



Sunday, November 21, 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. Nov. 21/Nov. 8**      22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost. Synaxis of the Archangel Michael and the other Bodiless Powers: the Archangels Gabriel, Raphael, Uriel, Salaphiel, Jegudiel, Barachiel, and Jeremiel.

**9:30 a.m.**    Reading of the Hours

**10:00 a.m.**    Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship Hour

**Wed. Nov. 24/Nov. 11**    Martyr Menas of Egypt (AD 304).

*No Vespers or Adult Religious Education tonight*

**Sat. Nov. 27/Nov. 14**    Venerable Paisius (Velichkovsky) of Moldavia and Mt. Athos (AD 1794).

**3:00 p.m.**    Catechumen Class

**5:00 p.m.**    Great Vespers and Confessions

**Sun. Nov. 28/Nov. 15**    23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost. Holy Martyrs and Confessors Gurias (AD 299), Samonas (AD 306), and Abibus (AD 322), of Edessa.

**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](mailto: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>
November 7	\$ 5,953.09	+ \$ 3,558.34
November 14	\$ 4,945.07	+ \$ 2,550.32

*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, Presbytera Cindy, Priest George, Presbytera 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, Anastasia and the baby, Brody (Anthony) Lessin, Sophia Stylianopoulos, Olga Petrova and baby, Mary Zupan and baby

MEMORY ETERNAL: Mary Peterson, Anita Sanford, William Terrell

We wish everyone a joyous Thanksgiving, a feast with family and friends to give thanks to God for all His blessings on us.

### ROCOR Fund For Assistance Special Collection

For two Sundays, 21 NOV and 28 NOV, we will be taking a special collection for the ROCOR Fund for Assistance. Please include "Fund for Assistance" in the memo line on your checks. You can donate via PayPal by adding a note stating "Fund for Assistance." Cash contributions can be designated to the Fund by putting your donation in an envelope and marking it for the Fund for Assistance. Envelopes are available next to the donations box.



### Fellowship Hour

- Nov. 21 Fellowship provided by Team 3
- Nov. 28 Fellowship provided by Team 4
- Dec. 5 Fellowship provided by 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.



### Reader Schedule

- Nov. 21 Rdr. Stephen Miroy
- Nov. 28 Sdn. Aaron Lessin
- Dec. 5 Rdr. Joseph McLeod

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 November 21st

### Sunday 11/21

John 21:15-25 (*11th Matins Gospel*)  
Galatians 6:11-18  
Luke 8:41-56  
Hebrews 2:2-10 *Epistle, Angels*  
Luke 10:16-21 *Gospel, Angel*

### Monday 11/22

1 Thessalonians 1:1-5  
Luke 12:13-15, 22-31

### Tuesday 11/23

1 Thessalonians 1:6-10  
Luke 12:42-48

### Wednesday 11/24

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8  
Luke 12:48-59

### Thursday 11/25

1 Thessalonians 2:9-14  
Luke 13:1-9  
Friday Reading  
1 Thessalonians 2:14-19  
Luke 13:31-35

### Friday 11/26

John 10:1-9 *Matins Gospel*  
Hebrews 7:26-8:2 *St. John*  
John 10:9-16 *St. John*

### Saturday 11/27

John 21:15-25 *Matins Gospel*  
2 Corinthians 8:1-5  
Luke 9:37-43  
1 Corinthians 4:9-16 *Apostle*  
John 1:43-51 *Apostle*

## 2022 Pledge Forms are Available

2022 Pledge Forms will be available in the narthex. Your response will help the church plan its 2022 budget. The family information is needed to keep the church records so please complete that portion of the form even if you decide not to pledge to the church operating fund. Please seal the envelope and return the completed form to Judith Cook. You may also send your information to [treasurer@sthermanorthodox.org](mailto:treasurer@sthermanorthodox.org)

## Volunteer Opportunity-Greeter

We are looking for a person to serve as a greeter at St Herman. The greeter welcomes visitors and newcomers and offers them a chance to complete a visitor form and to invite them to fellowship after the service. You can talk with Judith or any other council member about volunteering.

## Nativity Psalter Prayer Group

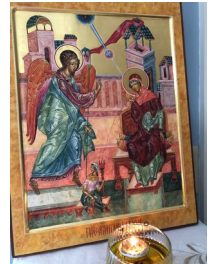
St. Herman's is offering a psalter prayer group for the 40 days of the Nativity Fast. Please see the attachment for more information, and email Maria Spanos at [mkspanos@yahoo.com](mailto:mkspanos@yahoo.com) if you would like to participate or with any questions.

## Strategic Planning Committee

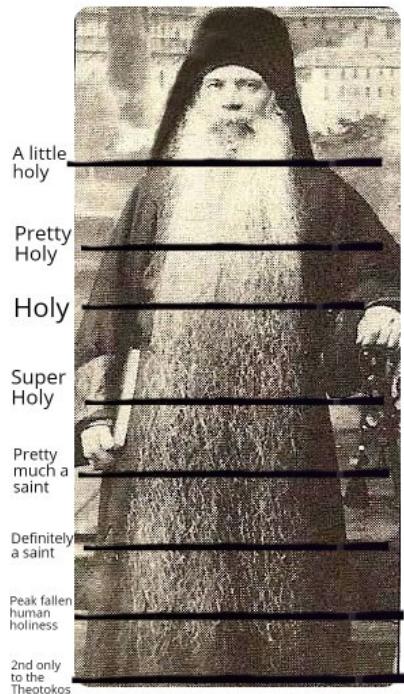
We are looking for people willing to commit to being part of a strategic planning committee for St. Herman's Parish. The first meeting will be at St. Demetrios Monastery the Sunday after Thanksgiving weekend.

## Festal Icons Update

The festal icon of the Annunciation is finished, and the Visitation of the Theotokos is nearly complete. The next one beginning: The Theophany/Baptism of Christ. If you would like to support this project, please mark your donation for "Festal Icons".



## Beard to Holiness Chart



## Church Deacon Carefully Measures Out Half A Teaspoon Of Grounds To Make Giant Vat Of Coffee

November 15th, 2021 - BabylonBee.com

KOKOMO, IN—According to sources, local church deacon Bill Billings arrived at 3rd Bible Church early this morning to unlock the doors and make the coffee for the morning fellowship hour. As is his custom, he carefully measured out half a teaspoon of coffee grounds to make a giant vat of coffee.

"This is the way we've always done it," he said to reporters who asked whether he should add a little more grounds to the machine. "The little card taped to the wall has the instructions written clearly. A half teaspoon does the trick."

Sources inside the church claim that the congregation has been using the same tub of Maxwell House coffee since 1997 when it was purchased by Church Secretary Ethel Rutherford, who is now dead.

"This foyer coffee is just how we like it," said Billings. If it was good enough for the brothers and sisters who survived the Great Depression, it's good enough for us. If you want some of the fancy-schmancy seeker-sensitive artisan coffee those liberals over at Cornerstone Christian Collective drink down the street, you've come to the wrong place."

Once they've weathered the coffee controversy, the deacon board plans to vote on whether to refill the soap dispenser in the men's bathroom.

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