



**Sunday, December 10, 2017**

**Gospel:** St. Luke 17:12-19

**Tone 2**

**Epistle:** Ephesians 6:10-17

**27th Sunday After Pentecost**

**Martyr Menas, Hermogenes, and Eugephus of Alexandria**

**Martyr Gemellus Paphlagonia**

### *Liturgical & Events Schedule*

**Sunday, December 10**

9:30 am: D.L. / 40 Day Remembrance / Social

**Wednesday, December 13**

6:00 pm: Public Meeting Summit

**Saturday, December 16**

4:00 pm: Great Vespers followed by Pre- Communion Prayers & Confessions

**Sunday, December 17**

9:15 am: Hours

9:30 am: D.L. / 40 day remembrance / social / Change altar linens to Gold

#### **40 Day Remembrance**

Dec. 10: Terror attack victims in NYC

Dec. 17: 26 people killed in First Baptist Church, Sutherland Springs, TX shooting

Dec. 24: Pa. Police officer killed in line of duty

Dec. 31: MI Police deputy killed in line of duty

Jan. 14: Ann Dahulich / Mat. Valerie Herrick

#### **TOTAL SPECIAL COLLECTION**

Thank you everyone who contributed to the Holiday Bureau Christmas Drive. \$400 was collected.

God Bless all of you!

#### **DECEMBER**

##### Readers

3-Ron  
10-Wayne  
17-Tim  
24-Natalie  
31-Ron

##### Cleaning

6-Natalie Twarek  
13-Marguerite Bird  
20-Bill & Tim Glovinsky  
27-Julia & Susan Guzy



#### **CHRISTMAS FLOWERS AND MEMBRANCES**

**RE-**

Christmas Flowers, In Memory of or For The Health Of a family member, loved one or friend are being offered at \$25 per flower. All names will be remembered during the Christmas Liturgy. Please contact Father Andrew if you are interested.

##### **Fr. Andrew: (5 Flowers):**

- For the Health of all Holy Assumption parishioners & their families
- For the health of all my family and friends
- For the health of the Marblehead Police Department, Danbury Fire Department, Summit IL Fire Department and all first responders
- In Memory of His Eminence Metropolitan Nicholas, my ordaining Bishop
- In memory of my family, especially my parents George and Dorothy Bartek

##### **Basil Glovinsky: (5 Flowers)**

- Health of Fr. Andrew & Holy Assumption Church Family
- Memory of Glovinsky Family
- Memory of Monak Family
- Memory of Yuhas Family
- Memory of Kaperak Family

##### **Hiser Family: (1 Flower)**

- In memory of her grandfather, George Simko

##### **Rose Family: (2 Flowers)**

- In Memory of both of their Mom & Dad

#### **ROYAL DOOR VIGIL- December 3**

In loving memory of Baba Mazurik from Natalie Twarek

#### **OUR SHUT-INS**

**Edgewood Manor Nursing Center**  
1330 Fulton Street  
Port Clinton, OH 43452  
Anne Kovalik- Room 309

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**DECEMBER  
COFFEE HOUR SCHEDULE**

Dec. 03: Sandy & Marguerite  
Dec. 10: Greg  
Dec. 17: Ron & Bobbie  
Dec. 24: Open  
Dec. 31: All day Social @ Rectory sponsored by Fr. Andrew

**Ann (Rosics) Dahulich, Mother of Archbishop Michael**

The beloved mother of His Eminence, Archbishop Michael of New York and New Jersey, Ann (Rosics) Dahulich, 91, fell asleep in the Lord on Wednesday, December 6, 2017.



A lifelong member of Saint Michael's Orthodox Church, Binghamton, NY, and the former secretary of the parish's Ladies Guild, Ann was a retired employee of the City of Binghamton and the Greenman Senior Center.

