



## 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, June 23, 2024

**8th SUNDAY OF PASCHA – Tone 7. Holy Pentecost: Feast of the Holy Trinity.** Martyr Agrippina of Rome (253-260). Righteous Artemii of Verkol'sk (1545). Translation of the Relics of St. Herman, Archbishop of Kazan' (1567). Martyrs Eustochius, Gaius, Probus, Lollius, and Urban, of Ancyra (4th c.). Synaxis of the Saints of Vladimir. The Meeting of the VLADIMIR Icon of the Mother of God (in commemoration of the saving of Moscow from the invasion of Khan Akhmat—1480). Nikéatas of Thebes and those with him (11th c.).

<https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2024/06/23>

## Services and Events, Upcoming

(This schedule is subject to change, please confirm the schedule at [www.terryvilleorthodoxchurch.org/schedule](http://www.terryvilleorthodoxchurch.org/schedule) before coming to Church.)

**Monday, June 24, Feast of the Birth of Saint John the Baptist, 9:00 AM:** Prayer Service to Saint John the Baptist on the Occasion of the Feast of the Nativity (the Birth) of Saint John the Baptist

**Tuesday, June 25, Sisterhood Day-Trip to Elizabeth Park in Hartford:** See announcement further on in this bulletin for details.

**Wednesday, June 26, 8:00 AM:** Matins (Morning Prayers)

**At Saints Peter and Paul Church, Meriden, CT: Friday evening, June 28, 6:00 PM:** Vigil for the Eve of the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul, at Saints Peter and Paul Orthodox Church, Meriden, CT

**At Saints Peter and Paul Church, Meriden, CT: Saturday morning, June 29, 9:30:** Divine Liturgy for the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul, at Saints Peter and Paul Orthodox Church, Meriden, CT, followed by Picnic.

**Saturday afternoon, June 29, 12:30 PM, Grounds and Gardening Afternoon:** On Saturday afternoon, June 29, beginning at 12:30 PM, we will have a Grounds and Gardening Afternoon here at Church. For details, see Corey F.

**Saturday evening, June 29, 6:00 PM:** Saturday evening Vigil

**Sunday, June 30, 9:15 AM:** Sunday morning Divine Liturgy, followed by our usual Coffee Social Hour

**Sisterhood Event: Sunday, June 30, after the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy:** Summer meeting of the Parish Sisterhood. (Note the Sisterhood will NOT meet in July or August, but will regroup again in September.)

**Wednesday, July 3, 8:00 AM:** Matins (Morning Prayers)

**Saturday evening, July 6, 6:00 PM:** Saturday evening Vigil

**Sunday morning, July 7, 9:15 AM:** Sunday morning Divine Liturgy, followed by our usual Coffee Social Hour

**At All Saints of America Church, Salisbury, CT: Sunday afternoon, July 7, 4:00 PM:** Akathist (Service of Praise and Thanksgiving) before the Relics of the American Saints at All Saints of America Church, Salisbury, CT.

**Monday, July 8, 7:00 PM, Council Meeting:** The Terryville Parish Council will meet via Zoom beginning at 7:00 PM on Monday, July 7.

**FR. JOHN AWAY ON VACATION:** Fr. John will be away from Connecticut from the morning of July 10 to the late evening of July 17, 2024. We will NOT have weekday services while he is away. Fr. David K. will preside at weekend services during Fr. John's absence.

**Saturday evening, July 13, 6:00 PM:** Saturday evening Vigil, with Fr. David K. presiding in Fr. John's absence.

**Sunday morning, July 14, 9:15 AM:** Sunday morning Divine Liturgy, with Fr. David K. presiding in Fr. John's absence, followed by our usual Coffee Social Hour

**Friday, July 19, Feast of Saint Seraphim of Sarov, 9:00 AM:** Prayer Service to Saint Seraphim, before his icon and holy relics, on the occasion of his Feast Day.

