



Sunday, October 22, 2017

Gospel: St. Luke 16:19-31

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Epistle: Galatians 1:11-19

20th Sunday After Pentecost

Holy Equal-to-the-Apostles Abercius, Bishop and Wonderworker of Hieropolis

Holy Assumption Orthodox Church

OCA - Diocese of the Midwest

Parish Council President: Ronald F. Royhab

Fr. Andrew Bartek, Rector

Liturgical & Events Schedule

Sunday, October 22

9:15 am: Hours

9:30 am: D.L. / 40 Day Panachida for Mary Kamiotis Social followed by First meeting of Planning Committee for Annual Halupki Festival

Tuesday, October 24

6:00 pm: Bible Study

Wednesday, October 25

6:00 pm: Village Public Meeting

Thursday, October 26

10:00 am: Deanery Meeting here

Friday, October 27

7:00 pm: Annual Midwest Youth Retreat

Saturday, October 28

4:00 pm: Great Vespers followed by Confessions

Sunday, October 29

9:15 am: Hours

9:30 am: D.L. / 40 Day Panachida for Nora Bird / Social

Danbury Food Pantry: October -> Laundry Detergent

Join the other churches in our community & donate canned fruit.. These food items are then distributed on the third Saturday of each month.

OCTOBER	NOVEMBER
Laundry Detergent	Jars of spaghetti sauce

VIGIL LAMP OFFERINGS- October 15

Marguerite Bird: (1) Special Intention

Julia Guzy: (3) May Joe Rose, Dave Martin and Michael Mazurik be blessed with good health and long life.

Laura Kovach: (4) For health of Margi, Joe, Elise, Brian and FR. Andrew, for recovery of Briar & Harry, in memory of father-in-law John, Birthday blessings to Chloe, Joel, amy and Margi

Roddie & David Mazurik: (4) Special Intentions, safe travel, Health of David's friend

Sandy Martin: (1) Special Intention

Basil Glovinsky: (5) Birthday blessings to Tim, Health and recovery to Diane, Loving memory to Jean, Norm, Mom & Dad

THANK YOU

Again many thanks goes out to Greg for cutting the grass. God Bless You!

MONTHLY ATTENDANCE RECORD

Oct. 1:

Attendance: 23 people (21 members; 2 children; 14 Communicants)

Total Offerings: \$1,309 (\$1,124 offerings; \$110 for Hurricane Irma; \$25 for Cemetery; \$50 for Book-store). Total Collected for Hurricane Irma: \$500. God Bless!

Oct. 8:

Attendance: 36 people (29 members; 4 children, 3 guests / 20 communicants

Total Offerings: \$1,505 (\$1,283 offering; \$120 Hurricane Irma; \$102 for Seminarians)

Oct. 15:

Attendance: 28 people (21 members; 2 children; 5 guests / 18 communicants)

Total Offerings: \$3,291 (\$1,237 offering; \$317 for Seminarians; \$1,737 from Lighthouse Festival)



October Schedules

Readers

10-1: Natalie
10-8: Ron
10-15: Wayne
10-22: Tim
10-29: Natalie

Cleaning

10-2: Natalie Twarek
10-9: Margurite Bird
10-16: Bill & Tim Glovinsky
10-23: Julia & Susan Guzy
10-30: Jennifer & Cole Heff.

40 Day Remembrance

Oct 22: Mary Kamiotis
Oct 29: Nora Bird / Those that lost their lives in the Mexico earthquake & Hurricane Maria
Nov 5: Karen Milano & Alison Pinkney
Nov 12: His Grace Bishop Antoun & Massacre in Las Vegas
Nov. 19: Those that lost their lives in Wildfires in Ca
Nov. 26: 4 Military soldiers killed in Niger;
Gori Pietropolo

HOLY ASSUMPTION WEBSITE - NEW LOOK

Trudy Ellmore has agreed to be our parish webmaster. Formerly, she was the Diocesan webmaster and has maintained several other Orthodox parish websites.

Please check out the new look of our website at www.holyassumptionmarblehead.org. It is a little more user friendly.

Trudy would like pictures of recent parish events for our on-line photo gallery. You can email her at trellmore@gmail.com. Please copy Father Andrew on the email. The photos will be put on the website and in the weekly bulletin.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to her for any questions. Phone: 610-393-9897 / Email: trellmore@gmail.com

KEEPING UP WITH OUR ATHLETES

(updated 10-22)

Cooper & Quincy Kowal

Soccer : 1-4-1

Cole Heffernan

Football: 4-3

Mary Rentz-Blacford

Soccer: 1-2-3

Volleyball: 15-5



Good Luck to all of you!

