

Holy Assumption Orthodox Church
Celebrating 125 years witnessing to the Apostolic Faith

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OCTOBER 27, 2024

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

EPISTLE: 2 Corinthians 9:6-11

Brethren: Let me say this much: "He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully." So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work. As it is written: "He has dispersed abroad, He has given to the poor; His righteousness endures forever." Now may He who supplies seed to the Sower, and bread for food, supply and multiply the seed you have sown and increase the fruits of your righteousness, while you are enriched in everything for all liberality, which causes thanksgiving through us to God.

GOSPEL: Lk 8:26-39



Demeoniac at Gadarenes

At that time, Jesus came to the country of the Gadarenes, which is opposite Galilee. And when He stepped out on the land, there met Him a certain man from the city who had demons for a long time. And he wore no clothes, nor did he live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he cried out,

fell down before Him, and with a loud voice said, “What have I to do with You, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg You, do not torment me!” For He had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. For it had often seized him, and he was kept under guard, bound with chains and shackles; and he broke the bonds and was driven by the demon into the wilderness. Jesus asked him, saying, “What is your name?” And he said, “Legion,” because many demons had entered him. And they begged Him that He would not command them to go out into the abyss. Now a herd of many swine was feeding there on the mountain. So, they begged Him that He would permit them to enter them. And He permitted them. Then the demons went out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd ran violently down the steep place into the lake and drowned. When those who fed them saw what had happened, they fled and told it in the city and in the country. Then they went out to see what had happened, and came to Jesus, and found the man from whom the demons had departed, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. They also who had seen it told them by what means he who had been demon-possessed was healed. Then the whole multitude of the surrounding region of the Gadarenes asked Him to depart from them, for they were seized with great fear. And He got into the boat and returned. Now the man from whom the demons had departed begged Him that he might be with Him. But Jesus sent him away, saying, “Return to your own house, and tell what great things God has done for you.” And he went his way and proclaimed throughout the whole city what great things Jesus had done for him.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

MON. Oct 28	Martyrs Terence and Neonila, and their children; Phil 1:1-7, Lk 11:29-33
TUE. Oct 29	Monastic Martyr Anastasia of Rome; Phil 1:8-14, Lk 11:34-41
WED. Oct 30	Hieromartyr Zenobios and his sister Zenobia; Phil 1:12-20, Lk 11:42-46
THU. Oct 31	Priestmartyr John Kochurov; Phil 1:20-27, Lk 11:47-12:1
FRI. Nov 1	Holy Wonderworkers and Unmercenaries Cosmas and Damian; Phil 1:27-2:4, Lk 12:2-12
SAT. Nov 2	Martyrs Acindynus, Pegasius, Aphthonius, Elpidophorus, Anempodistus, and 7,000 with them, of Persia; 1 Cor 12:58-16:3, Lk 9:1-6
4:00 PM	VESPERS
SUN. Nov 3	19th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, <i>Tone 2</i>
9:10 AM	HOURS
9:30 AM	DIVINE LITURGY Followed by Coffee Social

FOR YOUR PRAYERS



Patti Owens, 311 Woodbridge Road, Vermilion, OH 44089; **Basil Glovinsky**, 1007 Glendale Drive, Port Clinton, OH 43452; **Subdeacon Roger Pinta**, P.O. Box 39, Middle Bass, OH 43446; **Ed & Irene Vangeloff**, 454 Strouse Lane, Sandusky, OH 44870



OCTOBER CANDLE SPONSORS

Altar Candles: Fr. Peter and Mat. Michelle, For Health and God's Blessings for Barbara Wroblewski, and Michal & Helena Tomáš (\$50); **Chandelier:** Ron and Bobbie Royhab, in Loving Memory of Ron's mother, Elizabeth Naiser Royhab. (\$50); **Eternal Light & Icon Screen:** Jean Hileman, In memory of mother, Helen Pipenur (Oct 11, 2009); Natalie Twarek, Natalie, In loving birthday memory of mom 10/28 (\$25); **Candles at the Cross:** Laura Kovach, Birthday blessings to Katelyn and in memory of Uncle Alex and John Kovach (\$20); **Candles at St. Tikhon Icon:** For Safety and Health of Nicholas, Tikhon, Gleice, Sophie & Chloe (\$20)



