

ORTHODOX CHRISTMAS SERVICES IN JANUARY 2016

As Father James will be serving in Wallsend, there will be **no services in Gosford for Orthodox Christmas** on 6-7 January 2016. For those planning to attend the services in **Wallsend** for the Great Feast of the Nativity of the Lord, All-night Vigil with the blessing of five loaves, wheat, wine and oil will begin at **6.00pm** on **Wednesday 6 January**, and Divine Liturgy will begin at **9.00am** on **Thursday 7 January**. At the end of Divine Liturgy the customary service of thanksgiving will be served in memory of the defeat of Napoleon and his allies on Christmas Day 1812. Parishioners and friends are invited to gather in the church hall afterwards for a festive meal and a planned visit from Father Christmas. On **Friday 8 January**, the second day of Christmas, Father James plans to serve at the **Archbishop's Chapel of All Saints of Russia in Croydon**, it being customary amongst the clergy of the smaller Sydney parishes to serve on this day with our bishop and continue the celebration of the feast. This year both Metropolitan Hilarion and Bishop George will be present.

PARISH LIFE: CHURCH CLEAN-UP ON SATURDAY 2 JANUARY

Although we will not have services for Orthodox Christmas this year, we will nevertheless have our customary start-of-year clean-up. Beginning at **8.00am** on **Saturday 2 January**, this will be a major clean-up with everything washed, scrubbed and polished for the beginning of a new year. Please join us! A list of tasks will be available from which each person present can choose something suitable, and a Lenten lunch will be served afterwards.

PARISH LIFE: CALENDARS

For 2016 we will again offer Russian-English wall calendars to our parishioners and friends. Our 2016 calendar commemorates the fiftieth anniversary of the blessed repose in 1966 of Saint John of Shanghai and San Francisco. As in previous years it includes details of fast-days and feast-days, daily Bible readings, and other information helpful in living an Orthodox Christian life. Copies will be available in church from Saturday 2 January.

PARISH LIFE: CHARITABLE COLLECTION DURING THE 2015-16 NATIVITY FAST

During the Nativity Fast our parish customarily takes up a collection to assist a nominated charitable cause. This year's collection is to assist a Sunday School for Girls at the Holy Trinity Convent in Birsik, Bashkortostan, one of the places visited by Father James when he was in Russia in October. At the school the girls are taught the basics and history of the Orthodox faith, the lives of saints, church singing, needlework on church items, and to have a positive view of themselves and of the world. More information about the convent and its work can be found here: <http://birsik-monastery.cerkov.ru/>. Birsik is an industrial town of just over 40,000 people on the Belaya River. It has a number of churches and monasteries that suffered greatly during the Soviet years and that are in need of support.

PARISH LIFE: THE BLESSING OF HOMES AT THEOPHANY

On Monday 18 January and Tuesday 19 January 2016 we will have services for the Great Feast of

the Baptism of the Lord, or Theophany. All-night Vigil with the blessing of five loaves, wheat, wine and oil will begin at **6.00pm** on **Monday 18 January**, and Divine Liturgy with the Great Blessing of Waters will begin at **9.00am** on **Tuesday 19 January**. As in previous years, Father James will be blessing homes in and around Gosford and Hornsby on 18-19 January and during the week afterwards. Those wishing to have their homes blessed will be able to add their name to a list in church from Saturday 2 January onwards.

PARISH LIFE: CHILD SAFETY

In 2013 our parish adopted a 'child-safe, child-friendly' policy as part of range of measures designed to ensure that children and young people in our parish are safe and involved in parish life. The policy stipulates that age-appropriate information sessions will be held for children, young people and adults twice-yearly. The first such information session for 2016 will be held immediately after the service on Sunday 7 February and will be for children up to 12 years of age. Topics covered will include appropriate behavior, safe play around the church, and the role of the Child Safety Contact Persons. Announcements about this will be made in church on Sunday 31 January and Sunday 7 February. More information is available from Matushka Marie Carles.

PARISH LIFE: MARCH 2015 – DECEMBER 2015

As our last newsletter was published at the beginning of March 2015, far too much has happened for the usual detailed report on parish life. What follows is a summary of key events in parish life this year. More detailed information is available on our parish website at http://www.gosfordrussianchurch.org.au/news_2015.html.

On 7 March 2015 the Kursk-Root Icon of the Mother of God visited our parish. A moleben and akathist were served before it and many people gathered to venerate it and to pray.

