

Saints Cyril and Methodius Orthodox Christian Church

A Parish of the Diocese of New England of the Orthodox Church in America

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Sunday, July 3, 2022

3rd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 2. Martyr Hyacinth of Cæsarea in Cappadocia (108). Translation of the Relics of Hieromartyr Philip, Metropolitan of Moscow (1652). Ven. Anatoly (Anatolius) of the Kiev Caves (Near Caves—12th c.), and Ven. Anatoly (another), Recluse, of the Kiev Caves (Far Caves—13th c.). St. Vasily, Bishop of Riazan' (1295). Rt. Blv. Princes Vasily and Constantine of Yaroslavl' (13th c.). Ven. John and Longinus, Wonderworkers of Yarensk (Solovétsky Monastery—1544-45). Bl. John of Moscow, Fool-for-Christ (1589). Ven. Nicodim (Nikòdēmos), Abbot of Kozheyézersk (1640). St. Alexander, founder of the “Unsleeping Ones” (ca. 430). St. Anatolius, Patriarch of Constantinople (458). Monastic Martyr Gerasimus (1812). Icon of the Mother of God, the “MILK-GIVER” of Chilandari Monastery on Mt. Athos.

<https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2000/07/03>

Services and Events, Upcoming

- **Wednesday, July 6, 8:00 AM:** Our weekly Wednesday morning Matins Service. (*Fr. John is anticipated to be finished with COVID-19 isolation on that Wednesday morning, July 6.*)
- **Thursday, July 7, 7:00 PM (Via ZOOM teleconference):** Our weekly online Parish Bible Study
- **Saturday, July 9, 6:30 PM:** Great Vespers with the Reading of the Resurrectional Gospel
- **Sunday, July 10, 9:05 AM:** The Reception into the fullness of the Orthodox Christian faith of Mikkel “Mike” Adams. (*Rescheduled from June 26, when we did not have services due to COVID-19 in the Pastor’s Household.*)
- **Sunday, July 10, the 4th Sunday After Pentecost, 9:15 AM:** The Resurrectional Divine Liturgy
- **Wednesday, July 13, 8:00 AM :** Our weekly Wednesday morning Matins Service

Note: CHANGE IN PLANS: There are changes in what was previously announced for July 14 through 17. The following will prevail on those days:

- **Thursday, July 14, 7:00 PM (Via ZOOM teleconference):** Our weekly online Parish Bible Study will take place on Thursday evening, July 14, beginning at 7:00 PM. (*Fr. John H.’s travel plans have changed, and he will have not yet departed to travel to the All American Council taking place in Baltimore, from July 18 to July 22.*)
- **Saturday, July 16, 6:30 PM:** Great Vespers with the Reading of the Resurrectional Gospel, with Fr. John H. presiding. (*Fr. John H.’s travel plans have changed, and he will have not yet departed to travel to the All American Council taking place in Baltimore, from July 18 to July 22.*)
- **Sunday, July 17, the 5th Sunday After Pentecost, 9:15 AM:** The Resurrectional Divine Liturgy, with Fr. John H. presiding. (*Fr. John H.’s travel plans have changed, and he will have not yet departed to travel to the All American Council taking place in Baltimore, from July 18 to July 22.*)
- **Sunday afternoon, July 17:** Fr. John H. departs for Baltimore, MD, where he will be attending the Orthodox Church in America’s All American Council (OCA AAC). (*By usual practice, the OCA AAC takes*

place once every three years and gathers clergy and lay delegates from all over North America to do the necessary central administrative business of the OCA.)

- **CANCELED: Wednesday, July 20, 8:00 AM:** We will **NOT** have our usual weekly Wednesday morning Matins Service on this Wednesday morning, July 20, since Fr. John will be in Baltimore for the All American Council of the Orthodox Church in America.
- **CANCELED: Thursday, July 21:** We will **NOT** have our usual Thursday evening Bible Study on this Thursday evening, July 21, since Fr. John will be in Baltimore for the All American Council of the Orthodox Church in America.
- **Friday, July 22:** The Orthodox Church in America All American Council (OCA AAC) ends, and Fr. John H. travels home to the Connecticut.
- **Saturday, July 23, 6:30 PM:** Great Vespers with the Reading of the Resurrectional Gospel
- **Sunday, July 24, the 6th Sunday After Pentecost, 9:15 AM:** The Resurrectional Divine Liturgy
- **Wednesday, July 27, 8:00 AM:** Our weekly Wednesday morning Matins Service
- **Thursday, July 28, 7:00 PM (Via ZOOM teleconference):** Our weekly online Parish Bible Study
- **Saturday, July 30, 6:30 PM:** Great Vespers with the Reading of the Resurrectional Gospel
- **Sunday, July 31, the 7th Sunday After Pentecost, 9:15 AM:** The Resurrectional Divine Liturgy