NOTE: Please let Fr. Andrew know of any past week updates by Wednesday.

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Urgent announcement concerning unauthorized fundraising appeal

Tuesday, October 17, 2017 an e-mail went out under the Orthodox Church in America's logo and the OCA address—info@oca.org—asking for financial assistance for a member of the OCA. This e-mail was not sent out by the OCA, nor did the OCA authorize the use of its logo or address.

If you have received this e-mail, please do not click on any links in the e-mail.

While the Orthodox Church in America does use digital media to raise funds for the Stewards of the Orthodox Church in America and the Charity Committee, digital appeals from the OCA do not use third-party fundraising organizations like "Fundly," "Gofundme," or others.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused, and we are working to identify the source of this e-mail and to put necessary protocols into place to prevent such activity from happening again.

Luke 16:19-31 (Gospel)

There was a certain rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and fared sumptuously every day. But there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, full of sores, who was laid at his gate, desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man's table. Moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. So it was that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died and was buried. And being in torments in Hades, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. Then he cried and said, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame.' But Abraham said, 'Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things; but now he is comforted and you are tormented. And besides all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed, so that those who want to pass from here to you cannot, nor can those from there pass to us.' Then he said, 'I beg you therefore, father, that you would send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, that he may testify to them, lest they also come to this place of torment.' Abraham said to him, 'They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.' And he said, 'No, father Abraham; but if one goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' But he said to him, 'If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded though one rise from the dead.'"

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Prayer List (Updated October 22)

Priests: His Beatitude, Metropolitan Theodosius; His Beatitude, Metropolitan Herman; John Duranko (*Father's home pastor*); Joseph Gibson; James Gleason (*Father's Spiritual Father*); Emilian Hutnyan; Paul Lazor; Myron Manzuk; John Matusiak; Peter Tutko

Matushkii: Laryssa Hutnyan; Carol Janecek; Barbara Kopka; Virginia Lecko; Paula Manzuk; Sonya Tutko; Pani Patricia Duranko

Parishioners / & their Family: Michael Glovinsky (*Nephew to Basil*); Joseph Habegger (*Laura Kovach's brother-in-law*); James Heffernan (*Father-in-law of Jennifer Heffernan*); Rich Kokinda (*Cousin of Greg Twarek*); Anne Kovalik; Helen Lis; Stanley Lis; Walter Litzie (*Fr.'s Cousin*); Dave Martin; John Mazurik (*brother of Paul Mazurik*); Judy Mazurik (*sister-in-law of Paul Mazurik*); Tony Palac (*Brother-in-law of Jean Hileman*); Nancy Pipenur (*sister-in-law of Jean Hileman*); William Rentz (*Father of Tamara Rentz Blackford*); Tony Rindfleisch; Nancy Sitzler (*Mother of Amber Twarek*); Diane Tryon; Greg Tryon; Amber & her newborn baby Hayes (*Natalie's daughter*); Rachel & her unborn baby; Jessica Issler & her unborn baby (*Jean Hileman's daughter*)

Other Requests: Brad Biecheler; David Bobb (*friend of Nikki Twarek*); John Cox (*husband of Pastor Kay Mooney-Cox*); Dominic (*friend of the Cassell's*); Theodore Geletka (*St. Michael Orthodox Church, Broadview Heights choir director*); Mike Jacobson (*Fr.'s friend*); Baby Lucas Goodman (*friend of Christi Soski*); Jake Lipstraw (*friend of Natalie Twarek*); Violet Mattingly (*neighbor of Greg Mazur*); Pauline Meath (*Friend of Fr. Andrew's*); Beth Reinhard (*friend of Diane Tryon*); Cheryl Schell (*Co-worker of Jennifer Heffernan*); Nick Shortridge (*Friend of Christi*); Karen Simonsen (*friend of David Mazurik*); Janice Timko; Brian Turner (*Fr.'s friend*); Mat. Carly Koranda & her unborn baby (*Chicago Deanery*); Nicole & her unborn Baby (*Friends of Fr. Andrew*)

Military: Craig Cassell; Justin Issler, James Jerome

Captivzs: Metropolitan Paul (*Orthodox Archdiocese of Aleppo*); Archbishop John (*Syriac Archdiocese of Aleppo*); for the UN & IOCC humanitarian aid workers in & around Syria; those suffering persecution in Iraq, Syria, Israel, Egypt, Ukraine and throughout the world; those held captive throughout the world.

