

Saints Cyril and Methodius Orthodox Christian Church

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Sunday, July 2, 2023 The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

4th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — **Tone 3.** The Placing of the Honorable Robe of the Most-holy Mother of God at Blachernæ (5th c.). St. Photius, Metropolitan of Kiev (1431). St. Juvenal, Patriarch of Jerusalem (ca. 458). St. John [Maximovitch] (20th c.).

https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2023/07/02

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https://www.oca.org/fs/north-american-saints

Services and Events, Upcoming

Sunday, July 2, 9:15 AM: Divine Liturgy, followed by our usual Sunday morning Coffee Social Hour

Tuesday, July 4, Independence Day (Civil Holiday) – Fr. John will be out of the office all day long.

Wednesday, July 5, 8:00 AM: Matins (Morning Prayers)

Thursday, July 6, 7:00 PM, On-line: Terryville Parish Bible Study, on-line, via Zoom video teleconference

Fr. John will be away on vacation from Friday, July 7, through Saturday, July 15. We will have services in our parish during that time, with Fr. David K. presiding.

Saturday, July 8, 6:00 PM: Vigil (Great Vespers with the Reading of the Resurrectional Matins Gospel) – Fr. David K. presiding in Fr. John's absence.

Sunday, July 9, 9:15 AM: Divine Liturgy, followed by our usual Sunday morning Coffee Social Hour – Fr. David K. presiding in Fr. John's absence.

No Services: Wednesday, July 12: NO Matins (Morning Prayers) – Fr. John away on vacation.

<u>No</u> Bible Study: Thursday, July 13: **<u>NO</u>** Terryville Parish Bible Study – Fr. John away on vacation.

Saturday, **July 15**, **6:00 PM**: Vigil (Great Vespers with the Reading of the Resurrectional Matins Gospel) – Fr. David K. presiding in Fr. John's absence.

Sunday, July 16, 9:15 AM: Divine Liturgy, followed by our usual Sunday morning Coffee Social Hour – Fr. John H. back from vacation.

Wednesday, July 19, 8:00 AM: Matins (Morning Prayers)

Thursday, July 20, 7:00 PM, On-line: Terryville Parish Bible Study, on-line, via Zoom video teleconference

Saturday, July 22, 6:00 PM: Vigil (Great Vespers with the Reading of the Resurrectional Matins Gospel), followed by our Parish's Monthly Rite of General Confession.

Sunday, July 23, 9:15 AM: Divine Liturgy, followed by our usual Sunday morning Coffee Social Hour

Wednesday, July 26, 8:00 AM: Matins (Morning Prayers)

Thursday, July 27, 7:00 PM, On-line: Terryville Parish Bible Study, on-line, via Zoom video teleconference

Saturday, July 29, 6:00 PM: Vigil (Great Vespers with the Reading of the Resurrectional Matins Gospel

Sunday, July 30, 9:15 AM: Divine Liturgy, followed by our usual Sunday morning Coffee Social Hour

Dormition (Theotokos) Fast, August 1-14: Every year, from August 1 until we celebrate the Feast of the Dormition (Falling Asleep in the Lord) of the Most-Holy Theotokos, the Virgin Mary on August 15, we keep the Dormition Fast, honoring the Most-Holy Theotokos. During this time, it is traditional to offer additional prayers to the Virgin Mary, asking her intercessions on our behalf before her Son and Our God, the Lord Jesus Christ. Most Holy Theotokos, save us.

Wednesday, August 2, 8:00 AM: Matins (Morning Prayers)

Thursday, August 3, 7:00 PM, On-line: Terryville Parish Bible Study, on-line, via Zoom video teleconference

Saturday, August 5, Eve of the Feast of the Transfiguration of our Lord, God, and Savior Jesus Christ, 6:00 PM: Festal Great Vespers with Litya (the Blessing of the Loaves, Wheat, Wine and Oil) to mark the occasion of the Feast.

Sunday, August 6, the Feast of the Transfiguration of our Lord, God, and Savior Jesus Christ, 9:15 AM: Festal Divine Liturgy to celebrate the Feast.

News and Notes

RESCHEDULED!!! Grounds and Gardening Session, July 8, 9:00 AM: On Saturday morning, July 8, beginning at 9:00 AM, there will be a Grounds and Gardening Session here at Church. If you plan to participate, please, wear appropriate clothing, and bring gardening gloves and tools. Thanks for your willingness to help.