She was predeceased by her parents, Michael and Anna Rosics; her husband, Peter Dahulich; her two brothers, Andrew and Michael Rosics; and her sister, Marie Dancho. In addition to Archbishop Michael, she is survived by her son, George Dahulich (Ret. Capt. USAF), Centreville, VA, and her daughter, Barbara Knighton, Binghamton; three grandchildren, Georgia Wimberly [Randall], Shanise Kent [Kyle Wolf] and Jaron Knighton; five great-grandchildren; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Visitation will begin at Saint Michael's Church, Binghamton, NY at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, December 11. A Parastas will be celebrated at 7:00 p.m. followed by a light meal. Visitation will resume at the church at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, December 12, followed by the celebration of the Divine Liturgy and Funeral Service at 10:00 a.m. Officiating will be Protopresbyter James S. Dutko, Pastor of Saint Michael's Church, and area and visiting clergy. [Clergy are asked to wear white vestments.] Interment will follow at Saint Michael's Cemetery, after which a lenten luncheon will be held in Ann's memory.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to [Saint Tikhon's Orthodox Theological Seminary](http://www.sainttikhon.org), Box 130, South Canaan, PA 18459; Saint Michael's Church, 296 Clinton Street, Binghamton, NY 13905; or the Lourdes Hospice Program, 169 Riverside Drive, Binghamton, NY 13905.

May Ann's memory be eternal!

**VIGIL LAMP OFFERINGS- December 3**

**Marguerite Bird: (1)** In memory of Mom

**Natalie Twarek: (5)** For the Health and recovery of Annette Stewart; Health & recovery of Darlene & Debbie; Health of Robin, David, Margi and Joe, Nancy; Health of Sue, Ron, Morgan, Richie, Jake, Diane, John, Judy, Helen, Janice, Pete; For Special Intention

**Sandy Martin: (2)** In loving memory of Mom; Special Intention

**David & Roddie Mazurik & family: (4)** Safe travel; for health & blessings for sister Debbie and husband Marco; Health & blessings for mom & dad; Health & blessing for Aunt Jean

**Laura Kovach: (2)** For health of Greg, Margi & Joe; Birthday blessings for Ben

**MARCH FOR LIFE BUS:  
WASHINGTON, DC OR CHICAGO**

Bus trip to Washington, D.C. January 18-20, 2018 (Thursday morning departure -Saturday night return)

The bus departs from Port Clinton. It is being sponsored by Respect life Ministry of Port Clinton / Marblehead. Includes: Bus, Hotel, Breakfast, Vigil Mass at Basilica (I'm sure we can go to OCA Cathedral), March for Life Rally, Sightseeing Saturday Morning.

If anyone is interested in going please let me know and maybe we can get a group from here to go. RSVP by Dec 12: \$220 a person & \$240 after that.

Or if anyone is interested we can go to the March for Life in Chicago the weekend before. (Saturday Jan. 13-14). It would be cheaper and closer.

**MONTHLY ATTENDANCE: DECEMBER**

**Sunday Dec. 3:**

Attendance: 24 total people (18 members; 2 children; 4 guests; 15 Communicants; 11 for Vespers)

Collections: \$6,579 (Offerings \$1,279; Anonymous \$5,000; \$200 for Christmas Flowers; \$100 for the Holiday Bureau)

**Wednesday, Dec. 6 (St Nicholas Feast Day)**

Attendance for Vespers: 19 / Attendance for Liturgy 13

## Prayer List (Updated December 10)

**Priests:** His Beatitude, Metropolitan Theodosius; His Beatitude, Metropolitan Herman; John Duranko (*Father's home pastor*); Joseph Gibson; James Gleason (*Father's Spiritual Father*); Emilian Hutnyan; Paul Lazor; Myron Manzuk; John Matusiak; Peter Tutko

**Matushkii:** Laryssa Hutnyan; Carol Janecek; Barbara Kopka; Virginia Lecko; Paula Manzuk; Sonya Tutko; Pani Patricia Duranko; Mother Victoria

