



ST. MARK'S ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Readers:

- ❖ G. Peter Bohlender
- ❖ Dustin Joseph Crosby

Service Schedule

Great Vespers/Vigil

Saturdays 6pm

Eve of Feast 7pm (6pm on Sundays).

Hours

Sundays and Feast Days 9:10am.

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Choir Directors:

- ❖ Daria Cortese
- ❖ Mat. Martha Moser
- ❖ Sergei Arhipov

Church School

Director

- ❖ Jennifer Sremanak



Divine Liturgy

Confessions:

Saturdays after Vespers and by appointment.

Akathist Service

Wednesdays at 9:15am.

Memorial Services (Panikhida/Litya): as

requested



26th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (13th of Luke) — Tone 1. Sunday of the Forefathers. Hieromartyr Eleutherius, Bishop of Illyria, and his mother, Martyr Anthia(2nd c.). Martyr Eleutherius at Constantinople (3rd c.). Ven. Pardus, Hermit, of Palestine(6th c.). * St. Stephen the Confessor, Archbishop of Surozh in the Crimea (8th c.). Ven. Paul of Latros (955). Ven. Tryphon, Abbot of Pechenga (Kol'sk), and his martyred disciple, Jonah (1583). **Hieromartyr Hiliarion (Tróitskii), Archbishop of Vereiya (1929—Dec. 15th O.S.).** Hieromartyrs Archpriests Aleksandr Rozhdéstvenskii, Vasilií Vinográdov, and Viktor Dobronrávov (1937—Dec. 15th O.S.).

ΕΠΙΣΤΟΛΗ: **Colossians: 3:4-11**

ΓΟСПΕΛ: **LUKE 14:16-24**

Baptisms: Children must have Orthodox Godparents who provide a letter from their parish priest. Parents and Godparents are required to attend two preparatory classes. Scheduling arrangements should be made with the Rector by contacting him directly.

Weddings: Arrangements should be made **at least** six months prior to the wedding and scheduling is subject to the liturgical calendar of the church.

Please do not make arrangements for receptions without speaking with the Rector first.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE OF SERVICES AND EVENTS:

Sun. December 15: Hours and Divine Liturgy - 9:10am. Litya for Zoran Djokic, Camelia Petrascu and Valentina, friend of Julia Petrov. Church School. Coffee Hour.

Mon. Dec 16: Book Group discussion. 7pm.

Tues. Dec 17: Finance Committee Meeting - 7:30pm



Wed. Dec 18: Prison Ministry -7pm.
Thurs Dec 19: Parish Council - 7pm
Sat. Dec 21: Vespers and Confessions - 4pm.

Choir: As of December 1, the position of Chief Choir Director is held by Daria Cortese. Sergei has decided to step down from direction, though he will not cease his invaluable service for the choir. A proper recognition of Sergei's service will take place in January, but in the meantime a profound thank you to him for his many years of service in this vital ministry in the church. We are delighted to welcome Daria back and look forward to her direction of the choir in the years to come. Our first

responsibility to God is to offer Him beautiful worship, which requires each of us to offer the best of ourselves. Let us recommit ourselves to liturgical services that are beautiful to see and to hear. May the Lord bless all who sing and serve!

Envelopes and Calendars for 2020: Envelopes are in the vestibule for parishioners to pick up. Also, calendars for 2020 are available. **One calendar per household** until all have one.

Scrip: YTD \$257.65.

St. Hilarion (Troitsky) Archbishop of Vereya Life and writings may be found here:

<http://orthochristian.com/33316.html>



Wrightstown Food Cupboard: Thank you for the donations.

VIGIL LIGHTS

FROM: SWAN FAMILY

FOR THE HEALTH OF: MICHAEL, CONSTANCE

IN MEMORY OF: VENUS, HELEN, THOMAS, NEVILLE

FROM: TIBERIU

IN MEMORY OF: ELDER EPHRAIM OF ARIZONA



Please remember in your prayers

Living: Captives Hierarchs Paul and John III afflicted *Matushki* Elena, Laryssa, Lisa, Priscilla, Myra, Suzanne; *Servants of God* Peter, Stephanie, Anthony, Samuel, Sergei, Tatyana, Vera, Anna, Scott, Dennis, David, Garry, Vincent, Anthony, Helen, Stephen, Raymond, Darrell, Andrew, Daniel, Amanda, Michael, Laura, Stephen, Jason, Katina, Donna, Nina, Rebekah, Anthony, Alexander, Grover, Valerie, Raymonde, Anita, Jim, Peter, Jonathan, Gregory, Charles, Kyra, Margaret, Arlene, Vaughn, Ruslan, George
Good estate of Krastyo, Tom, Michael, Martin, Matthew, Nicoletta, Carmen and Nathan, Ferne.



Departed: *Newly departed* Dn. Gregory, Martha *Departed* Archpriests Stephen and Vladimir & Mat. Mary, Priest Georg

Birthday

Sharon Burkett - 15th
 Victoria Gibson - 16th

