



Sunday, February 19, 2017

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 – Bible Study each Wednesday at 7 pm – Divine Liturgy each Sunday at 10 am

60 Clifton Chapel Lane, Stafford, Virginia 22555 – Mailing Address: P.O. Box 1295, Stafford, VA 22555 – Website: www.sthermanorthodox.org

Liturgical Services/Activities:

Sun. Feb. 19/Feb. 6 Sunday of the Last Judgment (Meatfare). Venerable Bukolos, bishop of Smyrna (ca. 100)

9:15 a.m. Choir Practice

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

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship Hour

Wed. Feb. 15/Feb. 2 Martyr Nikephoros of Antioch (ca. 257)

7:00 p.m. Adult Religious Education Class

Sat. Feb. 18/Feb. 5 New Hieromartyrs Basil and Gabriel priests (1919)

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

Sun. Feb. 26/Feb. 6 The Sunday of Forgiveness (Cheesefare). Venerable Martinian, monk, of Caesarea in Palestine (422 AD)

9:15 a.m. Choir Practice

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

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship Hour



Sunday of the Last Judgement

Attendance

Great Vespers, 2/11 – 7

Divine Liturgy, 2/12 – 41

2017 Finances

The Parish needs \$1588.81 /week to meet budget

<u>Week</u>	<u>Amount Received</u>	<u>Difference from amount needed</u>
Year-to-date	\$ 10,915.84	- \$ 205.83
February 5	\$1,865.00	+ \$276.19
February 12	\$1,795.00	+ \$206.19

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

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, Ann Yuschak, Sarah Heitke, Dsa. Monica Pappas, Emmelia Stone, Paisley Joanna Milligan, Charles Jordan, Matushka Kathleen Webster, Emma Nicole Parkinson, Matushka Joanna Laymon, Lana Campbell, Maria Connerley, 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 Joanna Mitchell, Protodeacon Brian Patrick Mitchell, Presvytera Flora Chioros, Father Stanley Voyiazakis, Presvytera Katherine Baker, Peter-Panagiotis Peterson, 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), David Jones (Peace Corps, Ghana), James Puckett, Nora Milligan, Archpriest Victor Potapov, Archpriest John Nehrebecki, Archpriest Theodore Shomsky, Alex Woglom, James Woglom, Archimandrite Iov (Holy Trinity Monastery), Jo Ann Swift, Archpriest George Rados, Abbess Makaria, James and Bryce Wilt, Ryan Wilt, Logan Peters, Sandra Brown, Brian Green, Glen A. Cooper, Kiernan Green, Protodeacon Nicholas Lukianov, Matushka Nadejda Revitsky, John Hershey, Archpriest George Johnson, Lisa King Buka. Richard Buka Sr., Gene King, Howard J. Stickle, Larry Terrell, Matushka Larisa Hutnyan, Jackie Leopold, Ellaine Baron, Protodeacon Pavel Wolkow, Mother Theodora, Jerry Laxson, Archpriest Alexander Veronis, James Kushiner, Michael Gann, James Scott Jr., Anders Bjorklund, Maria Papademetriou, Peter and Laura Roshak and baby Mark, Protopresbyter Valery Lukianov, Archpriest George Kallaur, the captive Orthodox bishops from Aleppo, Syria: His Eminence Archbishop Boulos (Yazigi) and Mar Archbishop Youhanna Ibrahim

Memory Eternal: Matushka Juliana Schmemann, Joseph Kumbera, Nolan Scully, Caryll Whipple (CAPT, USN, Ret.), Monk Joseph (Isaac Lambertson), Alice Remillard

Blessing of Homes for Theophany

Archpriest Alexander will, God-willing, continue to bless parishioners' homes for Theophany until the first day of Great Lent (Clean Monday, February 27). To schedule a visit (preferably on Saturday afternoons, Sunday afternoon after 2:30 pm, or Wednesday later afternoon / early evening, please send an email or call his cell phone:

New Adult Religious Education Course on Wednesdays at 7 pm

A new series began in January: "Contemporary Moral Issues." Each week we tackle a moral or ethical issue (chosen by consensus of the class) in light of the Orthodox Tradition, using as a resource an excellent collection of short newspaper columns by Archpriest Stanley S. Harakas titled, *Contemporary Moral Issues*. (Copies are now available in the parish bookstore for \$13 apiece.) Fr. Stanley, former dean of Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology near Boston, MA, is our rector's long-time mentor in moral theology.