OCTOBER REPOSED

Joseph L. Mazurik (1944) No date provided; Anna Mazur (1945) No date provided; Anna Danchisen (1945) No date provided; William Martin (1982) No date provided; **3-** Anna Tomko (1990); **4-** William Peter Guzy (1974); **5-** John Elchisco Sr. (1982); **5-** Mark Conroy (2018); **5-** Patricia Schirtzinger (2021); **6-** Andrew Tomko (1970); **6-** Helen Elchisco (1956); **7-** Michael Gresko (1963); **8-** Archpriest Michael Kostyk (1964) Former Pastor; **11-** Helen Pipenur (2009); **12-** Pauline Mary Gresh (1981); **13-** James E Jump (2011); **13-** Tom Grgich (2018); **13-** Michael Mazurik (2018); **14-** George Kaitsa (1991); **15-** Michael Mazurik (1972); **15-** John Kovach (1983); **16-** Mary Kobb (2017); **16-** Tom Wiseman (2020); **18-** Nadezhda Kaitsa (1992); **20-** Elizabeth Naiser Royhab (2006) **20-** Terry Fink (2017); **21-** Alex Mazur (1920); **21-** Terry (Bobbie's cousin) (2017); **27-** Gordon J. Schutt (2021); **28-** George Elchisco (1996); **28-** Anthony Glovinsky (1946); **31-** George Rusincovitch (1994)



VIGILS FOR OCTOBER 20

Angela Bricker 4 Family, Child, Parents and their loved ones, Orthodox Church

Laura Kovach 3 For health and/or healing of Margi H., Matushka Melania, Bailey C., Ron R., Stephanie K., Donnie S., Betty K., David M., Jim K., Hannah S., Mark M., Dana M., Bodhi C., Karen D., Kathie J., and Jennifer H.

Birthday blessings to Margi, Uncle Alex, and Katy
Safe travel for family and friends

Natalie Twarek 8 For health and recovery of Mary Dziak, For the health Fr Peter & Matushka Michelle, For the health & recovery of Matushka Melania, For health and recovery of Matushka Michelle's brother Walter, For the health and recovery on Ron, Rodney, Betty, Carol, Kayla, Bill, Ruth, Pam, Debbie, Jim, Michelle, Terrie, Clayton, Father Emilian, Patrick and Marty, Mike Heffernan and Barbara Heffernan, Health and healing for Father's dad Michal and Matushka's mom Barbara, For the health of Tony, Bev, Ed, Irene, Father David, Pauline, Judy, Tina, Carole, Gary, Sharon, Tina's dad, Earl, Sonya, Margi & Joe, Jackie, MaryAnn & Bob, Bodhi, Stella, Jake, Pat, special intentions

PRAYER LIST

Parishioners & Family: Ron & Bobbie Royhab / Rodney Clevenger / Jennifer Heffernan / Tom Hileman / Pam / Jim Twarek / Ed Garrity / Patti Owens / Barbara Wroblewski / Michal Tomáš / Helena Tomášova / Ruth Sheller / Basil Glovinsky / Dale / Sophie / Jeanne Smith / Carol / David Martin / Fred Soski / Chris Hannon / Subdeacon Roger Pinta / Ed Vangeloff / Irene Vangeloff / Sonja Rose / Ron Royhab / James Bargdill / John Beadle / Carole Conaway / Gary Conaway / Sharon Dietrich / Michael Glovinsky / Shirley Gresh / Joseph Habegger / Elaine Hileman / Betty Kovach / Child Stella Miller / William Pipenur / Earl Rindfleisch / Helen Jean Rofkar / George Royhab / Marianne Royhab / Kathy Jacob / the child Bodhi Cassell / Clifford / Gleice, Sophie & Chloe / Carol / Nora.

