

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
Sixth Sunday of Luke
October 22, 2023

Averkios the wonderworker, equal-to-the-apostles and bishop of Hierapolis; The Seven Holy Youths (“Seven Sleepers”) martyred in Ephesus; Bishop Eulalios

Troparion of the Resurrection (Tone 3)

Byzantine Tone 3

Basil Kazan
(1915 - 2001)

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Let the heav - ens re - joice and the earth be glad,
for the Lord hath done a might - y act with his own arm.
He hath tram - pled down death by death and be - come the First -
born from the dead. He hath de - liv - ered us from the
depths of ha - des, grant - ing the world the great mer - cy.

Troparion for St. Averkios (Tone 4)

Thy works of justice did reveal thee to thy community as a canon of faith, the likeness of humility and teacher of abstinence, O Father Bishop Averkios. Wherefore, by humility thou hast achieved exaltation, and by thy meekness wealth. Intercede, therefore, with Christ God to save our souls.

Troparion for the Seven Ephesian Youths (Tone 4)

Thy Martyrs, O Lord, in their courageous contest for Thee received as the prize the crowns of incorruption and life from Thee, our immortal God. For, since they possessed Thy strength, they cast down the tyrants and wholly destroyed the demons' strengthless presumption. O Christ God, by their prayers, save our souls, since Thou art merciful.

Troparion for St. Raphael of Brooklyn (Tone 3)

Rejoice, O Father Raphael, Adornment of the holy Church! Thou art Champion of the True Faith, Seeker of the lost, Consolation of the oppressed, Father to orphans and Friend of the poor, Peacemaker and good Shepherd, Joy of all the Orthodox, Son of Antioch, Boast of America. Intercede with Christ God for us and for all who honor thee.

Kontakion for Ordinary Sundays (Tone 2)

O Undisputed intercessor of Christians, the mediatrix who is unrejected by the Creator, turn not away from the voice of our petitions, though we be sinners. Come to us with aid in time, who cry unto thee in faith; for thou art good. Hasten to us with with intercessions O Theotokos, who dost ever intercede for those who honor thee.

The Prokeimenon

Sing praises to our God, sing praises.
Clap your hands, all ye nations.

The Epistle

Galatians 1:11-19

Brethren, I would have you know that the Gospel which was preached by me is not man's gospel. For I did not receive it from man, nor was I taught it, but it came through a revelation of Jesus Christ. For you have heard of my former life in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God violently and tried to destroy it; and I advanced in Judaism beyond many of my own age among my people; so extremely zealous was I for the traditions of my fathers. But when He Who had set me apart before I was born, and had called me through His grace, was pleased to reveal His Son to me, in order that I might preach Him among the Gentiles, I did not confer with flesh and blood, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were Apostles before me, but I went away into Arabia; and again I returned to Damascus. Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas, and remained with him fifteen days. But I saw none of the other Apostles except James the Lord's brother.

The Holy Gospel

Luke 8:26-38

At that time, Jesus arrived at the country of the Gadarenes, which is opposite Galilee. And as He stepped out on land, there met Him a man from the city who had demons; for a long time he had worn no clothes, and he lived not in a house but among the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him, and said with a loud voice, "What hast Thou to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beseech Thee, do not torment me." For Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. [For many a time it had seized him; he was kept under guard, and bound with chains and fetters, but he broke the bonds and was driven by the demon into the desert.] Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. And they begged Jesus not to command them to depart into the abyss. Now a large herd of swine was feeding there on the hillside; and they begged Jesus to let them enter

these. So He gave them leave. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. When the herdsmen saw what had happened, they fled, and told it in the city and in the country. Then people went out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus, and found the man from whom the demons had gone, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind; and they were afraid. And those who had seen it told them how he who had been possessed with demons was healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gadarenes asked Jesus to depart from them; for they were seized with great fear; so He got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with Jesus; but Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare all that God has done for you." And he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city all that Jesus had done for him.

Holy Bread: Kh Meleah Palke

Commemorations(Living): Fr Michael, Pr Vicki, John, Corgie, Karen, Maher, Fabiola, Christopher, Steven, Jonathan, Jaime, Justin, George, Joan, Fr Tom, Kh Meleah, Stephen, Sagi, Sky, Carol, Natalia, Alexander, Anthony, Jim, Laura, Michael, Joel, Lisa, Danny, Asa, Cody, Max, Levi, Courtney, Nina, Kenneth, Alex, Christina, Beth, Janni, Dominick, Yina, Michael, Debra, Lauren, Rashid, Hala, Irina, Fr. Vladimir Paul, all Orthodox missionaries, the suffering believers everywhere.

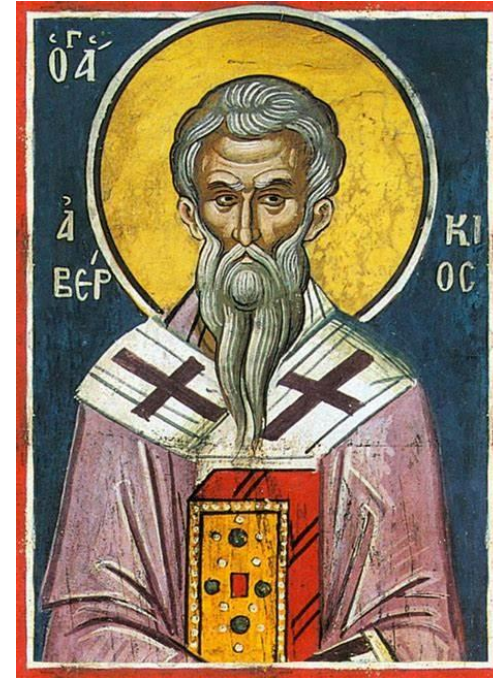
Departed:

On November 5 we will celebrate our patronal feast. We will have a potluck dinner that follows Liturgy. Please bring a main dish and either a side or dessert.

We will have Prayer and Bible Study on Wednesday, October 25 at 8 PM via Zoom. We will begin a study study of Gideon. Read Judges 6 and watch for the email with the agenda and Zoom link.

We will participate in the archdiocesan canned food drive. This year we will collect funds for the canned goods. If you wish to contribute, please write a check to the church with "canned goods" in the note section. **Also, we will take the collection for our seminarians today.**

Know your faith. On November 21 the Church celebrates the Feast of _____. Mary was received and blessed by _____, the priest and father of _____. Mary enters the temple to become the _____ of God. In the OT Jacob was given the name _____. He had _____ sons. Which of his sons became the prime minister of Egypt? _____. He had 2 sons with his Egyptian wife, Asenath: 1) _____ and 2) _____. Joseph saved his entire family from _____ by having them move to _____.



St. Raphael of Brooklyn Orthodox Church

Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese

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Divine Liturgy 10:30 AM

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