



Sunday, March 13, 2016

St. Herman of Alaska Orthodox Church

A PARISH OF THE RUSSIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH OUTSIDE OF RUSSIA—EASTERN AMERICAN DIOCESE

Great Vespers & Confessions each Saturday at 6 pm – Adult Religious Education (Divine Liturgy) each Wednesday at 7 pm – Divine Liturgy each Sunday at 10 am
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Liturgical Services / Activities

This Week:

Sun. Mar. 13/Feb. 29 Sunday of Forgiveness (Cheesefare Sunday): Venerable John Cassian the Roman, abbot (AD 435)

9:15 a.m. Congregational Singing Practice

9:45 a.m. Reading of the Third Hour

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy followed by Voluntary Rite of Forgiveness

11:45 a.m. Fellowship Hour

Mon. Mar. 14/Mar. 1 "Clean Monday": Fasting from all meat & dairy foods until Pascha

Wed. Mar. 16/Mar. 3 Venerable Gerasimus of the Jordan (AD 475).

7:00 p.m. Great Compline/Great Canon of St. Andrew of Crete (Part III)

Sat. Mar. 19/Mar. 6 Venerable Paul the Simple of Egypt, disciple of St. Anthony the Great (4th c.)

6:00 p.m. Great Vespers followed by Holy Confessions

Sun. Mar. 20/Mar. 7 First Sunday of the Great Lent: Triumph of Orthodoxy: The Holy Hieromartyrs of Cherson: Basil, Ephraim, Capito, Eugene, Aetherius, Elpidius and Agathodorus (4th c.)

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The Sunday of Forgiveness

2016 Finances

The Parish needs \$1571.92 /week to meet budget

<u>Week</u>	<u>Amount Received</u>	<u>Difference from amount needed</u>
Year-to-date	\$ 18,258.16	+ \$ 6626.18
February 28	\$1650.00	+ \$78.08
March 6	\$2421.90	+ \$849.98

Honor the Lord from your righteous labors and offer Him the first fruits from the fruits of righteousness, that your storehouses may be filled with an abundance of grain and your wine presses may gush with wine. Proverbs 3:9-10

Attendance

Great Vespers, 3/5 – 2 Divine Liturgy, 3/6 – 67

Intercessory Prayer List

Archpriest Alexander requests that you send him to full name and general reason for intercessory prayer (such as health or illness, unemployment, family issues, military deployment to Afghanistan, etc.) for his pastoral care. Only the names of the living (and recently deceased) will be included in the prayer list in the weekly bulletin. He also requests that the faithful who have requested intercessory prayers for various persons let him know when there is no longer a specific need for payer, so that we may keep the list current.

LIVING: Rebecca Laymon, Judith (Maria) Cook, Ana Rosado-Nazario, Lana Campbell, Maria Connerley, Matushka Kathleen Webster, Emma Nicole Parkinson, Archpriest Michael Sekela, Tom Zakielarz, Patricia Connerley, Martha Connerley, Kathy Sekela, Mark Laymon, Kristin Blaylock, Janis Sergeant, Millicent Novic, Ray Liddick, Leonidas Stylianopoulos, Sophia Stylianopoulos, Chad Gallagher, Matushka Cindy Mitchell, Protodeacon Brian Patrick Mitchell, Presvytera Flora Chioros, Father Stanley Voyiazakis, Presvytera Katherine Baker, Peter Pederson, Monk Anthony (West Virginia), Archpriest George Larin, Matushka Masha Potopav, Matushka Sophia Doubleday, Evdokiya Bykon, Kevin McCarthy, James Dunham, Eleanor Magee, 2LT Benjamin Stracquatano, USA (Korea), James Puckett, Nora Milligan, Archpriest Victor Potopov, Dsa. Monica Pappas, Archpriest John Nehrebecki, Paisley Joanna Milligan, Emily Vasquez, Nicholas Bluma, Ronald Proctor, baby Aidan, Kris Breem, Dimas Lowry, William Supples, Sr., Archpriest Theodore Shomsky, Ann Yuschak, Sarah Heitke, Alex Woglom, James Woglom, Archimandrite Iov (Holy Trinity Monastery), Archpriest Anastasy Yatrelis, the captive Orthodox bishops from Aleppo, Syria: His Eminence Archbishop Boulos (Yazigi) and Mar Archbishop Youhanna Ibrahim

MEMORY ETERNAL: Archpriest John Udics, Philip Lockwood Swift, Reader John Grecco

Visiting Priest Today

We welcome to our altar today as concelebrant Fr. John Anderson, Chaplain (Major), U.S. Army, Retired, a domestic missionary priest in the Antiochian Orthodox Archdiocese and longtime colleague of our rector who preceded Archpriest Alexander in Afghanistan by several months in 2005.

