



Sunday, June 11, 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. June 11/May 29

1st Sunday after Pentecost. All Saints.

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

12:30 p.m. Parish Council Meeting

Wed. June 14/June 1

Martyr Justin the Philosopher, and those with him at Rome:

Martyrs Justin, Chariton and his wife Charita, Euelpistos,

Hierax, Peon, Valerian and Justus (166 AD)

7:00 p.m. Adult Religious Education Class

Sat. June 17/June 4

All venerable and holy Fathers of the Holy Mount Athos

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

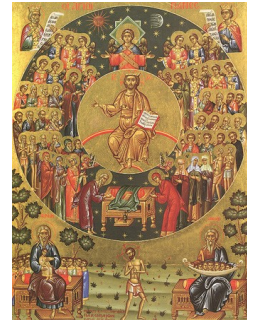
Sun. June 18/June 5

2nd Sunday after Pentecost. All Russian Saints. Apostles' (Peter & Paul) Fast

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



All Saints

Attendance

Great Vespers, 6/3 – 10

Divine Liturgy, 6/4 – 60

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	\$ 35,875.53	- \$ 667.10
May 28	\$938.00	- \$650.81
June 4	\$1,482.00	- \$106.81

Honor the Lord from your righteous labors and offer Him the first fruits from the fruits of righteousness, that your storehouses may be full

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, Paisley Joanna Milligan, Charles Jordan, Matushka Kathleen Webster, Emma Nicole Parkinson, Veronica Sirko, Kristin Milligan, Donna Colaianni, Archpriest Michael Sekela, 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, Monk Anthony (West Virginia), Archpriest George Larin, Matushka Masha Potopav, Matushka Sophia Doubleday, Evdokiya Bykon, Kevin McCarthy, James Dunham, 2LT Benjamin Stracquatano, USA (Korea), David Jones (Peace Corps, Ghana), James Puckett, Nora Milligan, Archpriest Victor Potapov, Archpriest John Nehrebecki, Archpriest Theodore Shomsky, Archimandrite Iov (Holy Trinity Monastery), Jo Ann Swift, Archpriest George Rados, Abbess Makaria, James and Bryce Wilt, Ryan Wilt, Logan Peters, Sandra Brown, 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, Archpriest Paul Ivanov, Christina Spannic, Ksenia Resnikoff, Maximos Andreas Winans, Michelle Duckett, Deacon Nicholas Pappas, Kevin McDonald, Elizabeth Orlovsky, the captive Orthodox bishops from Aleppo, Syria: His Eminence Archbishop Boulos (Yazigi) and Mar Archbishop Youhanna Ibrahim

Memory Eternal: Donna Terrell, Steven Van Weddingen, James Golden

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.

The topic for the **next class session on June 14** will be **ecology and the environment** (including, of course, "climate change"). The reading this class may be found in the short chapter titled "Ecology: A Christian Oversight?" in Fr. Stanley Harakas' book, *Contemporary Moral Issues*.

Iconography workshop at St. Herman's: Deadline Approaching!

The process of writing an icon is an icon of our journey into theosis.

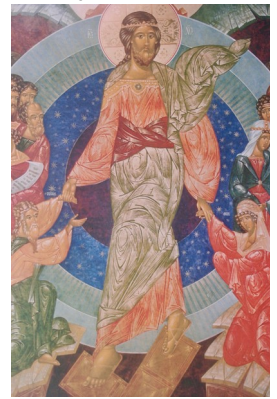
We still have space available for our annual iconography workshop, held the week of September 11 – 16. Fr. Igumen Mefodii, master iconographer from the Prosopon School of Iconology will lead our workshop in writing an icon. Yours will be based on your experience, beginning, intermediate, or advanced. (Advanced students will write the icon of the Feast of the Resurrection.)

As in 14th-16th century Russia, we will create an icon using natural materials in the ancient techniques, rich with symbolism, which Father will explain.

Please pick up the fliers with registration forms, hanging by the library door in the fellowship hall, for your use and for sharing. The deadline to register is Aug. 14, but early registration is recommended.

Whether you are called to pursue this path or desire to experience this peaceful week of learning, prayer, work, and fellowship, come and see!

In Christ,
Mat. Joanna Laymon



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Fellowship Hour

June 11 ~ Fellowship provided by Team 2

June 18 ~ Fellowship provided by Team 3

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

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Reader Schedule

June 11 ~ Reader Moses Swift

June 18 ~ Reader Steve Terrell

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

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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.

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.

Help with Grounds Maintenance Needed

This is a request/call out to volunteers to help keep the grass mowed and do some weeding over the summer. I'd like to get a rotating list of four to five individuals who will be willing to help out. I will be traveling the next couple of weeks, but will reach out to any volunteers when I return to set up a schedule. The best way for people to reach me is through my email: tim@mellor.com Thanks!

In Christ,
Tim Mellor

HOLY CONFESSIONS

Faithful communion in the Holy Mysteries requires faithful participation in the Holy Mystery of Confession. To apply Fr. Thomas Hopko's felicitous phrase "regular and disciplined communion" also to Confession entails Holy Confession ideally each month by those faithful who expect to receive the Body and Blood of Our Lord at each Sunday Divine Liturgy. The timing may be extended through the practice of "oikonomia" (exception for the greater good of both the person and the community) to once every two months. However, Holy Confession less frequent than bi-monthly is, according to the guidance of our recent hierarch, His Beatitude Metropolitan Jonah, inadequate preparation for receiving the Body and Blood of our Lord. Regular opportunities for Holy Confession at St Herman of Alaska Orthodox Mission include the following: each Saturday after Great Vespers, each Wednesday evening before the Adult Religious Education class (that is, from 6 p.m. until 6:45 p.m.), Sundays after Divine Liturgy upon request, and by appointment at other times. Of course, parishioners may have established previous relations with other Orthodox priest-confessors that they may wish to continue. If that is the case, I ask only that such parishioners let me know the names of their priest-confessors, so that I can be confident that the spiritual relation is strong. Please honor the minimum standard for this necessary spiritual discipline and vital sacramental opportunity.



~ Archpriest Alexander

"In the mercy of God, the little thing done with humility will enable us to be found in the same place as the saints who have labored much and been true servants of God." + St. Dorotheos of Gaza