Sisterhood of the Myrrh-bearing Women: 2017 Dues

It is a new year and time for the Sisterhood of Myrrh-bearing Women to collect the 2017 dues. All adult female members of the church may join the Sisterhood. The dues are only \$25 per year and can be paid by check (payable to Sisterhood of the Myrrh-bearing Women) or cash. These dues are used to support the Sunday School, to maintain the fellowship hall and church, and to provide for other needs identified by the Sisterhood. Contact Judith Cook to pay your dues.

Sisterhood of the Myrrh-bearing Women: 2017 Meeting and election

The Sisterhood will have its first meeting of the year on February 26 during the fellowship hour. At this meeting officers for 2017 will be elected. Only members who have paid their dues are eligible to vote for the new slate of officers. Please plan to attend.

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Fellowship Hour

- Feb. 19 ~ Fellowship provided by Team 3
Feb. 26 ~ Fellowship provided by Team 4

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

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Reader Schedule

- Feb. 19 ~ Reader Steve Terrell
Feb. 26 ~ Reader Steve Mirov

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

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Prosfora

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

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.

LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE!

Thrice-blessed 100% beeswax candles are now available in our Sisterhood's gift shop.

Candles that were first cast by Orthodox monks from Holy Cross and Holy Trinity Monasteries, and blessed in our chapel, were lit and filled with our prayers during our services. The stubs are then collected, melted, cleaned, and recast by Deacon Alexander. They are now available for sale in the gift shop of our Sisterhood of the Myrrhbearing Women.

Votive candles are 3 for \$5.00, and larger, pillar candles are also available. All proceeds go to the Sisterhood, which supports the ministries of St. Herman of Alaska Orthodox Church.



Metropolitan Hilarion's Lenten Project for Children: Help Orphans in St. Petersburg (Russia)

Dear in the Lord Parish Rectors, Directors & Teachers of Parish and Sunday schools:

With our blessing and in the framework of the initiated program "School Piggy Bank," the Prince Vladimir Youth Association, along with the Synodal Youth Department, is organizing financial assistance to the Efimovskaya Special Boarding School for orphans in the Leningrad region. The boarding school is currently raising and educating over 100 children. The main contingent of students are children left without parental care. Most of these children never had a home and they did not know of parental warmth. Many of them have complex diagnoses or terminal diseases. As life shows, the years that they spend in the boarding school are brightest and most memorable in their difficult lives.

The Prince Vladimir Youth Association is organizing a youth choir trip to St. Petersburg, during which the young singers will hold concerts for clergy and parishioners, and will relay the funds raised in our parishes.

We appeal to you to help support these poor orphans. Every penny donated by your children will mean a great deal. Collected funds will be of great use and support to these parentless children. They will be especially happy to know that children their age provided this help.

Christian love is expressed in actions. We hope that during Great Lent, your children will express their love for God and their neighbor by helping these children in need, which will also be a stimulus to Christian spiritual growth.

Moneys should be collected from February 25 to April 9 (Palm Sunday, inclusive). After the trip, all parish schools will be provided a report on how their collected donations were used.

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Metropolitan of Eastern America & New York/First Hierarch of the Russian Church Abroad

[NOTE to parents who wish to pay by check on Palm Sunday: please include our church in the TO line and designate "Prince Vladimir Youth Association" in the MEMO line.]