

ALL SAINTS ORTHODOX CHURCH OLYPHANT, PENNSYLVANIA

August 5, 2012 NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Tone 8. Forefeast of the Transfiguration. Martyr Eusignius of Antioch (362). Ven. Job of Ushchelsk (1628). Hieromartyr Antherus (Antheros—236) and Fabian (250), Popes of Rome. Martyr Pontious at Cimella in France (ca. 257). Martyrs Cantidius, Cantidian, and Sibelius (Sobel) of Egypt. Righteous Nonna, mother of St. Gregory the Theologian (374).



1 Corinthians 3:9-17 (*Epistle*): For we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, you are God's building. According to the grace of God which was given to me, as a wise master builder I have laid the foundation, and another builds on it. But let each one take heed how he builds on it. For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if anyone builds on this foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw, each one's work will become clear; for the Day will declare it, because it will be revealed by fire; and the fire will test each one's work, of what sort it is. If anyone's work which he has built on it endures, he will receive a reward. If anyone's work is burned, he will suffer loss; but he himself will be saved, yet so as through fire. Do you not know that you are

the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you? If anyone defiles the temple of God, God will destroy him. For the temple of God is holy, which temple you are.

Matthew 14:22-34 (*Gospel*): Immediately Jesus made His disciples get into the boat and go before Him to the other side, while He sent the multitudes away. And when He had sent the multitudes away, He went up on the mountain by Himself to pray. Now when evening came, He was alone there, But the boat was now in the middle of the sea, tossed by the waves, for the wind was contrary. Now in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went to them, walking on the sea. And when the disciples saw Him walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out for fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Be of good cheer! It is I; do not be afraid." And Peter answered Him and said, "Lord, if it is You, command me to come to You on the water." So He said, "Come." And when Peter had come down out of the boat, he walked on the water to go to Jesus. But when he saw that the wind was boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink he cried out, saying, "Lord, save me!" And immediately Jesus stretched out His hand and caught him, and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. Then those who were in the boat came and worshiped Him, saying, "Truly You are the Son of God." When they had crossed over, they came to the land of Gennesaret.

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Services & Activities:

August 1-14

Dormition Fast

Sunday, August 5

9:00 am Divine Liturgy

7:00 pm Great Vespers/Litiya

Monday, August 6

Transfiguration of Our Lord Jesus Christ

9:00 am Divine Liturgy/Blessing of Fruit

Wednesday, August 8

3:00 pm Akathist to Mother of God

7:00 pm Great Vespers/Litiya

(CALENDAR WRONG—CORRECT IS WEDNESDAY)

Thursday, August 9

9:00 am Divine Liturgy/St. Herman of Alaska

(CALENDAR WRONG—CORRECT IS THURSDAY)

Saturday, August 11

5:30 pm Confession/6:00 pm Great Vespers

Sunday, August 12

9:00 am Divine Liturgy

Tuesday, August 14

7:00 pm Great Vespers/Litiya

Wednesday, August 15 Dormition of the Mother of God

9:00 am Divine Liturgy/Blessing Flowers

Saturday, August 18

No Vespers

Sunday, August 19

9:00 am Divine Liturgy

40 Days John Buckla. Memory Eternal!

Tuesday, August 21

7:00 pm Parish Council Meeting

Sunday, September 9

Sunday School Resumes

ANNOUNCEMENTS: WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

Please join us downstairs for Coffee Hour!

CONGRATULATIONS TO PAUL & DONNA WITEK ON THE BIRTH OF THEIR DAUGHTER ANNA LUGIA WITEK MONDAY MORNING 4:23 AM July 30: 6lbs. 11 oz.; 19"

CONGRATULATIONS TO CHRISTINA SEMON WHO WAS AWARDED THE MOLDAVIAN CROSS BY THE METROPOLITAN OF MOLDAVIA, THE FIRST WOMAN TO EVER RECEIVE MOLDAVIA'S HIGHEST AWARD TO A LAYMAN.

ATTENTION ALL PARENTS AND KIDS! SUNDAY SCHOOL RESUMES ON SEPTEMBER 9, FOLLOWING DIVINE LITURGY. PLEASE REMEMBER THAT YOUR CHILD BENEFITS GREATLY FROM REGULAR ATTENDANCE. WE LOOK FORWARD TO A YEAR OF NEW CURRICULUM AND GREAT FELLOWSHIP!

JOIN HANDS WITH ST. TIKHON'S SEMINARY FOR THE 15TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 18, 2012 STARTING AT 1:00 PM. SEE PETER REZANKA TO PARTICIPATE OR BE A SPONSOR.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS all of the parishioners of All Saints, their families, neighbors, and friends, especially Veronica, Claudia, Barbara, Dorothy, Barbara, George, Martha, Conor, Laura, Michael, Justin, Liam, Andrew, Allen, Cory Joseph, Michael, George, Gregory, Patricia, Matushka Martha, Vera, Joseph, Andrew, all those serving in the Armed Forces, (Michael & Loreen), all missionaries (Christina), all clergy, monastics, and seminarians, the sick and suffering, those in nursing homes, hospitals and prisons, especially for those for whom we have been asked to pray, **and all the departed members and family members and friends of All Saints**, among them all the newly departed, especially John Buckla & Helen Priblo. If you would like the living or the departed remembered at the Divine Liturgy, please give the names to Father to remember at the Proskomedia.