Other Requests: Matushka Melania / Mary Dziak / Sharyn Osborne / Christine Zahm / Amy / Bill Byrnes / Michael Heffernan / Susanne / Barbara Heffernan / Rita Mumea / Charles Schlett / Kathy Debevits / Maxwell Chaney / Sidharth Bijilani – friend of Subdeacon Roger and Debbie Pinta / Anthony

/ Archpriest Ján Čižmár / Archpriest David Lis / Archpriest Emilian & Matushka Laryssa Hutnyan / Donald Gresh / Mark Ludvik / Robert Piznar / Mark Masica / Valerie Ritzenthaler / William / Rick Rowe / Chris.

Military: Craig Cassell / Jake Ellithorpe / Jordon Fulton / Justin Issler / Tikhon / Nicholas / & All Military

ATTENDANCE



10/19 Vespers, **9** attending (2 guests); **10/20** Divine Liturgy, **33** attending (12 guests)

READERS LIST



Sunday Oct 27 – Tim
Sunday Nov 3 – Jake
Sunday Nov 10 – Tim

NEW CATECHUMEN IN OUR PARISH

We are very happy to announce that **Nickolas Davenport** will become a new Catechumen of our parish and will be received to the Catechumenate next **Sunday, November 3rd** before the Divine Liturgy. May Our Lord and God bless him as he prepares to be fully received into the Holy Orthodox Church in the near future!

UP-COMING EVENTS IN OUR PARISH – MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- Oct 28th** Baking Day – 8:00 AM (*Monday*)
Nov 3rd Daylight Saving time ends (*Sunday*)
Nov 15th Nativity Fast begins (*Friday*)
Nov 21st Entrance of the Most Holy Theotokos into the Temple (*Thursday*)
Dec 6th St. Nicholas the Wonderworker (*Friday*)



SUNDAY OFFERING



Sunday, October 20, 2024

Tithe	\$ 637.00
Donations	\$ 103.00
Candles	\$ 59.00
Vigils	\$ 75.00
Holiday Bureau (Oct.)	\$ 50.00
Bookstore	\$ 33.00
Total:	\$ 957.00

May the Lord reward you for your financial and spiritual support!

CLEANING SCHEDULE



Oct 28, Roddie & David
Nov 4, Natalie
Nov 11, Basil & Tim
Nov 18, Susan



NEW CENSER DONATED TO OUR CHURCH

We would like to express our sincere thanks to **Basil Glovinsky** for sponsoring a new censor with the blue enamel for our church in Loving Memory of his wife †**JEAN**. May Our Lord and God bless our benefactor Basil with good health and make the Memory of his beloved wife †**JEAN** to be Eternal!



ALL THINGS NEW – ST. MARY’S COOKBOOK

St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church in Marblehead has reprinted its cookbook, “All things New,” and they are now available. Proceeds will benefit the church's building fund for roof replacement. The cost is **\$20**. If you would like to purchase a cookbook, please contact **Susan Gallagher** at **(419) 626-0375** and leave a message with your name and contact information.



CHARITY OF THE MONTH

“Danbury Holiday Bureau” is the charity we donate to for the month of October.



COFFEE HOUR SPONSOR LIST

- Oct 27 – Roddie
- Nov 3 – Natalia
- Nov 10 – Laura

Please sign up to host coffee hour. Signup sheet is located in the Social Hall



"THE 1916 PROJECT"

Ottawa County Pregnancy Services is hosting a screening of the documentary "The 1916 Project" and we want to ensure all of the local churches are invited to join us, to spread the word!

Sunday, 11/3/2024 6:00pm Erie Shores Assembly of God

You can also go to www.the1916project.com for more information!

The 1916 Project is a documentary that exposes the hidden history of the secular moral revolution, and the architects of our current culture of death.



DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME...ENDS!

Daylight saving time officially ends at 2 a.m. next Sunday **November 3rd**. **Please remember to turn your clocks One Hour Back!**



Martyr Nestor of Thessalonica

Commemorated on October 27

The holy Martyr Nestor was very young in age, handsome in appearance, and he was known to the holy Great Martyr Demetrios (October 26), for he had instructed Nestor in the faith.