**Parishioners / & their Family:** Debbie Garnek (*sister of Roddie*); Michael Glovinsky (*Nephew to Basil*); Julia Guzy; Joseph Habegger (*Laura Kovach's brother-in-law*); Charles Hagmaier (*Brother-in-law to Roberta Royhab*); James Heffernan (*Father-in-law of Jennifer Heffernan*); Baby Jaxson (*grandson of the Cassell's*); Rich Kokinda (*Cousin of Greg Twarek*); Michael Kouznetsov (*Son of Mary Hiser*); Victoria Kousnetsov (*Daughter of Mary Hiser*); Anne Kovalik; Helen Lis; Stanley Lis; Walter Litzie (*Fr.'s Cousin*); John Mazurik (*brother of Paul Mazurik*); Judy Mazurik (*sister-in-law of Paul Mazurik*); Darlene Mazurik; Tony Monastra; Tony Palac (*Brother-in-law of Jean Hileman*); Nancy Pipenur (*sister-in-law of Jean Hileman*); William Rentz (*Father of Tamara Rentz Blackford*); Nancy Sitzler (*Mother of Amber Twarek*); Diane Tryon; Greg Tryon; Rachel & her unborn baby; Jessica Issler & her unborn baby (*Jean Hileman's daughter*)

**Other Requests:** Victor Abrahamowicz (*Friend of Mary Hiser*); Brad Biecheler; David Bobb (*friend of Nikki Twarek*); John Cox (*husband of Pastor Kay Mooney-Cox*); Dominic (*friend of the Cassell's*); Theodore Geletka (*St. Michael Orthodox Church, Broadview Heights choir director*); Mike Jacobson (*Fr.'s friend*); Baby Lucas Goodman (*friend of Christi Soski*); Jake Lipstraw (*friend of Natalie Twarek*); Violet Mattingly (*neighbor of Greg Mazur*); Pauline Meath (*Friend of Fr. Andrew's*); Beth Reinhard (*friend of Diane Tryon*); Cheryl Schell (*Co-worker of Jennifer Heffernan*); Nick Shortridge (*Friend of Christi*); Karen Simonsen (*friend of David Mazurik*); Janice Timko; Brian Turner (*Fr.'s friend*); Mat. Carly Koranda & her unborn baby (*Chicago Deanery*); Nicole & her unborn Baby (*Friends of Fr. Andrew*)

**Military:** Craig Cassell; Justin Issler; James Jerome

**Captivz:** Metropolitan Paul (*Orthodox Archdiocese of Aleppo*); Archbishop John (*Syriac Archdiocese of Aleppo*); for the UN & IOCC humanitarian aid workers in & around Syria; those suffering persecution in Iraq, Syria, Israel, Egypt, Ukraine and throughout the world; those held captive throughout the world.

Additions or removals from the list? Please notify Fr. Andrew

### Luke 17:12-19 (Gospel)

Then as He entered a certain village, there met Him ten men who were lepers, who stood afar off. And they lifted up their voices and said, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" So when He saw them, He said to them, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." And so it was that as they went, they were cleansed. And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, returned, and with a loud voice glorified God, and fell down on his face at His feet, giving Him thanks. And he was a Samaritan. So Jesus answered and said, "Were there not ten cleansed? But where are the nine? Were there not any found who returned to give glory to God except this foreigner? And He said to him, "Arise, go your way. Your faith has made you well."

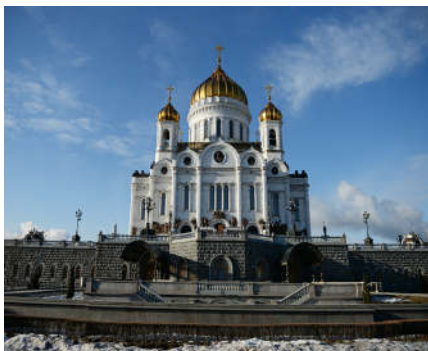
### DECEMBER CELEBRATIONS

BIRTHDAY		ANNIVERSARY
1-Ileana Bruner 4- Steven Calzone 5- Mat. Laryissa Bremer 8- Joe Rose 9- Pauline Meath 9- Angie Dardovsky	11- Tina Rindfleisch 11- Emmelyn Monschein 13- Gabe Mazurik 23- Teri Cassell 28- Carol Mazurik	5- Archbishop Mark of Philadelphia (13 <sup>th</sup> ) 21- Ed & Irene Vangeloff 27- Bishop Paul (3 <sup>rd</sup> ) 31- Fred & Christi Soski

