

## 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, October 2, 2022

**16th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 7.** Hieromartyr Cyprian, Virgin Martyr Justina, and Martyr Theoctistus, of Nicomedia (304). Bl. Andrew, Fool-for-Christ, at Constantinople (936). Repose of Rt. Blv. Princess Anna of Kashin (1338). Ven. Cassian of Uglich (1504). Martyrs David and Constantine, Princes of Georgia (740). Righteous Warrior Theodore Ushakov (1817).

<https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2022/10/02>

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### Recent Hurricanes devastate regions of North America and the Caribbean, while other humanitarian crises still persist and, even, worsen

Two recent hurricanes, named storms Hurricane Fiona and Hurricane Ian, have devastated Puerto Rico, the provinces of Canada bordering the Atlantic Ocean, Florida, the Carolinas and other places, too.

His Beatitude Metropolitan TIKHON, Primate (Presiding Archbishop) of the Orthodox Church in America (OCA) has issued a letter that can be read on the OCA website ([www.oca.org](http://www.oca.org)) asking for prayers for all those who suffer as a result of these storms.

Also, International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC), the official international humanitarian agency of the Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops of the United States of America, is working to respond to these storms and their effects. IOCC's website can be accessed at [www.iocc.org](http://www.iocc.org).

IOCC is also still working hard to respond to the massive humanitarian crisis caused by the Russian Federation's war against Ukraine.

The needs are many. We should all be making efforts to help, beginning with the useful donation of money to charitable organizations coordinating responses, "for God loves a cheerful giver." (2 Corinthians 9:7)

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## Services and Events, Upcoming

- **Sunday, October 2, 9:15 AM:** Divine Liturgy (Our weekly Sunday morning celebration of the Lord's Day Resurrectional Divine Liturgy).
  - **NOTE:** The first Sunday in October has now been named Church Musician Appreciation Sunday by the Orthodox Church in America, and we will be asking God's blessing upon

our Choir Directors and Choir Members this coming Sunday morning, October 2, at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy. Please, see the letter from His Beatitude Metropolitan TIKHON, Primate (Presiding Archbishop) of the Orthodox Church in America, about this Church Musician Appreciation Sunday. That letter is printed further on in the bulletin.

- **NOTE:** The first Sunday in October is also named College Student Sunday by the Orthodox Christian Fellowship (OCF). So, we will also be praying for all our college students this Sunday morning. At this link, [OCF College Student Sunday](#), we can make donations to support the Orthodox Christian Fellowship, which is an organization that organizes Orthodox Christian campus ministries on university and college campuses all over North America. At that link we can also access the OCF website and learn more about OCF's work.
- **Wednesday, October 5, 8:00 AM:** Matins (Morning Prayers, our weekly Wednesday morning service in our Parish).
- **Thursday, October 6:** Fr. John H. will be out of the office and away from Terryville on Thursday, October 6. He will be doing some pastoral activities at a distance from the Parish.
- **CANCELLED: Thursday, October 6, 7:00 PM (Online):** Our Weekly Parish Bible Study, via Zoom, will **NOT** take place on Thursday evening, October 6.
- **Saturday, October 8, 6:30 PM:** Our Weekly Parish Saturday evening Vigil (Great Vespers, with elements from Resurrectional Matins).
- **Sunday, October 9, 9:15 AM:** Divine Liturgy (Our weekly Sunday morning celebration of the Lord's Day Resurrectional Divine Liturgy).
- **Tuesday, October 11, 7:00 PM (Online):** The Terryville Parish Council will meet on Tuesday evening, October 11, beginning at 7:00 PM, online, via Zoom teleconference.
- **Wednesday, October 12, 8:00 AM:** Matins (Morning Prayers, our weekly Wednesday morning service in our Parish).
- **Thursday, October 13, 7:00 PM (Online):** Our Weekly Parish Bible Study, via Zoom.
- **Saturday morning, October 15, 10:00 AM:** Beginning at 10:00 AM on Saturday, October 15, there will be a Gardening and Clean-up Day here on the grounds of the Church in Terryville. Please, if you are able, plan to participate. Dress appropriately for outdoor work and bring your gardening gloves and tools. If you have any questions, please direct them to Corey F. or Fr. John H.
- **Saturday, October 15, 6:30 PM:** Our Weekly Parish Saturday evening Vigil (Great Vespers, with elements from Resurrectional Matins), followed by The Rite of General Confession.
- **Sunday, October 16, 9:15 AM:** Divine Liturgy (Our weekly Sunday morning celebration of the Lord's Day Resurrectional Divine Liturgy).
- **Wednesday, October 19, 8:00 AM:** Matins (Morning Prayers, our weekly Wednesday morning service in our Parish).
- **Thursday, October 20, 7:00 PM (Online):** Our Weekly Parish Bible Study, via Zoom
- **Fr. John away from Terryville, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, and Monday, October 21-24:** Fr. John will be away from Terryville from Friday morning, October 21, through to Monday evening, October 24. He will be in Ellwood City, PA, on personal business related to the settling of his late mother's (Matushka Anne's) estate. The services over that weekend will be presided over by Fr. David Koles on Saturday evening and Fr. Vladimir Aleandro on Sunday morning.
- **Saturday, October 22, The Memorial Saturday that comes before the Feast of the Greatmartyr Demetrius, 6:00 PM:** A General Memorial Service ("Panikhida") for all the Departed, with Fr. David Koles presiding.

