



Sunday, November 1, 2020

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

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Liturgical Services/Activities: *(please remember to sign up for services and communion)*

- Sun. Nov. 1/Oct. 19** 21st Sunday after Pentecost. Prophet Joel (800 B.C.).
9:30 a.m. Reading of the Hours
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship
- Wed. Oct. 4/Oct. 22** Holy Equal-to-the-Apostles Abercius, bishop and wonderworker of Hierapolis (AD 167).
6:30 p.m. Vespers
7:00 p.m. Adult Religious Education Class
- Sat. Oct. 7/Oct. 25** Venerable Theophilos of the Kiev Caves, bishop of Novgorod (AD 1482).
4:00 p.m. Catechumen class
5:15 p.m. Confessions
6:00 p.m. Vigil
- Sun. Nov. 8/Oct. 26** 22nd Sunday after Pentecost. Holy and Glorious Great-martyr Demetrius the Myrrh-gusher of Thessalonica (AD 306).
9:30 a.m. Reading of the Hours
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship

The risk of the COVID virus has compelled some of our parishioners to absent themselves from public contact including attendance at the Divine Liturgy. If you have been unable to come to church and would like to have communion brought to your home, please contact Fr. Alexander at 540-212-1855 or anevsky54@gmail.com.

Attendance

Great Vespers, 10/24--

Divine Liturgy, 10/25--

Vespers, 10/27--

2020 Finances

The Parish needs \$2,110/week to meet budget

<u>Week</u>	<u>Amount Received</u>	<u>Difference from amount needed</u>
Year-to-date	\$ 121,016.15	+ \$ 29,483.37
October 18	\$ 1,519.83	- \$ 590.17
October 25	\$ 2,544.45	+ \$ 434.45

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. :

Intercessory Prayer List

Metropolitan Jonah requests that you send him the 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 prayer, so that we may keep the list current.

LIVING: Sarah, Emmanuel, Mark, Claudia, Katherine, Erika, Victoria, Michael, Tate, Renate, Dieter, Rebekah, Sofia, Ioannis, Anastasia, Elizabeth, Georgia, John, Elena, Alice, Matthew, Boris, Elizabeth, Davis (Columba), Moses, Emma, Kristin, Monk Sergius, Priest John, Priest David, Priest Costa, Priest Michael, Presbyteria Cindy, Priest George, Presbyteria Areti, Nun Aimiliane, Priest Charalambos, Monk Serapheim, Elizabeth, Katje, Rachel, Mandi, Clive, Clair, Rebecca, Janis, Paisley, George, Archpriest Alexander, Matushka Kathleen, Emma Nicole, Alexa Kate, Steven, Millicent, Archpriest Victor, Matushka Masha, Pdn. Patrick, Matushka Joanna, Matushka Sophia, Mother Theodora, Archpriest Alexander, James, Leonidas, Sophia, Maria, Larry, Bill, Modestos, Katya & Michael, Ephraim, Reader Moses, Jo Ann, Sarah, Paul, Laura and baby Mary, Brianna, Robert, Baby Nina, Charley & Alexandra, Irina & baby, Rebecca, Melissa & babies

MEMORY ETERNAL: Gregory Cornwell, Mark Laymon, William Laymon, Sr.

Our brother in Christ Gregory Cornwell reposed on October 28th. Supporting the family can be as easy as providing a meal. If you are interested please sign up at <https://takethenameal.com/PQKY5147> or contact Matushka Veronica.



Fellowship Hour

Nov. 8 Fellowship Team 2
Nov. 15 Fellowship Team 3

If anyone would like to join a team or be put on the list of substitutes, or is interested in hosting a particular Sunday please contact Brianna Lessin or Mat. Veronica Sirko.



Reader Schedule

Nov. 8 ~ Rdr. Michael Yuschak
Nov. 15 ~ Rdr. Stephen Terrell

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



Prosfora

Nancy St. Clair and Brianna Lessin are 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.