*If there are those names to be added or removed, please contact Fr. Andrew. He would like to list all members of your family Orthodox and non-Orthodox.*

## Metropolitan Tikhon to participate in Moscow celebration of 100th Anniversary of St. Tikhon's Enthronement

His Beatitude, Metropolitan Tikhon will be among the other Primates and Heads of the Local Orthodox Churches gathering in Moscow for Celebrations marking the 100th Anniversary of the Enthronement of Saint Tikhon as



*Christ the Saviour Cathedral, Moscow*

Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia and the reestablishment of the Moscow Patriarchate.

It was in 1917—on the eve of the Russian Revolution—that the All-Russian Council, which was meeting in Moscow, elected Saint Tikhon to the Patriarchal Office, thereby reestablishing the Patriarchate which had been abolished in the early 1700s by Emperor Peter the Great.

Metropolitan Tikhon and the other members of the Orthodox Church in America's delegation—His Grace, Bishop Daniel of Santa Rosa; Archpriest Daniel Andrejuk, Rector of Saint Tikhon of Moscow Church, Anchorage, AK; Melanie Ringa OCA Treasurer; Archdeacon Joseph Matusiak; and Subdeacon Roman Ostash—departed for Moscow on Thursday, November 30, 2017.

“Our participation in the celebration of Saint Tikhon is very personal for us as he is a living connection to our own Church inheritance and to the longstanding relations between the Russian Orthodox Church and her faithful and the faithful of the Orthodox Church in America,” Metropolitan Tikhon said shortly before his departure. “At a time when the political divides seem daunting and at times insurmountable, the relationships

that exist between the Russian Church and the Orthodox Church in America are signs and even evidence that better days are surely going to come.”

On Saturday, December 2, Metropolitan Tikhon will address the Bishops' Council of the Russian Orthodox Church, which opened in Moscow on Wednesday, November 29. The following morning, Metropolitan Tikhon will celebrate the Divine Liturgy at the Representation Church of the Valaam Monastery, Moscow and attend a dinner hosted by Patriarch Kirill for the Primates and Heads of the Local Churches.

On Monday, December 4, he will be among the other Primates and Heads of the Local Churches concelebrating with His Holiness, Patriarch Kirill of Moscow and the other Primates in Christ the Saviour Cathedral at the Divine Liturgy marking the 100th Anniversary. The relics of Saint Tikhon, which are enshrined in Moscow's Donskoy Monastery, have been transferred to Christ the Saviour Cathedral for the celebration.

On Wednesday, December 6, Metropolitan Tikhon will meet privately with Patriarch Kirill. That evening, he will preside at the celebration of the Vigil at the OCA's Representation Church of Saint Catherine, Moscow, where he will celebrate the Divine Liturgy on Thursday, December 7.

While in Moscow, Metropolitan Tikhon also will meet with the Ambassador of Canada, John Kur, and the newly appointed US Ambassador, Jon Huntsman.

Daily posts will be available on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

### BIBLE STUDY CANCELLED

Provided the weather is good, Father Andrew will be driving to upstate New York to attend the funeral of Ann Dahulich, Archbishop Michael's Mother. If Father does not go, there will be Bible study. Please watch your email for updates!

