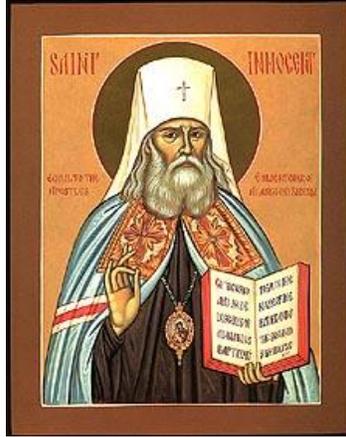


**St. Nikolai Orthodox Mission of Alliance, as part of Orthodox Campus Fellowship  
at University of Mount, Dewald Chapel. Divine Liturgy, 9:00 am.  
Very Reverend Father Joseph Cervo, Archpriest (AOCANA-retired)  
Rev. Protodeacon James Gresh, Mission Administrator (Bulgarian Diocese OCA)  
October 6, 2013: 15<sup>TH</sup> Sunday after Pentecost / Glorification of St Innocent, Apostle to the Americas /  
Holy Glorious Apostle Thomas**



**Tone 6      Troparion      *(Resurrection)***

The angelic powers were at Your tomb; the guards became as dead men.  
Mary stood by Your grave, seeking Your most pure body.  
You took captive hell, // not being tempted by it.  
You came to the Virgin, granting life. // O Lord, Who rose from the dead, glory to You.

**Tone 4\*      Troparion      *(St Innocent)***

O Holy Father Innocent, in obedience to the will of God,  
you accepted dangers and tribulations, bringing many peoples to the knowledge of truth.  
You showed us the way; now by your prayers help lead us // into the Kingdom of Heaven!

**Tone 4      Troparion      *(St. Nikolai)***

In truth you were revealed to your flock as a rule of faith, an image of humility and a teacher of abstinence;  
your humility exalted you; your poverty enriched you. Hierarch Father Nikolai, entreat Christ our God that our  
souls may be saved!

**Tone 6      Kontakion      *(Resurrection)***

When Christ God the Giver of Life,  
raised all of the dead from the valleys of misery with His mighty hand,  
He bestowed resurrection on the human race. //  
He is the Savior of all, the Resurrection, the Life, and the God of all.

**Tone 2      Kontakion      *(for St Innocent)***

Your life, holy Father Innocent, Apostle to our land,  
proclaims the dispensation and grace of God!  
For, laboring in dangers and hardships for the Gospel of Christ,  
you were kept unharmed and exalted in humility. //

**Epistle:** 2 Corinthians 4:6-15

**Tone 6      Prokeimenon**

O Lord, save Your people, and bless Your inheritance!  
*v: To You, O Lord, will I call. O my God, be not silent to me!*

## Tone 6

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

*v: He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the heavenly God.*

*v: He will say to the Lord: "My Protector and my Refuge; my God, in Whom I trust."*

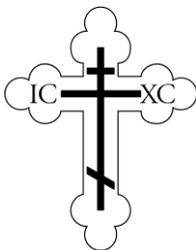
**Gospel:** Luke 7:11-16

## Communion Hymns

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest!

The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance. He shall not fear evil tidings.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!



## St Innocent the Metropolitan of Moscow and Enlightener of the Aleuts, Apostle to the Americas.

Glorification of St Innocent, Metropolitan of Moscow, Enlightener of the Aleuts and Apostle to America (in the world John Popov-Veniaminov), was born on August 26, 1797 in the village of Anginsk in the Irkutsk diocese, into the family of a sacristan. The boy mastered his studies at an early age and by age seven, he was reading the Epistle in church. In 1806 they sent him to the Irkutsk seminary. In 1814, the new rector thought it proper to change the surnames of some of the students. John Popov received the surname Veniaminov in honor of the deceased Archbishop Benjamin of Irkutsk (+ July 8, 1814). On May 13, 1817 he was ordained deacon for the Irkutsk Annunciation church, and on May 18, 1821, he was ordained priest.