Coffee Hour Hosts: Please, consider signing up to host one (or some) of our Sunday morning Coffee Social Hours. Thank you!

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Again we pray for all victims of disease, disaster, difficulty, warfare, and acts of terror and senseless violence throughout the world—both those who have died and those who have suffered and yet still live. We especially pray for those who mourn the loss of loved ones. Lord, hear us and have mercy!

+ THOSE WHO HAVE DEPARTED THIS LIFE: Memory Eternal!

Newly Departed

Patricia Rahuba—associated with the W'bury Parish d. 6/19/23 Travis LaRowe (in baptism, Benjamin)—son of V. Machnics d. 6/16/23

Anniversaries of Repose - Memory Eternal!

 Peter Sandyk
 7/2/1966

 Tillie O'Hazo
 7/2/1991

 Michael Shaltis
 7/3/1931

 John Astrow
 7/6/1959

 Michael Wittick
 7/7/1920

 Stephen Shopay
 7/8/1917

THOSE IN NEED OF GOD'S MERCY AND HELP

Persons captive and suffering for the Faith

Metropolitan Paul and Archbishop John—hostages in Syria

Those who are sick and suffering

Archpriest Andrew Tregubov—priest in New Hampshire; recently unwell

Archpriest Mark Sh.—at request of Lynn H. Matushka Ann Sh.—at request of Lynn H.

Matushka Anne Hosking—chronic illness; in need of our prayers

Fyodor (Frank) G.—suffering from Multiple Sclerosis (MS)

Donna—Ann S.'s niece, Deb W.'s cousin; kidney disease

Dayrl—Ann S.'s niece, Deb W.'s cousin; kidney disease-awaiting transplant

JoAnn—acquaintance of Jeanne Moore; ovarian cancer

Katie and Aubrey—a mother & daughter for whom we have been asked to pray

Tanya B.—suffering long-term and lingering effects of brain hemorrhage

Claudia A.—Waterbury parishioner; health challenges and now widowed

Mary Lynn—friend of Donna O.: battling breast cancer

Barbara—friend of Patty N.; unwell and in need of prayerful support

Michael "Mike" L.—ongoing health issues

Paula—friend of Jim L.; struggling with cancer

Dimitri—brother of Carolyn P.; health issues

Maryna B.—dealing with some health issues

Thomas—Patty N.'s nephew; battling cancer

Wayne—Donna O.'s father

Dianna—Jennifer W.'s mother; suffering some health problems

Yvonne K.—a person we have been asked to pray for; multiple myeloma

Mark—friend of a parishioner (F.G.); critically ill

Domenic—friend of a parishioner (F.G.); facing serious illness

Louis—friend of a parishioner (F.G.); facing serious illness

Kathy S.—Waterbury parishioner; facing health challenges

Earlene L.—Mike and Jim L.'s mother; health issues

Natonya L.—Mike and Jim L.'s family member; heart surgery

Bach-Loan—a neighbor of Jeanne M.'s; serious health challenges

Marisa—a young girl, acquaintance of the Nimcheks, who is quite unwell

Stephen—facing health challenges; at request of Marilou P.

Emily—acquaintance of the Nimcheks; a person facing serious illness, courageously

Michael "Mike" A.—battling health challenges

Robert Jos.—dealing with some health issues

Geraldine—acquaintance of Helena G.; battling lung cancer

Forrest H.—husband of Elaine H.; ongoing health challenges

Elizabeth—suffered acute and chronic health issues; friend of Helena G.

Rosemary—dedicated member in the New Britain Parish; health challenges

Olga—John K.'s sister-in-law; unwell and in need of our prayers

Kirk-nephew of Joan M. and Jeanne M., recovering from cardiac surgery

Andrea-mourning loss of loved one; req. of Helena G.

Jon—friend of Forrest and Elaine H., recovering from brain surgery

Jeffrey G.—John G.'s father; recovering from surgery

Mark—a man suffering with cancer; friend of Elaine and Forrest H.