The Emperor was visiting Thessaloniki, and he built a high platform in the midst of the city so that a gigantic barbarian named Lyaios could wrestle there and be seen by everyone. Beneath the platform many spears and other sharp weapons were placed pointing upward. When Lyaios defeated his opponents, he threw them down onto the spears and they died. Many Christians were forced to fight Lyaios, and were killed. When Nestor saw how Emperor Maximian rejoiced over the victories of his champion, he disdained

his pride. Seeing the miracles of Saint Demetrios, however, he took courage and went to the prison where the holy Martyr was confined, and fell at his feet.

“Pray for me, O Servant of God Demetrios,” he said, “that by your prayers, God may help me to beat Lyaaios, and put an end to him who brings reproach upon the Christians.”

The Saint, after sealing Nestor with the Sign of the Cross, told him that he would prevail over Lyaaios, and then suffer for Christ. Nestor mounted the platform without fear and exclaimed: “Help me, O God of Demetrios.” After he defeated Lyaaios, he hurled him down onto the spears, where he gave up his wretched soul.

Maximian became enraged and ordered that both Nestor and Demetrios should be put to death. Saint Demetrios was stabbed with spears, and Saint Nestor was beheaded. Thus, by his example Saint Nestor teaches us that in every human challenge we must say with confidence, “The Lord is my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do to me.” (Psalm 117/118:6, Hebrews 13:6).



Lay People Celebrate Liturgy Too **by Reader John Nichiporuk**

One can often hear that priests and deacons celebrate the Liturgy, while laypeople pray during it, or even, as it is colloquially said, “I went to church and stood through the service.” Is this attitude to participation in the Liturgy correct? Are lay people just devout spectators who reverently make the sign of the cross from time to time and try not to be distracted? Does the rite of the Eucharist assign a special role in worship to the laity?

1. It is important to acknowledge that the laity are full members of the Church, the redeemed Nation of God. The word “laity” itself is not entirely correct in its application to ordinary members of the Church. After all, laypersons (‘the people of the cosmos’ in Greek) are residents of this fallen world, who are outside the Church, who have not been redeemed by the Blood of Christ and therefore have not tasted the grace of the Kingdom of Christ, which is offered through the Sacraments. The correct name for ordinary believers is the faithful – a term established in the Scripture and Tradition, as well as the laics (Greek Laos means the people of God), that is, the members of the Christian community. Laics have all necessary degrees of initiation into the ranks of God’s people – the Sacrament of Baptism and the Sacrament of Chrismation, which traditionally was administered only to kings and priests. In fact, all Christians are kings and priests, as the apostle Peter, the first apostle, asserts, “But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a peculiar people” (1 Peter 2:9). This is why the Savior came down to make us “unto our God kings and priests” (Revelation 5:10). Therefore, priestly dignity belongs to all Christians. All are kings, for every faithful person must reign over his or her nature and be the image of the King of Heaven. All are priests, for from now on all are called to submit their lives to God and offer praise to Him. All must become prophets, for God has poured out His Spirit into our hearts so that we may know and proclaim His will.

2. Speaking of the universal priesthood of all Christians, we do not in any way abolish the hierarchy of the Church or the priestly office, which, through consecration, has received a special privilege to carry out teaching and pastoral services in the Church, as well as the God-given authority to act in the holy place and lead church congregations. Therefore, the Church is made up of laic priests and hierarchical priests, who are put to special service in the Church of God. This structure of the Church is also well expressed in the divine service, in particular in the structure of the Liturgy, which has a pronounced character of a dialog between the priest and the congregation in their joint service to God. The very name “Liturgy” means a common cause, which indicates the shared participation of both the clergy and the faithful.

3. Since ancient times, the Church has been aware of the need for mandatory participation of the laics in the Liturgy. There is even a rule in the Nomocanon of Pseudo-Zonaras based on the words of Christ Himself: “For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them” (Matthew 18:20), stating that a priest has the right to celebrate the Eucharist only in the presence of the faithful (at least one person). Although this rule has not always been observed for objective reasons, it still remains the norm of the church, and there is a penance for its violation. Just as the Liturgy cannot take place without a priest, so, according to the ancient custom, a priest must not minister in the absence of the congregation.