Sunday, July 10: Reception into the Fullness of the Orthodox Christian Faith: Mikkel (“Mike”) Adams will be received into the Fullness of the Fellowship and Communion of the Orthodox Faith on Sunday morning, July 10. The Rite of Reception will take place as part of the Divine Liturgy that morning. Mike has been faithfully attending Sunday services with us, and has been participating in catechesis on a regular basis with Fr. John. Fr. John and Mike have been meeting for discussion and instruction for many months now. Please, keep Mike, and his family, in your prayers. John “Jack” Kriniske will serve as Mike’s sponsor. Many Years!

A Prayer To Be Said When Entering A Church

I will come into Your house in the greatness of Your mercy: and in fear I will worship toward Your holy temple. Lead me, O Lord, in Your righteousness because of my enemies; make Your way straight before me, that with a clear mind I may glorify You forever, One Divine Power worshiped in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

A Prayer To Be Said When Leaving A Church

Lord, now let Your servant depart in peace, according to Your word; for my eyes have seen Your salvation, which You have prepared in the presence of all people; a light to enlighten the Gentiles, and the glory of Your people Israel.

A Prayer At the Icon of Christ

We venerate Your spotless icon, O gracious Lord, and ask forgiveness of our transgressions, O Christ our God. Because of Your own good will You ascended the Cross in the flesh, that You might deliver those who You had created from the bondage of the enemy. We cry aloud unto You: You have filled all things with joy, O our Savior, for You came to save the world. Amen.

A Prayer At the Icon of the Theotokos, the Most Blessed Virgin Mary

Tenderness springs forth from you, O Theotokos: Make us worthy of compassion. Look upon us sinful people, and reveal your power forever, as we hope in you and cry aloud to you “Rejoice!,” as once did the Archangel Gabriel, Chief Captain of the Bodiless Powers [the Holy Angels]. Amen.

PARISH PRAYER LIST

We pray for all victims of disease, disaster, difficulty, and senseless violence throughout the world.

+ THOSE WHO HAVE DEPARTED THIS LIFE: *Memory Eternal!*

We pray for all the thousands of victims of COVID-19. We pray for all those who have perished in Ukraine, due to the war going on there. Lord have mercy.

Newly Departed

Herman—died on July 2nd; prayed for at request of the Orelup Family

Anniversaries of Repose – *Memory Eternal!* (6/26 to 7/16)

Walter Polochan	6/26/1962
Helen Sulish	6/26/1992
Charles “Chas” King	6/26/2005
Paul Andrash	6/28/1969
Peter Saugran	6/29/1961
Priscilla Krivoy	6/29/1989
Theodore Yatsenick	7/1/1946
Michael Shopay	7/1/1981
Ann Biscoe	07/01/??
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
Alexander Sveschuk	7/10/1928
Mary Hrabsky	7/10/1981
Theodora Andrash	7/11/1949
Peter Kowaleski	7/11/2008
Lovey (Luba) Kowaleski	7/11/2015
Michael Zolotar	7/12/1964
Pedro Kaidalow	7/12/1985
Joanna Susidko	7/13/1969

THOSE IN NEED OF GOD'S MERCY AND HELP

First of all, we pray for all those suffering due to COVID-19, and those working to alleviate their suffering. We pray for all those suffering presently in Ukraine, due to the war going on there. We pray for all who mourn the loss of loved ones.