- **Saturday, October 22, 6:30 PM:** Our Weekly Parish Saturday evening Vigil (Great Vespers, with elements from Resurrectional Matins), with Fr. David Koles presiding.
  - **Sunday, October 23, 9:15 AM:** Divine Liturgy (Our weekly Sunday morning celebration of the Lord's Day Resurrectional Divine Liturgy), with Fr. Vladimir Aleandro presiding.
  - **Wednesday, October 26, 8:00 AM:** Matins (Morning Prayers, our weekly Wednesday morning service in our Parish).
  - **Thursday, October 27: NO Weekly Parish Bible Study**—Fr. John away at the Diocesan Assembly.
  - **Fr. John away from Terryville, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, October 27-29:** Fr. John will be away from Terryville attending the Annual Diocesan Assembly of the Diocese of New England which is taking place this year in Springfield, Vermont.
  - **NO VIGIL on Saturday evening, October 29:** Fr. John will be away at the annual Diocesan Assembly in Vermont.
  - **Sunday, October 30, 9:15 AM:** Divine Liturgy (Our weekly Sunday morning celebration of the Lord's Day Resurrectional Divine Liturgy).
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## News and Notes

**THIS WEEK: Fr. John H. away on Thursday, October 6:** Fr. John H. will be out of the office and away from Terryville on Thursday, October 6. He will be doing some pastoral activities at a distance from the Parish.

**Gardening and Clean-Up Day on the Parish property, Saturday morning, October 15, 10:00 AM:** Beginning at 10:00 AM on Saturday, October 15, there will be a Gardening and Clean-up Day here on the grounds of the Church in Terryville. Please, if you are able, plan to participate. Dress appropriately for outdoor work and bring your gardening gloves and tools. If you have any questions, please direct them to Corey F. or Fr. John H.

**Coffee Hour Hosts:** Please, consider signing up to host one (or some) of our Sunday morning Coffee Social Hours (also known, these days, as “Coffee and...”). Thank you!

**Missing Cake Stand:** After our 110th Anniversary Luncheon one of our fellow parishioner's cake stands went missing. We are looking for the following: “It is white milk glass with white dots along its top edge. It is approximately 10 to 11 [inches,] in dinner plate size. If it is tipped into the light it has a slight pink hue.” Please, let Fr. John H. know if you have any information about this cake stand.



## Letter from His Beatitude Metropolitan TIKHON about Church Musician Sunday and About the Ministry of Music in the Church

October 2, 2022

Protocol 10/001

To the Clergy, Monastics, and Faithful of the Orthodox Church in America,

My Beloved Children in the Lord,

‘Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the upright. Sing to him a new song, play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.’ (Ps. 33:1, 3). Music suffuses the scriptures, starting from the first pages of the Pentateuch. In the fourth chapter of Genesis we read of Jubal, ‘the father of all such as handle the harp and organ’ (Gen. 4:21). Songs of holy people are found throughout the Old Testament and the New: the songs of Miriam, Moses, Deborah, Hannah, David, Habakkuk, Isaiah, Jonah, the Three Children, Zachariah, and the most Holy Theotokos, to name but a few.

But of course, even before the first father Adam was formed, when the physical world was first coming into being, the scriptures speak of music: ‘the morning stars sang together and all the angels shouted for joy’ (Job 38:7). ‘Praise the Lord, O sun and moon,’ says the psalmist (Ps. 148:3). Music is, in some mysterious way, part of creation and part of redemption, such that even heaven is filled with song. ‘With the angels’ song we cry to thee, All-powerful: Holy, Holy, Holy art thou, O God’ (troparion from the Morning Prayers). And this song, though it begins in time, extends beyond time, and is taken up by the angels and saints forever. As such, the Apocalypse of Saint John the Theologian is perhaps the most musically rich text of all scripture, full as it is of canticles and invocations of song: ‘And they sing the song of Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, Great and marvelous are thy works, Lord God Almighty; just and true are thy ways, thou King of saints’ (Rev. 5:9, 14:3, 15:3).