WHITE ALTAR COVERS NEEDED. Please give your donations to Joni Rezanka. PLEASE HELP WITH COFFEE HOUR! PLEASE FORM A NEW COFFEE HOUR TEAM OR JOIN A COFFEE HOUR TEAM! This is an important part of our parish outreach. See Julie Cohen. Thank you to the Scochin & Skorupa families for today's coffee hour and to the Cohen, Witek & Stucklak families for next week.

T SHIRTS (ALL SAINTS) AVAILABLE \$8 EACH & RECONSECRATION ORNAMENTS AVAILABLE \$3 OR 2 FOR \$5.

LOTTERY DRAWING every 2 weeks: \$100 to church, \$50 each Friday & Saturday
PLEASE GIVE IN NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF COLLEGE STUDENTS AND FAMILY MEMBERS YOU WOULD LIKE ADDED TO OUR MONTHLY BULLETIN MAILING LIST OUTREACH

SPONSORSHIPS: Bulletin (\$30): Joni & Peter Rezanka in memory of Ann & Peter Rezanka; Website: (\$25) & Shut-in mailings : (\$25) by Linda Stuchlak. Thank you to all of our Donors and Sponsors!

SAMPLE PLEDGE CARDS: Please prayerfully consider handing in your pledge card as soon as possible to help us with budgeting for 2012.

WEEKLY COLLECTION: 7/29/12: Weekly Collection: \$892.22; Tithe: \$240; Loose Collection: \$29.26; Anonymous Donation for white cloths in memory of Pauline & Peter Scochin; White Altar Cloth Donations in memory of John Bukla from Sinclair Scott (\$100), Earl & Velma Phifer \$25; Dale & Joanne Morton \$25.

Dormition Fast through August 14: fasting from meat and dairy; wine & oil permitted Sat & Sun; Fish, wine & Oil permitted on the Transfiguration August 6.



Transfiguration of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ August 6

Our Lord had spoken to His disciples many times not only concerning His Passion, Cross, and Death, but also concerning the coming persecutions and afflictions that they themselves would endure. Since all these evils were near at hand, but the enjoyment of good things which they hoped to receive in their stead was yet to come, our Savior desired to give them full assurance, evidently and openly, concerning that glory which is prepared for those who endure to the end. Therefore, fulfilling that which He had promised shortly before, that "there be some standing here which shall not taste of death, till they see the Son of man coming in His Kingdom" (Matt. 16:28), He took His three foremost disciples and ascended Mount Tabor, where He was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and His clothes became white as the light. Suddenly, together with this dread and marvelous effulgence of

light, there appeared those pinnacles of the Prophets, Moses and Elias, who spoke with the Lord Jesus concerning His saving Passion which was about to take place. Standing before Him as reverent servants, they showed that He is the Lord of both the living and the dead, for Moses came forth from Hades, having died many centuries before, and Elias, as it were from heaven, whither he had been taken up while yet alive. After a little while a radiant cloud overshadowed them and out of the cloud they heard that same voice which had been heard at the Jordan at the Baptism of Christ, testifying to the Divinity of Jesus and saying: "This is My beloved Son, in Whom I am well-pleased; hear ye Him" (Matt. 17: 5). Such are the marvels, truly worthy of God, celebrated in this present feast, which is an image and prefiguring of the future state of the righteous, whose splendor the Lord spoke of, saying: "Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun" (Matt. 13:43). It is because of this that the Kontakion of this Feast is said daily (when there is not a great feast) in the Service of the Typica in perpetual commemoration of the glory that will be the lot of the Saints. According to tradition, the Lord's Transfiguration came to pass forty days before His Crucifixion; this is why the Transfiguration is celebrated forty days before the Exaltation of the Cross.

St. Herman of Alaska Wonderworker & First Saint of America, Glorification August 9



Saint Herman was born near Moscow in 1756. In his youth he became a monk, first at the Saint Sergius Hermitage near Saint Petersburg on the Gulf of Finland; while he dwelt there, the most holy Mother of God appeared to him, healing him of a grave malady. Afterwards he entered Valaam Monastery on Valiant Island in Lake Ladoga; he often withdrew into the wilderness to pray for days at a time. In 1794, answering a call for missionaries to preach the Gospel to the Aleuts, he came to the New World with the first Orthodox mission to Alaska. He settled on Spruce Island, which he called New Valaam, and here he persevered, even in the face of many grievous afflictions mostly at the hands of his own countrymen in the loving service of God and of his neighbour. Besides his many toils for the sake of the Aleuts, he subdued his flesh with great asceticism, wearing chains, sleeping little, fasting and praying much. He brought many people to Christ by the example of his life, his teaching, and his kindness and sanctity, and was granted the grace of working miracles and of prophetic insight. Since he was not a

priest, Angels descended at Theophany to bless the waters in the bay; Saint Herman used this holy water to heal the sick. Because of his unwearying missionary labours, which were crowned by God with the salvation of countless souls, he is called the Enlightener of the Aleuts, and has likewise been renowned as a wonderworker since his repose in 1837.