



Sunday, September 20, 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. Sept. 20/Sept. 7	<u>15th Sunday after Pentecost. Forefeast of the Nativity of the Theotokos.</u> 9:00 a.m. Baptisms 9:30 a.m. Reading of the Hours 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship
Mon. Sept. 21/Sept. 8	<u>Nativity of the Theotokos</u> 8:45 a.m. Matins 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
Wed. Sept. 23/Sept. 10	<u>Martyrs Menodora, Metrodora, and Nymphodora at Nicomedia (AD 305).</u> 6:30 p.m. Vespers 7:00 p.m. Adult Religious Education Class
Sat. Sept. 26/Sept. 13	<u>Rest of St. John Chrysostom (AD 407).</u> 4:00 p.m. Catechumen class 5:15 p.m. Confessions 6:00 p.m. Vigil
Sun. Sept. 27/Sept. 14	<u>16th Sunday after Pentecost. The Universal Exaltation of the Precious and Life-giving Cross.</u> 9:30 a.m. Reading of the Hours 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship

Attendance

Great Vespers, 9/12--

Divine Liturgy, 9/13--

Vespers, 9/16--

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	\$ 104,747.50	+ \$ 25,874.72
August 30	\$ 6,637.54	+ \$ 4,527.54
September 6	\$ 2,718.18	+ \$ 608.18
September 13	\$ 2,776.15	+ \$ 666.15

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, 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

Sunday School Update!

We are getting ready to begin Sunday School starting this October. We have a coordinator (thank you Reader Aaron!), but we still need a teacher or two for the elementary age class(es), so if you would like to help, please let Kristin Milligan know as soon as possible. There are also registration forms for those who would like to have their child(ren) attend.



Fellowship Hour

Sept. 27 Fellowship Team 4
Oct. 4 Fellowship Team 1

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. 27 ~ Rdr. Michael Yuschak
Oct. 4 ~ 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 September 20th

Sunday 9/20

Luke 24:1-12 (*4th Matins Gospel*)
2 Corinthians 4:6-15 (*Epistle*)
Matthew 22:35-46
Ephesians 6:10-17 *Martyr*
John 15:17-16:2 *Martyr*
Galatians 6:11-18 *Sunday before the Universal Elevation*
John 3:13-17 *Sunday before the Universal Elevation*

Monday 9/21

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

Tuesday 9/22

Galatians 5:11-21
Mark 7:5-16
Monday Reading
Galatians 4:28-5:10
Mark 6:55-7:8
Galatians 4:22-31 *Ancestors*
Luke 8:16-21 *Ancestors*

Wednesday 9/23

Galatians 6:2-10
Mark 7:14-24

Thursday 9/24

Matthew 11:27-30 *Matins Gospel*
Ephesians 1:1-9
Mark 7:24-30
Galatians 5:22-6:2 *St. Silouan*
Luke 6:17-23 *St. Silouan*

Friday 9/25

Ephesians 1:7-17
Mark 8:1-10
Saturday Reading
1 Corinthians 10:23-28
Matthew 24:34-44
Philippians 2:5-11 *Epistle, Theotokos*
Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28 *Gospel, Theotokos*

Saturday 9/26

Hebrews 3:1-4 *Epistle, Church*
Matthew 16:13-18 *Gospel, Church*
1 Corinthians 2:6-9 *Epistle, Saturday Before*
Matthew 10:37-11:1 *Gospel, Saturday Before*

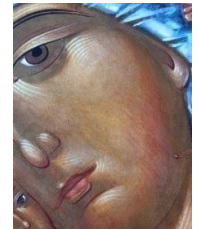
S.E.R.V.E. Food Drive Success!

Thank you to everyone who participated in our church's food drive! SERVE was surprised and delighted to receive all of our donations. They are still in need of many supplies so the teenage girls will try to organize food drives every 3 or 4 months in the future. Thank you!!!



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 the full donation of \$3000, to sponsor the Feast Icon of the **Entrance of the Theotokos** and \$1600 for the **Dormition**. Please consider sponsoring all or part of the Icon of the **Nativity of the Theotokos** as they are being written simultaneously.



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)

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We are still very short of our goal to secure the funds to take us through the design phase of our temple construction project. Our immediate goal was to raise \$120k by the end of September and we still have to raise about \$105,000 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 in September to keep us from taking out a loan in the short term.

Also, if you have any experience with fundraising, the council is very interested in speaking to you! We are meeting after liturgy on the 13th to come up with a game plan for fundraising in the longer term and any input you can offer would be appreciated.

Lastly, our Architectural Designer, Robert Latsko, is in Virginia and working diligently on our design. Things are happening and we're getting a taste of his vision for our temple. 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 aren't at a stage where we can forward details to everyone (but that is coming!) but come and see what building fund donations are going toward.

-Joe Milligan (Warden)