



November 2nd, 2025

21st Sunday after Pentecost (6th of Luke) - Tone 4

Acindynus, Pegasus, Elpidophorus, Aphthonius and Anempodistus

Scripture Readings

Galatians 2:16-20 (Epistle 203)

knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law but by faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, that we might be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law; for by the works of the law no flesh shall be justified. But if, while we seek to be justified by Christ, we ourselves also are found sinners, is Christ therefore a minister of sin? Certainly not! For if I build again those things which I destroyed, I make myself a transgressor. For I through the law died to the law that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

Luke 8:26-39 (Gospel 38)

Then they sailed 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.

Many Years!

anniversaries

20th - Richard & Debbie Molner

birthdays

5th - Georgianna Glover
 7th - Becky Fischer
 9th - Jason Britton
 15th - Abigail Leithead
 15th - Greg Olyejar
 15th - Terri Volosin
 20th - Debbie Hlatki
 21st - Camden Robinson
 22nd - Morgan Sparks
 23rd - Garth Perry
 28th - Josh Leithead
 29th - Lori Meier

Calendar

November 8th Readers Vespers
 — Saturday 6:30p

November 9th Divine Liturgy
 — Sunday 9:30a
 Fr. James Worth

November 15th Great Vespers
 — Saturday 6:30p

November 16th Divine Liturgy
 — Sunday 9:30a

Wisdom

"The only hope of salvation from the delusions and the heresies, the innovations and the traps of wicked people and of the devil is prayer, repentance and humility."

—Elder Joseph the Hesychast

Sacred Alaska - Screening at St. Mary's November 30th

Prayer List

living

Met. Tikhon, Abp. Benjamin, Bp. Vasily, Fr. Andreas, Fr. Anthony, Fr. Zechariah, Fr. Dennis, Fr. Silouan, Mother Cassiana, Combs Family

Toni Dell, Tyler, David, Victor, Kyla, Emily, Tony, Diane, Bourg Family, Betty, Muriel, Child Gerhard ✕ Meryl, Harold, Tammy, Litsa, Lilliana, Carl, Christina, Lindy, John, Alicia, Patricia, Danny, Jerry, Roberta, Wendy, Judy, Michael, Jill, Beverly, Infant Dominic, Joseph, Jackie Joan, Trisha, Lee, Carol, Ethan, infant AdaLynn, Nauvlet, Leilah, Austin, Brian, Josh, Mother Magdalena, Kodiak, Miriham, Cheri, infant Gus, April, Madalyn, Makenzie, MaKiya, Hannah, Haylee, Keith, Samantha, Christina, Jake, Jetlyn, Lauren, Bob, Georgianna, Clint, Murl, Carolyn, Millie, child Charlotte, Cathy, Michael.

Those with child: Libbie

Those who are confined: Ethen, Casey, Basil, Mark, Hannah, Theodore

Commemorations

During the persecution of Christians under King Sapor II of Persia (310-381), secret Christian courtiers Saints Acindynus, Pegasias, Aphthonius, Elpidephorus, and Anempodistus, along with 7,000 other believers, were denounced by envious pagans and boldly confessed their faith in the Holy Trinity before the king. Ordered beaten with whips, Acindynus, Pegasias, Anempodistus, and Elpidephorus were sentenced to decapitation outside the city walls, where a vast crowd of accompanying Christians glorified Christ, only to be massacred by soldiers on Sapor's command, including Elpidephorus. The next day, Acindynus, Pegasias, and Anempodistus were burned alive alongside the emperor's mother, but Christians secretly retrieved their miraculously unharmed bodies that night and buried them with reverence, despite the king's prohibition.

Nuggets Game!

Join us on November 28 to travel to Denver to watch the Nuggets crush the San Antonio Spurs. Please contact Carrie Guy with your interest in attending the event and to reserve your tickets!

Coffee Hour

Thank you to Bob and Jen for sponsoring last week's coffee hour. Many Years! Today's Coffee Hour is a community potluck in celebration of Fr. James' birthday. Please join us in the hall across the street for a time of fellowship and a light meal. If you would like to sign up to sponsor a coffee hour, please use the form in the parish hall to select a date and sign up.

November 9th
—AVAILABLE

November 16th (fish, wine & oil)
—AVAILABLE



Invite your friends and family and join us after liturgy on November 30th for an exclusive screening of the award-winning documentary "Sacred Alaska", directed by Simon Scionka (Holy Theophany) and produced/edited by Sub Deacon Silas Karbo (St. John's). Scimons work includes award winning and acclaimed films: Poverty, Inc., Be Relentless, The Gentle Bear-man of Emo, and the short documentaries The Wonder of Coffee and Mrs. Schneider, will be joining our parish for this intimate viewing opportunity and will happily take questions after the movie.

Sacred Alaska provides an intimate portrait of Native Alaskan culture and spirituality, emphasizing how Russian Orthodox missionaries, including St. Herman of Alaska, arrived in the late 18th century and profoundly shaped indigenous life—blending ancient views of sacred land, water, animals, and creation with Orthodox traditions.

Through stunning cinematography, interviews, and stories of saints like St. Herman, St. Innocent, and St. Yakov (the first Native Alaskan priest), the film explores village life in places like the Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta and Spruce Island, touching on challenges like alcoholism while celebrating faith's enduring role in fostering "real personhood" and harmony with the wild landscape.

Filmed over multiple 2020-2021 trips, *Sacred Alaska* celebrates Orthodoxy's living legacy in America's "northern holy land" for both faithful and general audiences. Be sure to join us, as you will not want to miss this spectacular showing and time of fellowship. www.sacredalaskafilm.com

Troparion | Tone 4 (Resurrection)

When the women disciples of the Lord learned from the angel the joyous message of Thy Resurrection, they cast away the ancestral curse and elatedly told the apostles: "Death is overthrown! Christ God is risen, granting the world great mercy!"

Troparion | Tone 2 (Martyrs)

Blessed is the earth that received your blood, passion-bearers of the Lord, and holy is the dwelling place which received your spirits. You triumphed over the enemy in the stadium, and you preached Christ with boldness. Since He is good, we pray that you beseech Him to save our souls.

Kontakion | Tone 4 (Resurrection)

My Savior and Redeemer as God rose from the tomb and delivered the earth-born from their chains. He has shattered the gates of hell, and as Master, He has risen on the third day!

Kontakion | Tone 2 (Martyrs)

Thou hast received into the enjoyment of Thy goodness and repose, O only Good One, the pious and God-bearing martyrs, who abandoned all earthly things: Akindynus, Pegásius, and Anempódistus, together with Aphthónius and Elpidephórus.

