St. Nicholas Antiochian Orthodox Church

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Tone 5 | **September 6, 2026** | Eothinon 3

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST & FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF MATTHEW
THE MIRACLE OF THE ARCHANGEL MICHAEL IN COLOSSAE
ARCHIPPOS OF HIERAPOLIS; MARTYRS EUDOXIOS, ZENO, ROMULUS AND MAKARIOS AT MELITENE IN ARMENIA

Today's Reader: Liz Daigle

Next Sunday – September 13, 2026

Reader for September 13, 2026: **Sdn. James**

Commemorations and Bread Offering for September 13: **Tomaino Family**

Coffee Hour Luncheon next week will be prepared by the Lowen & Tomaino Families

Bread for the Holy Oblation is Offered by the Stroud Family for the for the health & salvation of Rdr John, Liz, Cal, Emily, Annie, Ryan, Elliott, Eva Rose, Philip Lazarus, Nathan, Marie, Leah, Garrett, Anne, Judi, Jim, Joy, Jim, Gretchen, Skip, Jean, Jan, David, Michael, Terry, Andy, Judy. Daniel, Matushka Loretta, Amy, Abigail, Francis, Aidan. Don, Brett, Tara, and Mary Sue,

It is also offered in memory of Bronnie. Annabelle, Jasper, Austin, Ruth and Mike.

"the Disciples were first called Christians in Antioch" (Acts 11:26)

Please note that **Holy Communion is reserved for members of the Holy Orthodox Church** who have prepared themselves through prayer, fasting and confession. However, all are welcome to partake of the blessed bread at the dismissal.

Please join us during our fellowship at the
Coffee Hour immediately after the Divine Liturgy.

Congratulations to

Stacy Sparks, Terry Carter, Asa Harris, & Oliver Harris

(Sponsors Michael Cacic ~ Terry; George Lowen ~ Stacy, Asa and Oliver)

Received into the Holy Orthodox Church by Baptism

and

Caleb and Persephone Winnell

(Sponsors: Eric Roberts ~ Caleb & Stephanie Clay ~ Persephone)

Received into the Holy Orthodox Church by Chrismation

May God Grant Them Many Years!

"Blessings Box" Collection Update

Beloved in Christ,
This year, we are collecting non-perishable food for our new BLESSING BOX! PLEASE KEEP BRINGING FOOD so that we may continue to stock our shelves and have food to stock adequately. We need to continue our efforts in providing food for those who are truly Hungry. God bless everyone for your holy efforts!

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Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost & Fourteenth Sunday of Matthew

The miracle of the Archangel Michael in Colossae

Archippos of Hierapolis; Martyrs Eudoxios, Zeno, Romulus and Makarios at Melitene in Armenia

Troparion for the Resurrection, *in the Fifth Tone*

Let us believers praise and worship the Word; coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation. For He took pleasure in ascending the Cross in the flesh to suffer death; and to raise the dead by His glorious resurrection.

Troparion of the Archangel Michael, *in the Fourth Tone*

Supreme Commander of the Hosts of the Heavens, * we, the unworthy, importune and beseech thee * that by thy supplications thou encircle us * in the shelter of the wings * of thine immaterial glory, * guarding us who now fall down * and cry to thee with fervor: * Deliver us from dangers of all kinds, * as the great Marshal of the heavenly hosts on high.

Troparion of St. Nicholas, *in the Fourth Tone*

Thy righteous acts have manifested thee to thy flock as a model of faith, a reflection of humility, and a teacher of abstinence, O Father Bishop Nicholas. Therefore, through humility thou hast achieved exaltation, and through poverty riches. Intercede thou with Christ to save our souls.

Kontakion of the Nativity of the Theotokos, *in the Fourth Tone*

By thy holy nativity, O pure one, Joachim and Anna were delivered from the reproach of barrenness; and Adam and Eve were delivered from the corruption of death; thy people do celebrate it, having been saved from the stain of iniquity, crying unto thee: The barren doth give birth to the Theotokos, who nourisheth our life.

Epistle

II Corinthians 1:21-2:4

Prokeimenon: Thou, O Lord, wilt keep and preserve us. Save me, O Lord, for the godly man has failed.

Brethren, it is God who establishes us with you in Christ, and has commissioned us; He has put his seal upon us and given us His Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee. But I call God to witness against me—it was to spare you that I refrained from coming to Corinth. Not that we lord it over your faith; we work with you for your joy, for you stand firm in your faith. For I made up my mind not to make you another painful visit. For if I cause you pain, who is there to make me glad but the one whom I have pained? And I wrote as I did, so that when I came I might not suffer pain from those who should have made me rejoice, for I felt sure of all of you, that my joy would be the joy of you all. For I wrote you out of much affliction and anguish of heart and with many tears, not to cause you pain but to let you know the abundant love that I have for you.

