Prophet Obidiah



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 60 Clifton Chapel Lane, Stafford, Virginia 22555 – Mailing Address: P.O. Box 1295, Stafford, VA 22555 – Website: www.sthermanorthodox.org

Liturgical Services/Activities:

Sun. Dec. 2/Nov. 12 27th Sunday after Pentecost. Prophet Obadiah (Abdias) (9th c. B.C.)

9:15 a.m. Choir Practice9:30 a.m. Reading of the Hours

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

Tues. Dec. 4/Nov. 14 The Entry of the Most Holy Theotokos into the Temple

8:45 a.m. Matins

10:00 a.m. Festal Divine Liturgy

Wed. Dec. 5/Nov. 15 Apostles Philemon and Archippus, Martyr Apphia, wife of Philemon,

and St. Onesimus, disciple of St. Paul (ca. 109 AD)

7:00 p.m. Adult Religious Education Class

Sat. Dec. 8/Nov. 18 Repose of St. Innocent, first bishop of Irkutsk (1731 AD)

4:30 p.m. Catechumen Class **6:00 p.m.** Great Vespers.

Sun. Dec. 9/Nov. 19 28th Sunday after Pentecost. Venerable Alypius the Stylite of Adrianopolis (640 AD)

9:15 a.m. Choir Practice 9:30 a.m. Reading of the Hours

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

Attendance

Great Vespers, 11/24 - 16

Divine Liturgy, 11/25–81

2018 Finances The Parish needs \$1756.77 /week to meet budget*

<u>Week</u> Year-to-date	Amount Received \$ 89,511.58		ce from amount needed \$ 11,563.39
November 18	\$ 2,441.00	+	684.23
November 25	\$ 1,049.65		707.12

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 to 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 payer, so that we may keep the list current.

LIVING: Met. Jonah, Rebecca Laymon, Judith (Maria) Cook, Ana Rosado-Nazario, Ann Yuschak, Sarah Heitke, Presbytera Monica Pappas, Paisley Joanna Milligan, Charles Jordan, Emma Nichole Parkinson, Rob Cornwell, Beth Baggett, Archpriest Alexander Webster, Katie (Salome) Supples, Robert Jenkins, Sarah Elizabeth Francis, Father Methodius, Donna Colaianni, Archpriest Michael Sekela, Patricia Connerley, Martha Connerley, Kathy Sekela, Mark Laymon, Kristin Blaylock, Janis Sergeant, Millicent Novic, Ray Liddick, Chad Gallagher, Matushka Cindy Joanna Mitchell, Protodeacon Brian Patrick Mitchell, Presvytera Flora Chioros, Father Stanley Voyiazakis, Monk Anthony (West Virginia), Archpriest George Larin, Matushka Masha Potopav, Matushka Sophia Doubleday, Evdokiya Bykon, Kevin McCarthy, James Dunham, James Puckett, Nora Milligan, Archpriest Victor Potapov, Archpriest Theodore Shomsky, Archimandrite Iov (Holy Trinity Monastery), Jo Ann Swift, Abbess Makaria, James and Bryce Wilt, Ryan Wilt, Logan Peters, Sandra Brown, Glen A. Cooper, Kiernan Green, Protodeacon Nicholas Lukianov, Matushka Nadejda Revitsky, Archpriest George Johnson, Lisa King Buka. Richard Buka Sr., Gene King, Larry Terrell, Matushka Larisa Hutnyan, Jackie Leopold, Ellaine Baron, Protodeacon Pavel Wolkow, Mother Theodora, Archpriest Alexander Veronis, James Kushiner, Michael Gann, Anders Bjorklund, Maria Papademetriou, Peter and Laura Roshak and baby Mark, Archpriest George Kallaur, Archpriest Paul Ivanov, Christina Spannic, Ksenia Resnikoff, Maximos Andreas Winans, Father Nicholas Pappas, Elizabeth Orlowsky, Conley Rohall, Jean Manco, Katherine Katsikas, Michael Kyle, Julia, Mark, Juanita, Marie Liller, Jessica Anne Swift, Matushka Eugenia Neherbecki, Homer Lewis, James Perry, Debbie Vatistas, George Katsikas, Timothy Vlahos, Vasilliki, Wallace Sullivan, Maria, Yiorgos, Vasiliki, Aggeliki, Ioanna and Konstantinos Dimitrakopoulou, Kaliope Sauter, Maria and Evaggelia Petrelli, the captive Orthodox bishops from Aleppo, Syria: His Eminence Archbishop Boulos (Yazigi) and Mar Archbishop Youhanna Ibrahim

MEMORY ETERNAL: Olga Thuer, Photios, Theodoros Sakkis, Konstantinos Katsifas

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Fellowship Hour

Dec. 2 ~ Fellowship provided by Team 1

Dec. 9 ~ Fellowship provided by 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 Nancy St. Clair.