Bettye—acquaintance of the Hopkos, very unwell

Sonya K.—former W'bury parishioner, recovering from surgery

Nyla—at request of John G.; unwell and in need of prayers

Beverly—important person in Lewis H.'s life; in need of prayers

Harry—at request of Joan M.; joint replacement surgery

Matushka Deborah Belonick—badly broken leg, requiring surgical repair

Paul S.—ongoing health issues

Matushka Evelyn K.—fell and broke wrist; requires further surgical attention

James-Louine King's son; injured recently

Jeffery—Leo K.'s brother-in-law; very unwell and in need of our fervent prayers

Brittany—relative of Pdn. Paul; young woman facing cancer

John O.—our fellow parishioner; recently unwell

Ruth S.—friend of the Hopkos; badly injured in a fall

Alexandra—Fr. John H.'s sister; suffers with Neurofibromatosis Type 2 (NF2) Reader Matthew—friend of Subdeacon John Paul S.; in need of prayers

Oleg—friend of Subdeacon John Paul S; very worrying diagnosis of health issue

Ken—friend of Kathy M.; suffering with lymphoma (cancer)

Mark and Family—at request of Lenna M.; friends of Lenna's in need of prayer Maria L.—recently unwell

Deb W.—preparing for upcoming joint replacement surgery, schedule for 7/14

Donna O.—broken wrist which required surgical repair

John O.—recently unwell, a very senior member of our parish

Shut-ins and those resident in long-term Care Facilities

Alex—John D.'s brother: suffering permanent effects of stroke

Dolores M.—Bob M.'s mother; resident in long-term eldercare

Vera M.—now at Anthology in Farmington

Roberta K.—a Waterbury parishioner living in long-term care

Dorothy F.—Waterbury parishioner

Matushka Ann S.—our fellow parishioner; chronic health challenges

Expectant Mothers and the Children to be born of them

Rose and the child to be born of her

Emma and the child to be born of her—Fr. John H.'s niece and her baby Juliana and the child to be born of her—Fr. John K.'s daughter and her child Hailey and the child to be born of her—Fr. Peter P.'s daughter-in-law Liridona and the child to be born of her—Valbona H.'s sister-in-law Amber and the child to be born of her—Louine K.'s granddaughter-in-law And all the expectant mothers and their children

Travelers, Those Soon to be Traveling, and Those Apart from Us

The members of Jim and Elena W.'s family who are traveling abroad Melanie O.

Peter H.

Mark and Karry O.

Fr. John and Macrina, who will be traveling (July 7-15)

Members of Deb Wegh's family, who will be traveling

And all those traveling during these summer months

Those from among us serving on active duty in the Armed Forces

Joel O.—U.S. Navy; hospital corpsman ("medic")

Shelby—Joel O.'s wife; also a U.S. Navy medic

Joseph B.—a Terryville neighbor; U.S. Marine Corps

Joshua P.—husband of a niece of Fr. John's; U.S. Army officer

Alexander—relative of Carolyn P.; 82nd Airborne Division U.S. Army soldier

Derek—relative of Carolyn P.; U.S. Army soldier

Ruben—acquaintance of the Hopkos, U.S. Marines Corps pilot

Zachary W-Fr. Zachary W.'s son; a U.S. Air Force fighter pilot

Wedding Anniversaries

NONE THIS WEEK

Birthdays

Olivia W. 7/5 Michael Liv. 7/8

Prayers Requested, related to the Russian Federation's war against Ukraine: Maryna B., friend of our Terryville Parish, and a native of Kharkiv, Ukraine, asks prayers for her family and friends in Ukraine, including her grandmother Larissa, her brother Dmytro, his wife Yuliia, and their child Milana. Lenna M., our fellow parishioner, also asks prayers for her second cousin Ludmilla, Ludmilla's daughter Nadia, Nadia's husband Alexei, and their children Sofia and Anna. Elena Watras asks prayers for her Goddaughter Vera and Vera's family members Pavel, Timothy, Nina, Anya, Mitya, Petya, and all their extended family.

Scripture Readings, etc.

It has been our custom in the past to share Scripture Readings the Parish Bulletin. However, it seems better now to provide links to the Daily Scripture Readings and other resources located on the official website of the Orthodox Church in America, www.oca.org:

Follow this link, to be taken to a section of the official Orthodox Church in America website at which you can access the Daily Scripture Readings, the Lives of the Saints arranged day-to-day throughout the year, catechetical (instructional) material about the Orthodox Faith, and section featuring Questions and Answers about the Orthodox Faith:

https://www.oca.org/orthodoxy

The End! Glory be to God!

