confused with Amos, the father of the Prophet Isaiah. He is commemorated on June 15th.

The Holy Martyr Crescentia at Lucania

Commemorated on June 15

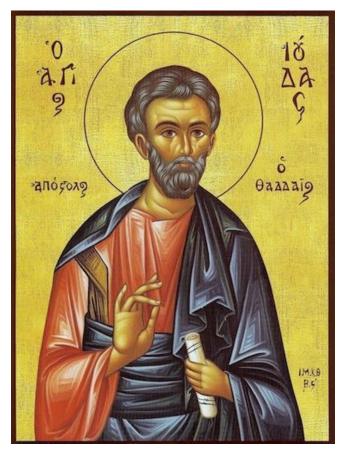
Saint Crescentia suffered for Christ during the reign of Emperor Diocletian (284-305) with the holy martyrs Vitus and Modestus. She was the governess of St Vitus, and tried to save the boy when his father wanted to kill him because he would not abandon his faith in Christ.



St Crescentia and the boy's tutor St

Modestus, who were Christians, secretly took him from his parental home. They found a boat at the river, and an angel entered the boat with them. They reached the Italian district of Lucanium, where the saints lived quietly, hiding from those who would persecute them. The holy youth continued to heal the sick and convert pagans to Christianity. His fame soon spread throughout the region.

Sts Vitus and Modestus were arrested and thrown into prison, then Diocletian had them tortured. St Crescentia came out of the crowd of spectators and confessed herself a Christian. She reproached the emperor for his cruelty, and he also sentenced her to torture. After torture St. Crescentia surrendered herself into the hands of the Lord.



June 19 The Holy Apostle Jude Jude the Brother of James

ARE THERE TROUBLEMAKERS in your parish? In every congregation of Christians we can expect to find a few saints, a few sinners, and a lot of people who are a bit of both. Unfortunately one can often find people who join a church or become active in its organizations for social, financial or political gain. They tend to keep their motivations secret in order to win the approval of other members.

Others are motivated by a desire to dominate or control others. Always ready to make a speech or to appear as the center of attention, they push their own agendas to such an extent that they become divisive elements in churches. They may take on the clergy, the members of the church council or other parishioners. Easy targets are the less influential parish groups such as the youth or any other group sharing church facilities.

The Apostle Jude pulled no punches in dealing with such people. He confronted the issue of divisiveness in his General Epistle, one of the last – and shortest – books of the New Testament. He described such people as barren. They are, he said, "...spots in your love feasts, while they feast with you without fear, serving only themselves. They are clouds without water, carried about by the winds; late autumn trees without fruit, twice dead, pulled up by the roots; raging waves of the sea, foaming up their own shame; wandering stars for whom is reserved the blackness of darkness forever" (Jude 1:12-13).

The Holy Apostle Jude [Page 2]

Jude summons several examples from the Old Testament to show what such people can expect to receive: "Woe to them! For they have gone in the way of Cain, have run greedily in the error of Balaam for profit, and perished in the rebellion of Korah" (v. 11). Still, Jude notes, some of these people can be corrected gently but others need the fear of God put in them lest they perish: "on some have compassion, making a distinction; but others save with fear, pulling them out of the fire..." (vv. 22-23). Church leaders need to know when to be strict and when to be lenient in dealing with such people: when to apply the law and when to extend clemency.

The Apostle Jude

The Scripture identifies the author of this epistle as Jude, "the brother of James" (Jude 1:1), but which James is his brother? There are three known in the New Testament; two are described as having a brother named Jude.

One James in the New Testament is "the brother of the Lord," who is thought to be the son of St. Joseph by his first wife (in the West James is usually described at the Lord's *relative*). When the people of Nazareth wondered about what they were hearing about Jesus they said, "Where did this Man get this wisdom and these mighty works? Is this not the carpenter's son? Is not His mother called Mary? And His brothers James, Joses, Simon, and Judas?" (Mt 13:54-55) Both "Jude" and "Judas" translate the same Hebrew name, Yahudah; English speakers have always felt squeamish about giving the same name to both the faithful Apostle and the Traitor.

Another James in the New Testament is found in the Gospel list of the Twelve: "James the son of Alphaeus" (Lk 6:15). Paired with him is "Judas the son of James" (v.16). So our Jude is either the brother of James, the Lord's brother, who would become the leader of the Church in Jerusalem, or the son of James, the son of Alphaeus, who was one of the Twelve.

The Holy Apostle Jude [Page 3]

In the Gospels of Matthew and Mark, Jude is not mentioned in the list of the Twelve Apostles. Instead a Thaddeus is named in his place. These names have often been harmonized as "Jude Thaddeus." It was not unusual, especially in a border region such as Galilee, for people to have both a Greek and a Semitic name, but there is no concrete evidence that this was so in the case of St Jude.

The Acts of Simon and Jude

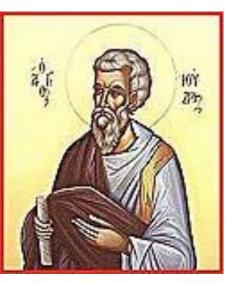
The New Testament makes no further mention of St Jude or other of the Apostles. As a result many apocryphal Gospels and Acts were written in the first centuries to detail their later adventures. Simon and Jude are variously described as preaching in North Africa, Gaul, Britain and the East. One such source, *The Acts of Simon and Jude*, has these two apostles preaching and ultimately martyred in the Persian Empire. It is thought that this text comes from as late as the fourth century AD, but its description of first-century Persia is said to be remarkably accurate.

