



# CHRIST THE SAVIOR ORTHODOX CHURCH

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## BULLETIN OF NOVEMBER 4, 2018

### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup>

#### 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Pentecost

8:40a.m. Hours  
 9:00a.m. Div. Liturgy; Coffee Hour  
 St. Michael's Party

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>

7:00p.m. Great Vespers for the  
 Bodiless Hosts (11/8)

### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup>

#### St. Nectarios of Aegina

9:00a.m. Akathist

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup>

5:00p.m. Bible Study  
 6:00p.m. Great Vespers

### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup>

#### 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost

8:40a.m. Hours  
 9:00a.m. Div. Liturgy  
 Parish Thanksgiving Meal

### On Problems in the Church

*"Most of the problems in the Church are due to ignorance of the Scriptures."*

St. John Chrysostom

### READER SCHEDULE

#### Sunday, November 11<sup>th</sup>

Rdr. George Kaloroumakis

#### Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup>

Joanne Patrick



### 2019 Calendars & Pocket Planners

can be ordered via the order sheet in the back of the church. The calendars are \$5.00 apiece and the pocket planners \$4.00. The order sheet will be in the back of the church for the next month or so.

### The Nativity Fast

begins November 15th and ends at the Divine Liturgy on Christmas, December 25th. Everyone should avail themselves of the Sacraments of Holy Confession and Communion, especially if our last Confession and/or Communion was at Pascha.



CASH FLOWS THROUGH 9/30/18					CASH FLOWS IN OCTOBER 2018					FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT		
OPERATING		OTHER		ALL	OPERATING		OTHER		ALL	AS OF: 11/3		
Income	Expense	Income	Expense	Net	Income	Expense	Income	Expense	Net	Available	Restricted	Savings
77,453	83,097	11,700	9,070	-3,014	7,454	9,233	0	0	-1,779	2,081	4,964	12,000



**ARCHPASTORAL LETTER OF METROPOLITAN TIKHON  
IN RESPONSE TO THE TRAGIC MURDERS AT PITTSBURGH'S TREE  
OF LIFE SYNAGOGUE**

*October 30, 2018*

To the Clergy, Monastics and Faithful of the Orthodox Church in America,

On Saturday, October 27, 2018, as congregants at the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh were observing the Jewish Sabbath, a man of violence entered into their midst and murdered eleven men and women at worship. Before finishing his acts of horror, he wounded several others, including four brave police officers who had rushed to the scene. Reports indicate that this man had the sole intention of killing members of the Jewish community, and that he shouted "all Jews must be killed" while he committed this atrocity. The Orthodox Church in America grieves with the families of the murdered. We pray fervently to God for the healing of the wounded, and consolation for all who are affected.

The perpetrator of this barbarous crime sought to falsely justify his actions with a particular hatred for a Jewish organization that gives support to refugees and immigrants of diverse nationalities, races, and religions, thus fulfilling the command of God himself who said to the people of Israel through the Prophet Moses, "The stranger who sojourns with you shall be to you as the native among you, and you shall love him as yourself; for you were strangers in the land of Egypt [Leviticus 19.34]." Orthodox Christians have received this same teaching in the parable of the Good Samaritan, in which our Lord teaches us that the "neighbor" we are enjoined by God to love is hidden in the "other," who is a human being of a different nationality, race, or religion.

We abhor and condemn this wicked deed, and reject its false justification. Instead, we offer the hope that can be found in God alone. In Him, we are free from the assault of attitudes and ideologies of prejudice and hatred, fear and anxiety about those who are indeed our neighbors. As we stagger under the impact of the murders in the Pittsburgh synagogue, and as we walk alongside the Jewish citizens of our nations while sharing their grief and their anxiety, we must turn to God, the source of mercy, consolation, and hope.

May the grace and mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ comfort the victims and their families, strengthen the first responders, and bring peace and healing to our communities.