We had many beautiful services during Great Lent this year, with Great Compline served each Wednesday evening and Vespers served each Sunday evening. On Pascha itself – Sunday 12 April – approximately 150 people gathered to celebrate the Resurrection of Christ, perhaps our largest Paschal gathering yet.

In the week after Pascha Fathers James and Martin participated in services to mark the induction of Bishop George as Bishop of Canberra, Vicar and Administrator of the Australian-New Zealand Diocese. Soon afterwards – in the first week of May – Bishop George visited us for the first time in his new capacity.

Following Bishop George's visit, a decision was made by our Parish Council to purchase certain items necessary for bishops' services. A pair of bishops' candle-holders (dikiri and trikiri) were obtained, together with a set of five "eagle-rugs".

Our practice of serving two molebens and akathists to Saint Panteleimon each month, one in Slavonic and one in English, continued this year. Both choirs improved with practice and the services became more solemn following the enshrinement of a relic of Saint Panteleimon in our parish's main icon of the saint. Later in the year, a large icon of Saint Panteleimon was relocated to a more prominent position in our church and a beautiful oil-lamp – a gift from Katia Waters – was hung before it. At the end of each moleben and akathist the faithful are now anointed with oil from this lamp. At each service all our parishioners are commemorated by name, in addition to those who have specifically asked for our prayers.

In July we finally issued an appeal for assistance in purchasing property on which to build a permanent church. The text of this appeal was approved in December 2014 at the Annual General Meeting of our parish but publication was delayed as certain matters such as tax-deductibility were investigated. The response to our appeal – the text of which can be found elsewhere in this edition of the newsletter – has to date been modest.

Early in August we received the new memorial table ordered in 2014 to commemorate 10 years of

parish life at West Gosford. This beautiful table – at which candles for the departed are placed – is the work of Protodeacon Basil Hadarin, a woodcarver and carpenter who has done a great deal to adorn our small church.

On the feast-day of Saint Panteleimon on 9 August we were again visited by Bishop George. As the feast-day fell on a Sunday very few clergy were able to join us, but our church was full to overflowing. Afterwards we enjoyed a festive lunch at the East Gosford Progress Hall.

At the end of Divine Liturgy on our feast-day four awards were presented: Olga Ivanonovna Itsikson and Bill Reid received the prestigious Diocesan Cross – the highest award of our Australian-New Zealand Diocese of the Russian Orthodox Church outside Russia – and Katia Waters and Wassim Ayoub received parish Certificates of Appreciation. Olga Ivanovna's award recognized her long service to the Diocese as a choir conductor at Centennial Park (for 20 years) and in Gosford (for 15 years), in addition to her work in the Russian Schools at Cabramatta and Strathfield. Bill's award recognised his invaluable service to the Diocese in relation to the Russian Orthodox Church (NSW) Property Trust. The awards given to Katia and Wassim recognised their significant contribution in a number of areas of parish life.

On 18-19 August, the Great Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord, we had services with the customary blessing of fruit. Once again we received a gift of 60 jars of organic honey, and this too was blessed on the day of the feast and distributed to the faithful.

Late in September we had our parish Annual General Meeting. An Annual Report detailing another positive year in the life of our parish was presented. For those who did not see a copy at the time, it can be viewed on the 'Administration' page of the parish website.

At the end of September Father James travelled abroad for the first time, accompanying the Kursk-Root Icon of the Mother of God on a visit to Russia. He also visited the United States. In his absence, Divine Liturgy was served on the two Sundays in October by Archpriest Ljubomir Dvojakovski, a cleric of the parish of Saint George in Carlton, NSW. More information about Father James' travels abroad can be found elsewhere in this newsletter.

Soon after Father James' departure we learned that Olga Ivanovna was seriously unwell and that she would be unable to continue as our choir conductor. Matushka Marie Carles took on this role and has continued to conduct the choir since. We are immensely grateful to Olga Ivanovna for her faithful service to our parish over many years and wish her all the best in retirement.

In early October we had our customary Long Weekend BBQ at Avoca Beach. Around 60 parishioners and friends gathered on a hot day and enjoyed – in addition to the good food and company – the water and the shade of the Moreton Bay figs. Many thanks to Rick Golovin and Craig Koppman for organising the day!

On 1 November there was a wedding in our small church, that of Arthur Tane and Natasha Markuardt. Many of our parishioners were present, and a small choir under the direction of Andrei Laptev sang beautifully. We wish Arthur and Natasha all the best in their married life.

