Triumph of Orthodoxy



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. Feb. 25/Feb. 12 <u>First Sunday of the Great Lent: Triumph of Orthodoxy.</u>

St. Meletius, archbishop of Antioch (381 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

Wed. Feb. 28/Feb. 15 Apostle Onesimus of the Seventy (109 AD)

7:00 p.m. Pre-sanctified

Sat. Mar.3/Feb. 18 Synaxis of all Venerable Fathers of the Kiev Caves

9:00 a.m. Icon Guild Mini-Workshop

4:00 p.m. Catechumen Class

6:00 p.m. Great Vespers followed by Holy Confessions

Sun. Mar. 4/Feb. 19 Second Sunday of the Great Lent: St. Gregory Palamas the Archbishop of Thessalonica

9:15 a.m. Choir practice9:30 a.m. Reading of the Hours

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

Attendance

Great Vespers, 2/17 – 14 Divine Liturgy, 2/18 – 60
Canon of St. Andrew, 2/19 – 19 Pre-Sanctified, 2/21 – 32

2018 Finances

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

<u>Week</u> Year-to-date	Amount Received \$ 15,096.95	<u>Difference from amount needed</u> + \$2,799.56
February 11	\$ 3,247.00	+ \$1,490.23
February 18	\$ 831.00	- \$925.77

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: Rebecca Laymon, Judith (Maria) Cook, Ana Rosado-Nazario, Ann Yuschak, Sarah Heitke, Dsa. Monica Pappas, Paisley Joanna Milligan, Charles Jordan, Emma Nichole Parkinson, Veronica Sirko, Rob Cornwell, Beth Baggett, Father Alexander Webster, Donna Colaianni, Archpriest Michael Sekela, Patricia Connerley, Martha Connerley, Kathy Sekela, Mark Laymon, Kristin Blaylock, Janis Sergeant, Millicent Novic, Ray Liddick, Leonidas Stylianopoulos, Sophia Stylianopoulos, Chad Gallagher, Matushka Cindy Joanna Mitchell, Protodeacon Brian Patrick Mitchell, Presvytera Flora Chioros, Father Stanley Voyiazakis, Presvytera Katherine Baker, Monk Anthony (West Virginia), Archpriest George Larin, Matushka Masha Potopay, Matushka Sophia Doubleday, Evdokiya Bykon, Kevin McCarthy, James Dunham, 2LT Benjamin Stracquatanio, USA (Korea), James Puckett, Nora Milligan, Archpriest Victor Potapov, Archpriest John Nehrebecki, 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, Howard J. Stickley, Larry Terrell, Matushka Larisa Hutnyan, Jackie Leopold, Ellaine Baron, Protodeacon Pavel Wolkow, Mother Theodora, Archpriest Alexander Veronis, James Kushiner, Michael Gann, James Scott Jr., Anders Bjorklund, Maria Papademetriou, Peter and Laura Roshak and baby Mark, Protopresbyter Valery Lukianov, Archpriest George Kallaur, Archpriest Paul Ivanov, Christina Spannic, Ksenia Resnikoff, Maximos Andreas Winans, Michelle Duckett, Deacon Nicholas Pappas, Elizabeth Orlowsky, Conley Rohall, Jean Manco, Katherine Katsikas, Michael Kyle, Julia, Mark, Juanita, Marie Liller, Rachel Luckett, Hazel Menold, Jiimmy Lloyd, Jessica Anne Swift, the captive Orthodox bishops from Aleppo, Syria: His Eminence Archbishop Boulos (Yazigi) and Mar Archbishop Youhanna Ibrahim

MEMORY ETERNAL:

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Fellowship Hour

Feb. 25 ~ Lenten Fellowship provided by Team 4

Mar. 4 ~ Lenten 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 Nancy St. Clair.

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Reader Schedule

Feb. $25 \sim$ Reader Stephen Terrell Feb. $28 \sim$ Timothy Mellor Mar. $4 \sim$ Reader Stephen Terrell

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.

Home Blessings

If you would like your home blessed this year, please sign up on the sheet in the Fellowship Hall. Once it is known who would like a home blessing, a schedule will be made.



Iconography Mini-Workshop, The White Horse of St. George

The next Iconography Guild of St. Theodosia meeting will be a mini-workshop to do a study of a white horse, based on the icon of St. George and the Dragon. All are welcome to join us Saturday, March 3rd at 9:00/9:30 - 4:00 for this time of fellowship and practice. Contact Mat. Joanna for details. sttheodosiaiconguild@yahoo.com

SOME ITEMS ARE MORE IN DEMAND THAN OTHERS...

Needed Kitchen Items:

Napkins

(Donations may be left in the kitchen)

"A man can know nothing about the judgments of God. He alone is the one who takes account of all and is able to judge the hearts of each one of us, as He alone is our Master. Truly it happens that a man may do a certain thing which seems to be wrong out of simplicity, and there may be something about it which makes more amends to God than your whole life; how are you going to sit in judgment and constrict your own soul? And should it happen that he has fallen away, how do you know how much and how well he fought; how much blood he sweated before he did it? Perhaps so little fault can be found in him that God can look on his action as if it were just, for God looks on his labor and all the struggle he had before he did it, and has pity on him. And do you know this, and what God has spared him for? Are you going to condemn him for this and ruin your own soul? And how do you know what tears he has shed about it before God? You may well know about the sin but do you not know about the repentance?"

— St. Dorotheos of Gaza, Discourses and Sayings

Readings for the Week of Feb. 25th

Sunday 2/25

Luke 24:12-35 (5th Matins Gospel) Hebrews 11:24-26, 11:32-12:2 John 1:43-51

Monday 2/26

Isaiah 4:2-5:7 Genesis 3:21-4:7 Proverbs 3:34-4:22

Tuesday 2/27

Isaiah 5:7-16 Genesis 4:8-15 Proverbs 5:1-15

Wednesday 2/28

Isaiah 5:16-25 Genesis 4:16-26 Proverbs 5:15-6:4

Thursday 3/1

Isaiah 6:1-12 Genesis 5:1-24 Proverbs 6:3-20

Friday 3/2

Isaiah 7:1-15 Genesis 5:32-6:8 Proverbs 6:20-7:1

Saturday 3/3

Hebrews 3:12-16 Mark 1:35-44

Icon of the Sunday of Orthodoxy

The icon of the Sunday of Orthodoxy commemorates the "restoration" of icons in the churches and to their use in Orthodox worship. The focal point of the icon is an icon itself, the Virgin Hodegetria, a popular depiction of the Theotokos as "Directress," or literally "She who shows the way to God." The icon is carried by two angels.

To the left of the icon is the Empress Theodora and her son Michael III. To the right of the icon are the Patriarchs Methodios

and Tarasios. The icon is surrounded by numerous saints who struggled against the Iconoclastic heresy.

The icon also represents the triumphant procession that was made on Sunday, March 11, 843, from the Church of the Theotokos in Blachernai to Hagia Sophia, where a Liturgy was celebrated to mark the restoration of icons.

(taken from https://www.goarch.org/sunday-of-orthodoxy)



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