Gospel

Matthew 22:2-14

The Lord spoke this parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a marriage feast for his son, and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the marriage feast; but they would not come. Again he sent other servants, saying, 'Tell those who are invited, Behold, I have made ready my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves are killed, and everything is ready; come to the marriage feast.' But they made light of it and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore to the thoroughfares, and invite to the marriage feast as many as you find.' And those servants went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment; and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and cast him into the outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash their teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

Calendar: September ~ November 2026

9/6/2026		First Day of Church School
9/06/2026 (Sun)	10:00 am	Chrismation of Caleb and Persephone Winnell
9/6/2026	1:30 pm	Choir Practice
9/7/2026 (Mon)	6:00 PM	Divine Liturgy for Nativity of the Theotokos
9/8/026 (Tue)		Nativity of the Theotokos
9/12/2026 (Sat)	2pm-4pm	WHMB (All are Invited!) Viewing of film "Sacred Alaska"
9/13/2026 (Sun)	End D/L 4:00 PM	Procession with Holy Cross at end of Divine Liturgy Great Vespers for the Feast of the Elevation of Holy Cross
9/14/2026 (Mon)	10:00 am	Divine Liturgy for the Feast of the Elevation of the Cross
9/20.2026 (Sun)	1:30 pm	Parish Council Meeting
9/27/2026	1:30 pm	Men's Fellowship of St. Seraphim of Sarov Meeting
10/1/2026		Feast of the Protection of the Theotokos
10/4/2026	After DL	Parish Picnic at Little Beaver State Park
10/10/2026 (Sat)	10am–2pm	WHMB—Deep Cleaning of Kitchen
10/11/2026 (Sun)	1:30 pm	Youth Activity (See Christopher Clay for details)
10/11/2026 (Sun)	1:30 pm	Choir Practice
10/17/2026 (Sat)	9am-3pm	Men's Fellowship—Deep Cleaning of Church
10/18/2026 (Sun)	1:30 pm	Parish Council Meeting
10/18/2026 (Sun)	12:30 pm	WHMB Baby Shower for Baby Keith
10/25/2026 (Sun)	1:30 pm	WHMB Meeting
Christmas Fast 11/15/2026—12/24/2026		
1/1/2026 (Sun)	1:30 pm	Choir Practice
1/8/2026 (Sun)	1:30 pm	Youth Activity
1/15/2026 (Sun)	1:30 pm	Parish Council Meeting
11/20/2026 (Fri)	6:00 PM	Divine Liturgy for Entrance of Theotokos
11/21/2026		Feast of the Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple

Calendar for the Week of September 6, 2026	Saints of the Day
Sunday—September 6, 2026 First day of School 9:00 am Orthros 10:00 am Chrismation—Caleb & Persephone 10:30 am Divine Liturgy First Day of Church School Opening Ceremony 1:30 pm Choir practice	Commemoration of Archangel Michael's Miracle in Colossae
Monday— September 7, 2026 6:00 pm Divine Liturgy For Feast of the Nativity of the Theotokos	Soxon the Martyr
Tuesday– September 8, 2026	The Nativity of our Most Holy Lady Theotokos
Wednesday—September 9, 2026 Fast	Joachim and Anne, Grandparents of Christ
Thursday—September 10, 2026	Menodora, Metodora, and Nymphodora the Martyrs
Friday—September 11, 2026 Fast	The Righteous Theodora of Alexandria
Saturday— September 12, 2026 2:00—4:00pm Sacred Alaska Film in Church Hall 5:00 pm Great Vespers Confessions afterward	Autonomus the Martyr among Priests
Sunday—September 13, 2026 9:00 am Orthros 10:30 am Divine Liturgy (Procession of Cross) Memorial Prayers 1:30 pm Youth Activity 4:00 pm Great Vespers - Elevation of Cross	Cornelius the Centurion

Please note that Confessions are heard at the time noted above in the coming week's schedule, or by appointment by calling Fr. Samuel at: (304) 254-0470, (304) 562-9129, or (304) 541-8550.

Saturday, September 12, at 2:00 pm

The Women of the Holy Myrrh-bearers
will screen the movie

All are Invited

Synaxis of All Saints of Alaska

(If you have any questions, see Christine Cacic at today's Luncheon)

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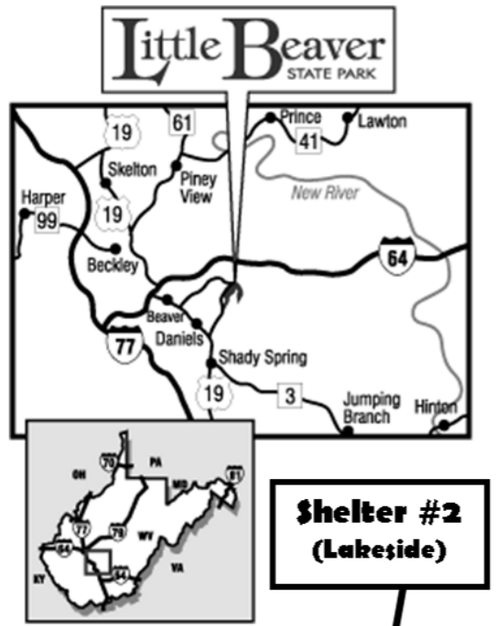
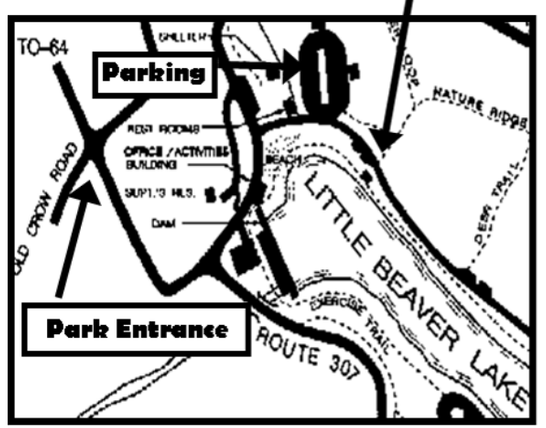
Beckley, WV

Annual Parish Picnic

Oct. 4, 2026
at
Little Beaver State Park

Directions to Little Beaver State Park

Little Beaver State Park is located in Raleigh County in southern West Virginia. From US 64, take Exit 129A, It is two miles south on WV 307 (Follow Signs to Park).