Additions or removals from the list? Please notify Fr. Andrew

SPECIAL COLLECTION

The Special collection for the remainder of October will be for our Diocesan Seminarians. Thank you & God bless your donations.



OUR SHUT-INS

Edgewood Manor Nursing Center
1330 Fulton Street
Port Clinton, OH 43452
Anne Kovalik- Room 309

OCTOBER Celebrations

BIRTHDAY	ANNIVERSARY	NAME'S DAY
10-2: Marguerite Bird 10-6: Ron Royhab 10-6: Keyondrea Warnke 10-10: Craig Cassell 10-17: Tim Glovinsky 10-20 Helen Lis	10-1-09: The Most Rev Irene, Archbishop of Ottawa & all of Canada 10-1: Luke & Mary 10-7: Mike & Darlene 10-25-77: The Most Blessed Theodosius, Retired Metropolitan (Elected Metropolitan)	10-9: The Most Blessed Tikhon, Archbishop of Washington & Metropolitan of All America & Canada

If there are those names to be added or removed, please contact Fr. Andrew. He would like to list all members of your family Orthodox and non-Orthodox.

Archbishop Benjamin asks for ongoing prayers as wildfires spread

On Wednesday morning, October 11, 2017, His Eminence, Archbishop Benjamin of San Francisco and the West issued a letter to the clergy and faithful concerning the wild fires raging in California—a situation which he says “changes hourly.”

“I ask you all to keep the people of the Sonoma and Napa valleys in your prayers,” Archbishop Benjamin writes. “As I write this, the situation changes hourly. But I can report there have been no casualties so far. Some of our faithful and the nuns of both the Kazan Skete and Calistoga have had to be evacuated. The weather reports promise there will be significant winds today and on the weekend. This means the fire can and probably will spread. The danger will persist as well as a depressing sense of uncertainty for everyone for some time.

“As of last night, there was zero containment,” Archbishop Benjamin continues. “But, according to Father Lawrence Margitich [of Saint Seraphim Cathedral, Santa Rosa, CA], no one from the parish has been harmed though one family lost their home. There are thousands who have been left with nothing but the clothes on their backs.

“We are grateful to God for the mercy he has shown us and pray the Theotokos will extend her protecting veil over the faithful of the Napa and Sonoma valleys,” Archbishop Benjamin concludes. “The road to recovery is going to be long and difficult even for those who did not lose their homes. Many businesses, schools and other important civic institutions have been destroyed. Lord, have mercy!”

Additional updates will be posted as they are received. In the meantime, we ask one and all to pray fervently for our brothers and sisters—especially those in the Santa Rosa area—that they may be spared in this ongoing disaster.

Update on OCA communities in California

As [reported last week](#), communities of the Orthodox Church in America in California’s Napa and Sonoma Counties remained in a precarious position as fire fighters continued to battle flames that claimed some 37,000 acres, forcing thousands to evacuate their homes and businesses.

Prayers had been requested specifically for Santa Rosa’s Saint Seraphim Cathedral community, as well as Our Lady of Kazan Skete, also in Santa Rosa, and Holy Assumption Monastery, Calistoga, CA. As a precaution, the nuns from

both monastic communities had been evacuated several days ago.

As of Wednesday evening, October 18, 2017, [Cal Fire](#) had reported that, while new fires had broken out in the northern part of the state, the fire between Calistoga and Santa Rosa had been 91% contained.

“The cathedral in Santa Rosa, the Kazan Skete and the Assumption Monastery in Calistoga all have been spared,” reports His Eminence, Archbishop Benjamin of San Francisco and the West. “The nuns have returned to their corresponding monasteries. I was particularly concerned about Calistoga’s Holy Assumption Monastery, as it is the oldest women’s monastery in the Western Hemisphere and its buildings—including its chapel, a replica of the chapel at Fort Ross, CA—are made of wood. But all is well.

“A couple of families suffered the loss of their homes and, of course, there are thousands of their neighbors who suffered the same fate,” Archbishop Benjamin adds. “I expect it will take a long time for the city to recover and for the parish to be a point of contact where people seek help.”

Ongoing prayers are requested for those personally affected by the wild fires.

7 Holy Youths “Seven Sleepers” of Ephesus

Commemorated on October 22

The Seven Youths of Ephesus: Maximilian, Iamblicus, Martinian, John, Dionysius, Exacustodianus (Constantine) and Antoninus, lived in the third century. Saint Maximilian was the son of the Ephesus city administrator, and the other six youths were sons of illustrious citizens of Ephesus. The youths were friends from childhood, and all were in military service together.