Today in our churches, we carry on the tradition of sacred song, bridging the gap, as it were, between those ancient songs sung by prophets and patriarchs and the eternal song sung by angels and saints. Our traditions of church music are both a continuation of the ancient worship of the Old and New Covenants and a participation in the heavenly liturgy. This is why the Holy Synod of Bishops of the Orthodox Church in America has set aside the Sunday following the feast of Saint Romanus the Melodist for an annual celebration of church musicianship, to honor singers, choir directors, composers, arrangers, chanters, readers, bell-ringers, hymnologists, translators, hymnographers, and all who help our parishes and their congregations to make a ‘joyful noise unto the Lord’ (Ps. 98:4) so that our temples resound with the praise of God.

I encourage all of our parishes and institutions to take this opportunity to honor those who contribute to church music, and I urge all church leadership to help foster vocations in this area. May we all of us, at all times, according to our own vocation, praise the Lord with ‘psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs’ (Eph. 5:19). And may he in turn be well-pleased with our sacrifice of praise, and rejoice over us, and quiet us with his love, and sing over us in his joy (Zeph. 3:17).

With the blessing of the Lord, I remain sincerely yours in Christ,

+TIKHON

Archbishop of Washington

Metropolitan of All America and Canada

# 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**

His Beatitude Metropolitan Herman—d.9/6, former Primate of the OCA  
His Eminence Metropolitan Kallistos (Ware)—d. 8/24, bishop, writer, lecturer  
Jonathan—d. 9/30; son of Fr. Dennis R. Jonathan was only 39 years old

## **Anniversaries of Repose – Memory Eternal!**

Edward Tadaychuk	10/2/1962
Clement Sarakhyn	10/2/1952
Averkly Hubchik	10/2/1969
Harry Kostyk	10/2/1980
John Kuzmich	10/2/2017
Andrew Shkarypsky	10/4/1940
Vasili Belick	10/4/1965
Eva Mattson Pierce	10/5/2007
John Biscoe	10/6/1966
Madeline Pikul	10/6/1989
Anastasia Fill	10/7/1958
Nellie (Anastasia) Hrabsky	10/7/2002
Michael Kopcha	10/7/2007

## **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**

Matushka Anne Hosking—chronic illness; in need of our prayers  
Matushka Ann S.—chronic health challenges  
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  
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

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") W.—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  
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 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  
Dorothy F.—Waterbury parishioner; unwell and in need of our prayers  
Michael "Mike" A.—battling some health challenges  
Robert J.—dealing with some health issues  
Geraldine—acquaintance of Helena G.; battling lung cancer  
Forrest H.—husband of Elaine H.; recently unwell  
John B.—acquaintance of Jeanne M.; facing health challenges  
Andrei—young man with serious health challenges; grandson of Fr. John's uncle  
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  
Infant Thomas—grandnephew of Elena W., born prematurely  
Thomas and Ada—the infant Thomas's parents, in need of our prayerful support  
Elena W.—our fellow parishioner; recovering from surgery to treat appendicitis  
Catherine—Fr. John's sister; recovering from knee joint replacement surgery

### **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  
Dolores T.—a former member of our parish

### **Expectant Mothers**

Shelby and the child to be born of her—Shelby G. is our former parishioner  
Marina and the child to be born of her—relatives of the Hopkos  
Anya and the child to be born of her—relatives of the Hopkos

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

Members of the Orelup Family  
Peter H.—soon to be traveling

### **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  
Alexander—relative of Carolyn P.; 82<sup>nd</sup> 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

### **Wedding Anniversaries**

NONE THIS WEEK

### **Birthdays**

NONE THIS WEEK

**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**. Larissa, and others dear and known to Maryna, are still in Kharkiv, a city whose people have been suffering greatly, due to attacks by the military of the country of Russia. (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!)

**Prayers requested:** For Maryna B.'s brother **Dmytro**, sister-in-law **Yuliia**, and their child **Milana** (born May 6, 2022). (Lord, Jesus Christ, King of Peace, hear our prayers! Lord, have mercy.)

**Prayers Requested, related to the troubles created by the Russian Federation's war against Ukraine:** Elena Watras asks prayers for her Goddaughter **Vera** and her family members **Pavel, Timothy, Nina, Anya, Mitya, Petya, and all their extended family**.

## **Scripture Readings, etc.**

For decades, it has been our custom 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](http://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>

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*The End! Glory be to God!*