



Sunday, April 5, 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

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

Liturgical Services/Activities:

Sun. Apr. 5/Mar. 23	<u>Fifth Sunday of the Great Lent: Venerable Mary of Egypt</u> 9:30 a.m. Reading of the Hours 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy <i>(please sign up)</i>
Mon. Apr. 6/Mar. 24	<u>Forefeast of the Annunciation. Venerable Zacharias the Recluse of Egypt (4th c.)</u> 6:30 p.m. Matins for the Annunciation <i>(please sign up)</i>
Tues. Apr. 7/Mar. 25	<u>The Annunciation of Our Most Holy Lady, the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary.</u> 10:00 a.m. Vespers Liturgy for the Annunciation <i>(please sign up)</i>
Fri. Apr. 10/Mar. 28	<u>Venerable Hilarion the New, abbot of Pelecete (AD 754).</u> 6:30 p.m. Matins of Lazarus Saturday <i>(please sign up)</i>
Sat. Apr. 11/Mar. 29	<u>Martyr Mark, bishop of Arethusa (364), and with him Hieromartyr Cyril the Deacon of Heliopolis, and others, who suffered under Julian the Apostate (AD 362).</u> 9:00 a.m. Baptism of Daniel Dutcher <i>(please sign up)</i> 10:00 a.m. Liturgy of Lazarus Saturday <i>(please sign up)</i>
Sun. Apr. 12/Mar. 30	<u>The Entry of the Lord into Jerusalem. Venerable John (Climacus) of Sinai, author of The Ladder (AD 649).</u> 9:30 a.m. Reading of the Hours 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy <i>(please sign up)</i>

Attendance

Great Vespers, 3/28–

Divine Liturgy, 3/29 –

Presanctified, 4/1 & 3 -- 10

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	\$ 28,239.35	- 1,300.65
March 22	\$ 744.00	- \$ 1366.00
March 29	\$ 2,483.64	+ \$ 373.64

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, Mark, Janis, Paisley, George, Archpriest Alexander, Matushka Kathleen, Emma Nicole, Alexa Kate, Steven, Chad, Millicent, Archpriest Victor, Matushka Masha, Pdn. Patrick, Matushka Joanna, Matushka Sophia, Mother Theodora, Archpriest Alexander, James, Leonidas, Sophia, Maria, Larry, Bill, Modestos, Katya & baby, Ephraim, Reader Moses, Jo Ann, Sarah, Paul, Laura and baby, Brianna, Irene & baby, Robert, Baby Nina, Charley & Alexandra, John, Betty, Brian

MEMORY ETERNAL: Kathy Sekela

**Readings for the Week of
April 5**

Sunday 4/5

John 20:19-31 (*9th Matins Gospel*)
Hebrews 9:11-14
Galatians 3:23-29 (*Venerable Mary*)
Mark 10:32-45
Luke 7:36-50 (*Venerable Mary*)

Monday 4/6

Isaiah 48:17-49:4 (*6th Hour*)
Genesis 27:1-41 (*Vespers, 1st Reading*)
Proverbs 19:16-25 (*Vespers, 2nd Reading*)
Genesis 28:10-17 *Vespers, Theotokos*
Ezekiel 43:27-44:4 *Vespers, Theotokos*
Proverbs 9:1-11 *Vespers, Theotokos*

Tuesday 4/7

Exodus 3:1-8 *Theotokos*
Proverbs 8:22-30 *Theotokos*
Luke 1:39-49, 56 *Matins Gospel*
Hebrews 2:11-18 *Theotokos*
Luke 1:24-38 *Theotokos*
Isaiah 49:6-10 (*6th Hour*)
Genesis 31:3-16 (*Vespers, 1st Reading*)
Proverbs 21:3-21 (*Vespers, 2nd Reading*)

Wednesday 4/8

Isaiah 58:1-11 (*6th Hour*)
Genesis 43:26-31; 45:1-16 (*Vespers, 1st Reading*)
Proverbs 21:23-22:4 (*Vespers, 2nd Reading*)

Thursday 4/9

Isaiah 65:8-16 (*6th Hour*)
Genesis 46:1-7 (*Vespers, 1st Reading*)
Proverbs 23:15-24:5 (*Vespers, 2nd Reading*)

Friday 4/10

Isaiah 66:10-24 (*6th Hour*)
Genesis 49:33-50:26 (*Vespers, 1st Reading*)
Proverbs 31:8-31 (*Vespers, 2nd Reading*)

Saturday 4/11

Hebrews 12:28-13:8
John 11:1-45
the list.