With love in Christ,

+ Tikhon

Archbishop of Washington

Metropolitan of All America and Canada

**NOVEMBER CONGRATULATIONS!**

**Birthdays:**

- 11/2 Rdr. George Kaloroumakis  
Heather Marie Parsells
- 11/8 Andrei Labai
- 11/10 Patricia McAlpin
- 11/15 Dana Wyant
- 11/16 Oscar Hageman
- 11/17 Larry Casserly
- 11/21 Natalia Fedotova
- 11/25 Rdr. Nicholas Borodulia
- 11/27 Isabelle Bekeshka  
Andrei Valliant
- 11/29 Jacob McFarland  
Lydia Sandul

**Namesdays:**

- 11/8 *Holy Angels*  
Michael Cook  
Chad Michael Fortin  
Michael McFarland  
Richard (Michael) Evanusa  
Ramona Sterca  
Daniel Michael Oganyan  
Gabriel Morsey  
Gabriela Vlahovici-Jones
- 11/16 *St. Matthew*  
Matthew McFarland
- 11/20 *St. Gregory Decapolite*  
Gregory Parsells
- 11/22 *St. Cecilia*  
Cecilia Wyant
- 11/23 *St. Alexander Nevsky*  
Liam Alexander Moss  
Alexander Dodge
- 11/24 *St. Catherine the Great*  
Kathy Parrish  
Catherine Lupiwok  
Megan Catherine Wilkinson  
Ekaterina Golub
- 11/30 *St. Andrew the Apostle*  
Andrew Hageman  
Andrei Labai  
Andrew Valliant

**Anniversaries:**

- 11/1 Joseph & Beth Dunbar
- 11/3 George & Joey Ganim
- 11/17 Larry & Tara Casserly



### WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO DENY ONESELF?

To deny oneself means to give up one's bad habits; to root out of the heart all that ties us to the world; not to cherish bad thoughts or desires; to suppress every evil thought; not to desire to do anything out of self love, but to do everything out of love for God.

~ St. Innocent of Alaska

### WHAT CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED IN JUST A FEW MOMENTS?

A few moments of fervent repentance, and you will be cleansed by the Holy Spirit from every impurity; you will be whiter than snow, and tears, purifying the heart will flow from your eyes; you will be covered with the garment of Christ's righteousness and united to Him, together with the Father and the Holy Spirit.

~ St. John of Kronstadt



### WHAT CAN WE DELIGHT IN?

Take delight in all things that surround us. All things teach us and lead us to God. All things around us are droplets of the love of God — both things animate and inanimate, the plants and the animals, the birds and the mountains, the sea and the sunset and the starry sky. They are little loves through which we attain to the great Love that is Christ. Flowers, for example, have their own grace; they teach us with their fragrance and with their magnificence. They speak to us of the love of God. They scatter their fragrance and their beauty on sinners and on the righteous.

~ St. Porphyrios

### WHAT IS GOD, COMPASSIONATE OR JUST?

Have confidence in the compassion of our Creator. Reflect well on what you are now doing, and keep before you the things you have done. Lift up your eyes to the overflowing compassion of heaven, and while He waits for you, draw near in tears to our merciful Judge. Having before your mind that He is a Just Judge, do not take your sins lightly; and having also in mind that He is compassionate, do not despair. The God-Man gives man confidence before God.

~ St. Gregory the Great



### WHAT IS TRUTH?

Truth is not a thought, not a word, not a relationship between things, not a law. Truth is a Person. It is a Being which exceeds all beings and gives life to all. If you seek truth with love and for the sake of love, she will reveal the light of His face to you inasmuch as you are able to bear it without being burned.

~ St. Nikolai Velimirovich

### WHAT IS PEACE?

The soul that loves God has its rest in God and in God alone. In all the paths that men walk in in the world, they do not attain peace until they draw nigh to hope in God.

~ St. Isaac the Syrian

