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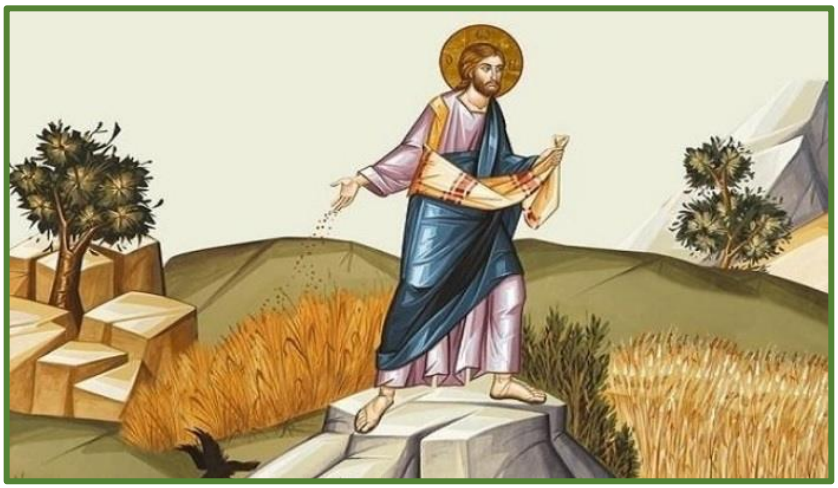
OCTOBER 18, 2026

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

EPISTLE: Galatians 1:11-19



The Parable of the Sower

Brethren: I make known to you, that the gospel which was preached by me is not according to man. For I neither received it from man, nor was I taught it, but it came through the revelation of Jesus Christ. For you have heard of my former conduct in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God beyond measure and tried to destroy it. And I advanced in Judaism beyond many of my contemporaries in my own nation, being more exceedingly zealous for the traditions of my fathers. But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb and called me through His grace, to reveal His Son in me, that I might preach Him among the Gentiles, I did not immediately confer with flesh and blood, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me; but I went to Arabia, and returned again to Damascus. Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to see Peter, and remained with him fifteen days. But I saw none of the other apostles except James, the Lord's brother.

EPISTLE: Colossians 4:5-9, 14, 18

Brethren: Walk in wisdom toward those who are outside, redeeming the time. Let your speech always be with grace, seasoned with salt, that you may know how you ought to answer each one. Tychicus, a

beloved brother, faithful minister, and fellow servant in the Lord, will tell you all the news about me. I am sending him to you for this very purpose, that he may know your circumstances and comfort your hearts, with Onesimus, a faithful and beloved brother, who is one of you. They will make known to you all things which are happening here. Luke the beloved physician and Demas greet you. This salutation by my own hand – Paul. Remember my chains. Grace be with you. Amen.

GOSPEL: Lk 8:5-15

The Lord said: "A Sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some fell by the wayside; and it was trampled down, and the birds of the air devoured it. Some fell on rock; and as soon as it sprang up, it withered away because it lacked moisture. And some fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up with it and choked it. But others fell on good ground, sprang up, and yielded a crop a hundredfold." When He had said these things He cried, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear!" Then His disciples asked Him, saying, "What does this parable mean?" And He said, "To you it has been given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God, but to the rest it is given in parables, that 'Seeing they may not see, And hearing they may not understand.' Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. Those by the wayside are the ones who hear; then the devil comes and takes away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved. But the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, who believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away. Now the ones that fell among thorns are those who, when they have heard, go out and are choked with cares, riches, and pleasures of life, and bring no fruit to maturity. But the ones that fell on the good ground are those who, having heard the word with a noble and good heart, keep it and bear fruit with patience.

GOSPEL: Lk 10:16-21

The Lord said to His disciples: "He who hears you hears Me, he who rejects you rejects Me, and he who rejects Me rejects Him who sent Me." Then the seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in Your name." And He said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rather rejoice because your names are written in heaven." In that hour Jesus rejoiced in the Spirit and said, "I thank You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that You have hidden these things from the wise and prudent and revealed them to babes. Even so, Father, for so it seemed good in Your sight.

