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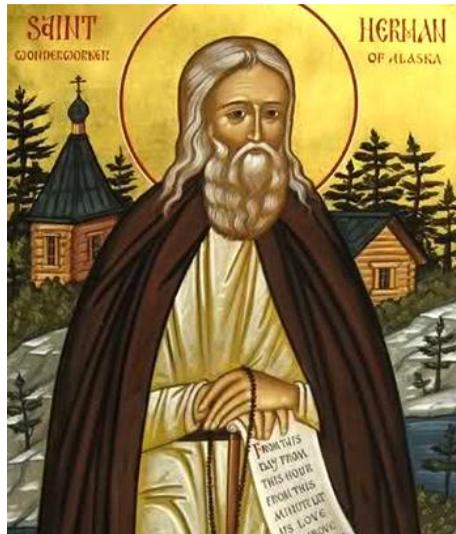
DIVINE LITURGY - SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2020, TONE 2 / EOTHINON 5

SUNDAY OF THE FOREFATHERS (ANCESTORS) OF CHRIST

HERMAN OF ALASKA, ENLIGHTENER OF THE ALEUTS

MARTYRS EUSTRATIUS, AUXENTIOS, EUGENE, MARDARIOS, AND ORESTES AT SEBASTIA;

VIRGIN-MARTYR LUCIA OF SYRACUSE; HIEROMARTYR GABRIEL, PATRIARCH OF SERBIA



THE FIRST ANTIPHON (Psalm 91)

+ *It is good to give praise unto the Lord, and to chant unto Thy Name, O Most High.*

Refrain: Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

+ *To proclaim in the morning Thy mercy, and Thy truth by night. (Refrain)*

+ *Upright is the Lord our God, and there is no unrighteousness in Him. (Refrain)*

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.
(Refrain)

THE SECOND ANTIPHON (Psalm 92)

+ *The Lord is King, He is clothed with majesty; the Lord is clothed with strength and hath girt Himself.*

Refrain: O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead, save us who sing unto Thee, Alleluia.

+ *For He established the world which shall not be shaken. (Refrain)*

+ *Holiness becometh Thy house, O Lord, unto length of days. (Refrain)*

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

HYMN OF ST. JUSTINIAN

Only Begotten Son and Word of God, who art immortal, Thou didst take on Thee for our salvation to be incarnate of the Holy Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary and without change was made man, and was crucified also, O Christ our God, and by Thy death hast death subdued. Who art one of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit: O save, O save us.

THIRD ANTIPHON: APOLYTIKION OF THE RESURRECTION IN TONE TWO

+ *Come, let us rejoice in the Lord, let us shout with jubilation unto God our Savior. (Psalm 94:1)*

Refrain: When Thou didst submit Thyself unto death, O Thou deathless and immortal One, then Thou didst destroy hell with Thy Godly power. And when Thou didst raise the dead from beneath the earth, all the powers of Heaven did cry aloud unto Thee: O Christ, Thou giver of life, glory to Thee.

THE EISODIKON (ENTRANCE HYMN)

Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ. O Son of God, who art risen from the dead, save us who sing unto thee: Alleluia.

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE TWO

When Thou didst submit Thyself unto death, O Thou deathless and immortal One, then Thou didst destroy hell with Thy Godly power. And when Thou didst raise the dead from beneath the earth, all the powers of Heaven did cry aloud unto Thee: O Christ, Thou giver of life, glory to Thee.

APOLYTIKION OF THE FOREFATHERS IN TONE TWO

Thou hast justified by faith the ancient Forefathers, and through them Thou hast gone before and betrothed unto Thyself the Church of the Gentiles. Let the saints, therefore, take pride in glory; for from their seed sprouted forth a noble fruit, and it was she who gave birth to Thee without seed. Wherefore, by their pleadings, O Christ God, save our souls.

APOLYTIKION OF ST. HERMAN IN TONE FOUR

Blessed ascetic of the northern wilds and gracious intercessor for the whole world, teacher of the Orthodox Faith, good instructor of piety, adornment of Alaska and joy of all America, holy Father Herman, pray to Christ God that He save our souls.

APOLYTIKION OF ST. ANNA, Righteous Ancestor of God, Mother of the Theotokos:

O godly minded Anna, thou didst give birth unto God's pure mother who conceived Him Who is our Life. Wherefore, thou hast now passed with joy to thy heavenly rest, wherein is the abode of them that rejoice in glory; and thou askest forgiveness of sins for them that honor thee with love, O ever blessed one.