**Saturday, July 20, 6:00 PM:** Saturday evening Vigil, followed by the Monthly Rite of General Confession

**Sunday morning, July 21, 9:00 AM:** Rites for the Formal Reception of A.J.G. into the Fullness of the Holy Orthodox Faith

**Sunday morning, July 21, 9:15 AM:** Sunday morning Divine Liturgy, with Reception by Confession of Faith and Anointing with Holy Chrism, of A.J.G. into the Fullness of the Holy Orthodox Faith, followed by our usual Coffee Social Hour, followed by the Annual Blessing of the Cars and Vehicles of All Parishioners

**Wednesday, July 24, 8:00 AM:** Matins (Morning Prayers)

**Saturday, July 27, 6:00 PM:** Saturday evening Vigil

**Sunday morning, July 28, 9:15 AM:** Sunday morning Divine Liturgy, followed by our usual Coffee Social Hour

**Wednesday, July 31, 8:00 AM:** Matins (Morning Prayers)

**Thursday, August 1, 9:00 AM:** **First Day of the Dormition (Theotokos) Fast:** Supplicatory Canon (Prayer Service) to the Theotokos, the Ever-Blessed and Most Pure Virgin Mary.

**Saturday, August 3, 6:00 PM:** Saturday evening Vigil

**Sunday morning, August 4, 9:15 AM:** Sunday morning Divine Liturgy, followed by our usual Coffee Social Hour

**Monday, August 5, Eve of the Feast of Holy Transfiguration, 7:00 PM:** Great Vespers and Litya for the Feast of the Holy Transfiguration

**Tuesday, August 6, Feast of the Holy Transfiguration, 9:15 AM:** Divine Liturgy for the Feast of Holy Transfiguration

**Wednesday, August 7, 8:00 AM:** Matins (Morning Prayers)

## A Wonderful Pilgrimage Opportunity!!!

Dear Brothers and Sisters, the Members and Friends of Saints Cyril and Methodius Orthodox Church, Terryville, CT:

Let's make a joyful, hopeful, and prayerful pilgrimage to venerate the relics of the North American saints on Sunday afternoon, July 7!

Here's more information about that opportunity:

The very first Orthodox Christian parish named to commemorate the memory of all the saints of North America is our neighboring parish of All Saints of North America Church, 313 Twin Lakes Rd, Salisbury, CT 06068. That's up in the northwest corner of Connecticut.

Annually, on the Sunday of All Saints of North America, which is always the second Sunday after Pentecost (July 7, this year), that parish hosts Orthodox Christians from our region for a service of prayer and thanksgiving celebrated before the icons and relics of the North American saints that are present in that parish. Fr. John Kreta, pastor of that parish (and also the Chancellor of our Diocese of New England) tells us that the Salisbury parish now stewards holy relics of ten of the North American saints. This is quite remarkable. I know of no other place where such a collection exists.

On Sunday, July 7, at 4:00 PM, at All Saints of North America Church, Salisbury, CT, an Akathist Service (a service of praise and thanksgiving) will be celebrated before the icon and relics of the North American saints. That service will be followed by a fellowship reception with refreshments.

It is about an hour's drive up to Salisbury from here in Terryville. The trip for this occasion on July 7 is well worth our time, and the drive up passes through some beautiful countryside. Perhaps, some of us can carpool, and make the trip together.

Holy Saints of North America, pray to God for us!

In Christ,

Fr. John H.

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## News and Notes

**Vacuuming the Church:** We asking that volunteers vacuum the Narthex (entrance area), Nave (main worship space), and Kliros (Choir area) of our Church building each Sunday, *right after the conclusion of the Sunday morning services*. The doing of this uncomplicated, yet needful, task would be a great help. Please consider being this volunteer on at least some occasions. Thank you.

**Please, consider hosting Coffee Hour!** We need Coffee Hour hosts going forward in the calendar. Please, consider hosting Coffee Hour. Thank you!

**Monday, June 24, 9:00 AM, Prayer Service to Saint John the Baptist:** On Monday, June 24, at 9:00 AM, we will celebrate a Service of Prayer and Intercession to Saint John the Baptist on the occasion of the annual commemoration of his birth.

**Rescheduled to this week! Sisterhood "Pop-Up" Event, Tuesday, June 25, 10:30 AM, at the Elizabeth Park Gardens in West Hartford:** Visit this delightful park in West Hartford! Bring a bag lunch with a chair or blanket. Meet at the main greenhouse. Join the group for a walk-through or wander around yourself, then meet for a picnic lunch. Children and friends are welcome; no RSVP needed. There are several parking lots: "Google" for directions etc. The street address is Elizabeth Park, 1561 Asylum Avenue, West Hartford, CT.

