



Sunday, December 9, 2018

# 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:

<b>Sun. Dec. 9/Nov. 19</b>	<b><u>28<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost. Venerable Alypius the Stylite of Adrianopolis (640 AD)</u></b> <b>9:15 a.m.</b> Choir Practice <b>9:30 a.m.</b> Reading of the Hours <b>10:00 a.m.</b> Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship Hour
<b>Wed. Dec. 12/Nov. 22</b>	<b><u>Martyr Paramon and 370 Martyrs in Bithynia (250 AD)</u></b> <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Adult Religious Education Class
<b>Sat. Dec. 15/Nov. 25</b>	<b><u>Venerable Sabbas, abbot of Zvenigorod, disciple of St. Sergius of Radonezh (1406 AD)</u></b> <i>No Catechumen Class Today</i> <b>6:00 p.m.</b> Readers Vespers.
<b>Sun. Dec. 16/Nov. 26</b>	<b><u>29<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost. Prophet Zephaniah (Sophonias) (635 B.C.)</u></b> <b>9:15 a.m.</b> Choir Practice <b>9:30 a.m.</b> Reading of the Hours <b>10:00 a.m.</b> Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship Hour



Venerable Alypius the Stylite of Adrianopolis

## Attendance

Great Vespers, 12/1 – 15

Divine Liturgy, 12/2– 60

## 2018 Finances

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

<u>Week</u>	<u>Amount Received</u>	<u>Difference from amount needed</u>
Year-to-date	\$ 91,763.48	+ \$ 12,058.52
November 25	\$ 1,049.65	- 707.12
December 2	\$ 2,251.90	+ 495.13

*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, Presbyteria Monica Pappas, Paisley Joanna Milligan, Charles Jordan, Emma Nichole Parkinson, Rob Cornwell, Beth Baggett, Claire Heitke, Archpriest Alexander Webster, Katie (Salome) Supples, Robert Jenkins, Sarah Elizabeth Francis, Father Methodius, Donna Colaianne, 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 Vatisas, George Katsikas, Timothy Vlahos, Vasilliki, Wallace Sullivan, Maria, Yiorgos, Vasiliki, Aggeliki, Ioanna and Konstantinos Dimitrakopoulou, Kalliope Sauter, Maria and Evaggelia Petrelli, Bishop Athanasius, 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



### Fellowship Hour

Dec. 9 ~ Fellowship provided by Team 2

Dec. 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 Nancy St. Clair.



### Reader Schedule

Dec. 9 ~ Reader Michael Yuschak

Dec. 16 ~ Reader Stephen Terrell

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



### 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 9<sup>th</sup>

#### Sunday 12/9

Luke 24:36-53 (6th Matins Gospel)

Colossians 1:12-18

Luke 13:10-17

#### Monday 12/10

Luke 1:39-49, 56 Matins Gospel

Hebrews 3:5-11, 17:19

Luke 19:37-44

Hebrews 9:1-7 *Theotokos*

Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28 *Theotokos*

#### Tuesday 12/11

Hebrews 4:1-13

Luke 19:45-48

#### Wednesday 12/12

Hebrews 5:11-6:8

Luke 20:1-8

#### Thursday 12/13

Matthew 4:18-23 Matins Gospel

Hebrews 7:1-6

Luke 20:9-18

1 Corinthians 4:9-16 *Apostle*

John 1:35-51 *Apostle*

#### Friday 12/14

Hebrews 7:18-25

Luke 20:19-26

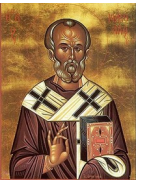
#### Saturday 12/15

Ephesians 2:11-13

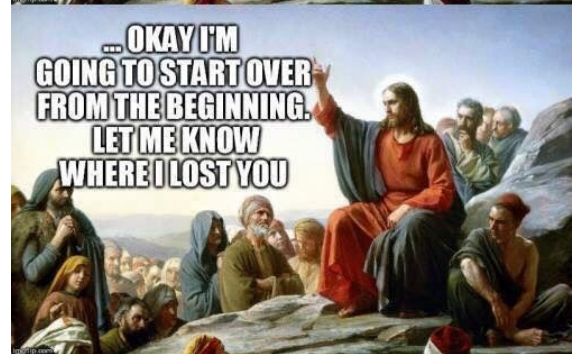
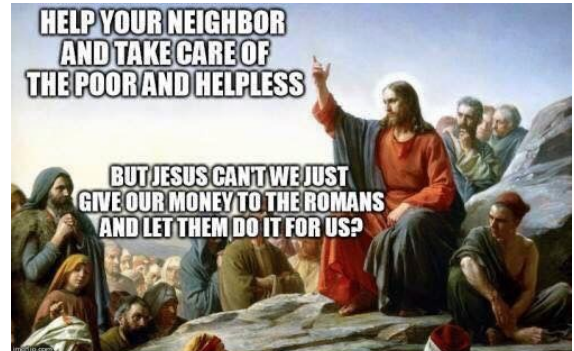
Luke 12:32-40

### Sunday School Winter Break

December 16<sup>th</sup> 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 13<sup>th</sup>.



With Vladyka's sermon from last week in mind....



### St. Herman of Alaska is Celebrating its Patronal Feast!

On December 23<sup>rd</sup>, St. Herman's will celebrate its patronal feast. After Divine Liturgy we will have a pot-luck Salmon bake. Please come celebrate with us!

### Handyman Needed

New toilet paper holders have been purchased for the restrooms in the Fellowship Hall and need to be installed. Installation will most likely involve drilling holes into the stalls, as the new holders will most likely not line up with the current holes. If someone feels up to the task, please contact Judith. Thank you in advance!



### Many Thanks!

Thanks to the small but dedicated group for all of their hard work with the fall cleanup. Hall and Church: Matushka Kathleen Webster, Judith Cook, Stella Jordan, Lori Mellor, Jane Porter, and Nancy St Clair. Grounds: Sden Timothy Mellor, Sden Nicholas Sanford, Reader Michael Yuschak, Luke Mellor, AJ Mellor, Joel Mendelssohn, and George Yuschak



"A vow was given by those who marvelously begot her to return her that was given to the Giver; so accordingly the Mother of God strangely changed her dwelling from the house of her father to the house of God while still an infant. She passed not a few years in the Holy of Holies itself, wherein under the care of an angel she enjoyed ineffable nourishment such as even Adam did not succeed in tasting; ..."

— St. Gregory Palamas, Homily on the Dormition of the Theotokos