### Reposed List - December

1-Helen Elchisco (90)	20- Julia Brosojah Millie (53)	26- Fr. Robert Sally (2002)
7- Ann Dahulich	21- Mary Sennich (85)	28- Mary Sennich (85)
12- Anna Bretz (2002)	22- Antonima Vecsey (72)	29- Alexandra Dotsenko (80)
13- Joseph Mazurik (86)	23- Steven Danchisen (82)	30- Bishop Boris (2000)
13- Archimandrite Seraphim Oblivantseff (54) Former Pastor	23- Fr. David Sedor (2008)	31- Jevgeny Cernonok (80)
15- Michael W. Belenky (71)	24- Alexandra Turkul (80)	
18- Archbishop Job (2009)		

## Assembly of Bishops releases study of youth, young adult ministries in US parishes



On November 30, 2017, the [Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops of the United States of America](#) released the results of its most recent study, titled “Young Adults and Young Adult Ministries in American Orthodox Christian Parishes.”

An [Executive Summary](#) and [Full Report](#) are available online in PDF format.

“The subject of young Orthodox Church members was a major topic on the agenda of the [recent Annual General Assembly Meeting](#) held October 3-5, 2017 in Garfield, NJ,” said Alexei Krindatch, the Assembly’s Research Coordinator and author of its numerous related studies. “This report was prepared in order to help the Assembly address our common concern about the engagement of youth and young adults in the lives of American Orthodox parishes.”

The report comes from the 2016 national study, “Orthodox Christian Parishes in 21st Century America.” The goal of this study was to provide a comprehensive picture of the lives of local parish communities, including such aspects as membership, worship, programs, religious education, finances, usage of electronic technologies, and much more. Young adult members (defined as persons between ages 18–34) and young adult Church ministries were among the key subjects examined in this study, which was conducted via a national survey of 580 parishes (about 30% of all US Orthodox parishes).

According to Mr. Krindatch, the report highlights

- which programs and activities are most crucial for attracting young adult Church members.
- why it is important to have a designated young adult leader in a parish.
- which aspects of Orthodox worship are especially appealing to young adult Church members.
- how a parish’s involvement with an [Orthodox Christian Fellowship](#) [OCF] affects young adult parishioners and young adult ministries.

[Links to the Assembly of Bishops’ numerous research studies](#) are available on-line.

## Metropolitan Tikhon addresses Bishops Council of ROC

On Saturday, December 2, 2017, His Beatitude, Metropolitan Tikhon was among the Primates of the Local Orthodox Churches who addressed the Bishops Council of the Russian Orthodox Church on the occasion of the 100th Anniversary of the Restoration of the Patriarchate and the Election of Patriarch Tikhon.

[As previously announced](#), Metropolitan Tikhon and a delegation from the Orthodox Church in America, at the invitation of His Holiness, Patriarch Kirill of Moscow, are participating in the special services and events marking these two historic events, the highlight of which was the celebration of the Patriarchal Divine Liturgy in Moscow’s Christ the Saviour Cathedral on Monday, December 4.

It was in 1917—on the eve of the Russian Revolution—that the All-Russian Council, which was meeting in Moscow, elected Saint Tikhon to the Patriarchal Office, thereby reestablishing the Patriarchate which had been abolished in the early 1700s by Emperor Peter the Great. Saint Tikhon had served as Bishop and Archbishop of North America from 1898 until his return to his homeland in 1907.

The complete text of Metropolitan Tikhon’s Address may be found below. [A video of his Address](#) may be viewed online. Photos are available on OCA [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) pages. Additional information will be posted as it becomes available.

### **Address of Metropolitan Tikhon to the Bishops Council of the Russian Orthodox Church on the Occasion of the Centenary of the Patriarchate and the Election of Patriarch Tikhon Saturday, December 2, 2017**

Your Holinesses, Your Beatitudes, Your Eminences and Your Graces, Members of the Bishops Council of the Russian Orthodox Church, Honored Guests,

It is a great joy to be here, in the company of my fathers and brothers in Christ, the Primates and leaders of the Orthodox Churches throughout the world, and at the invitation of our brother, His Holiness, Kirill, the 16th Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia, to honor Saint Tikhon, the 11th Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia and first in the line of the restored Patriarchate, the anniversary of which we celebrate this week.