**IN MERIDEN! This week, Friday-Saturday, June 28-29, The Feast of Saints Peter and Paul:** Saints Peter and Paul Church in Meriden, Connecticut, located at 54 Park Ave, Meriden, CT 06450, is inviting us to celebrate the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul with them this week. Clergy and parishioners from Saints Peter and Paul Church, Bethel, CT, will also be present for the celebration. His Grace Bishop Benedict, our diocesan bishop, will preside at both Vigil on the Eve of the Feast, and at Divine Liturgy on the day. The Vigil will take place beginning at 6:00 PM on Friday evening, June 28, and the Divine Liturgy beginning at 9:30 AM on Saturday morning, June 29. On Saturday, after the conclusion of Divine Liturgy, there will be a picnic. If you are planning to attend one or both of these services, please, let Fr. John H. know, so that he can give a count of guests from our Parish to our friends in Meriden, so that they can prepare accordingly. Thank you!

# PARISH PRAYER LIST

Again we pray for all victims of disease, disaster, difficulty, warfare, and acts of terror and senseless violence throughout the world—both those who have died and those who have suffered and yet still live. We especially pray for those who mourn the loss of loved ones. Lord, hear us and have mercy!

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

## **Newly Departed**

Archpriest James Bernstein d. 6/17/24  
Mitre Archpriest Nicholas Boldireff d. 5/22/24  
James—relative of Ann S. and Deb W. d. 6/20/24  
Liliana—family friend of the Hassenfeldts d. 6/6/24  
Joshua—an acquaintance of the Gubas d. 5/18/24

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

Julia Virovay 6/23/1961  
Evdokia Onerperko 6/23/1997  
Olga Baiga 6/24/1920  
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

## **THOSE IN NEED OF GOD’S MERCY AND HELP**

### **Persons captive and suffering for the Faith**

Metropolitan Paul and Archbishop John—hostages in Syria

### **Those who are sick and suffering**

Archpriest Andrew Tregubov—priest in New Hampshire; unwell  
Archpriest Vasily G.—unwell and in need of prayers; a diocesan priest  
Archpriest Vladimir A.—unwell and in need of prayers; a diocesan priest  
Archpriest Vladimir H.—unwell and in need of prayers; a diocesan priest  
Subdeacon John Paul—chronic, debilitating back pain  
Matushka Ann Sh.—at request of Lynn H.  
Matushka Anne Hosking—chronic illness; in need of our prayers  
Fyodor (Frank) G.—suffering from Multiple Sclerosis (MS); now back home  
JoAnn—acquaintance of Jeanne Moore; ovarian cancer  
Katie and Aubrey—a mother & 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  
Paula—friend of Jim L.; struggling with cancer  
Dimitri—brother of Carolyn P.; health issues  
Thomas—Patty N.’s nephew; battling cancer  
Wayne—Donna O.’s father  
Dianna—Jennifer W.’s mother; suffering serious and worrisome health problems  
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  
Kathy (Katherine) 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; health issues  
Bach-Loan—a neighbor of Jeanne M.’s; serious health challenges  
Stephen—facing long-term health challenges; at request of Marilou P.  
Emily—acquaintance of the Nimcheks; facing serious illness, courageously  
Michael “Mike” A.—battling health challenges  
Robert Jos.—dealing with health issues  
Elizabeth—suffered acute and chronic health issues; friend of Helena G.  
Rosemary—member in the New Britain Parish; long-term health challenges  
Andrea—mourning loss of loved one; req. of Helena G.  
Jon—friend of Forrest and Elaine H., recovering from brain surgery  
Mark—a man suffering with cancer; friend of Elaine and Forrest H.  
Sonya K.—former W’bury parishioner, health issues