Early in December we received a large and beautiful icon of the Holy Trinity. This icon, the work of iconographer Dmitri Lihachov, was ordered late in 2014 in memory of Sophia Kfoury and Tatiana Elgin-Borodin. The icon was blessed at Divine Liturgy on 6 December and is now with Protodeacon Basil Hadarin for a kiot to be made.

In December we learned with sadness of the passing of a dear friend of our parish, Bill Claydon. Bill and his beloved wife Irene began to attend our parish in 2009 and when Irene passed away in 2010, her funeral was served in our church. Bill continued to attend our services when he could and his passing came as a great shock. Following a funeral at the Greenway Chapel in Green Point Bill was laid to rest beside his wife in the Wamberal Cemetery. May God grant them rest!

2015 has been a remarkable year for baptisms in our parish, with twenty-two – three adults and

nineteen children – baptised this year. Our first baptism was on 4 April 2004 and on 31 December 2015 we had our one hundred and thirty third!

In 2015 two families that have contributed greatly to our parish moved away from the Central Coast. Paul and Lydia Pereboeff and their children moved north to Newcastle, and Victor and Susanna Bendevski and their children moved south to Sydney. Paul and Victor both served on the Auditing Committee and the Parish Council, helped build our church at West Gosford, and organised many fundraising activities. Susanna maintained the parish website and Facebook page for a number of years. We wish both families all the best!

PARISH LIFE: PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

The Parish Council met in March, May, June, July, September and November. Apart from the usual financial and administrative matters, attention has been given at these meetings to the publication of the property purchase appeal, the installation of facilities for teleconferencing and card-based payments at church, and the importance of ongoing Orthodox Christian education.

At the Annual General Meeting in September the existing Parish Council was returned to office with just one change, Anne Nielsen replacing Elena Douriaguina. The remaining members are Rick Golovin, Kate Marcotrigiano, Bill Reid, Anna Kourbatov and Reader Paul Douriguine, with Rick, Bill and Kate having served continuously since the first Parish Council was elected late in 2003. The November meeting was the first of the 2015-16 Parish Council.

FATHER JAMES IN RUSSIA AND THE UNITED STATES

As has been reported elsewhere in this newsletter, Father James travelled abroad this year. He was overseas from Monday 28 September until Thursday 29 October 2015, the main purpose for his journey being participation in a delegation of clergymen of the Russian Orthodox Church outside Russia accompanying a visit of the Kursk-Root Icon of the Mother of God to the Yekaterinburg and Ufa Dioceses of the Russian Orthodox Church. Other participants in the delegation were His Grace Bishop Nicholas (Olkhovsky) of Manhattan, Vicar of the Eastern American Diocese; Archpriest Stefan Pavlenko (a cleric of the Western American Diocese and rector of the parish of All Russian Saints in Burlingame, California); Archpriest Vladimir Boikov (a cleric of the Australian-New Zealand Diocese and Dean of New Zealand); and Protodeacon Alexander Kichakov (a cleric of the Diocese of Chicago and Mid-America and senior deacon of the Holy Virgin Protection Cathedral in Chicago, Illinois).

Fathers Stefan, Vladimir and James met in San Francisco on Tuesday 29 September. That morning, Father James served at Divine Liturgy in the Cathedral of the Mother of God, "Joy of All Who Sorrow" together with Father Stefan and cathedral clergy, later venerating the incorrupt relics of Saint John of Shanghai and San Francisco that are enshrined there. Before leaving San Francisco for Russia he visited the Saint Tikhon of Zadonsk House – the place of Saint John's residence and office in San Francisco – and met with Bishop Theodosy of Seattle, Vicar of the Western American Diocese.

The official visit to Russia began in Yekaterinburg on Thursday 1 October. The delegation was accommodated alongside the magnificent All Saints of Russia Cathedral – the "church-on-the blood" – constructed on the site of the Ipatiev House, the place of martyrdom of Tsar-Martyr Nicholas, his family and their faithful servants. Staying in Yekaterinburg until Wednesday 7 October, the delegation visited the Diocesan Chancery, the historic Saint John the Baptist Cathedral and cemetery, the Novo-Tikhvinsky Convent, the Yekaterinburg Seminary, and "Ganina Yama", the place where the Royal Martyrs were first buried and which is now the site of a men's monastery. They spent much time with Metropolitan Kyrill (Nakonechny) of Yekaterinburg and Verkoturye who – like all the bishops they met – was an energetic and warm-hearted archpastor.