KONTAKION OF PREPARATION OF CHRIST'S NATIVITY IN TONE THREE

The Virgin cometh today to the cave to give birth, ineffably to bring forth the Word eternal. Therefore, rejoice, O earth at the message, with the angels and shepherds give glory to Him who shall appear by His own will as a young child, He who is from eternity God.

TRISAGION HYMN

People: (*sung*) Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal: have mercy on us. (*three times*)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: Now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Holy Immortal: have mercy on us.

Deacon: *With Strength!*

People: Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal: have mercy on us.

~THE NEW TESTAMENT READINGS~
THE EPISTLE (For the Holy Forefathers)

Deacon: *Let us attend.*

Reader: Blessed art Thou, O Lord, the God of our Fathers. For Thou art just in all that Thou hast done for us.

Deacon: *Wisdom.*

Reader: **The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Colossians. (3:4-11)**

Deacon: *Let us attend.*

Reader: Brethren, when Christ, Who is our life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these, the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience. In these you once walked, when you lived in them. But now put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and foul talk from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old nature with its practices and have put on the new nature, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its Creator. Here there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free man, but Christ is all, and in all.

ALLELUIA for Sunday of the Holy Forefathers Tone 4 (Psalm 98:6,7)

People: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Reader: *Moses and Aaron among His priests, and Samuel among them that call upon His name.*

People: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Reader: *They called upon the Lord, and He hearkened unto them.*

People: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

THE GOSPEL (For the Holy Forefathers)

Deacon: *Wisdom. Stand upright. Let us hear the Holy Gospel.*

Priest: *Peace be to all.*

People: And to thy spirit.

Deacon: **The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (14:16-24)**

People: Glory to thee, O Lord, Glory to thee.

Deacon: *Let us attend.*

The Lord spoke this parable: "A man once gave a great banquet, and invited many; and at the time for the banquet he sent his servant to say to those who had been invited, 'Come; for all is now ready.' But, one by one, they all began to make excuses. The first said to him, 'I have bought a field, and I must go out and see it; I pray you, have me excused.' And another said, 'I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to examine them; I pray you, have me excused.' And another said, 'I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.' So the servant came and reported this to his master. Then the householder in anger said to his servant, 'Go out quickly to the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in the poor and maimed and blind and lame.' And the servant said, 'Sir, what you commanded has been done, and still there is room.' And the master said to the servant, 'Go out to the highways and hedges, and compel people to come in, that my house may be filled. For I tell you, none of those men who were invited shall taste my banquet.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

People: Glory to thee, O Lord, Glory to thee.

CHERUBIC HYMN

We who mystically represent the cherubim, and who sing to the life-giving Trinity the thrice holy hymn, let us now lay aside all earthly cares, that we may receive the King on all who comes invisibly up borne by the angelic host. *Alleluia.*

THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, the Only-begotten, Begotten of the Father before all worlds, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten, not made; of one essence with the Father, by whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate, and suffered and was buried; And the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; And ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of the Father; And He shall come again with glory to judge the quick and the dead, Whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets; And I believe in One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. I look for the Resurrection of the dead. And the Life of the world to come. *Amen.*

MEGALYNARION IT IS TRULY MEET

It is truly meet, it is truly meet, to call thee Blessed, Lady Theotokos. Lady ever-greatly blessed, and most perfect in innocence, and Mother of our God. Lady more precious than the cherubim and more glorious beyond all measure than the seraphim, who without corruption gavest birth to God the Word and art truly Theotokos, we magnify Thee, we magnify Thee.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

PRE-COMMUNION PRAYER – A PRAYER OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

I believe, O Lord, and I confess that thou art truly the Christ, the Son of the living God, who didst come into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief. And I believe that this is truly thine own immaculate Body, and that this is truly thine own precious Blood. Wherefore I pray thee, have mercy upon me and forgive my transgressions both voluntary and involuntary, of word and of deed, of knowledge and of ignorance; and make me worthy to partake without condemnation of thine immaculate Mysteries, unto remission of my sins and unto life everlasting. *Amen.*

Of thy Mystic Supper, O Son of God, accept me today as a communicant: for I will not speak of thy Mystery to thine enemies, neither will I give thee a kiss as did Judas; but like the thief will I confess thee: Remember me, O Lord, in thy Kingdom. Not unto judgment nor unto condemnation be my partaking of thy Holy Mysteries, O Lord, but unto the healing of soul and body.