Volunteer Needed

Stella Jordan, our current parish treasurer, has decided to take a break after this year. We are looking for a volunteer willing to take over the treasurer duties next year. The reason for announcing this so early is to allow the perspective treasurer to learn the job and software by shadowing Stella this year. If anyone is interested please contact Archpriest Alexander, Deacon Alexander, Stella, or Jason Connerley.

Altar Boys (& Men) Needed

We need Orthodox males, at least 7 years of age, as well as older men, to serve in the altar during Divine Liturgies. No experience is necessary and training will be provided. Please contact Deacon Alexander for more information.

Sisterhood of the Myrrhbearing Women

The Sisterhood is open to all women in the parish and all are encouraged to join. Your dues are used in our efforts to support our church, the Sunday School and the fellowship hall.



Fellowship Hour

Mar. 13 ~ Fellowship hosted by Team 2
Mar. 20 ~ Fellowship hosted by Team 3

If anyone has any questions or is interested in hosting a particular Sunday please contact Judith Cook.



Reader Schedule

Mar. 13 ~ Reader Steve Miroy
Mar. 20 ~ Reader Steve Terrell

If you are interested in assisting with the reading and becoming a tonsured reader please contact Deacon Alexander.



Prosfora

Nancy St. Clair is currently providing the Prosfora. If you are interested in helping to make Prosfora for the church, please contact Nancy St. Clair.



Home Blessings

The season for home blessings has passed. Home blessings will resume, upon request to Fr. Alexander, after Pascha on 1 May.



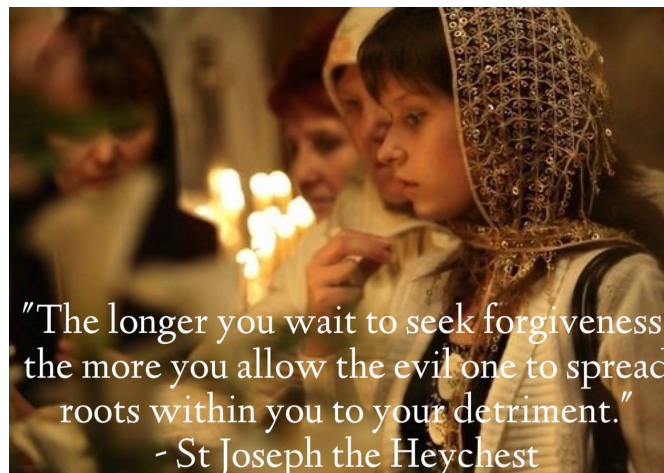
We are registered with two broadcast media weather alert systems: (1) television: WJLA-TV (channel 7) and News Channel 8, and (2) radio: WTOP radio (103.5, 103.9, 107.7 -- all FM) and WTOP.com Any closings will also be posted on the home page of our website and via email to those who have asked to be on our electronic mailing list.

Adult Religious Education

Weeknight Adult Religious Education classes will continue during Great Lent immediately following the special Lenten liturgies each Wednesday at 7 pm. The current series focuses on the Divine Liturgy, why we worship the way we do, and what every detail of the Divine Liturgy means both historically and for us today. You do not need to have attended the previous sessions to participate.

Iconography Guild Meeting

Elizabeth, Stella and her daughter Stacie, Gina and her granddaughter Alexa, all joined in our recent iconography guild meeting to work on face studies and practice icons of the archangels. We shared reading recommendations for Lent, and enjoyed our prayerful, social time together. Join us next month, April 2nd at 12:30 in the fellowship hall.



"The longer you wait to seek forgiveness, the more you allow the evil one to spread roots within you to your detriment."
- St Joseph the Heychest