



Sunday, August 30, 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)*

<b>Sun. Aug. 30/Aug. 17</b>	<b><u>11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost. Martyr Myron of Cyzicus (AD 250).</u></b> 9:30 a.m. Reading of the Hours 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship
<b>Wed. Sept. 2/Aug. 20</b>	<b><u>Prophet Samuel (6th c. B.C.).</u></b> 6:30 p.m. Vespers 7:00 p.m. Adult Religious Education Class
<b>Sat. Sept. 5/Aug. 23</b>	<b><u>Venerable Pimen, archimandrite of Ugresh (AD 1880)</u></b> 4:00 p.m. Catechumen class 5:15 p.m. Confessions 6:00 p.m. Great Vespers
<b>Sun. Sept. 6/Aug. 24</b>	<b><u>12<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost. Hieromartyr Eutychius (1st c.), disciple of St. John the Theologian.</u></b> 8:45 a.m. Matins 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship

### Attendance

Great Vespers, 8/22--  
Vigil, 8/27--

Divine Liturgy, 8/23--  
Festal Liturgy, 8/28--

### 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	\$ 92,615.63	+ \$ 20,072.85
August 16	\$ 3,466.55	+ \$ 1,356.55
August 23	\$ 884.62	- \$ 1,225.38

*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. ⲓ*

### 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, Presbytera Cindy, Priest George, Presbytera 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, 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: Sean O'Toole

According to thy mercy, pour out upon me, who am miserable, at least one small drop of grace to make me understand and be converted, that I might make at least some small effort to correct myself. For if thy grace does not illumine my soul, I will not be able to see the carelessness and negligence that the passions have produced in me through my apathy and recklessness.

+ St. Ephraim the Syrian, "69: The Wiles of the Enemy and the Resources of Sin," [\*A Spiritual Psalter or Reflections on God\*](#)



### Fellowship Hour

Sept. 6 Fellowship Team 1  
Sept. 13 Fellowship Team 2

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

Sept. 6 ~ Rdr. Aaron Lessin  
Sept. 13 ~ Rdr. Michael Yuschak

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 August 30<sup>th</sup>

#### Sunday 8/30

Matthew 28:16-20 (*1st Matins Gospel*)  
1 Corinthians 15:1-11  
Matthew 19:16-26

#### Monday 8/31

2 Corinthians 8:7-15  
Mark 3:6-12

#### Tuesday 9/1

2 Corinthians 8:16-9:5  
Mark 3:13-19

#### Wednesday 9/2

2 Corinthians 9:12-10:7  
Mark 3:20-27

#### Thursday 9/3

2 Corinthians 10:7-18  
Mark 3:28-35

#### Friday 9/4

2 Corinthians 11:5-21  
Mark 4:1-9

#### Saturday 9/5

1 Corinthians 2:6-9  
Matthew 22:15-22  
Philippians 2:5-11 *Theotokos*  
Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28 *Theotokos*

“If you cannot be merciful, at least speak as though you are a sinner. If you are not a peacemaker, at least do not be a troublemaker. If you cannot be assiduous, at least in your thought be like a sluggard. If you are not victorious, do not exalt yourself over the vanquished. If you cannot close the mouth of a man who disparages his companion, at least refrain from joining him in this.”  
— St. Isaac the Syrian

### 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. Please indicate with your check the icon you prefer. We have collected \$1600 for the Nativity of the Theotokos, that will soon be underway.

Vladyka has given his blessing for Mat. Joanna to write these matching icons in traditional egg tempera. They will be 13”x 17”, with 23k gold backgrounds and halos. The high-quality boards are recessed and braced on the back to prevent warping. Some examples are shown although they will not be exact copies.

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.

**List of Feast Day Icons:** Nativity of the Theotokos + Entrance of the Theotokos to the Temple + The Annunciation + The Nativity of the Lord + The Presentation of the Lord to the Temple + Theophany, The Baptism of the Lord + The Transfiguration of Our Lord, Jesus Christ + The Entrance to Jerusalem, Palm Sunday + The Resurrection of the Lord + The Ascension of the Lord + Pentecost: The Descent of the Holy Spirit and + The Image of the Trinity + The Dormition of Our Lady, the Theotokos + The Elevation of the Holy Cross + Embrace of Sts. Joachim and Anna (Minor feast, Conception of the Theotokos)

“Even if we have thousands of acts of great virtue to our credit, our confidence in being heard must be based on God's mercy and His love for men. Even if we stand at the very summit of virtue, it is by mercy that we shall be saved.”  
– St. John Chrysostom

### ST HERMAN'S FOOD DRIVE

“For I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink...”

(Matthew 25:35)

Donate your nonperishable food items until Sunday, September 6th, at the marked table in the church hall!

All donations will be given to SERVE of Stafford to help families in need in our area.

THANK YOU!!!

“When you are about to pray to our Lady the Holy Virgin, be firmly assured, before praying, that you will not depart from her without having received mercy. To think thus and to have confidence in her is meet and right. She is, the All-Merciful Mother of the All-Merciful God, the Word, and her mercies, incalculably great and innumerable, have been declared from all ages by all Christian Churches; she is, indeed, an abyss of mercies and bounties, as is said of Her in the canon of Odigitry.”

+ St. John of Kronstadt, [\*My Life in Christ\*](#)

### The Iconography Guild is back this September!

You are invited to attend the Iconography Guild of St. Theodosia, Sat. Sept. 12th from noon to 3:00. With only a few supplies you will learn to mix and apply layers of egg tempera pigments to create charts and faces on a practice board for future reference. Come and watch how beautiful flesh tones emerge from green!

You may also work on an unfinished project or begin a different one.

Let me know if you are coming.  
Mat. Joanna

“Be a herald of God's goodness, for God rules over you, unworthy though you are; for although your debt to Him is so great, yet He is not seen exacting payment from you, and from the small works you do, He bestows great rewards upon you.”

— St. Isaac the Syrian, Homily 60