Persons captive and suffering for the Faith

Metropolitan Paul and Archbishop John—hostages in Syria

Those who are sick and suffering

Priest Ceraphim—a Diocesan priest; suffered a heart attack on May 6
Priest John M.—a young priest, suffering with a vexing illness
Matushka Anne Hosking—chronic illness; in need of our prayers
Matushka Ann S.—chronic health challenges
Fyodor (Frank) G.—suffering from Multiple Sclerosis (MS)
Dolores T.—permanent colon malfunction following colon cancer treatment
Donna—Ann S.'s niece, Deb W.'s cousin; kidney disease
Dayrl—Ann S.'s niece, Deb W.'s cousin; kidney disease
JoAnn—acquaintance of Jeanne Moore; ovarian cancer
MaryEllen—Louine K.'s daughter-in-law; suffering with Huntington's Disease
Yelena “Lenna” M.—overcoming, by God's grace, serious health challenges
Katie and Aubrey—a mother and 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
child George—young son of a Kenyan Orthodox priest; quite unwell
Bill M.—struggling with health issues, please keep in prayer
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
George Kla.—our fellow parishioner; facing a variety of health challenges
Lorraine—friend of Joan M.; cancerous blood disease
Joseph—friend of Jeanne M.; in need of prayers
Dianna—Jennifer W.'s mother; suffering some health problems
Thomas—fighting cancer; father of a friend of the Parish (S.H.)
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
Brittney—facing possibly severe health issues; at the request of Kathy M.
Albert (“Al”)—in need of prayers for healing; very unwell
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; recent serious health challenges
Barbara S.—W'bury parishioner; recovering from surgery
Rick—Deacon Paul and Patty's nephew; Rick is unwell and in need of prayers
Peter—Deacon Paul and Patty's acquaintance; battling leukemia
Marisa—a 13-yr-old 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
Dorothy F.—Waterbury parishioner; unwell and in need of our prayers
Mike—battling some health challenges
Robert J.—dealing with some health issues
Jeanne M.—healthy, but dealing with other challenges at this time
Christopher—at the request of Elena W.
Geraldine—acquaintance of Helena G.; battling lung cancer

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

Alex—John D.'s brother; suffering permanent effects of stroke
Dolores—Bob M.'s mother; resident in long-term eldercare

Mother and Newly born child

Maura and the son newly born of her—Maura is Lucy and David C.'s friend

Expectant Mothers

Lucy and the child to be born of her—Lucy C. is our fellow parishioner
Katherine and the child to be born of her—relative of the Hopkos
Shelby and the child to be born of her—Shelby G. is our former parishioner
Marina and the child to be born of her—relative of the Hopkos
Anya and the child to be born of her—relative of the Hopkos

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

Elena W.
James “Jim” W.
Melanie O.
Dmytro, Yuliia, and their child Milana—on way to USA from Ukraine
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”)
Joseph B.—a Terryville neighbor; U.S. Marine Corps
Joshua P.—husband of a niece of Fr. John's; U.S. Army officer and helicopter pilot
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, deployed U.S. Marines Corps pilot

Wedding Anniversaries

None during this time interval

Birthdays (Between June 26 and July 16th)

Alexandra Wingate	7/1
Olivia Wingate	7/5
Melanie Koles	7/14
Anna Saltourides	7/15



Additional Prayers Requested

Prayers Requested: Maryna B., friend of our Terryville Parish, and a native of Kharkiv, Ukraine, asks prayers for the health and salvation of her family and friends in Ukraine, including, specifically, her grandmother **Larissa**, her brother **Dmytro**, her sister-in-law **Yuliia**, and Yuliia and Dymtro's two-month old daughter, **Milana**, and, also, for **Alexander** and **Aleksey**. Maryna's grandmother, Larissa, and other family and friends, are still in Kharkiv, a city whose people are suffering greatly at this time, due to attacks by the military of the country of Russia. **NOTE:** Dmytro, Yuliia, and their child Milana are on their way now to the United States. (Lord, hear us and have mercy!)

Prayers Requested: Lenna M., our fellow parishioner, also asks prayers for the health and salvation of family members in and from Ukraine, including, specifically, her second cousin **Ludmilla**, Ludmilla's daughter **Nadia**, Nadia's husband **Alexei**, and their children **Sofia** and **Anna**. (Lord, hear us and have mercy!)

Please help with a generous donation: A family in our Parish is suffering economic hardship.