When the emperor Decius (249-251) arrived in Ephesus, he commanded all the citizens to offer sacrifice to the pagan gods. Torture and death awaited anyone who disobeyed. The seven youths were denounced by informants, and were summoned to reply to the charges. Appearing before the emperor, the young men confessed their faith in Christ.

Their military belts and insignia were quickly taken from them. Decius permitted them to go free, however, hoping that they would change their minds while he was off on a military campaign. The youths fled from the city and hid in a cave on Mount Ochlon, where they passed their time in prayer, preparing for martyrdom.

The youngest of them, Saint Iamblicus, dressed as a beggar and went into the city to buy bread. On one of his excursions into the city, he heard that the emperor had

Metropolitan Tikhon presides at centennial of St. John Church, Campbell, OH

On the weekend of October 14-15, 2017, His Beatitude, Metropolitan Tikhon and His Grace, Bishop Paul of Chicago and the Midwest visited [Saint John the Baptist Church](#), Campbell, OH for the celebration of the community's 100th anniversary.

On Saturday morning, the hierarchs concelebrated the Divine Liturgy with Archpriest Andrew Nelko, Rector, and many priests from throughout the Ohio Deanery. A festive luncheon followed in the undercroft of the church. Great Vespers was celebrated on Saturday evening.

On Sunday morning, the hierarchs once again concelebrated the Divine Liturgy. In the afternoon, a Panikhida was celebrated at the parish cemetery for all departed faithful. An evening grand banquet brought the weekend to a memorable conclusion.

"In many ways, Saint John the Baptist Church is a quintessential parish of the Orthodox Church in America," Metropolitan Tikhon said in his banquet remarks. "Not only are we celebrating 100 years of service and witness to Campbell and the greater Youngstown area, but also we are celebrating 100 years of service to the Orthodox Church in America. When I think about Saint John's, the names Garman, Vansuch, Tucci, Nicoloff, Livosky, Kolosar and many others are familiar because I know you from your support and service to Saint Tikhon's Monastery and Seminary, from your work for the Fellowship of Orthodox Christians in America, and from those young men who have been sent by this parish to seminary.

"This familiarity reflects our common history, an intertwining of our lives in ways that are sometimes unknown to us," Metropolitan Tikhon continued. "We are a community of Orthodox believers across North America, united by faith, by the Eucharist and by our friendships, and by our stewardship to the Orthodox Church in America—truly a blessing from God to our Church and for our lives. So we thank God for your witness and your contributions to the life of the Orthodox Church in America.

"Soon you will be receiving from me a document expressing my vision for the future of the Orthodox Church in America," Metropolitan Tikhon added. "It was written by me, and it soon will be sent out to the parishes for your review and reflection. My prayer is that this document will serve as an encouragement to continue that great work that has been done here at Saint John the Baptist Church for 100 years and a guide as we look at how we expand the mission, which was the vision of Saint Tikhon, our former Archbishop. As I said in my homily yesterday, the 'Metropolia' before—and now the Orthodox Church in

America—always called itself 'The Mission' precisely because we have that apostolic work of Our Lord Jesus Christ as our chief concern. This parish has arrived here today because you have kept as your chief concern the apostolic work for and in this community.

"As we continue to move forward here in North America, our focus must remain on the commandments of Our Lord and Savior, on the Great Commission, and on the effort to bring the Gospel of healing to a world that is broken, and suffering—that is what the life of a parish really accomplishes, and that is what each and every one of you, with the clergy who have served here, brings to the world around us, that healing, the Gospel, the commandments of our Lord and the Love of Jesus Christ and true community," Metropolitan Tikhon concluded. "Thank you, Your Grace, Bishop Paul for the invitation to participate in this festive weekend. Thank you, Father Andrew and Matushka Tanya and your family, and all of you here for your hospitality this weekend, for the love that I have felt from all of you. It has been a wonderful weekend, with beautiful services; the choir was absolutely fantastic. May God bless and strengthen you as you continue to work for Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

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returned and was looking for them. Saint Maximilian urged his companions to come out of the cave and present themselves for trial.

Learning where the young men were hidden, the emperor ordered that the entrance of the cave be sealed with stones so that the saints would perish from hunger and thirst. Two of the dignitaries at the blocked entrance to the cave were secret Christians. Desiring to preserve the memory of the saints, they placed in the cave a sealed container containing two metal plaques. On them were inscribed the names of the seven youths and the details of their suffering and death.