4. The very ritual of the Eucharist testifies to the active participation and commitment of the faithful. It is known that the priest does not pray on his own, but does so on behalf of all the faithful, on behalf of the congregation he is in charge of. This can be seen in all the principal liturgical prayers, where there is no “I” of the priest, but “we” and “us” of all the faithful participating in the Sacrament. Certainly, it is the priest who says all the prayers, because he is entrusted by the Church to do so, but the prerogative to seal the priest’s prayer and to confirm its veracity is reserved for the laics. The word “Amen” is a sacred privilege of the ordinary members of the Church and, as the famous liturgist Met. John Zizioulas insists, priests are wrong when they sometimes hurry to say “Amen” and thereby take over the function of the faithful. The right to say “amen” to the sermon of the priest does not belong to him, but to the whole congregation, which confirms and accepts what the preacher said. In the Albanian Church, it is the faithful who say “Amen, Amen, Amen” three times, confirming the validity of the sacramental change of bread and wine into the Holy Gifts.

5. The faithful do not just offer thanksgiving together with the priest, nor do they merely listen to God’s Word and receive it in the sermon together with the clergy. It is on behalf of the whole congregation that the priest brings the bread and wine, the fruits of human labor, to God so that they may become the food of salvation. This was very clear in some ancient rites when the deacons picked the best of the gifts brought for the Eucharist by lay people. Not only is the priest open to the guidance of the Holy Spirit, but the whole congregation is also waiting and praying for the descent of the Spirit of Christ, not only on the Gifts, but also on themselves. Finally, the culmination of the ministry of the faithful is the communion of the same Bread and of the same Chalice from which the clergy receive their communion. The obligatory communion of the faithful at the Liturgy is not only their sacred privilege, but also their canonical duty (e.g. Rule 2 of the Council of Antioch).

Thus, in order to open up the sphere of more engaged liturgical participation to each parishioner, it is necessary to recognize the importance of their role in the celebration of the Eucharist. Ordinary believers should not only be spectators of the sacramental action that takes place in the sanctuary, but also be its direct participants and collaborators of the priest, with whom they are involved in a constant prayer dialog (Peace be with you all – And with thy spirit; Lift up our hearts unto the Lord – We lift them up unto the Lord; Let us give thanks unto the Lord – It is meet and right, etc.). The prayer of every person strengthens the entire congregation. It is said for a reason that a single Lord have mercy uttered in the church may be equal to reading the entire Book of Psalms at home. Therefore, by accepting our share of responsibility not only for the life of the parish, but also for the divine service itself, we shall be able to immerse ourselves more fully and more deeply in the life that Christ has brought us.



NOVEMBER 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Oct 27 9:10 Hours 9:30am Divine Liturgy followed by coffee hour/fellowship	Oct 28	Oct 29	Oct 30 Fast	Oct 31	1 Fast	2 4:00pm Great Vespers
3 9:10 Hours 9:30am Divine Liturgy followed by coffee hour/fellowship	4	5	6 Fast	7	8 <i>Synaxis of the Archangel Michael</i> Fast	9 4:00pm Great Vespers
10 9:10 Hours 9:30am Divine Liturgy followed by coffee hour/fellowship	11	12	13 <i>St. John Chrysostom</i> 6:00pm Choir rehearsal Fast free	14 <i>Apostle Philip</i>	15 6:00pm Akathist Fast	16 <i>Apostle & Evangelist, Matthew</i> 4:00pm Great Vespers Fast
17 9:10 Hours 9:30am Divine Liturgy followed by coffee hour/fellowship Fast: wine & oil	18 Fast	19 Fast	20 6:00 pm Vespers Fast	21 ENTRANCE OF THE THEOTOKOS 9:30am Divine Liturgy Fast: fish, wine, & oil	22 6:00pm Akathist Fast	23 4:00pm Great Vespers Fast: wine & oil
24 9:10 Hours 9:30am Divine Liturgy followed by coffee hour/fellowship Fast: wine & oil	25 Fast	26 Fast	27 6:00pm Choir rehearsal Fast	28 Thanksgiving Fast	29 6:00pm Akathist Fast	30 <i>Apostle Andrew, "The First Called"</i> 4:00pm Great Vespers Fast

See Sunday Bulletin for changes.