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Reader Schedule

Dec. 2 ~ Subdeacon Nicholas Sanford Dec. 9 ~ Reader Michael Yuschak

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

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Prosfora

Nancy St. Clair is 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 December 2^{nd}

Sunday 12/2

Luke 24:12-35 (5th Matins Gospel) Ephesians 6:10-17 Luke 12:16-21

Monday 12/3

2 Timothy 2:20-26 Luke 17:20-25 Tuesday Reading 2 Timothy 3:16-4:4 Luke 17:26-37

Tuesday 12/4

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

Wednesday 12/5

2 Timothy 4:9-22 Luke 18:15-17, 26-30 Philemon 1:1-25 *Apostles* Luke 10:1-15 *Apostles*

Thursday 12/6

Titus 1:5-2:1 Luke 18:31-34 Galatians 5:22-6:2 St. Alexander Matthew 11:27-30 St. Alexander

Matthew 11:27-30 Matins Gospel

Friday 12/7

Titus 1:15-2:1-10 Luke 19:12-28 Ephesians 6:10-17 Great-martyr Catherine Luke 21:12-19 Great-martyr Catherine

Saturday 12/8

Ephesians 1:16-23 Luke 10:19-21 Hebrews 9:1-7 *Theotokos* Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28 *Theotokos* Philippians 3:20-4:3 *Hieromartyr* Matthew 5:14-19 *Hieromartyr*

Many Years!

Birthdays

- 3 Preston Jordan
- 5 Russell Kosch
- 14 Sarah Francis
- 20 Wilmary Daou
- 26 A.J. Mellor Chuck (C4) McLeod
- 28 Judith Cook Stephanie Yuschak

Anniversaries

- 5 Dcn. Alexander & Mat. Joanna Laymon
 - 7 Judith Cook & John Francis
- 30 Father Alexander & Mat. Kathleen Webster

Name Days

- 5 Claire Heitke
- 6 Deacon Alexander Laymon Father Alexander Webster
- 8 Caitlin DeMarco
 Katherine Miroy
 Mat. Kathleen Webster
 Katherine Yuschak
- 13 Andrew Sekela Andrew Webster Andrew Holstein
- 14 Charles Jordan Preston Jordan
- 17 Barbara Cornwell
- 19 Fr. Nicholas Pappas

Emma Parkinson

Subdeacon Nicholas Sanford Nicholas Yuschak

30 Rebecca Lowe

Sunday School Winter Break

December 16th is the last Sunday School class of the year, as well as our St. Nicholas party. We will take a break over the Nativity, and will resume on January 13th.

St. Nicholas Party December 16th!

Our St. Nicholas party will be December 16th. We will have class on that day to learn the St. Nicholas song and hopefully sing it in tune;) for everyone in the fellowship hall and then have a little party. I ordered the gold coins and will talk to Stella about the gift cards but we will need some type of gift bag/envelope/card to wrap/hold the gold coins and safely deliver the gift cards without them getting lost inside a bag of candy. I think this may have been discussed during one of the Sisterhood meetings so if someone was planning on it already or would like to prepare bags let me know. If not, I will gladly take care of it. I was wondering though if someone would like to coordinate the food and drinks for the party? I'm not sure how it has been done in the past and I can definitely bring something but if someone could help with the planning that would be great. Thank you!

Human charity is suspicious: it fears lest it may somehow give to a person who already has something, or lest it may give too much. But the Lord's charity is not like this: "The Lord is good to all, and His tender mercies are over all His works."

Righteous John, Wonderworker of Kronstadt, My Life in Christ

Chapel Clean-Up and Decorating

It's time to spruce up our chapel, hall, and grounds. Although it's fun to shuffle through several inches of crunchy leaves, the parking lot needs a few good rakers and leaf-blowing people to clear it. We also ask for help to spruce up the chapel and hall interiors for the coming Nativity festivities and to "deck our hall". Cleanup day for the Chapel, Hall and church grounds is Dec. 8th at 10 AM . The rain date will be on Dec. 15th.



Building (Land) Fund status!

A generous parishioner donated \$10,000 this week toward our "Land Fund". Glory to God! We still have pledges outstanding, but our status: Needed: \$21,971.

Please think of us this Nativity season and pray for us!



Many Years to James Supples, baptized last Sunday, November 25th.