Material from The Acts of Simon and Jude came to be included in Jacobus de Voragine's *Golden Legends*, a thirteenth-century collection of saints' lives beloved in the Medieval West. It was printed in countless editions and soon translated from Latin into most European languages, accounting for the popularity of this otherwise unknown Apostle in the Middle Ages.

Jude and His "Hopeless Cases"

In the West today, St. Jude has become known as the "Patron of hopeless cases" or "Patron of the impossible." How did this come about?

This devotion may have been popularized by St Bernard of Clairvaux (1090-1153) and later by St. Bridget of Sweden (1303-1373). She reputedly had a vision in which the Lord Himself told her to pray to St. Jude with faith and confidence, because the apostle would "show himself to be the most willing to give you help." This was one of a host of visions of Christ, the Virgin and other saints who appeared to her and dictated



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prayers and devotions for her to observe. A collection of these visions, *The Prophecies and Revelations of St Bridget*, was another popular work in the Medieval West.

Jude and the Apocrypha

One unusual feature of the St. Jude's Epistle is that it quotes directly from a Jewish work called the Book of

Enoch or 1 Enoch, dating from the second century BC. This book is considered part of the Old Testament by the Ethiopian and Eritrean Churches but not in any other Church. It was well-known by first-century Jews, however, who saw it as having great historical and devotional interest.

Jude 1:14-15 quotes the following passage directly from 1 Enoch 1:9: "Behold, the Lord comes with ten thousands of His saints, to execute judgment on all, to convict all who are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have committed in an ungodly way, and of all the harsh things which ungodly sinners have spoken against Him."

An undisputedly apocryphal book, The Ascension of Moses, is the source of another passage, *Jude* 1:9: "*Michael the archangel, in contending with the devil, when he disputed about the body of Moses, dared not bring against him a reviling 'accusation, but said, 'The Lord rebuke you!*" This first- century AD Jewish work was known to early Christian writers, but was long thought to have been lost, or even never to have existed. Finally, in the nineteenth century, a copy was discovered in Milan's Ambrosian Library by an Italian scholar.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN THE MILITARY ESPECIALLY THOSE SERVING IN AFGHANISTAN AND IRAQ.

Lt. COL. CRAIG M. EYMAN D.O.~ is Fr. Bryan's 2nd youngest brother. He has reentered the Army Reserve and is currently serving with the 848th FST [Forward Surgical Team] stationed in Twinsburg, OH. He has returned to his family in Solon, OH.

<u>CAPT. BRIAN HEWKO USA</u> is a friend of Fr. Bryan and a parishioner of St. Anne Ukrainian Byzantine Catholic Church in Austinburg, OH. He is a 2008 graduate of West Point. Brian has returned from deployment to the Persian Gulf. He is now serving in South Carolina.

<u>CAPTAIN CHRISTINA MOMONIER</u>~ is a friend of Fr. Bryan. Christina is from Baltimore, MD is a Byzantine Catholic. She is currently serving at Ft. Benning, GA.

<u>CAPTAIN [FATHER] JOSEPH BRANKATELLI USA</u> is a friend of Fr. Bryan and a priest of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Cleveland and the Archdiocese for the Military Services. Fr. Joseph is posted in Washington, DC.

AIRMAN MICHAELA and AIRMAN FIRST CLASS JOHANN WELLER

<u>USAF</u> ~ are friends of Fr. Bryan and members of St. Ann Byzantine Catholic Church in Harrisburg, PA. Before entering the Armed Forces they were active with the BYZANTEEN Youth Rallies.

PRIVATE CODY ROMERO USA, STAFF SERGEANT NIKO ROMERO, and STAFF SERGEANT RORY ROMERO ~ sons of Sonia Douglas. Cody received the Military Blessing at our Church and is currently serving at Fort Bragg, NC. His brother Rory has been deployed to Afghanistan. Their brother Niko serves as an Army recruiter in Anderson, IN.

PRIVATE JACKSON RUANE USA~ Jackson is formerly from St. Nicholas Byzantine Catholic Parish in Ashtabula, OH. He is currently serving at Ft. Polk, LA since September, 2014. He is getting married in July, 2015.

PRIVATE ABIGAIL BROWN USA~ is the Grand Niece of parishioner Belinda Dorney. She was recently promoted to PFC and has completed training in Army Intelligence at a base in Arizona. She is serving in Oklahoma.

2ND LT. AARON JACOBSON~ from Mounds View, MN is a friend of Fr. Bryan. He is a 2013 West Point graduate, who has just completed his special training as a platoon leader. He is serving in Ft. Drum, NY.

May God, in His infinite Love and Mercy, guide and protect all of those serving our Republic in the Armed Forces.

Welcome to St. Athanasius Byzantine Catholic Church of Indianapolis, IN. We are a Byzantine Catholic Community that, as part of the Byzantine Catholic Eparchy [Diocese] of Parma, is in Communion with Pope Francis I and the other Catholic Churches. We welcome to Holy Communion all Orthodox and Catholic Christians, who are able to receive Holy Communion in their own parish Church.

In the Byzantine Catholic Church we give Holy Communion to infants and young children. If you bring your child forward at Communion time he or she will be given Holy Communion. If you do not wish your child to receive Holy Communion, please do not bring the child forward at Communion time.

At the conclusion of the Liturgy, all should come forward to kiss the Holy Cross, or be anointed with blessed oil, and share in the Blessed Bread. Then join us in our St. Mary Hall for our Coffee Social. THANK YOU FOR JOINING US!