The missionary service of the future Apostle of America and Siberia began with the year 1823. Father John spent 45 years laboring for the enlightenment of the peoples of Kamchatka, the Aleutian Islands, North America, Yakutsk, the Khabarov frontier, performing his apostolic exploit in severe conditions and at great risks to life. Saint Innocent baptized ten thousand people, and built churches, beside which he founded schools and he himself taught the fundamentals of the Christian life. His knowledge of various crafts and arts aided him in his work.

Father John was a remarkable preacher. During the celebration of the Liturgy, memorial services and the all-night Vigil, he incessantly guided his flock. During his time of endless travels, Father John studied the languages, customs and habits of the peoples, among whom he preached. His work in geography, ethnography and linguistics received worldwide acclaim. He composed an alphabet and grammar for the Aleut language and translated the Catechism, the Gospel and many prayers into that language. One of the finest of his works was the Indication of the Way into the Kingdom of Heaven (1833), translated into the various languages of the peoples of Siberia and appearing in more than 40 editions. Thanks to the toil of Father John, the Yakut people in 1859 first heard the Word of God and divine services in their own native language.

On November 29, 1840, after the death of his wife, Father John was tonsured a monk with the name Innocent by St Philaret, the Metropolitan of Moscow, in honor of St Innocent of Irkutsk. On December 15, Archimandrite Innocent was consecrated Bishop of Kamchatka, the Kurile and Aleutian Islands. On April 21, 1850 Bishop Innocent was elevated to the rank of archbishop.

By the Providence of God on January 5, 1868, St Innocent succeeded Metropolitan Philaret on the Moscow cathedra. Through the Holy Synod, Metropolitan Innocent consolidated the secular missionary efforts of the Russian Church (already in 1839 he had proposed a project for improving the organization of missionary service).

Under the care of Metropolitan Innocent a Missionary Society was created, and the Protection monastery was reorganized for missionary work. In 1870 the Japanese Orthodox Spiritual Mission headed by Archimandrite

Nicholas Kasatkin (afterwards Saint Nicholas of Japan, (February 3) was set up, to whom St Innocent had shared much of his own spiritual experience. The guidance by St Innocent of the Moscow diocese was also fruitful, by his efforts, the church of the Protection of the Most Holy Theotokos was built up into the Moscow Spiritual Academy.

St Innocent fell asleep in the Lord on March 31, 1879, on Holy Saturday, and was buried at the Holy Spirit Church of the Trinity-St Sergius Lavra. On October 6, 1977, St Innocent was glorified by the Russian Orthodox Church. His memory is celebrated three times during the year: on March 31, the day of his blessed repose, on October 5 (Synaxis of the Moscow Hierarchs), and on October 6, the day of his glorification.

### **VISIT OF HIS GRACE, BISHOP ALEXANDER**

Mark your calendar now for the first arch-pastoral visit of Bishop Alexander, Saturday, October 19 & Sunday, October 20. On Saturday afternoon at 3:30 pm., before Great Vespers (4pm) at Mt. Union Chapel, His Grace, will bless the new church property on State St. (next to Rainbow's End Nursery, which was our summer chapel location). We will also have the ceremonial ground breaking for our proposed phase one of construction. After Vespers, His Grace will speak in the chapel to the Orthodox college students from Mt. Union and Malone, and any other interested Mt. Union students, calling upon his 23 year experience as a professor of Patristics in the Theology Department at Marquette University. He will talk about the writings and teachings of the early church theologians and how they still apply to life in the 21st Century.

Sunday morning Hierarchical Divine Liturgy will begin at 8:45 am.

Everyone is invited to join us and Bishop Alexander, for a meal and fellowship following services Saturday evening and Sunday morning. Cathy Krupko and Jaga Radosevic are coordinating the meals, should you wish to contribute a dish or make a monetary donation.

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