After leaving Yekaterinburg they travelled to Kamensk-Uralsky, an industrial city to the south-east. Here the delegation participated in services at the Holy Trinity Cathedral with Bishop Mefody

(Kondratyev) of Kamensk and Alapayevsk, spoke at a specially-convened Pastoral Conference, visited the famous Pyatkov and Co bell-foundry, and travelled north to Alapayevsk, the place of martyrdom of Grand Duchess Elizabeth, Nun Barbara, and other members of the Royal Family. They then spent three days in another industrial city, Nizhny Tagil, 130 kilometres to the north of Yekaterinburg. Here they served in the Holy Trinity Cathedral and, together with Bishop Innokenty (Yakovlev) of Nizhny Tagil and Serov, visited the town of Verkhoturye, a medieval town renowned for its churches and monasteries and for the relics of Saint Symeon of Verkhoturye.

Something evident throughout the Yekaterinburg Diocese was a profound veneration for the Russian Royal Martyrs. Their icons were prominent in every church, and in many of the newly-restored churches their icons formed part of the iconostasis. Interestingly, there was also a widespread veneration of Saint John of Shanghai and San Francisco, the great hierarch and wonderworker of our Russian Orthodox Church outside Russia.

The second part of the trip to Russia was spent in Bashkortostan, a republic within the Russian Federation that has a primarily Moslem population. Beginning on Tuesday 13 October the delegation spent three days in the capital city, Ufa, serving Divine Liturgy at the Nativity of the Mother of God Cathedral with Metropolitan Nikon (Vasyukov) of Ufa and Sterlitamak and visiting the magnificent Dormition-Saint George Monastery. They later spent five days in the cities of Neftekamsk, Birsik, Oktyabrsky, Salavat and Sterlitamak, serving and visiting churches, monasteries and holy places with Bishops Amvrosy (Munteanu) of Neftekamsk and Birsik and Bishop Nikolai (Subbotin) of Salavat and Kumertau.

At every service a great multitude of the faithful were present to venerate the Kursk-Root Icon of the Mother of God. The delegates were shown great kindness everywhere. They were able to speak at length with the bishops and other clergy and to see at close hand much of the extraordinary work that is being done to re-open and restore churches and monasteries and to instruct the faithful. Father James formed an overwhelmingly favourable impression of the clergy and of church life in Russia.

The delegation left Ufa on 22 October. Father James then travelled to New York and stayed at the headquarters of the Synod of Bishops in Manhattan. Whilst in New York he visited the Holy Trinity Monastery and Seminary in Jordanville, served in the Synodal Cathedral, and visited the historic parish of Saint Seraphim of Sarov in Sea Cliff, New York, now a Memorial Church dedicated to the Restoration of Canonical Communion in the Russian Orthodox Church. He also managed to do some sightseeing with the help of Sergei Schreider, a member of our parish currently residing in New York City.

Father James returned to Australia on Thursday 29 October, inspired by all that he had seen but very glad to be home. Although he had plans to show a selection of photographs and share some of his experiences with the parish as a whole, this has not yet been possible. In light of his experiences abroad, something that Father James hopes to do in the year ahead is to have services in honour of All Saints of Yekaterinburg (on Thursday 11 February) and All Saints of Ufa (on Friday 3 June). More information about these services will be forthcoming in due course.

PARISH LIFE: CONFESSION

In Russia it is common for people to confess immediately before – and even during – Divine Liturgy, a practice that is made possible by the assignment of more than one priest to a parish. With just one priest the situation in our parish is very different. On Sunday mornings the time within which to hear confessions is very limited, and the hearing of confessions immediately prior to Holy Communion inconveniences everyone. Those who wish to confess are asked to make every effort to do so on Saturday evenings or to make arrangements with Father James to confess at another time.

Confession is best approached with some forethought. Those wishing to confess should examine their conscience carefully and be mindful of the ways in which they have sinned and so fallen short of the glory of God. Many people make the mistake of approaching confession as if it a kind of counselling session, when it is in fact the Sacrament of Repentance. Penitents should approach confession with a list of sins to turn away from rather than a list of problems to be solved. It is often children who understand this most clearly and so make the best and most heartfelt confessions. Let us learn from them!

During Great Lent in 2016 Father James will organise a "first confession" service for children aged seven and older who have yet to confess, or who would like to better understand the Sacrament of Repentance. More information about this service will be provided in February 2016.