The Lord placed the youths into a miraculous sleep lasting almost two centuries. In the meantime, the persecutions against Christians had ceased. During the reign of the holy emperor Theodosius the Younger (408-450) there were heretics who denied that there would be a general resurrection of the dead at the Second Coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Some of them said, "How can there be a resurrection of the dead when there will be neither soul nor body, since they are disintegrated?" Others affirmed, "The souls alone will have a restoration, since it would be impossible for bodies to arise and live after a thousand years, when even their dust would not remain." Therefore, the Lord revealed the mystery of the Resurrection of the Dead and of the future life through His seven saints. **Con't Page 6**

Preconciliar Commission announces assessments for 19th All-American Council

The Preconciliar Commission, charged with the organization of the [19th All-American Council](#) [AAC] in Saint Louis, MO July 23-27, 2018, recently released information concerning AAC assessments.

“The Preconciliar Commission has prepared a budget that includes \$275,000.00 in assessments to the dioceses,” said Melanie Ringa, OCA Treasurer. “The decision was made that, instead of the OCA invoicing parishes directly, the dioceses will be invoiced for their respective portions of the \$275,000.00 based on the percentage of their support to the 2017 Operating Budget, as calculated by the Finance Resolution adopted at the 18th AAC in 2015 Atlanta. As a point of reference, the total assessment for the 18th AAC was \$265,188.00.”

Dioceses will have the option of absorbing the assessment or passing it along by invoicing their parishes.

“To this end, the dioceses are being provided with information on the assessments paid by their parishes for the 18th AAC,” added Ms. Ringa. “Invoices, letters and other information on the assessments are being mailed to the diocesan bishops and treasurers. Clergy should check with their diocesan treasurer with any questions as to how their diocese is handling the assessment for the 19th AAC.”

The Preconciliar Commission also announced that retired clergy and clergy widows will not be charged any fees. Military Chaplains, Stavropegial Institutions and Monasteries will be charged the \$250.00 delegate fee, which includes admission to the AAC formal dinner, for each delegate in lieu of an assessment. Weekly Observers will also be charged \$250.00, which likewise will include the formal dinner. There will be a daily observer fee of \$75.00, with an additional \$75.00 charge to attend the formal dinner.

Ms. Ringa added that “these fees have remained unchanged from the 18th AAC.” Electronic registration for the 19th AAC and hotel registration will open during the first week of January 2018.

Follow the [latest news concerning the 19th AAC on-line](#).

CONGRATULATIONS

Mary Rentz-Blackford’s Fifth Grade academic challenge team took First Place in the Ottawa Co. Academic challenge. Next Up they will compete in the tri-county on December 5.

Great Job & Good Luck!

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The owner of the land on which Mount Ochlon was situated, discovered the stone construction, and his workers opened up the entrance to the cave. The Lord had kept the youths alive, and they awoke from their sleep, unaware that almost two hundred years had passed. Their bodies and clothing were completely undecayed.

Preparing to accept torture, the youths once again asked Saint Iamblicus to buy bread for them in the city. Going toward the city, the youth was astonished to see a cross on the gates. Hearing the name of Jesus Christ freely spoken, he began to doubt that he was approaching his own city.

When he paid for the bread, Iamblicus gave the merchant coins with the image of the emperor Decius on it. He was detained, as someone who might be concealing a horde of old money. They took Saint Iamblicus to the city administrator, who also happened to be the Bishop of Ephesus. Hearing the bewildering answers of the young man, the bishop perceived that God was revealing some sort of mystery through him, and went with other people to the cave.

At the entrance to the cave the bishop found the sealed container and opened it. He read upon the metal plaques the names of the seven youths and the details of the sealing of the cave on the orders of the emperor Decius. Going into the cave and seeing the saints alive, everyone rejoiced and perceived that the Lord, by waking them from their long sleep, was demonstrating to the Church the mystery of the Resurrection of the Dead.

Soon the emperor himself arrived in Ephesus and spoke with the young men in the cave. Then the holy youths, in sight of everyone, lay their heads upon the ground and fell asleep again, this time until the General Resurrection.

The emperor wanted to place each of the youths into a jeweled coffin, but they appeared to him in a dream and said that their bodies were to be left upon the ground in the cave. In the twelfth century the Russian pilgrim Igumen Daniel saw the holy relics of the seven youths in the cave.

There is a second commemoration of the seven youths on October 22. According to one tradition, which entered into the Russian PROLOGUE (of Saints’ Lives), the youths fell asleep for the second time on this day. The Greek MENAION of 1870 says that they first fell asleep on August 4, and woke up on October 22.

There is a prayer of the Seven Sleepers of Ephesus in the GREAT BOOK OF NEEDS (Trebnik) for those who are ill and cannot sleep. The Seven Sleepers are also mentioned in the service for the Church New Year, September 1.