St. Nicholas Antiochian Orthodox Church

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Tone 8 **September 27, 2026** Eothinon 6

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
& First Sunday of Luke
Martyr Kallistratos and the 49 Martyrs with him
The Apostles Aristarchos, Zenon and Mark of the Seventy

Today's Reader: Isaiah Benefield

Next Sunday – October 4, 2026

Reader for October 4, 2026: **Reader John Stroud**

Commemorations and Bread Offering for October 4. 2026: **Benefield Family**

***NEXT SUNDAY! PARISH PICNIC*! BRING A DISH TO SHARE! (See Announcement)**

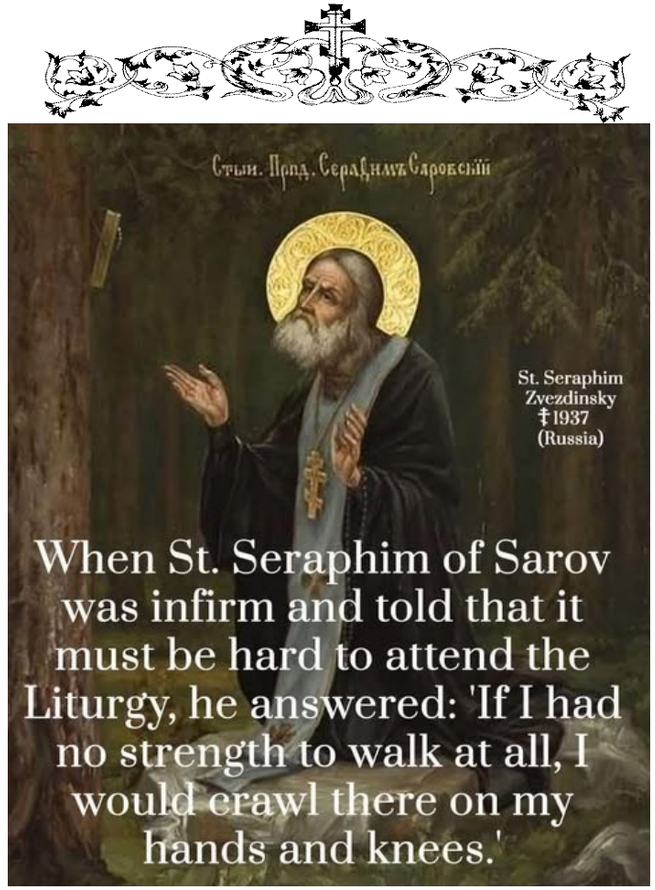
Bread for the Holy Oblation is Offered for the health & salvation of Eric, Lance, and the members of the Roberts Family.

It is also offered in memory of Michael Shane Nelson and the departed members of the Roberts Family.

"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.



"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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Troparion for the Resurrection, *in the Eighth Tone*

From the heights Thou didst descend, O compassionate One, and Thou didst submit to the three-day burial, that Thou might deliver us from passion; Thou art our life and our Resurrection, O Lord, glory to Thee.

Troparion For the Martyrs, *in the Fourth Tone*

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 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 of souls.

Kontakion of Ordinary Sundays, *in the Fourth Tone*

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

Epistle

II Corinthians 6:16-7:1

Prokeimenon: Make your vows to the Lord our God and perform them.
Verse: God is known in Judah; His Name is great in Israel.

Brethren, we are the temple of the living God; as God said, "I will live in them and move among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. Therefore come out from them, and be separate from them," says the Lord, "and touch nothing unclean; then I will welcome you, and I will be a father to you, and you shall be My sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty." Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, and make holiness perfect in the fear of God.

