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Sunday, January 26, 2025

31th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - TONE 6

Synaxis of the Holy New Martyrs and Confessors of Russian Church

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!

Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom:

Troparion of resurrection, in tone 6:

The Angelic Powers were at Thy tomb; the guards became as dead men. Mary stood by Thy grave, seeking Thy most pure body. Thou didst capture hell not being tempted by it. Thou didst come to the Virgin, granting life. O Lord, Who didst rise from the dead, glory to Thee.

Troparion for venerable Herman, in tone 7:

O joyful North Star of the Church of Christ, guiding all men to the heavenly kingdom, teacher and apostle of the true faith, intercessor and defender for the oppressed, adornment of the Orthodox Church in America: blessed father Herman of Alaska, pray to our Lord Jesus Christ for the salvation of our souls!

Troparion for the new martyrs and confessors, in tone 4:

Today the Church of Russia forms a chorus in joy, praising her new martyrs and confessors; hierarchs and priests, royal passion-bearers, right-believing princes and princesses, venerable men and women, and all Orthodox Christians. Having laid down their life for faith in Christ during the days of godless persecution, they preserved the truth by the shedding of blood. By their protection, O long-suffering Lord, preserve our land in Orthodoxy till the end of the age.

Kontakion of resurrection, in tone 6:

When Christ God, the Giver of Life, raised all of the dead from the valleys of misery with His mighty hand, He bestowed resurrection on the human race. He is the Savior of

all, the Resurrection, the Life, and the God of all.

Kontakion for venerable Herman, in tone 3:

The eternal light of Christ our Savior guided thee, O blessed father Herman, on thine evangelical journey to America to proclaim the Gospel of peace. Now thou standest before the throne of glory: beseech God for thy land and its people, asking peace for the world and salvation for our souls.

Glory, kontakion for the new martyrs and confessors, in tone 3:

Today the new martyrs of Rus' stand in white robes before the Lamb of God, and with the angels they sing to God the hymn of victory: Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and praise, and honor, and power, and strength be to our God unto the ages of ages. Amen.

Now & ever, theotokion, in tone 6:

Steadfast Protectress of Christians, Constant Advocate before the Creator; despise not the entreating cries of us sinners, but in thy goodness come speedily to help us who call on thee in faith. Hasten to hear our petition and to intercede for us, O Theotokos, for thou dost always protect those who honor thee!

Prokeimenon of resurrection, in tone 6:
O Lord, save Thy people, * and bless Thine inheritance!
v. To Thee, O Lord, will I call. O my God, be not silent to me!
The second prokeimenon for the new martyrs and confessors, in tone 7:
God is our refuge and strength, * a help in afflictions that severely befall us.

Epistle: 1 Timothy 1, 15-17 [π280]
Romans 8, 28-39 [π99] (*New Martyrs*)

The Alleluia, in tone 6: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!
v. He who dwelleth in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the heavenly God.
v. He will say to the Lord: My Protector and my Refuge; my God, in Whom I trust.
The second Alleluia for the new martyrs and confessors, in tone 4:
v. The righteous cried, and the Lord heard them and delivered them out of all their troubles.

Gospel: Matthew 15, 21-28 [π62] (*Canaanite Woman*)
Luke 21, 8-19 [π105-106] (*New Martyrs*)

Communion hymn:
Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest!
Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the just! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

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Birthdays / Wedding Anniversaries:

- **Bradley Kauffman - Jan 31**

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PRAYERS:

- For health of: Archbishop Nathaniel Popp, Archbishop Alexander Golitzin, Matushka Myra Kovalak; Marcia Lutz; Bernard Kusior; Julia Jay

- MEMORY ETERNAL:

- Archbishop Anastasios of Tirana, Durrës and All Albania: Nov 29, 1929 - Jan 25, 2025

- Matushka Eugenia Nehrebecki: Apr 30, 1930 - Jan 02, 2025

[*Please let Fr. Vjekoslav know if you would like to add anybody to the prayer list.*]

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Social Hour - following Liturgy

'THANK YOU!' to: **Vicky McDonnell & Irina Kulinich** for preparing food for the Social Hour following Liturgy.

On the schedule for next Sunday, **Jan 26**: **Marie & Stephanie Drosdak**.

Church Clean-up

'THANK YOU!' to: **Russel & Peggy Hay** for cleaning the church this week.
On the scheduled for next week: **Kyle & Daria Teter**.

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May God grant you many blessed years for your dedication and hard work!

Church Attendance

- **Sat, Jan 18, G. Vespers - 7 adults, 3 children**
- **Sun, Jan 19, D. Liturgy - 24 adults, 3 children**

Received Communion - 17 adults, 3 children

Last Sunday Collection:

- **Sun, Jan 19, D. Liturgy - $ 555.00**

Liturgical Schedule for February 2024

- Feb 01, Sat - No Vespers
- **Feb 02, Sun, 09:00am - Divine Liturgy** (Fr. Andrew Damick)
- Feb 08, Sat, 04:30pm - Great Vespers
- **Feb 09, Sun, 09:00am - Divine Liturgy** (Fr. John Black)
- Feb 15, Sat - No Vespers
- **Feb 16, Sun, 09:00am - Obednitza** (Pdn. Peter Skoog)
- Feb 22, Sat, 04:30pm - Great Vespers
- **Feb 23, Sun, 09:00am - Divine Liturgy** (Fr. John Black)

ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY

SUNDAY, FEB 23, 2025

FOLLOWING LITURGY

Please make sure to attend our Annual Parish Meeting. It is important to actively take part in caring for our parish. All parishioners are expected to attend. We also need enough people attending for the quorum.

Meeting will be chaired by Fr. John Black.

"Christ says: 'I am the door' - before you knock at the door, you must realize that you are outside. If you spend time imagining that in a mad way you are already in the Kingdom of God, there is certainly no point in knocking at any door for it to be opened... We must all realize that we are not yet in it..."

Metropolitan Anthony Bloom

Father Vjekoslav and his family are very grateful for love, care and support that we received from St. Herman of Alaska Parish Family. We love you and you will be forever in our hearths!

With love in Christ,
Father Vjekoslav, Popadija Dragana, Miladin, Teodora & Pavle.

A WARM WELCOME to all visitors and guests who have participated in the celebration of the Divine Liturgy this morning. We invite you all to our parish hall for fellowship following the veneration of the Holy Cross. Please, find the schedule of services and Fr. Vjekoslav's contact info in the bulletin. We hope to see you again!

PLEASE NOTE: **Holy Communion is given only to those Orthodox Christians that have properly prepared themselves through prayer, fasting and a recent confession, and have attended the Holy Liturgy from the beginning, and are in peace with each other. Partakers of the Communion must keep strict fasting on the morning before Liturgy, that is not to consume any food or drink until after Eucharist.**