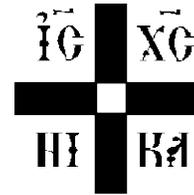


## Weekly Schedule

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Panikhida—9:00a.m.</b> <b>Baptism-10:00a.m.</b> Great Vespers, 6:00 p.m. Confessions following Great Vespers
<b>Sunday</b>	Divine Liturgy, 10:00 a.m. <i>Fellowship Hour following Divine Liturgy</i>

Father Jacob (Netsvetov) of Alaska was born of pious parents in 1802 on Atka Island, Alaska. His father, Yegor Vasil'evich Netsvetov was a Russian from Tobolsk. His mother, Maria Alekseevna, was an Aleut from Atka island. Yegor and Maria had four children who survived infancy; Jacob was the first born, followed by Osip (Joseph), Elena, and Antony. Yegor and Maria were devoted to their children and, though of meager means, did all they could to provide them with the education which would help them in this life as well as in the life to come. Osip and Antony were eventually able to study at the St Petersburg Naval Academy in Russia, becoming a naval officer and a shipbuilder, respectively. Their sister, Elena, married a successful and respected clerk for the Russian-American Company. But Jacob yearned for a different kind of success, a success that the world might consider failure for "the righteous live forever, their reward is with the Lord" (Wis. Sol. 5:15). And so, when the family moved to Irkutsk in 1823, Jacob enrolled in the Irkutsk Theological Seminary and placed all his hope in Christ by seeking first the Kingdom of God (Mt. 6:33). Father Netsvetov led an active physical and intellectual life, hunting and gathering for his own subsistence needs, preparing specimens of fish and marine animals for the natural history museums of Moscow and St Petersburg, corresponding with St Innocent (Veniaminov) on matters of linguistics and translations. He labored over the creation of an adequate alphabet for the Unangan-Aleut language, and the translation of the Holy Scriptures and other appropriate literature into that language. St Innocent praised the young pastor for his holiness of life, his teaching, and for continuing this work of translating which he, himself, had begun earlier among the native peoples. After fifteen years of service, Father Jacob was awarded the Nabedrennik, Kamilavka, and Gold Cross. Later, he would be made Archpriest and receive the Order of St Anna.

For more on the life of St. Jacob, see  
[http://ocafs.oca.org/FeastSaintsViewer.asp?  
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### **Rev. Matthew Cantrell, Pastor**

Call to arrange sacraments, services,  
instruction, counseling, home visits, sick  
calls.

#### **Troparion-Tone 6 (Resurrection)**

The angelic powers were at Your  
tomb; the guards became as dead  
men. Mary stood by Your grave,  
seeking Your most pure body. You  
took captive hell, // not being tempted  
by it. You came to the Virgin, grant-  
ing life. // O Lord, Who rose from the  
dead, glory to You.

#### **Troparion-Tone 4 (St Jacob)**

O righteous Father Jacob, adornment  
of Atka and the Yukon Delta; you  
offered yourself as a living sacrifice  
to bring light to a searching people.  
Offspring of Russian America, flower  
of brotherly unity, healer of sickness  
and terror of demons: O Holy Father  
Jacob, // pray to Christ God that our  
souls may be saved!

#### **Kontakion-Tone 6 (Resurrection)**

When Christ God the Giver of Life,  
raised all of the dead from the valleys  
of misery with His mighty hand, He  
bestowed resurrection on the human  
race. // He is the Savior of all, the Res-  
urrection, the Life, and the God of all.

**July 26, 2009**  
**7 SUNDAY AFTER**  
**PENTECOST —**  
**Tone 6.**  
**Tone 6. The Repose of St.**  
**Jacob (Netsvetov), Enlight-**  
**ener of the Peoples of Alaska**  
**(1864).**

#### **Prayers for our beloved Liv-** **ing and Departed:**

Norman, Anna, Anastasia,  
Margaret, all the sick and suf-  
fering, Witiak family, health  
for all. **May God Grant**  
**Them Many Years!**

Maxim. **May His Memory Be**  
**Eternal!**

#### **Kontakion-Tone 3 (St Jacob)**

O Holy Father Jacob, teacher of  
the knowledge of God, you re-  
vealed your love for your peo-  
ple, taking up your cross and  
following Christ, enduring  
hardships like the Apostle Paul.  
Pray on our behalf to Christ our  
God // to grant us great mercy!

## Epistle Reading

### **Romans 15:1-7**

We then who are strong ought to bear with the scruples of the weak, and not to please ourselves. Let each of us please his neighbor for his good, leading to edification. For even Christ did not please Himself; but as it is written, "The reproaches of those who reproached You fell on Me." For whatever things were written before were written for our learning, that we through the patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope. Now may the God of patience and comfort grant you to be like-minded toward one another, according to Christ Jesus, that you may with one mind and one mouth glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore receive one another, just as Christ also received us, to the glory of God.

## Gospel Reading

### **Matthew 9:27-35**

When Jesus departed from there, two blind men followed Him, crying out and saying, "Son of David, have mercy on us!"<sup>28</sup> And when He had come into the house, the blind men came to Him. And Jesus said to them, "Do you believe that I am able to do this?" They said to Him, "Yes, Lord."<sup>29</sup> Then He touched their eyes, saying, "According to your faith let it be to you."<sup>30</sup> And their eyes were opened. And Jesus sternly warned them, saying, "See that no one knows it."<sup>31</sup> But when they had departed, they spread the news about Him in all that country.<sup>32</sup> As they went out, behold, they brought to Him a man, mute and demon-possessed.<sup>33</sup> And when the demon was cast out, the mute spoke. And the multitudes marveled, saying, "It was never seen like this in Israel!"<sup>34</sup> But the Pharisees said, "He casts out demons by the ruler of the demons."<sup>35</sup> Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people.

### Welcome Visitors and Guests!

A warm welcome to all our visitors and guests who have joined us in celebrating the Divine Liturgy. Please join us for our Fellowship Hour in the Church Hall . **Please note: Only those Orthodox Christians who have properly prepared themselves through prayer, fasting, and confession of sins may approach the Chalice to receive Holy Communion.**

## Announcements

### Invite Someone to Church!

It has been said that the number one way to find new parishioners is simply to invite them. I would ask all of you to invite any friends, family, or acquaintances to come and pray with us. This does not mean that we coerce anyone; but it does mean that we mustn't shy from our duties to evangelize. Whether or not these invitees come is up to them. I ask only that you invite them.

### Bulletin board

Please do periodically check the bulletin board. I will post cultural events and the like there for any who are interested.

### Website

Our new website continues to evolve and is looking wonderful. The address is [www.holyassumptionphilly.org](http://www.holyassumptionphilly.org). Posted on the website will be a variety of information, which includes among other things a monthly calendar, worship times, and a photo gallery. This is also a great way to have your relatives who live outside our area to keep abreast of the goings-on at Holy Assumption.

### New Sign-up sheets (coffee hour, cleaning, Readers)

Please check the bulletin board downstairs, on which I've placed two sign-up sheets. The first is for those of you who might like to host coffee hour after the Divine Liturgy, and the second is for those of you who might like to vacuum after the Divine Liturgy. The third is for those who will be reading the Epistle. Please see me if you were to have any questions.

### Collections

Our first weekly collection is as follows:

1st Sunday	Centennial Fund
2nd Sunday	Youth Group
3rd Sunday	Property Management
4th, 5th Sunday	Charity

### Announcements?

Do you have any announcements for the parish that you would like to see included in the weekly bulletin? If so, please email or call Fr. Matthew by Tuesday.