I come to you from the far-away lands of North America, with a small delegation representing the Orthodox Church in America, to offer a few words before this august body concerning the great man of God and confessor whose name I bear and who is also my predecessor in the United States and Canada, where he served as ruling hierarch of the North American diocese from 1898 to 1907. **Con’t Next Page**

### ***Met. Tikhon Address Con't***

Bishop Tikhon had a vision for Orthodoxy in America, in which the future united Orthodox Church in the New World would include all the national Orthodox communities, with Arabic, Greek and Serbian bishops leading those communities – all united in one Archdiocese led by a Russian Orthodox Archbishop. There is even a written record showing that Archbishop Tikhon saw a future autocephalous Orthodox Church in the New World. Before leaving America, he succeeded in moving towards realizing his vision, with such actions as the appointment of a Bishop of Brooklyn for the Arab Orthodox and a Bishop of Alaska for the Alaskan native communities.

From the American missionary fields white for harvest, Saint Tikhon returned to Russia to enter a world where dark clouds were gathering and the blood of the Bolshevik revolution would soon begin to spill. The restoration of the Patriarchate in 1917 was not simply an administrative and ecclesiastical decision borne out of historical necessity, but was truly a prophetic event that placed a man of a great integrity and holiness in a position which would become the heaviest of crosses for him, but the source of unity for his flock.

Along with the delegates of the All-Russian Local Council, Patriarch Tikhon was fully aware of the reality of the persecution: bishops monks, and priests rounded up, arrested, humiliated, and shot, simply because of their faith, killed as they carried out their sacred duties; a priest in Stavropol shot in his vestments and carrying a cross; another priest dragged from the altar while serving the liturgy and shot in the church vestibule; a priest murdered while his daughter pleads for his life, his wife begging for his corpse and refused; his three sons later shot that day for protesting their father's execution. When asked by a reporter what he had heard from around Russia, Patriarch Tikhon replied, "I've heard the sound of weeping."

One hundred years later, we continue to hear the sound of weeping throughout the world, weeping brought on by the increase of human passions, the rise of religious extremism, the division of political polarization and the moral confusion brought about by hearts empty of the love of Christ. All of this has subjected Christians to grave challenges and real persecution. And yet, just as the Local Council did one hundred years ago, so do we today continue to discuss and debate issues such as principles of hierarchy and democracy, primacy and conciliarity, liturgical tradition and renewal, the role of women in the Church, and so forth.

Saint Tikhon was a man deeply rooted in the authentic experience of the Church who was firmly convinced

of the ongoing action of the Holy Spirit in the life of the Church and of the responsibility of the shepherds of the Church to find the middle way of the Gospel in all things. He was faced with many agonizing choices and was pressured from many sides. Perhaps he could have echoed the sentiments of the theologian Vladimir Lossky at the outbreak of the Second World War, who said: "Revolutionaries are always in the wrong since, in their juvenile fervor for everything new, in their hopes for a better future and a way of life built on justice, they always base themselves on theories that are abstract, and artificial, making a clean sweep of the living tradition, which is, after all, founded on the experience of centuries. Conservatives are always wrong, too, despite being rich in life experience, despite being shrewd and prudent, intelligent and skeptical. For, in their desire to preserve ancient institutions that have withstood the test of time, they decry the necessity of renewal, and man's yearning for a better way of life."

Even in the midst of the fiery trials, Saint Tikhon stood as an image of "meekness in authority" and an icon of the extreme humility and sacrificial love of Jesus Christ. And today, his life and legacy offer all of us hope that our yearning for a better way of life can be found in the Church, even in this post- and anti-Christian world.

As each of us oversees the life and mission of our Churches and dioceses, may we be inspired by the meekness, humility and love of our Father among the saints, Tikhon the Patriarch of Moscow and Enlightener of North America.

Holy Hierarch, Father, and Confessor Tikhon, pray to God for us!

### ***Ephesians 6:10-17 (Epistle)***

Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having girded your waist with truth, having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace; above all, taking the shield of faith with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God;