

Assumption of the Holy Virgin Orthodox Church

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

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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT — Tone 5. St.

Gregory Palamas.

Troparion (Tone 5)

Let us, the faithful, praise and worship the Word, co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit, born for our salvation from the Virgin; for He willed to be lifted up on the Cross in the flesh, to endure death, and to raise the dead//by His glorious Resurrection.

Troparion (Tone 8)

O light of Orthodoxy, teacher of the Church, its confirmation, O ideal of monks and invincible champion of theologians, O wonderworking Gregory, glory of Thessalonica and preacher of grace, // always intercede before the Lord that our souls may be saved!

Kontakion (Tone 4)

Now is the time for action! Judgment is at the doors! So let us rise and fast, offering alms with tears of compunction and crying: "Our sins are more in number than the sands of the sea; but forgive us, O Master of all, //so that we may receive the incorruptible crowns!"

Kontakion (Tone 8)

Holy and divine instrument of wisdom, joyful trumpet of theology, together we sing your praises, O God-inspired Gregory. Since you now stand before the Original Mind, guide our minds to Him, O Father, //so that we may sing to you: "Rejoice, preacher of grace!"

Prayers for the Faithful and Departed

Living: Emma Burychka, Lena, Sheba, Emelie Albrecht, Sandra Hourahan, Neil Hourahan, Dr. David Albrecht, Ronald Kavalkovich, Priest Sergius, Catherine, Patricia, Patricia, Anastasia, Dayna, Alexander, Sharon, James, Robert, Voncent, David, John. **May God Grant Them Many Years!**

Departed: Martha, Mary Libak, Marion Cenko, Andrew Horun, Helen Spack, Martha Slivka, Irene Kavcsak, John and Julia Jugan. **May Their Memories Be Eternal!**

Upcoming Services

Wednesday	Presanctified Liturgy, 6:00 p.m.
Friday	Akathist, 6:00 p.m.
Saturday	Great Vespers, 5:00 p.m.
Sunday	Reading of the Hours, 9:40 a.m. Divine Liturgy, 10:00 a.m. <i>Fellowship and coffee hour follow the Divine Liturgy.</i>

Hebrews 1:10-2:3

And: “You, LORD, in the beginning laid the foundation of the earth, And the heavens are the work of Your hands. They will perish, but You remain; And they will all grow old like a garment; Like a cloak You will fold them up, And they will be changed. But You are the same, And Your years will not fail.” But to which of the angels has He ever said: “Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool”? Are they not all ministering spirits sent forth to minister for those who will inherit salvation? Therefore we must give the more earnest heed to the things we have heard, lest we drift away. For if the word spoken through angels proved steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just reward, how shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation, which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed to us by those who heard Him,

Mark 2:1-12

And again He entered Capernaum after some days, and it was heard that He was in the house. Immediately many gathered together, so that there was no longer room to receive them, not even near the door. And He preached the word to them. Then they came to Him, bringing a paralytic who was carried by four men. And when they could not come near Him because of the crowd, they uncovered the roof where He was. So when they had broken through, they let down the bed on which the paralytic was lying. When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralytic, “Son, your sins are forgiven you.” And some of the scribes were sitting there and reasoning in their hearts, Why does this Man speak blasphemies like this? Who can forgive sins but God alone? But immediately, when Jesus perceived in His spirit that they reasoned thus within themselves, He said to them, “Why do you reason about these things in your hearts? Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, ‘Your sins are forgiven you,’ or to say, ‘Arise, take up your bed and walk’? But that you may know that the Son of Man has power on earth to forgive sins – He said to the paralytic, I say to you, arise, take up your bed, and go to your house. Immediately he arose, took up the bed, and went out in the presence of them all, so that all were amazed and glorified God, saying, “We never saw anything like this!”

Weekly Financial Statement (3/09/2014-3/14/2014)

Attendance: 33 (09/14)

Money In: \$1194.00

Money Out: -\$1042.16

Net Total: \$151.84

Announcements**Bible Study**

The next Bible Study will be Thursday, March 27, at church at 6:00 p.m.. We will continue to examine James.

Theology Course

Our first meeting will be on Tuesday, May 6, at 6:00 p.m. at church. We'll begin to read closely St. Gregory of Nyssa's *The Life of Moses*.

Church School

Church school will continue today.

Mission Vespers

Please remember that this evening's mission vespers service is at St. Herman of Alaska church in Gradyville at 4:00 p.m.