REMINDER: 2016 PARISH MEMBERSHIP

With a New Year beginning, parish members are now asked to renew their membership, and regular worshippers are invited to consider becoming members. Parish membership is something quite distinct from church attendance, or even participation in the sacramental life of the church. Membership makes it possible for a person to be involved in formal parish decision-making at various levels. A person cannot serve on the Parish Council, for example, without first becoming a parish member.

The rules governing parish membership are set out in the Normal Parish By-Laws or the "Нормальный Приходской Устав" ("the By-Laws") of the Russian Orthodox Church outside Russia (ROCOR). A person who has reached the age of 18 years may become a member of a ROCOR parish if they are an Orthodox Christian, pay the established membership dues, make their confession and take Holy Communion not less than once a year, and tend to the moral and economic welfare of the parish. **Those unwilling to comply with these requirements should not seek parish membership.**

In our parish, the annual membership fee is \$30.00. Membership is granted for a calendar year; that is, from January to December. New members gain the right to vote only after 6 months of membership. Those new members who transfer membership from another ROCOR parish may vote immediately. Paragraph 12 of the By-Laws requires any person wishing to become a member of a parish to make a written application to the Parish Council. To make this easier for everyone, our parish has developed an 'Application for Parish Membership' form. Copies of this form can be obtained from the candle-desk in church or on our website on the 'Administration' page.

PARISH LIFE: PROPERTY PURCHASE APPEAL

At our Annual General Meeting in November 2014 the text of an 'Appeal to the faithful of the Australian-New Zealand Diocese of the Russian Orthodox Church outside Russia' was approved. The text in English and Russian is as follows:

Saint Panteleimon Russian Orthodox Church was formed by a small group of people living on the NSW Central Coast. The first services were held in November 2000, and by the end of 2003 our community had grown sufficiently to purchase premises in West Gosford for a parish centre. There, as many know, our parish has established a small temporary church and hall and a vibrant parish life that includes a regular pattern of divine services and social activities. A loan of \$125,000 obtained in 2003 to purchase these premises was paid off in full in 2008, some 9 years early, and our parish has since saved a further \$60,000 in its "Future Fund".

During the course of 2014 our parish has celebrated ten years of parish life in West Gosford. Looking back over all that has been achieved since November 2000 and giving thanks to God, we nevertheless continue to plan for the future, hoping in time to construct a permanent church in traditional Russian Orthodox style. The first step

towards this is the acquisition of a suitable block of land, something likely to cost around \$400,000. It is with this first step in mind that our parish now turns to the faithful of the Australian and New Zealand Diocese of the Russian Orthodox Church outside Russia and to all our friends, seeking assistance.

Our Parish Council has resolved to set aside \$40,000 from the "Future Fund" for the purpose of property acquisition, ten per cent of the required amount. Families within the parish have already pledged contributions of \$1000. If 400 families or individuals across the Diocese could be found to contribute such an amount our goal would soon be reached, and the next important step in the life of our parish could be taken.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ! Please give prayerful consideration to our appeal, and help us bring this project to fruition. Any help that you can give, whether great or small, will be most welcome. We assure all those who assist our parish of our prayers for their health and salvation. May the Lord bless you!

Русская Православная Церковь св. Пантелеимона в Госфорде была организована небольшой группой людей, проживающих на Центральном Побережье. В ноябре 2000 года проведение первого богослужения ознаменовало создание нового прихода русской православной церкви Св. Пантелеимона в Госфорде. К 2003 году наша община достаточно окрепла для приобретения собственного помещения в Западном Госфорде. Как многим известно, силами членов прихода была организована временная церковь, зал для общественных собраний и активная приходская жизнь с регулярным проведением богослужений и социальных мероприятий. Для приобретения помещения в 2003 году был взят ипотечный займ на сумму \$125,000, который был полностью выплачен в 2008 году, почти на 9 лет раньше срока. В последующие годы приход смог собрать дополнительные \$60,000 в фонд своего развития.

В 2014 году приход Св. Пантелеимона отпраздновал десятилетие храмового богослужения в Западном Госфорде. Оглядываясь назад на то, что было с Божьей помощью достигнуто с ноября 2000 года, мы с оптимизмом смотрим в будущее и надеемся со временем построить постоянную церковь в традиционном русско-православном стиле. Первым шагом на пути к этой цели является приобретение подходящего участка земли стоимостью около \$400,000. В связи с чем наш приход обращается ко всем верующим и ко всем друзьям Австралийско-Новозеландской Епархии Русской Православной Церкви Заграницей с просьбой о помощи и содействии.