THE COMMUNION HYMN - KOINONIKON for the Sunday of the Holy Forefathers – Psalm 32:1-4

Refrain: Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous; praise is meet for the upright.

- 1). *Give praise to the Lord with the harp, chant unto Him with the ten-stringed psaltery. (Refrain)*
- 2). *Sing unto Him a new song, chant well unto Him with jubilation. (Refrain)*
- 3). *For the word of the Lord is true, and all His works are in faithfulness. (Refrain) Alleluia.*

Deacon: *With the fear of God and faith and love, draw near.*

People: Blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord. God is the Lord and hath appeared unto us.

THE PEOPLE'S COMMUNION HYMN

Receive me today, O Son of God, as partaker of Thy mystical supper; for I will not speak, for I will not speak of Thy mystery to Thine enemies, neither will I give Thee a kiss as did Judas; but like the thief will I confess Thee. Remember me, O Lord, remember me, O Lord, in Thy Kingdom.

POST-COMMUNION HYMN

We have seen the true light we have received the heavenly Spirit. We have found the true faith worshipping the Trinity, undivided, who hath saved us.

LET OUR MOUTHS BE FILLED

Let our mouths be filled with Thy praise, O Lord that we may sing of Thy glory. For Thou hast made us worthy to partake of Thy holy, divine, immortal, and life creating mysteries. Keep us in Thy holiness that all the day we may meditate upon Thy righteousness. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

St. Anna Orthodox Christian Church Announcements

Receiving Holy Communion unites us with Our Lord Jesus Christ, His unoriginated Father, the Holy Spirit, our Bishop, and the Church, both in heaven and on earth. To commune signifies a commitment to Holy Orthodox Christianity and that all communicants share this common Apostolic Faith. As such, only those who are members in good standing of the Holy Orthodox Christian Church and who have prepared themselves through prayer, fasting and regular confession may receive the Eucharist. All those present today, including non-Orthodox, are invited to receive the Blessed Bread as a sign of our friendship.

UPCOMING SERVICES:

- Sunday, December 13:** Orthros (9:00 am) and Divine Liturgy (10:00 am) – *Sunday of the Forefathers of Christ*
- Saturday, December 19:** Great Vespers (5:00 pm)
- Sunday, December 20:** Orthros (9:00 am) and Divine Liturgy (10:00 am) – *Sunday of the Genealogy of Christ*
- Thursday, December 24:** Festal Orthros (8:00 pm) and Divine Liturgy for the Nativity of Christ (9:00 pm)
- Saturday, December 26:** Great Vespers (5:00 pm)
- Sunday, December 27:** Orthros (9:00 am) and Divine Liturgy (10:00 am) – *Feast of St. Stephen the Protomartyr*

<u>SERVICE</u>	<u>Acolyte Team</u>	<u>PROSPHORA (Holy Bread Baking)</u>	<u>EPISTLE READER</u>
Sun, December 13	St. Raphael	Arlin & Cathy Troyer (F)	Eric Stephens
Sun, December 20	St. Herman	Arlin & Cathy Troyer (F)	Grant Kelley
Thur, December 24	St. Raphael	Julie Dumond (B)	John Meese
Sun, December 27	St. Herman	Julie Dumond (F)	Kevin Hathaway

Acolyte Teams:

St. Raphael Team

- Leader** – Basil Derryberry
- Assistant** – BJ Rose
- Andrew Webster
- Adrian Hill
- Jaden Kent
- Theodore Thomas

St. Herman Team

- Leader** – Brian Weaver
- Assistant** – Steve Cox
- Kellen Stephens
- Kanen Stephens
- Ben Weaver
- Jesse Cox
- Connor Cox



Special Days THIS WEEK – May God Grant You Many Years!

Saint's Days:	Rachel Meese	Dec 13 – Sunday of the Forefathers
	Rebekah Meese	Dec 13 – Sunday of the Forefathers
	BJ Rose (Benjamin)	Dec 13 – Sunday of the Forefathers
	Naomi Rose (Ruth)	Dec 13 – Sunday of the Forefathers
	Jesse Cox	Dec 13 – Sunday of the Forefathers
	Daniel Cox	Dec 17 – Holy Prophet Daniel



The Nativity Fast - Continues until Christmas Day.

Church School – EACH SUNDAY - 8:45 am (Ages 3-10) – Please contact Sh. Belinda Short for more information. BelindaJShort@Gmail.com. No Church School Dec 27 – Christmas Break.