Nyla and Don—at request of John G.; unwell and in need of prayers  
Jesse—at request of John G.; unwell and in need of prayers  
Jeffrey—at request of John G.; unwell and in need of prayers  
Ninoos—at request of John G.; unwell and in need of prayers  
Brittany—relative of Pdn. Paul; young woman facing cancer  
Juliana—Fr. John’s sister; preparing to undergo possible back surgery for serious injury  
Reader Matthew—friend of Subdeacon John Paul S.; in need of prayers  
Oleg—friend of Subdeacon John Paul S.; very worrying diagnosis of health issue  
Daniel—son of a friend of Subdeacon John Paul S.; struggling  
Bill (“Vasilios”) L.—relative of the Sovyrda Family; unwell and in need of prayers  
Joan and Robert—mother and son coping with chronic illness—req. of Helena G.  
Marilou P.—our fellow parishioner  
Paul S.—health issues  
Holly—an acquaintance of Peter H.; unwell and in need of prayers  
Laura—friend of Lenna M.; battling brain cancer  
Amber—Louine K.’s granddaughter-in-law.  
Ferda (“fair-dah”)—acquaintance of Mark and Karry O.; battling a serious illness  
Larissa—daughter of Fr. Michael and Nadia K.; we have been asked to pray for her  
Elizabeth S.—mother of an acquaintance of Fr. John’s; battling cancer  
Alan—at the request of Cynthia B.; unwell and in need of prayers  
Robert—Fr. Justin Gri.’s brother; unwell and in need of prayers  
Aaron—Fr. Steven H.’s son; unwell and in need of prayers  
George Z.—Fr. George Z.’s son; seriously ill  
Timothy—Olena’s husband; recent surgery to address serious illness  
Michael—at the request of Nina and John D.; unwell and in need of prayers  
Lisa—friend of Helena G.; suffering in illness  
Jacob—family member of Lynn H.; some health issues  
Audrey—A.J.’s mother; quite unwell and in need of prayers  
Faith—David C.’s cousin; facing health challenges  
Daniel—Cynthia B.’s nephew; facing health challenges  
Bob B.—friend of Melanie O.; battling cancer  
Nolan—friend of Corey F.; unwell and in need of prayers  
Jacqueline—a woman for whom we have been asked to pray for general well-being

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

Dolores M.—Bob M.’s mother; resident in long-term eldercare  
Vera M.—now at Anthology in Farmington  
Roberta K.—a Waterbury parishioner living in long-term care  
Dorothy F.—Waterbury parishioner  
Matushka Ann S.—our fellow parishioner; now living in residential care  
Forrest H.—our fellow parishioner, now living in residential care

### **Expectant Mothers and the Children to be born of them**

Shelby and the child to be born of her—Mark and Karry O.’s daughter-in-law, Joel’s wife  
Maura and the child to be born of her—close friend of Lucy C.  
Katy and the child to be born of her—friend of Peter H.  
Anya and the child to be born of her—Fr. John’s niece  
Therese and the child to be born of her—a friend of the Parish  
Teodora and the child to be born of her—Jacob and Teodora J. are our distant parishioners, for now in Serbia, hoping to soon be back in CT  
And all the expectant mothers and their children

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

John K. – will be traveling this coming week to visit family  
Melanie O. – will be traveling this coming week  
Christyn O. – moving away from CT

### **Those from among us serving on active duty in the Armed Forces**

Joel O.—U.S. Navy; hospital corpsman (“medic”)  
Shelby—Joel O.’s wife; also a U.S. Navy medic  
Derek—relative of Carolyn P.; U.S. Army soldier  
Ruben—acquaintance of the Hopkos, U.S. Marines Corps pilot  
Zachary W—Fr. Zachary W.’s son; U.S. Air Force pilot  
David—at request of Fr. David K.; U.S. Army medic

### **Wedding Anniversaries:**

*None this week*

### **Birthdays**

John S. 6/24  
Matthew N. – Dn Paul and Patty’s son 6/25

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## **Pray for Peace!**

Please pray for all those throughout the world, known and unknown to us by name, who have died and who are suffering due to armed conflict.

Presently there is significant warfare, causing tens of thousands of deaths and incredible suffering, ongoing in Ukraine, in the Middle East, in Myanmar, in the Maghreb, in Ethiopia, and in Sudan. There are lesser conflicts going on in many other places, as well, costing thousands more deaths. To give but one example, the ongoing drug war in Mexico has cost thousands of lives.

Please, pray for peace. Pray for those who have died. Pray for those who yet still live, but who have been victimized. Pray for all those who have suffered loss. Lord, hear our prayer!

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## **Scripture Readings, etc.**

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:

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***The End! Glory be to God!***

