

Martyrs Akepsimas the Bishop, Joseph the Presbyter and Aeithalas (Aeithalás) the Deacon of Persia were leaders of the Christian Church in the Persian city of Naesson. His flock devotedly loved their hierarch for his ascetic life and tireless pastoral work. The emperor Sapor ordered his men to seek out and kill Christian clergy. Saint Akepsimas also was arrested, even though he was already an eighty-year-old man. They took him to the city of Arbela, where he came before the judge Ardarkh, a pagan priest of the sun god. The holy Elder refused to offer sacrifice to the Persian gods. For this he was fiercely beaten and thrown into prison, where on the following day the seventy-year-old priest Joseph and the deacon Aeithalas were severely beaten and thrown into jail with him. For three years the saints were held in confinement, and suffered from hunger and thirst.

Emperor Sapor came to the temple of the god of fire, located not far from Arbela, and wanted to take a look at the three holy martyrs. Exhausted and covered with festering wounds, the saints were brought before the emperor. When he asked them to worship the pagan gods they firmly refused, confessing their faith in Christ instead. The holy bishop was beheaded, but the presbyter and deacon were taken into the city to be stoned. The execution of the presbyter Joseph was prolonged for several hours. A guard was placed near the place of execution, so that Christians would not take the body of the holy martyr. On the fourth night a strong windstorm raged near the city, lightning killed the guard, the wind tossed stones about, and the body of Saint Joseph disappeared.

Deacon Aeithalas was taken to the village of Patrias, where he was stoned. Christians secretly buried his body. A tree grew on the saint's grave, where its fruit brings healings.

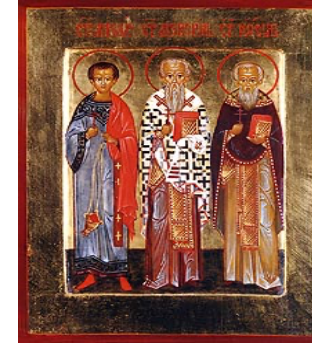
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Friend of the Bridegroom: "He must increase, but I must decrease." (John 3:30)



Sunday, November 3rd, 2024

Hieromartyrs Akepsimas, Bishop in Persia, Presbyter Joseph, and Deacon Aeithalas
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Sunday, Nov 3rd 19th Sunday after PNTCST/Tone 2. Martyrs Akepsimas, Joseph & Aeithalas
 9:30 am Divine Liturgy followed by meal with the Archbishop

Wednesday, Nov 6th Saint Paul the Confessor, Archbishop of Constantinople
 5:00 pm AA Meeting

6:00 pm Vespers at Humility House in Austintown ***TENTATIVE!***

Friday, Nov 8th Synaxis of the Archangel Michael
 8:00 am - 3:00 pm Sausage making and bagging at Saint John's
 9:30 am Divine Liturgy at Saint Michael the Archangel in Broadview Heights followed by lunch in the parish basement
 6:00 pm Akathist followed by Catechuman Class

Saturday, Nov 9th Martyrs Onesiphorus and Porphyrius of Ephesus
 11:00 am - 1:00 pm Parish Sausage Sale
 2:00 pm Baptisms & Chrismations of the Worley & Ventura Families
 4:15 pm Panakhida for Jean Miller
 5:00 pm Great Vespers Followed by Confessions
 6:00 pm Panakhida for Barbara Datish

Sunday, Nov 10th 20th Sunday after PNTCST/ Tone 3. Apostles of the Seventy
 9:30 am Divine Liturgy followed by coffee hour

Attendance/Stewardship October 27th

Attendance: 68 Adults and 19 children	87 Total
YTD Budget Inflows:	\$141,718.93
Weekly Offering/Stewardship	\$2,388.00
Weekly Candle Offerings:	\$207.00
YTD Other Receipts (Coffee Hour, Hall, Cemetery, Sausage)	\$47.00
YTD Budget Outflows	\$163,924.01
YTD Surplus/deficit	-\$22,205.08

Prayer Corner

Fr. Dcn. John Tutoki	Sbdcn Joseph (Clyde)
Sbdcn George Kaschack	Sarah Crivella
Patty DiGiacobbe	Barb
David Campbell	Anna Mae Stehnach
Patty, Gaylynn, Kevin, Renee, Anna & Helen Daniel	Cassandra, Patrick, Elizabeth, Patrick Benjamin
Joshua & Rebecca (Fr. Brian's friends)	Nathan Paul Mackey
Kevin	Renee & Anna
Vera, Natalie & Chase (Jennifer's granddaughter)	
Laura & Roy	Greg, Clara, Jeanie
Donna & Shawn	Azouria
Jeff Tsipis	Jennifer
James Livermore Jr	James Sr. & Karen Livermore
The Faculty, Teachers, and Students of Holy Trinity Orthodox Academy	
The Suffering Christians in Ukraine, Russia, & the Middle East	

Newly Departed: Helen (11/1) [Sonya Lee's sister]

Newly Illumined: Thomas Sacca

Catechumens: Lucian & Lilianna Vasil, Kelly, Carter, Emma, & Bennett Worley, Kayla, Alexander, & Cesar Ventura, Kayla, Donald, Elizabeth, Rebecca, Robert, Timothy, Melissa, Ian, Christopher, & William Cunningham, Matthew Rose, Nicky Lewis, Alexander Mackey & Tristan Beil

Birthdays: Christa Newtz & Stephanie Sedall (3rd) & Trevan Brindle (7th)

Anniversaries: xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

Candle Commemorations

Theotokos	For the Memory of Helen Rimar
Altar	For Safe Travels
Christ	For the Memory of James Rimar

Announcements

Welcome Archbishop Daniel!

We are pleased to welcome Archbishop Daniel & Fr. Esteban at our parish! May God grant them, and our parish, many years!

Great Vespers At Humility House in Austintown

This Wednesday we are hoping to have a Great Vespers service at Humility House in Austintown at 6pm, pending Anna Mae's health. Please keep Anna Mae and her family in your prayers, and keep an eye on your e-mail for updates!

Fall Sausage Sale

Our Parish's Fall Sausage sale will take place Saturday November 9th from 11am-1pm. We'll gather to make and bag the sausage on the 8th from 8am - 3pm. If you're interested in helping out and joining the fun, let Jim Stan or Mark Malacky know!

Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser

Mary Kaschak is putting on a Spaghetti Dinner to help raise money for her friend Julie Markinvoich on November 16th from 3pm to 4pm Bolindale Christian Church. Julie is suffering from cancer and cannot afford treatment.