Gospel

Luke 5:1-11

At that time, Jesus was standing by the lake of Gennesaret. And he saw two boats by the lake; but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. And when he had ceased speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." And Simon answered, "Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets." And when they had done this, they enclosed a great shoal of fish; and as their nets were breaking, they beckoned to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord." For he was astonished, and all that were with him, at the catch of fish which they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; henceforth you will be catching men." And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

Calendar: September – November 2026

9/27/2026 (Sun)	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 (Sun)	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
Christmas Fast 11/15/2026—12/24/2026		
11/1/2026 (Sun)	1:30 pm	Choir Practice
11/8/2026 (Sun)	1:30 pm	Youth Activity
11/15/2026 (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 27, 2026

Saints of the Day

Sunday—September 27, 2026
9:25 am Orthros
9:30 am High School
10:00 am Youth Ministry
10:30 am Divine Liturgy
After Liturgy- Junior &Youngsters Church School
1:30 pm Men's Fellowship Meeting

Eustathius the Great Martyr, His Wife and 2 Children

Monday— September 28, 2026

Apostle Quadratus; Jonah the Prophet

Tuesday– September 29, 2026

Phocas the Martyr

Wednesday—September 30, 2026 **Fast**

Conception of John the Baptist

Thursday—October 1, 2026

Thecla, the First Martyr and Equal of the Apostles

Friday—October 2, 2026 **Fast**

Euphrosyne the Righteous

Saturday— October 3, 2026
5:00 pm Great Vespers
Confessions afterward

Translation of John the Evangelist

Sunday—October 4, 2026
No Church School Today
9:25 am Orthros
10:30 am Divine Liturgy

Parish Picnic and Youth Activity

Callistratus the Martyr and the 49 Martyrs with Him

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.

THE MEN'S FELLOWSHIP OF ST. SERAPHIM OF SAROV

All Men

of

St. Nicholas Orthodox Church!

TODAY we will have a meeting of the Men's Fellowship of St. Seraphim of Sarov after the Sunday Luncheon at 1:30 in the Church Nave.

This is an important transition meeting where we will make plans for a New Church Year filled with important activities for the all men of our beloved parish.

SEE YOU THERE!

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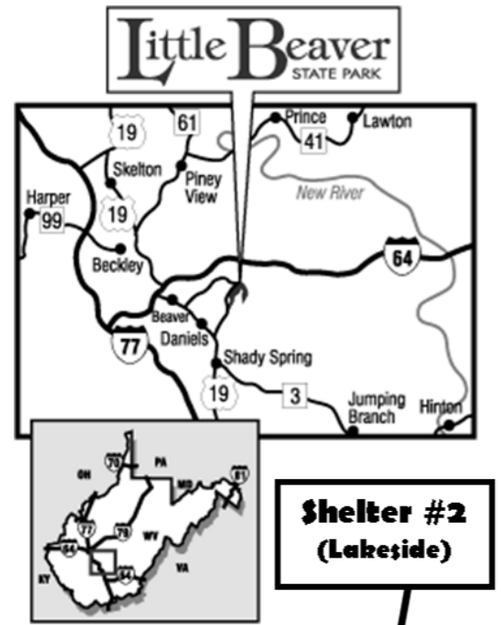
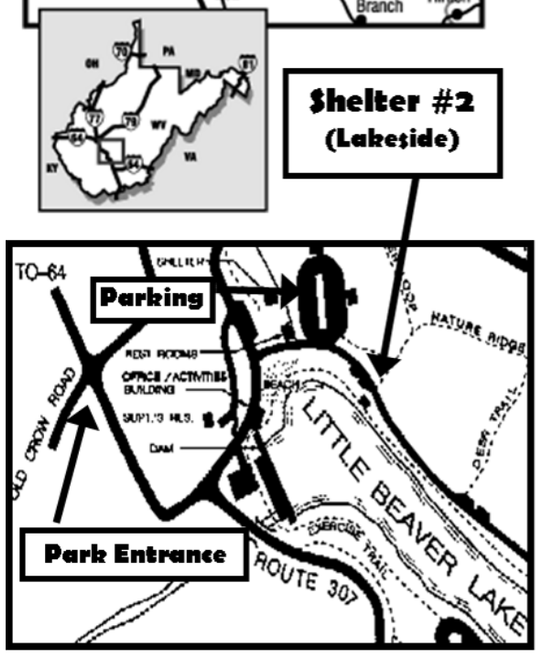
Beckley, WV

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).