A family in our Parish is suffering economic hardship. We need to help.

Maintaining strict confidentiality (to the degree that *only* Fr. John and Protodeacon Paul N. will be directly aware of which family we are assisting), and not prying into this family's personal affairs, our Parish will endeavor to assist this suffering family financially, making use of the Pastor's Discretionary Fund.

All money collected in support of this charitable cause will be passed through the Pastor's Discretionary Fund. The Pastor's Discretionary Fund is a Fund in our Church that is managed by Fr. John, with the help, as necessary, of Protodeacon Paul. The Fund is managed, in confidence, so that Fr. John can meet charitable needs, while maintaining both confidentiality and the privacy of those being assisted. Fr. John will report to the Parish Council about how much money is raised and how much is expended. However, he, with Protodeacon Paul, will keep in confidence the identity of those being assisted. The Pastor's Discretionary Fund has existed in our Parish from a time pre-dating Fr. John's arrival as Pastor twenty-two summers ago.

Specific to this appeal, there are several ways that you can donate to help support this charitable cause:

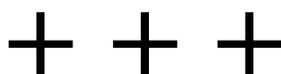
First, on Sunday, July 10, you can arrive at Church prepared to give generously to a Special Basket collection that we will take on behalf of this family on that Sunday morning, July 10.

Second, if you are not going to be in Church on July 10, or if you wish to give to this cause right away, please, bring or send a check to Fr. John. Your check should be made out to "Saints Cyril and Methodius Orthodox Church" and, in the memo line, please, write these words: "For Pastor's Discretionary Fund—Charity Gift." If you are mailing your check, please, address your mailing envelope as follows: Saints Cyril and Methodius Orthodox Church, Pastor's Discretionary Fund, 34 Fairview Avenue, Terryville, CT 06786-6329.

Third, if you wish to give via our Parish's PayPal portal, please, do so via the following link and make sure, again, to specify that your gift is for "The Pastor's Discretionary Fund." Here's the link:

<https://www.terryvilleorthodoxchurch.org/donatenow>

Again, thank you for your prayerful consideration of this request. Please, keep in your personal prayers the family that is presently suffering hardship. If you have any questions or concerns about this matter, please, contact Fr. John, at your earliest convenience.



Readings from Holy Scripture

Scripture Readings for the Third Sunday after Pentecost

The Reading from the Letter of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Romans (Rom. 5:1-10)

Brothers and Sisters: Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in our hope of sharing the glory of God. More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit which has been given to us. While we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Why, one will hardly die for a righteous man—though perhaps for a good man one will dare even to die. But God shows his love for us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we are now justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.

The Reading from the Gospel according to St. Matthew (Matt. 6:22-33)

The Lord said, "The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is sound, your whole body will be full of light; but if your eye is evil, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness! "No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon. "Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you shall eat or what you shall drink, nor about your body, what you shall put on. Is not the soul more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And which of you by being anxious can add one cubit to his stature? And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O men of little faith? Therefore do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the Gentiles seek all these things; and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things shall be yours as well.

Readings for the Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

The Reading from the Letter of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Romans (Rom. 6:18-23)

Brothers and Sisters: Having been set free from sin, you have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once yielded your members to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now yield your members to righteousness for sanctification. When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. But then what return did you get from the things of which you are now ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the return you get is sanctification and its end, eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Reading from the Gospel according to St. Matthew (Matt. 8:5-13)

At that time Jesus entered Capernaum, and a centurion came forward to him, beseeching him and saying, "Lord, my servant is lying paralyzed at home, in terrible distress." And Jesus said to him, "I will come and heal him." But the centurion answered him, "Lord, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof; but only say the word, and my servant will be healed. For I am a man under authority, with soldiers under me; and I say to one, 'Go,' and he goes, and to another, 'Come,' and he comes, and to my slave, 'Do this,' and he does it." When Jesus heard him, he marveled, and said to those who followed him, "Truly, I say to you, not even in Israel have I found such faith. I tell you, many will come from east and west and sit at table with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven, while the sons of the kingdom will be thrown into the outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash their teeth." And to the centurion Jesus said, "Go; be it done for you as you have believed." And the servant was healed at that very moment.