Reminder:

In an attempt to avoid gatherings of more than ten (10) people, please sign-up at following link to attend services or receive communion at designated times: <https://sugeni.us/ctvM>. Everyone who feels able to attend service or receive communion is encouraged to sign up. There are also times before services to sign up for confession. Those who cannot attend service are encouraged to read the Typika during service times and can call Vladyka about arranging a time for communion to be brought to them.

Current Status on Services and specific details on receiving communion at designated times outside of scheduled service times can be found at the top of the church website: <https://sthermanorthodox.org> or directly at <https://sthermanorthodox.org/currentstatus>

Holy Week Schedule

Holy Monday, 4/13	6:30 p.m. Presanctified
Holy Tuesday, 4/14	6:30 p.m. Bridegroom Matins
Holy Wednesday, 4/15	6:30 p.m. Matins of Holy Thursday and Unction
Holy Thursday, 4/16	10 a.m. Vespertal Liturgy w/groups for communion 6:30 p.m. The Twelve Gospels
Holy Friday, 4/17	2 p.m Vespers of Taking Christ from the Cross 6:30 p.m. Matins with Lamentations
Holy Saturday, 4/18	10 a.m. Vespertal Liturgy with Baptism 11:30 p.m. Paschal Nocturne, Procession, Paschal Matins and Liturgy
Pascha Sunday, 4/19	1:00 p.m. Pascha Vespers with communion

Please be sure to go to <https://sugeni.us/ctvM> to sign up at attend the service or to receive communion!

Parish Food Pantry and Volunteer List

Dear Parishioners,

St. Herman will be collecting food donations--canned and glass goods, and boxed items with a long expiration date--in the hall. If you are able to, please drop off items in the assigned place in the hall starting Sunday 3/22. Also, If you need anything due to hardship, please feel free to take items from the food pantry.

At the end of/during this emergency, we will donate the food to the county food pantry SERVE.

In addition, if you are able to volunteer and go out and help other parishioners who cannot leave or who are sick and in need of food, medicine, or any other assistance, please sign up here with your name, city/zip, and phone numbers.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e084da8a72ea7ff2-stherman>

If you need assistance, please feel free to contact nearby parishioners on



Fellowship Hour

Fellowship (Agape meal) is canceled until further notice. There will only be coffee available for those to who would like some for their trip home.

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

Apr. 5~Rdr. Aaron Lessin
Apr. 12~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.

Pascha Flowers

The Pascha Flowers are part of a fundraiser for the Building fund this year. Please see the attached flyer for more information on how you can both beautify our chapel for the Resurrection and support our Building Fund (and even get flowers out of the deal!)

Covid-19 and Donations

Because of the current situation at church, I believe people are reluctant to leave their donations because neither Judith, Nancy, nor I have been there. However, Judith and I have been coming by after church to pick up the donations, count them and process them each week.

If leaving them is something you are not comfortable with, you can mail them to our post office box address, St Herman of Alaska Orthodox Church, PO Box 1295, Stafford, VA 22554. I go to the post office to check the mail at least once a week.

Another solution, that Vladyka is very much in favor of, is to arrange automatic transfers from your personal checking account to the church checking account. There is no need to go inside your bank. This usually can be arranged online by selecting the "bill pay" or "transfer" option, and selecting the reoccurring option. (every month on the same day of the month.) If you need help setting this up, I can be reached at stavroulj@verizon.net.