Наш Приходской Совет принял решение выделить \$40,000 из фонда развития - 10% от суммы необходимой для приобретения земельного участка. Несколько семей нашего прихода готовы пожертвовать по \$1,000. Если бы нам удалось найти 400 человек или семей среди членов Епархии, готовых сделать подобное пожертвование, мы бы очень скоро смогли достигнуть нашей цели и сделать следующий важный шаг в развитии нашего прихода.

Дорогие Братья и Сестры во Христе! Пожалуйста с молитвой обдумайте наше обращение и помогите нам осуществить наш проект. Любая помощь, большая или малая, будет с благодарностью принята. Мы будем всегда молиться о здравии и спасении всех, кто окажет содействие нашему приходу. Благослови вас Господь!

Our appeal was published in July 2015 with the hope that it would help us take the first steps in the next stage of parish life, a stage that we envisioned culminating in the purchase of property and the construction of a permanent church in traditional Russian Orthodox style here in Gosford. As has been noted elsewhere in this newsletter, the response to date has been modest. Our

parishioners and friends who wish to do so may contribute to the appeal by making a donation at the candle-desk or by a direct deposit to our Building Fund account, Westpac BSB 032-523 ACN 289049. Progress will be reviewed at our 2016 Annual General Meeting and decisions made then about future directions.

PARISH LIFE: THIS NEWSLETTER

Father James commenced publication of this newsletter way back in July 2002. The earliest editions coincided with each service in Gosford and from 2005 it was published more or less monthly. With the introduction of a new website in late 2013 the focus of communication shifted from the newsletter to the website and Facebook and this, combined with extra commitments for Father James at the Diocesan level, led to a decline in the number of newsletters published: six in 2014 and just two in 2015! Many of our parishioners and friends have expressed dismay at this, missing the interesting and helpful information about the life of our parish, Diocese and Church that the newsletter provided. With this in mind, every effort will be made to publish it more often and more regularly in 2016. Anyone willing and able to help with this should speak to Father James.

DIOCESAN LIFE: COMMEMORATIVE EVENTS IN 2016

At a meeting on 17 December 2015 the Australian-New Zealand Diocesan Council resolved to organise commemorative events and services in 2016 to mark the twentieth anniversary of Metropolitan Hilarion's service as Ruling Bishop of the Diocese, the fortieth anniversary of the repose of Archbishop Sava (Raevsky), and the fiftieth anniversary of the repose of Saint John of Shanghai and San Francisco. At this stage, it is hoped that towards the end of 2016 there will be festive services and a banquet in honour of Metropolitan Hilarion's twentieth anniversary, possibly in conjunction with the Eighteenth Diocesan Assembly. Archbishop Sava's anniversary will be observed at the Pastoral Conference customarily held during Great Lent and in parishes across the Diocese on Sunday 17 April. The anniversary of Saint John's repose will be marked by services in all four Diocesan Cathedrals – Sydney, Brisbane, Melbourne and Canberra – on Saturday 2 July. More information will be forthcoming in due course.

THE PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL ARE ASKED FOR:

The sick: Mitred Archpriest Michael (Li), Mitred Archpriest Michael (Klebansky), Mitred Archpriest George (Larin) (from Nyack, NJ), Protodeacon Christopher (Henderson), Elena (Metlenko), Nun Euphrosyne (Kobeleff), Leonid (Snopov), Vera (Roudenko); and our parishioners Ludmila, Olga, Vladimir, Tatiana, and Tatiana.

Prisoners and those in custody: Alexander, Igumen Christopher (Vakhabov)

Departed: Our former parishioners and benefactors Sophia (Kfoury), Tatiana (Elgin-Borodin), Michael (Grigorieff), Irene (Claydon), Victor (Manjetny), Vladimir (Dmitrieff), George (Fomin), Irina (Kamenev), Nun Maria, George (Kraihin), Theodore & Antonina (Tialshinsky), Lyubov (Smieska), Victor (Pulkownik), Olga (Timohina), Alexander (Dikan), Elena (Yakupova), Lydia (Ustimko), Nikolai (Pinczuk), Tatiana (Venttsel), and John (Gordeyeff). **Non-Orthodox departed:** Bill (Claydon)



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