

# Assumption of the Holy Virgin Orthodox Church

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## Rev. Matthew Cantrell, Rector

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

**December 14, 2014**

27th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 2.

Sunday of the Forefathers.

## Troparion (Tone 2)

When Thou didst descend to death, O Life Immortal, Thou didst slay hell with the splendor of Thy Godhead. And when from the depths Thou didst raise the dead, all the powers of heaven cried out://“O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to Thee!”

## Troparion (Tone 2)

Through faith Thou didst justify the Forefathers, betrothing through them the Church of the gentiles. These saints exult in glory, for from their seed came forth a glorious fruit: she who bore Thee without seed.// So by their prayers, O Christ God, have mercy on us!

## Kontakion (Tone 6)

You did not worship the graven image, O thrice-blessed ones, but armed with the immaterial Essence of God, you were glorified in a trial by fire. From the midst of unbearable flames you called on God, crying: “Hasten, O compassionate One! Speedily come to our aid, //for Thou art merciful and able to do as Thou dost will!”

## Prayers for the Faithful and Departed

**Living:** Grace Corba, Robert Corba, Helen Riley, Daniel Riley, Helen Wanenchak, Zara Abrecht, Nolan Albrecht, Kim Hughes, Nina Patterson, Patterson family, parishioners, Witiak family, Riley family, Albrecht family, Catherine, Albert, Patricia, Kavalkovich family, Andrews family, Ferguson family, Ashmore family, McCafferty family, Thompson family, Davis family, Maturo family, Cathy, Kim, Ellen, Cantrell family, Alex, Ana, Kim. **May God Grant Them Many Years!**

**Departed:** Maryann Sivak, John O’Shura, Julia Mohnach, Anna Zuzulock, Mary V. Slivak, Peter and Helen Zuzulock. **May Their Memories Be Eternal!**

## Upcoming Services

Saturday Great Vespers, 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Reading of the Hours, 9:40 a.m.  
Divine Liturgy, 10:00 a.m.

*Fellowship and coffee hour follow the Divine Liturgy.*

### **Colossians 3:4-11**

When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory. Therefore put to death your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. Because of these things the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience, in which you yourselves once walked when you lived in them. But now you yourselves are to put off all these: anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy language out of your mouth. Do not lie to one another, since you have put off the old man with his deeds, and have put on the new man who is renewed in knowledge according to the image of Him who created him, where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcised nor uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave nor free, but Christ is all and in all.

### **Luke 14:16-24**

Then He said to him, "A certain man gave a great supper and invited many, and sent his servant at supper time to say to those who were invited, 'Come, for all things are now ready.' But they all with one accord began to make excuses. The first said to him, 'I have bought a piece of ground, and I must go and see it. I ask you to have me excused.' And another said, 'I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I am going to test them. I ask you to have me excused.' Still another said, 'I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.' So that servant came and reported these things to his master. Then the master of the house, being angry, said to his servant, 'Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in here the poor and the maimed and the lame and the blind.' And the servant said, 'Master, it is done as you commanded, and still there is room.' Then the master said to the servant, 'Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled.' For I say to you that none of those men who were invited shall taste my supper." "

#### **Weekly Financial Statement (12/07/14)**

Attendance: 44

Money In: \$2233.00

Money Out: -\$4395.97

Net Total: -\$2162.97

#### **Announcements**

##### Theology Course

Our next meeting is scheduled for December 16, at church at 6:00 p.m. We'll read closely St. Gregory of Nyssa's *The Life of Moses*.

##### Bible Study

The next Bible Study is December 23, at church at 6:00 p.m. We'll read the Gospel of St. John.

##### Nativity Flowers

The parish is now collecting money for Nativity flowers. Please see Debbie.

##### Annual Meeting

Our parish's annual meeting will be on January 25, 2015. Please look for the budget one week beforehand.

##### Coat Drive

Please remember that we are now collecting new and gently used coats for our annual coat drive to benefit our neighborhood. Please feel free to bring coats to the church's basement.