Readings for the Week of November 1st

Sunday 11/1
John 21:1-14 (*10th Matins Gospel*)
Galatians 2:16-20
Luke 8:5-15

Monday 11/2
Colossians 2:13-20
Luke 9:18-22

Tuesday 11/3
Colossians 2:20-3:3
Luke 9:23-27
Wednesday Reading
Colossians 3:17-4:1
Luke 9:44-50

Wednesday 11/4
Luke 1:39-49, 56 *Matins Gospel*
Philippians 2:5-11 *Epistle, Theotokos*
Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28 *Gospel, Theotokos*

Thursday 11/5
Colossians 4:2-9
Luke 9:49-56
Galatians 1:11-19 *Apostle*
Matthew 13:54-58 *Apostle*

Friday 11/6
Luke 1:39-49, 56 *Matins Gospel*
Colossians 4:10-18
Luke 10:1-15
Philippians 2:5-11 *Epistle, Theotokos*
Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28 *Gospel, Theotokos*

Saturday 11/7
2 Corinthians 5:1-10
Luke 7:2-10
1 Thessalonians 4:13-17 *Departed*
John 5:24-30 *Departed*

Many Years!

Birthday

1 Maggie Milligan
5 Paisley Milligan
Julian Sirko
7 Cassandra Miller
12 Rdr. Moses Swift
18 Rdr. Michael Yuschak
23 Nicholas Yuschak
Patrick Miller
24 Peyton Lessin
25 Brian Supples
28 John Sirko

Name Day

5 James Supples
8 James (Demetrios) Malamas
20 Gregory Cornwell
21 Michaela Coman
Brian (Michael) Lessin
Charles (Michael) McLeod
Rdr. Michael Yuschak
22 JoLu (Nectaria) Terrell
Sdn. Nectarios Harrison
26 John Sirko

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We are still short of our goal to secure the funds to take us through the design phase of our temple construction project. Our immediate goal is to raise \$120k and we still have to raise a little less than \$70,000 more to make that goal. If we don't make that goal then we will need to finance the remainder to get to the end of design phase. If you plan to donate to the building fund, please do so now to help us avoid seeking financing.

Remember that our Architectural Designer, Robert Latsko, is in Virginia and working diligently on our design. He is giving us an overview of the week's work every Sunday after lunch. If you are able to, please join us to see the latest! We are getting close to having a 3d rendering to forward for oohs and ahs.

-Joe Milligan (Warden)

If you do good, you must do it only for God. For this reason you must pay no attention to the ingratitude of people. Expect a reward not here, but from the Lord in heaven. If you expect it here — it will be in vain and you will endure deprivation.

+ St. Ambrose of Optina, quoted from [*Living Without Hypocrisy: Spiritual Counsels of the Holy Elders of Optina*](#)

When you Donate toward a Feast Day Icon You are Also Supporting the Building Fund for St. Herman's Future Church!

Our parish is requesting donations to sponsor our handwritten feast day icons, either totally or in part. Our goal is to raise \$3000 per icon. Two-thirds of the donations will be given to the church's building fund. Your donation can be in any amount. We still need donations toward both the icon of The Embrace of Sts. Joachim and Anna and The Nativity of the Holy Theotokos. Please indicate with your check the feast day icon you prefer.

Please support this project for the beauty of our present and future church, according to the gift of God's Grace and to His Glory.



Let the children come to Church, even if they slept there, even if they played and ate, even if they came late, even if they talked and made noise... It is enough that they chose the Church rather than going anywhere else! They shook off sleep and came to Church. They left their play and came to Church.

Today they play and joke, tomorrow they will pray and chant, and after tomorrow they will serve, and afterwards they will become leaders in the church. Who amongst us didn't behave like them when he was their age?

Do not reproach a child or dismiss him. Whatever he does, do not reject his commitment to the Church. Be kind to them, be nice to them, and teach them with patience, compassion and wisdom. Smile to them. Give them gifts. Hug them kindly. Encourage them and make them feel how we rejoice that they are present with us. Today they connect emotionally with the Church, tomorrow they will connect spiritually.

Of all that we have, children are the most precious. Our Lord Jesus Christ blessed children, hugged them, and had them stand in the midst, in front of everyone, to show that they should get the most attention and care.

Anba Macarius, General bishop of Al Menia and Abu Koras