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)

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Subdeacon John (Roger Pinta), P. O. Box 39, Middle Bass, OH 43446; **Laura Kovach,** 382 South Church Road, Marblehead, OH 43440; **Joe Schutt,** 9340 Roseto Villa Drive, Dublin, OH 43016; **Tony Monastra & Tina Rindfleisch**, 2119 Willow Cove, Marblehead, OH 43440; **Irene Vangeloff**, 3580 Shaw Ave., Apt. 305, Cincinnati, OH 45208 Tel.: (513) 376-9693

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

MON. Oct 19	Prophet Joel; Phil 4:10-23, Lk 9:18-22
TUE. Oct 20	Greatmartyr Artemius at Antioch; Col 1:1-2,7-11, Lk 11:1-10
WED. Oct 21	Martyrs Gervasius, Nazarius, Protasius; Col 1:18-23, Lk 9:44-50
THU. Oct 22	Saint Averkios the Wonderworker; Col 1:24-29, Lk 9:49-56
FRI. Oct 23	Apostle James, the Brother of the Lord; Col 2:1-7, Lk 10:1-15
SAT. Oct 24	Martyr Arethas and 4,299 Martyrs with him; 2 Cor 3: 12-18, Lk 7:1-10

4:00 PM VESPERS

SUN. Oct 25 21th Sunday after Pentecost, *Tone 4*

9:10 AM HOURS
9:30 AM DIVINE LITURGY Followed by Coffee Social

PRAYER LIST

Parishioners & Family: Mike Karnionis / Peter Kowal / Kris / Tom & Ellen Martin / Laura Kovach / Joe Schutt / Tony Monastra / Sessely and her unborn baby / Russel / Debby /Subdeacon John (Roger Pinta) / Bryan Gibson / Tom Sitzler / Valerie Schutt / Hayden Issler / Roger Pinta Jr. / Richard Williams / Christine Twarek / Alvin Foland / Delaine Ward (Ron Royhab's sister) / Kristen Cassell / Laura DeKemper / Tom Hileman / Cliff & Kathy Ruggles / Sandra / Renee Haynal / Heidi Golob / Ron & Bobbie Royhab /Rodney Clevenger / Jennifer Heffernan / Pam / Jim Twarek / Ed Garrity / Barbara Wroblewski / Michal Tomáš / Helena Tomášová / Ruth Sheller / Carol / David Martin / Fred Soski / Irene Vangeloff / Sonja Rose / James Bargdill / Carole Conaway/ Gary Conaway / Sharon Dietrich / Michael Glovinsky / Shirley Gresh / Betty Kovach / Child Stella Miller / William Pipenur / Helen Jean Rofkar / George Royhab / Marianne Royhab / Kathy Jacob / the child Bodhi Cassell / Gleice, Sophie & Chloe / Carol / Nora.

Other Requests: Bailey Calhoun / Catechumen Justin Inks / Catechumen Mariah Moses / Catechumen Cory Moses / Chris Clabaugh / Samantha Lee / Peggy / Becky / Ella / Tom Virostek / Bob Stephenson / Jim Rinaldo / Roy / Greg / Patty Wandover / Russ M. / Suzeann / Laura Engler / Steve Rohweder / Nicole Williams / John Couture / Ann Turinsky / Marcia / Catechumen Blake Shoemaker / Linkoln Paull / Matushka Melania / Sharyn Osborne / Amy / Bill Byrnes / Susanne / Charles Schlett / Kathy Debevits / Anthony / Archpriest Ján Čižmár / Archpriest David Lis / Archpriest Emilian Hutnyan / Archpriest John Adamcio / Matushka Laryssa Hutnyan / Donald Gresh / Mark Ludvik / Robert Piznar / William / Rick Rowe / Chris.