Choir Practice – December 20, 11:30 am – New and possible choir members are welcome! For more information please contact the Choir Director, Greg Webster. Greg@WebsterCreativeGroup.com

Current Healthcare Protocols

1. Practice social distancing: family units may stand together, with each household six feet apart.
2. As a sacrificial expression of love for one another, wearing of face masks is REQUIRED in our building. This includes children in the Church School Atrium downstairs. Infants and the smallest of children are excluded. Masks are available at the back when you arrive at the church if you have not brought your mask with you.
3. Spacing for communion is to remain intact. Approach the chalice with your mouth open. Small children and infants to commune last.
4. If you or any of your family or co-workers or friends with whom you have come into contact are exhibiting any of the Coronavirus symptoms please stay home and allow us to pray for the restoration of your health.
5. Hand sanitizer and disinfectant soap are available for your use as you enter the building at the kitchen sink and in the restrooms.

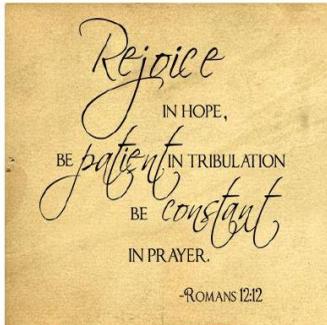
ST. ANNA PRAYER REQUESTS: (Please send updates to this Prayer List to: DnAndrewShort@Gmail.com)

- Planning for our church - Please pray for all of those involved with the short-term and long-term plans.
- Ben, Hannah, and Judith Ophelia Kelley
- Rita Trimble
- Jordan Reesor (Basil's nephew)
- McCaffrey family (friends of Webster's)
- Ben Hathaway Family (Kevin and Laura's son)
- Anna Derryberry-Carter (Basil's sister)
- Robbie Derryberry (Basil's brother)
- Jen Bailey
- Melody Reddecopp (Anna Rose's friend)
- Mark Dumond (Julie's husband)
- TJ Segrest (Kevin and Laura Hathaway's friend)
- Kevin and Laura Hathaway
- Bonnie (Rachel Meese's grandmother – 101 yrs)
- Lisa Trimble
- Cynthia Midgett (Nancy Webster's friend)
- Nila Dumond (Julie's mother-in-law)
- Julie Dumond
- Sister Stavriane (The Short's daughter)
- Bob and Tina Schmidt (friends of Julie Dumond)
- Robert & Suzanne Derryberry (Basil's parents)
- Herbert Stuart (Nancy Webster's father)
- Joe and Margaret (Basil Derryberry's friends)
- Madeleine (Andrew Webster's friend)
- Brianna & Niko Cortez, baby Cruz (Danielle's cousin)
- Angela Miscek (Lisa Trimble's friend)
- Evan Liess (Lisa Trimble's cousin)
- Elden Hendrix (Rita Trimble's friend)

✠ Holy Righteous Ancestor of God, Anna, pray for us. ✠

This Orthodox Christian mission is supported by your generous tithes and offerings which can be mailed to the church, placed in the wooden box on the back table or made online at www.StAnnaColumbia.org and then click on the "DONATE" tab. Thank you.

You and your family will not want to miss these Diocese of Miami and the Southeast Winter Virtual Events Coming Up!



SAVE THE DATE
JAN. 29 - 31, 2021



2021 DOMSE VIRTUAL WINTER RETREAT

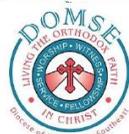
TRACK 1:
CLERGY

TRACK 2:
TEEN SOYO

TRACK 3:
AMEN, ANTIOCHIAN WOMEN, YOUNG ADULTS

NEW! **TRACK 4:**
KIDS CLUB

JOIN US ONLINE FOR A WEEKEND OF FELLOWSHIP!



Hey CST!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING
PRESIDENT'S DAY WEEKEND?
Save the date!
2/12-2/14

WAMP OUT!

A Winter Camp Experience
Outside of Camp

AGES
9-17

Virtual Winter Retreat: January 29-31, 2021
Four Tracks of Learning and Virtual Fellowship!
With three days of Kids Club (open to all ages)
Kids Club Survey:
<https://tinyurl.com/DOMSEVWRKids>

Camp St. Thekla Family – Virtual Winter Camp is Coming!
And We Are Taking It Home!!! **February 12-13, 2020**
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and open today!