



Sunday, January 2, 2022

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. Jan. 2/Dec. 20** **28th Sunday after Pentecost. Hieromartyr Ignatius the God-bearer, bishop of Antioch (AD 107).**
9:30 a.m. Reading of the Hours
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship Hour
- Wed. Jan. 5/Dec. 23** **Holy Ten Martyrs of Crete: Theodulus, Saturnius, Euporus, Gelasius, Eunician, Zoticus, Pompeius, Agathopus, Basilides, and Evaristus (AD 250).**
No vespers or class this evening
- Thurs. Jan. 6/Dec. 24** **The Eve of the Nativity of Christ. Nun-martyr Eugenia of Rome, and with her Martyrs Philip her father, Protus, Hyacinth (Jacinth), Basilla, and Claudia (AD 262).**
9:30 a.m. Vesperal Liturgy
6:00 p.m. Vigil for Nativity
- Fri. Jan. 7/Dec. 25** **The Nativity according to the Flesh of Our Lord, God and Saviour Jesus Christ.**
9:30 a.m. Reading of the Hours
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy for the Nativity of Our Lord followed by Potluck Fellowship
- Sat. Jan. 8/Dec. 19** **Virgin-martyr Lucy of Syracuse (AD 304).**
3:00 p.m. Catechumen Class
5:00 p.m. Great Vespers and confessions
- Sun. Jan. 9/Dec. 20** **29th Sunday after Pentecost. Righteous Joseph the Betrothed, Holy Righteous David the King, and James the Brother of the Lord**
9:00 a.m. Baptisms
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>
December 19	\$ 5,643.06	+ \$ 3,248.31
December 26	\$ 2464.00	+ \$ 69.25

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 John, Inna and Emma, Ronin O'Neill, Anastasia and the baby, Brody (Anthony) Lessin, Sophia Stylianopoulos, Olga Petrova and the baby, Mary Zupan and the baby

MEMORY ETERNAL: Mary Peterson, Anita Sanford, William Terrell, Adrianos Burke



Fellowship Hour

- Jan. 2 Fasting Fellowship provided by Team 1
- Jan. 7 FEASTING Potluck Fellowship
- Jan. 9 Fellowship provided by Team 2
- Jan. 16 Fellowship provided by Team 3

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

- Jan. 2 Sdn. Aaron Lessin
- Jan. 7 Rdr. Joseph McLeod
- Jan. 9 Rdr. John Raccanello
- Jan. 16 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 December 2nd

Sunday 1/2

Luke 24:36-53 *(6th Matins Gospel)*
 Hebrews 11:9-10, 17-23, 32-40 *Sunday Before*
 Matthew 1:1-25 *Sunday Before*

Monday 1/3

John 10:1-9 *Matins Gospel*
 Hebrews 3:5-11, 17:19
 Mark 9:42-10:1
 Hebrews 7:26-8:2 *St. Peter*
 Luke 6:17-23 *St. Peter*

Tuesday 1/4

Hebrews 4:1-13
 Mark 10:2-12

Wednesday 1/5

Hebrews 5:11-6:8
 Mark 10:11-16

Thursday 1/6

Hebrews 1:1-2 *Royal Hours - 1st Hour*
 Matthew 1:18-25 *Royal Hours - 1st Hour*
 Galatians 3:23-29 *Royal Hours - 3rd Hour*
 Luke 2:1-20 *Royal Hours - 3rd Hour*
 Hebrews 1:10-2:3 *Royal Hours - 6th Hour*
 Matthew 2:1-12 *Royal Hours - 6th Hour*
 Hebrews 2:11-18 *Royal Hours - 9th Hour*
 Matthew 2:13-23 *Royal Hours - 9th Hour*
 Hebrews 1:1-12 *Liturgy*
 Luke 2:1-20 *Liturgy*

Friday 1/7

Matthew 1:18-25
 Galatians 4:4-7
 Matthew 2:1-12

Saturday 1/8

1 Timothy 6:11-16 *Saturday After the Nativity*
 Matthew 12:15-21 *Saturday After the Nativity*
 Hebrews 2:11-18 *Theotokos*
 Matthew 2:13-23 *Theotokos*

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. A copy of the form is attached to the bulletin for anyone who forgot to get one at church.

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".



Chili Cook-Off

Mark your calendars and pull out your cook-books! The St. Herman's Chili Cook-off will be the last Sunday of January during the Fellowship Hour. Details will be forthcoming in future bulletins, but start pulling out your winning chili recipes now!



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"Do not think that you have a right to complain when your prayers are not answered. God fulfills your desires in a manner that you do not know."

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Closings due to weather or other event will be sent via our electronic mailing lists and posted on our Facebook page. Additionally, we are using the Remind App to send text messages of last minute schedule changes. Text @stherman to 81010 to be added to our text notification group.