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

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VIGILS FOR OCTOBER 11th

Bundren Family 2 Special Intentions

Laura Kovach 3 For health and/or healing of Roger P., Jim K., Joe S., Katie M., Robin L., Margi & Joe, Heidi & Wayne G., Lindsay & Janet, Jerry Z., Deb F., Russ M, Burt K., Bobbie & Ron R., Peggy S., Brenda T., Betty K., Margaret M., Mark M., Dana M., and Bodhi, C
For God's healing and strength to Lynn Mate-Cramer, Peter Kowal, Mike Karniotis, Bailey Calhoun, and Judy Whitson
Memory eternal to David Manley and Mary Martha Hendricks

Dennis Lapso 3 Blessed repose of Annette Lapso, For the health and wellbeing of Father Peter & Matushka Michelle, For health and wellbeing of Father Peter Selenoi

Sandy Martin 1 Special Intentions

Natalie Twarek 10 For the health and recovery of Mike Karnionis, Peter Kowal, Bailey Calhoun, and Lynn Mate Cramer, For the health and recovery of Chris Clabaugh, For the health of Sessely and unborn baby, For the health and recovery Laura and Joe and Elaine, Roger, For God's guidance for Mia, For the health of Fr Peter & Matushka Michelle, and Fr John & Matushka Melania, For the health and recovery of John, Mimi, Rodney, Bob, Richard, Laura, Kathy & Cliff, Irene, Ron & Bobbie, Betty, Kayla, Heidi, Wayne, Peggy & Becky, Marcia, Health and healing for Father's parents Michal & Helena and Matushka's mom Barbara & Walter, For the health of Nick & family, Christine, Jen, Father David, Carole, Gary, Sharon, Sonya, Margi & Joe, MaryAnn & Bob, Bodhi, Stella, Jake, Pat, Special Intentions

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ATTENDANCE

10/10 Vespers, 7 attending; **10/11** Divine Liturgy, **37** attending (6 guests)

READERS LIST

Sunday Oct 18 – Joe
Sunday Oct 25 – Tim

OCTOBER CANDLE SPONSORS

Altar Candles: Joe & Valerie Schutt, In memory of Violet Bargdill & LaVerne Schutt; Mike & Sharon, For the health for Fr Peter & Matushka Michelle **($50)**; **Chandelier:** Joe & Valerie Schutt, In memory of Gordon Schutt (October 27, 2021) **($50)**; **Eternal Light & Icon Screen:** Jean Hileman, God's Blessings for Justin and his deployment; Mike & Sharon, For the health for Fr Peter & Matushka Michelle **($25)**; **Candles at the Cross:** Laura Kovach, Birthday blessings to Katelyn and in memory of Uncle Alex and father-in-law John Kovach **($20)**; **Candles at St. Tikhon Icon:** Mike & Sharon, health of Pete Kowal & Mike Karniotis, For son Hank & Family for protection **($20)**

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

30 – Weston Davenport (8)

CHARITY OF THE MONTH

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

SUNDAY OFFERING

Sunday, October 11, 2026

Tithe	$1,712.00
Donations	$ 175.00
Candles	$ 62.00
Vigils	$ 115.00
Danbury Holiday Bureau (Oct.)	$ 100.00
Candles at St. Tikhon's Icon	$ 65.00
Building Restoration	$ 500.00
Bookstore	$ 28.00
Total:	**$2,747.00**

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

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Our Parish Council meeting will take place tomorrow **Monday, October 19th** at **6:00 pm** in our Social Hall. Presence of all the members is requested.

