**21st SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST** — **Tone 4.** Monastic Martyr Anastasia of Rome (3rd c.). Ven. Abramius the Recluse, and his niece, Bl. Mary, of Mesopotamia (ca. 360). Ven. Abrámii, Archimandrite of Rostov (1073-77). Martyr Claudius, Asterius, Neon, and Theonilla of Aegæ in Cilicia (285). Righteous Anna of Constantinople (826). Monastic Martyr Timothy of Esphigmenou (Mt. Athos—1820).

#### Galatians 2:16-20

Luke 8:26-39

*What is a saint?* In the person of someone holy, in his approachability and the way he relates to people, in his utter attentiveness to others, in the readiness with which he gives himself to Christ, humanity is healed and restored. But how does this renewed humanity manifest itself in practice? The holy person approaches every human being in a manner full of sensitivity, openness, purity in thought and feelings. His sensitivity extends even to animals and things, since he sees every created thing as a gift of God's love and does not want to wound that love by using these gifts with carelessness or indifference...

Saints are people who have reached pure simplicity, because they have overcome within themselves every duality, all "two-facedness", as St Maximus the Confessor says. They have gone beyond the struggle between soul and body, between good intentions and actions carried out, between deceptive appearances and secret thoughts, between what we pretend to be and what we actually are. They have attained simplicity, because they have given themselves totally to God. This is why they are able to give themselves totally to people, to their relations with people. If at times they avoid being crudely explicit about people's weaknesses, they do it in order not to discourage people, but instead to increase within them a sense of shame, sensitivity, awareness, simplicity and honesty. Saints are always encouraging. For this reason they sometimes cut down to size the excessive dimensions that people give in their own imaginations to their sins, passions and weaknesses. But they also cut other people's pride down to size in a sensitive manner...

The holy person is the most human and humble creature, but at the same time an unaccustomed and amazing figure. He makes other people feel that he is revealing within himself, and within them, human nature as it truly is.

-- Fr Dumitru Staniloae, "Gentleness and Holiness"

#### SCHEDULE

Saturday, October 28......3:00pm Krause/O'Connor Wedding

Sunday, October 29......9:30am Third & Sixth Hours 10:00am Divine Liturgy 11:30am Special Parish Meeting Pot Luck Coffee Hour 12:00pm Parish Council Meeting

- Saturday, November 4.....6:00pm Great Vespers
- Sunday, November 5......9:30am Third Hour 9:45am St. Andrew Prayer Service 10:00am Divine Liturgy 12:30pm Baptism of Logan Borda

**THANK YOU** to all who contributed dishes to the Pot Luck Coffee Hour last Sunday, to those who support Coffee Hour financially, and to the Coffee Hour Committee for cleaning up afterward. God grant them all Many Years!



**CONGRATULATIONS** to the newly baptized child of God Nicholas Ferrara, his parents Tamar and Michael Ferrara, and his sponsors Natalia Chkhaidze and Demetre Rukhadze. May God grant them all Many Blessed Years!

**CERTIFICATES** - After Divine Liturgy on Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, certificates of gratitude will be presented to Distinguished Diocesan Benefactors who contributed in 2022 to Archbishop MICHAEL's DDB fund.

**NEW FORMAT** – Beginning **November 5th** the bulletin will be phased out as a separate document and its contents incorporated into the weekly email update. The current bulletin is the final one.

## Repose of Venerable Job the Wonderworker, Abbot of Pochaev

(Commemorated on October 28)

## **Troparion** — Tone 4

Attaining the patience of our long-suffering Forefather, and similar to the abstinence of John the Baptist, partaking of the divine fervor of both, you were worthy to receive their names, and you were a fearless preacher of the true Faith, thereby you brought a multitude of monks to Christ, and you confirmed all the people in Orthodoxy. O Venerable Father Job, pray that our souls may be saved.

## Kontakion — Tone 4

You appeared as a pillar of the true Faith and as one zealous for the Gospel's commandments, a denouncer of pride, and an intercessor and instructor of the humble, therefore, pray for the remission of sins of those who glorify you, and preserve your Monastery unharmed, O Job our Father, resembling the much-suffering Job.

"On earth, everything is temporary – brief, transitory. Soon, everything will pass by – that which is pleasant and delightful, as well as what is lamentable and sorrowful. If we have chosen for ourselves the path of piety, then we must remember and not forget the words of the Apostle: 'All that will love godly in Christ shall suffer persecution' (2 Timothy 3:12)." + St. Ambrose of Optina

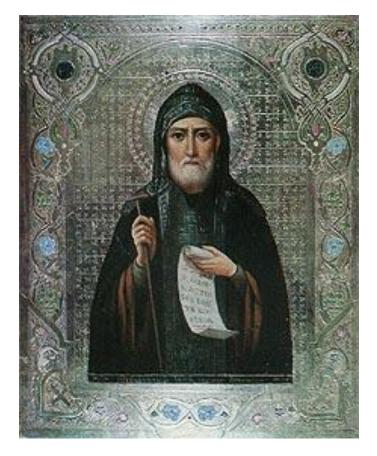
"A Christian's life is a ceaseless, Christ-centered theophany: the Holy Spirit, through the holy mysteries and the holy virtues, transmits Christ the Saviour to each believer, renders him a living tradition." + St. Justin Popovich

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Venerable Job the Wonderworker, Abbot of Pochaev October 29, 2023