



Sunday, October 10, 2021

St. Herman of Alaska Orthodox Church

A PARISH OF THE RUSSIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH OUTSIDE OF RUSSIA—EASTERN AMERICAN DIOCESE

Vigil & Confessions each Saturday at 5 pm – Adult Education each Wednesday at 7:00 pm – Divine Liturgy each Sunday at 10 am

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Liturgical Services/Activities:

- Sun. Oct. 10/Sept. 27** **16th Sunday after Pentecost. Martyr Callistratus and his company (49 Martyrs) of Carthage (AD 304).**
9:00 a.m. Baptism
9:30 a.m. Reading of the Hours
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship Hour
- Wed. Oct. 13/Sept. 30** **Venerable Gregory, abbot of Pelshme, wonderworker of Vologda (AD 1442).**
No Vespers or Adult Religious Education tonight.
- Sat. Oct. 16/Oct. 3** **Hieromartyr Hierotheus, bishop of Athens (1st c.).**
 No Catechumen Class
5:00 p.m. Great Vespers and Confessions
- Sun. Oct. 17/Oct. 4** **17th Sunday after Pentecost. Uncovering of the relics (AD 1595) of St. Gurias, first archbishop of Kazan (AD 1563) and St. Barsanuphius, bishop of Tver (AD 1576)**
9:30 a.m. Reading of the Hours
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship Hour

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.

2021 Finances

The Parish needs \$2,394.75/week to meet budget

<u>Week</u>	<u>Amount Received</u>	<u>Difference from amount needed</u>
September 26	\$ 1,858.26	- \$ 596.49
October 3	\$ 00.00	- \$ 00.00

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, Ephraim, Reader Moses, Jo Ann, Sarah, Paul, Brianna, Robert, Baby Nina, Charley & Alexandra, Irina & baby, Rebecca, Priest Alexander Laymon, Archpriest Michael Sekela, Fr. Filipe and his family, Irene and the baby, Inna and the baby, Ronin O’Neill, Adrianos

MEMORY ETERNAL: Mary Peterson

Help Support a Seminarian!

Bessarion Grant is attending his first year of seminary at Holy Trinity in Jordanville this year. We are taking a collection to help defray the cost of seminary for Bessarion. If you would like to make a donation, please make your check to St. Herman of Alaska ROCOR, with “Bessarion” in the note. Our initial goal is to provide \$1500 for his education. If you choose to donate via PayPal please follow the link on the church website and choose "Scholarship Fund" from the drop down menu.



Fellowship Hour

- Oct. 10 Fellowship provided by Team 2
- Oct. 17 Fellowship provided by Team 3
- Oct. 24 Fellowship provided by Team 4

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.



Reader Schedule

- Oct. 10 Sdn. Stephen Terrell
- Oct. 17 Rdr. Michael Yuschak
- Oct. 24 Rdr. Stephen Miroy

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



Prosfora

Nancy St. Clair, Brianna Lessin and Maria Tsapos are currently providing the Prosfora. If you are interested in helping to make Prosfora for the church, please contact Nancy St. Clair.

Readings for the Week of October 3rd

Sunday 10/10

Luke 24:12-35 (*5th Matins Gospel*)
2 Corinthians 6:1-10
Luke 5:1-11

Monday 10/11

Matthew 4:25-5:13 *Matins Gospel*
Ephesians 1:22-2:3
Luke 4:37-44
2 Corinthians 4:6-15 *Saint*
Luke 6:17-23 *Saint*

Tuesday 10/12

Ephesians 2:19-3:7
Luke 5:12-16

Wednesday 10/13

Ephesians 3:8-21
Luke 5:33-39
Thursday Reading
Ephesians 4:14-19
Luke 6:12-19

Thursday 10/14

Luke 1:39-49, 56 *Matins Gospel*
Hebrews 9:1-7 *Epistle, Theotokos*
Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28 *Gospel, Theotokos*

Friday 10/15

Ephesians 4:17-25
Luke 6:17-23
1 Timothy 1:12-17 *Saints*
John 10:9-16 *Saints*

Saturday 10/16

1 Corinthians 14:20-25
Luke 5:17-26
Acts 17:16-34 *Hieromartyr*
Matthew 13:44-54 *Hieromartyr*

If You are Spending Time on Your Phone Anyway...

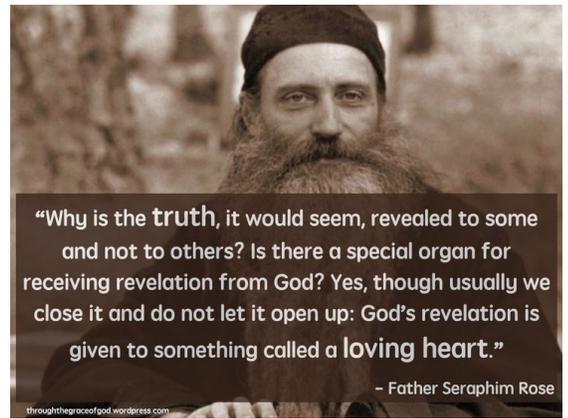
Here are some apps that can support you in living out your Orthodox faith:

Eikona: Hear the Troparion of the day sung, as well as being able to see the sheet music. You can also listen to morning prayers being read.

OrthoPrax: Access the Orthodox Calendar, Prayer book, Saints of the Day and subscribe for access to a collection of Church Readings.

Need Something to Read?

St. Herman's library has been reorganized thanks to several wonderful volunteers and some wonderful donations! If you are looking for something new to read, stop by the room next to the copier and check out what is available. Don't like borrowing books? The bookstore (same room, different side) also has new books, and is a great place to shop for both yourself, your family and friends!



Fellowship Reminder

Just a reminder that the Sunday School children and teachers have been blessed to have lunch directly after communion so they can begin Sunday School. We ask that everyone else wait for the blessing of the food by Vladyka or another priest before getting your lunch. Thank you!

Just as the Lord is solicitous about our salvation, so too the murder of men, the devil, strives to lead a man into despair.

A lofty and sound soul does not despair over misfortunes, of whatever sort they may be. Our life is as it were a house of temptations and trials; but we will not renounce the Lord for as long as He allows the tempter to remain with us and for as long as we must wait to be revived through patience and secure passionless!

Judas the betrayer was fainthearted and unskilled in battle, and so the enemy, seeing his despair, attacked him and forced him to hang himself, but Peter, a firm rock, when he fell into great sin, like one skilled in battle did not despair nor lose heart, but shed bitter tears from a burning heart, and the enemy, seeing these tears, his eyes scorched as by fire, fled far from him wailing in pain.

And so brothers, St. Antioch teaches, when despair attacks us let us not yield to it, but being strengthened and protected by the light of faith, with great courage let us say to the evil spirit: "What are you to us, estranged from God, a fugitive from heaven and evil servant? You dare do nothing to us. Christ, the Son of God, has authority both over us and over everything. It is against Him that we have sinned, and before Him that we will be justified. And you, destroyer, leave us. Strengthen by His venerable Cross, we trample under foot your serpent's head" (St. Antioch, Discourse 27).

+ St. Seraphim of Sarov, "The Spiritual Instructions to Laymen and Monks", printed in [Little Russian Philokalia: St. Seraphim of Sarov](#)

