



# Weekly Bulletin

## St. Nicholas Orthodox Church

A Community of the Orthodox Church in America

*Celebrating our 50th Year witnessing to the Apostolic Faith in Lake County*

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<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Oct 22</b>	<i>19th Sndy aft Pentecost / Tone 3 / St Abercius, Equal-to-the- Apostles</i>
		9:00 am Church Sctchool
		10:00 am Divine Liturgy      Coffee Hour
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Oct 28</b>	<i>Venerable Job of Pochaev</i>
		4:00 pm Memorial Service
		5:30 pm Vespers      Confession
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Oct 29</b>	<i>20th Sndy aft Pentecost / Tone 4 / Matyr Anastasia of Rome</i>
		Readings: Gal 2:16-20      Luke 8:26-39
		9:00 am Church Sctchool
		10:00 am Divine Liturgy      Coffee Hour

**ATTENDANCE / STEWARDSHIP / Oct 15**

Attendance	215
Operating	5,149.00
OCA	66.00
Maintenance	10.00
Charities	35.00
Seminary	150.00
Uganda	15.00

**SPECIAL WELCOME**

We welcome Fr Alexander Garklavs who's here to help out with the Liturgy as Fr A slowly gets 'back on his feet.' We also welcome Matushka Carol. Thanks Fr Alexander.

**SO GRATEFUL**

We wish to thank everyone for a phenomenal 50th Anniversary Celebration. Everything went so well on all levels. We had a beautiful Vespers and Liurgy and the Bishop's words both in Church and at the Banquet were received so well. The Banquet and Program were just right and I heard words of appreciation from both parishoners and visitors alike. May the Lord continue to bless St Nick's.

**SPECIAL THANKS**

We wish to express our gratitude to all who contributed to the success of our hosting the Iveron Icon. The Reception was wonderful.

**MEMORIAL THIS SATURDAY**

A memorial Service will be served for the Dombrovs-

kaya & Halligan Families on Saturday, Oct 28 at 4:00 pm. A Reception will follow in the Hall.

**NEW PRIEST HERE NEXT WEEKEND**

Our new priest, Fr Mark Therrien, will be visiting next weekend. His hope is to begin getting to know us before his assigment begins in January. Please welcome him and make him feel at home. More info to follow.

**PRAYER CORNER + + + + +**

Perry (Capitan), Julian, Sarah Crivella, Joella (LuAnn D's dgtr), Paris Santone (Debbie Covelli's nephew), Anna Como, Barb, Cathy Ubancic, Emily Finazzo, (Renda frnds), Nick Covelli, David Campbell (Deb's bro), Theresa, Bernice, (Maryann S's frnds), the suffering Christians in Ukraine, the Middle East and in Israel & Paletine.

**Anniversaries:** Mike & Christine Brzozowski (10/24), Tom & Miranda Oberhausen (10/26).

**Birthdays:** Jim Renda (10/22), Laura Fredericks, Meredith Nicoletti (10/23).

**Expecting:** Joesph & Venessa Pohl.

**Newborns:** Sophronia (Maxim & Mindy), Holden (Collin & Laiken), Esther (Stephen & Rebecca), Patrick III (Patrick & Elizabeth), Henry Jude (Peter & Caitlin).

**Newly Illumined:** Raphael (9/17).

**Newly Departed:** Judy Tremain (Cole's Grandma, 10/19), Joanna Mihalik (Debbie Covelli's cousin, 9/22).

# Happy 50th Anniversary

# Saint Averkios the Wonderworker, Bishop of Hieropolis, Equal to the Apostles

The Holy Hierarch Averkios of Hieropolis lived in Phrygia during the second century. The city of Hieropolis was inhabited by many pagans and very few Christians. The Saint prayed to the Lord for the salvation of their souls, and that they might be numbered among God's chosen flock. An Angel appeared and bade Saint Averkios to destroy the idols in the pagan temple. He obeyed this command with zeal. Hearing that the idol-worshippers wanted to kill him, the Saint went to a place where people had gathered and openly denounced the failure of the pagans when they attempted to seize him.

At that moment three demon-possessed youths in the crowd cried out. The people were dumbfounded as the Hierarch expelled demons from them by his prayers. Seeing the youths restored to normal, the people of Hieropolis asked Saint Averkios to instruct them in the Christian Faith, and then they received Holy Baptism.

After this Saint Averkios went to the surrounding cities and villages, healing the

sick and preaching the Kingdom of God. With his preaching he made the rounds of Syria, Cilicia, Mesopotamia, he also visited Rome. Everywhere he went he converted multitudes of people to Christ. For many years he guarded the Church against heretics, confirming Christians in the Faith, and setting the prodigal upon the path of righteousness. He also healed the sick and proclaimed the glory of Christ. Because of his great works, Saint Averkios is called an "Equal of the Apostles."

Saint Averkios returned home to Hieropolis, where he soon rested from his labors. After his repose, many miracles took place at his tomb. He wrote his own epitaph, and it was carved on his tombstone, which is now in the Lateran Museum.

The skull of Saint Averkios is located in the Monastery of Most Pure Theotokos on the island of Andros. Fragments from the Holy Relic of Saint Averkios are also found in the Monasteries of Karakalou on the Holy Mountain, at Proussos in Evritania, and Phaneromeni in Salamis.