UP-COMING EVENTS IN OUR PARISH – MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Oct 19th – Baking Day – 8:00 AM *(Monday)*

Oct 19th – Parish Council Meeting – 6:00 PM *(Monday)*

Nov 1st – Daylight saving time ends *(Sunday)*

Nov 15th – Beginning of Nativity Fast *(Sunday)*

Nov 21st – Entry of the Theotokos into the Temple *(Saturday)*

COFFEE HOUR SPONSOR LIST

Oct 18 -	Valerie
Oct 25 -	Rachel Adamcio
Nov 1 -	Available
Nov 8 -	Available

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

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CLEANING SCHEDULE

Oct 19, Greg
Oct 26, Roddie & David
Nov 2, Natalie
Nov 9, Laura

Apostle and Evangelist Luke

Commemorated on October 18

The Holy Apostle and Evangelist Luke, was a native of Syrian Antioch, a companion of the holy Apostle Paul (Phil.1:24, 2 Tim. 4:10-11), and a physician enlightened in the Greek medical arts. Hearing about Christ, Luke arrived in Palestine and fervently accepted the preaching of salvation from the Lord Himself. As one of the Seventy Apostles, Saint Luke was sent by the Lord with the others to preach the Kingdom of Heaven during the

Savior's earthly life (Luke 10:1-3). After the Resurrection, the Lord Jesus Christ appeared to Saints Luke and Cleopas on the road to Emmaus.

Luke accompanied Saint Paul on his second missionary journey, and from that time they were inseparable. When Paul's coworkers had forsaken him, only Luke remained to assist him in his ministry (2 Tim. 4:10-11). After the martyric death of the First-Ranked Apostles Peter and Paul, Saint Luke left Rome to preach in Achaia, Libya, Egypt and the Thebaid. He ended his life by suffering martyrdom in the city of Thebes.

Tradition credits Saint Luke with painting the first icons of the Mother of God. "Let the grace of Him Who was born of Me and My mercy be with these Icons," said the All-Pure Virgin after seeing the icons. Saint Luke also painted icons of the First-Ranked Apostles Peter and Paul. Saint Luke's Gospel was written in the years 62-63 at Rome, under the guidance of the Apostle Paul. In the preliminary verses (1:1-3), Saint Luke precisely sets forth the purpose of his work. He proposes to record, in chronological order, everything known by Christians about Jesus Christ and His teachings. By doing this, he provided a firmer historical basis for Christian teaching (1:4). He carefully investigated the facts, and made generous use of the oral tradition of the Church and of what the All-Pure Virgin Mary Herself had told him (2:19, 51).

In Saint Luke's Gospel, the message of the salvation made possible by the Lord Jesus Christ, and the preaching of the Gospel, are of primary importance.

Saint Luke also wrote the Acts of the Holy Apostles at Rome around 62-63 A.D. The Book of Acts, which is a continuation of the four Gospels, speaks about the works and the fruits of the holy Apostles after the Ascension of the Savior. At the center of the narrative is the Council of the holy Apostles at Jerusalem in the year 51, a Church event of great significance, which resulted in the separation of Christianity from Judaism and its independent dissemination into the world (Acts 15:6-29). The theological focus of the Book of Acts is the coming of the Holy Spirit, Who will guide the Church "into all truth" (John 16:13) until the Second Coming of Christ.

The holy relics of Saint Luke were taken from Constantinople and brought to Padua, Italy at some point in history. Perhaps this was during the infamous Crusade of 1204. In 1992, Metropolitan Hieronymus (Jerome) of Thebes requested the Roman Catholic bishop in Thebes to obtain a portion of Saint Luke's relics for the saint's empty sepulcher in the Orthodox cathedral in Thebes.

The Roman Catholic bishop Antonio Mattiazzo of Padua, noting that Orthodox pilgrims came to Padua to venerate the relics while many Catholics did not even know that the relics were there, appointed a committee to investigate the relics in Padua, and the skull of Saint Luke in the Catholic Cathedral of Saint Vico in Prague.

The skeleton was determined to be that of an elderly man of strong build. In 2001, a tooth found in the coffin was judged to be consistent with the DNA of Syrians living near the area of Antioch dating from 72-416 A.D. The skull in Prague perfectly fit the neck bone of the skeleton. The tooth found in the coffin in Padua was also found to fit the jawbone of the skull.

Bishop Mattiazzo sent a rib from the relics to Metropolitan Hieronymus to be venerated in Saint Luke's original tomb in the Orthodox cathedral at Thebes.
Saint Luke is also commemorated on April 22.