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8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hour
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy
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AUGUST 11, 2024

7TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

HOLY MARTYR AND
ARCHDEACON EUPLUS



The **Afterfeast of the Dormition of the Mother of God** begins August 16th. In this day's hymns at Vespers, the Mother of God is praised as "only created being to pass from earth to heaven in the flesh."

In some places, the Burial Service of the Theotokos is celebrated on August 17 using a special epitaphios with an icon depicting the Mother of God.

On the third day of the Afterfeast of the Dormition, the hymns at Vespers call upon us to “sing the praises of the pure and most holy Virgin.” She did not ascend to heaven in a chariot of fire, as did the Prophet Elias, but “He Who is truly the Sun of Righteousness” received her pure soul.

On the fourth day of the Afterfeast of the Dormition, the Church continues to honor the passage of the Most Holy Theotokos from death to life. Just as Christ once dwelt in the virginal womb of His Mother, now He takes Her “to dwell in His courts.”

Venerable Alypius of the Caves (Aug 17) was one of the first and best Russian iconographers. He was tonsured by Igoumen Nikon († March 23, 1088). Later, he was ordained as a Hieromonk. From a young age he labored in the Kiev Caves Monastery and studied iconography with the Greek masters who painted the church of the Caves in 1083. Saint Alypius was an eyewitness to a wondrous miracle: when the iconographers adorned the altar with paintings: an Icon of the Most Holy Theotokos imprinted itself on the wall. At the same time, the Icon shone brighter than the sun.

Saint Alypius always painted icons without asking for payment. If he learned that in some church the icons had become damaged, he took them with him and restored them without charge. If people paid him for his work, he set aside one third to purchase supplies for painting icons, one third as alms for the poor, and the remainder for his own needs. He also painted the Sven-Caves Icon of the Mother of God (May 3 & August 17). The Saint was never idle, and interrupted his iconography only to attend the Divine Services.

Saint Alypius was known for his gift of working miracles during his lifetime. He healed a man from Kiev who suffered from leprosy, anointing the patient's wounds with paints. Many of the icons painted by Saint Alypius were also miraculous. There were some instances when the Angels of God helped him to paint icons.

The Church continues to honor the passage of the Most Holy Theotokos from death to life. On August 20th it is observed that just as Christ once dwelt in the virginal womb of His Mother, now He takes Her “to dwell in His courts.”

The Leavetaking of the Feast of the Dormition falls on August 23. The office of the Feast is repeated, except for the entrance, readings, and Litya at Vespers; and the polyeleos and Gospel of the Feast at Matins.

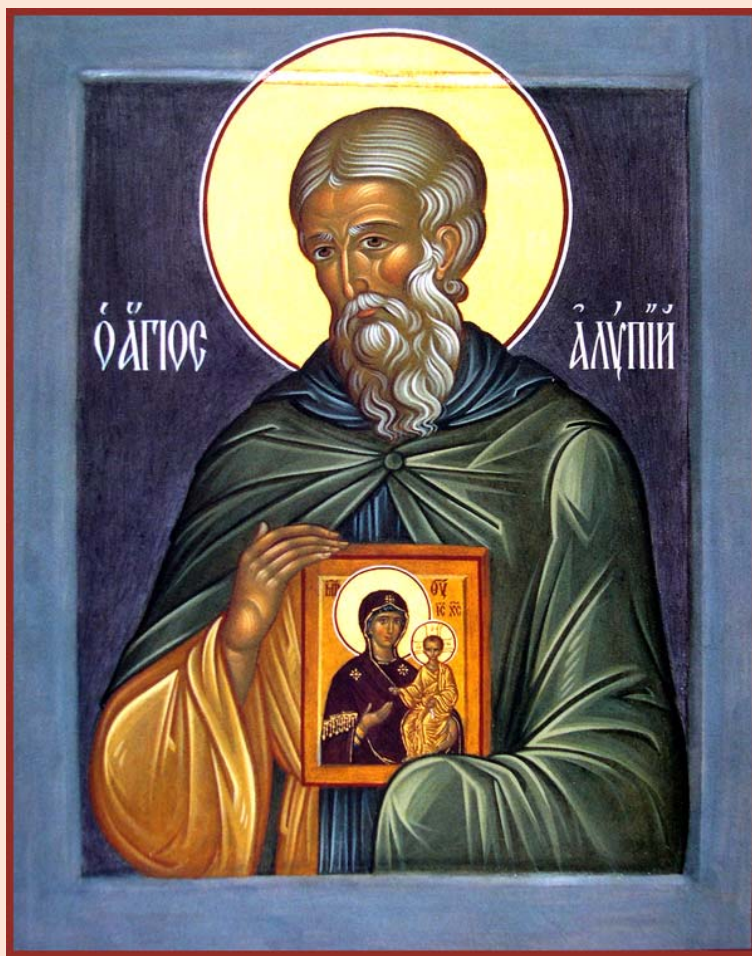
A certain man of Kiev built a church, and instructed two monks to have some icons painted for it. The monks hid the money and said nothing to Saint Alypius about it. After waiting a long time for the work to be completed, the man went to the Igoumen to complain about Saint Alypius. Only then did they discover that he had not been told of the commission. When they brought the boards provided by the customer, they found that beautiful icons had already been painted on them. When the church burned down, the icons remained intact. One of these icons (the Dormition of the Most Holy Theotokos), known as the Vladimir-Rostov Icon (August 15), was taken by Great Prince Vladimir Monomakh (1113-1125) to a church he had built at Rostov.

On another occasion, when the Saint was sick and near death, an Angel painted an icon depicting the Dormition of the Most Holy Theotokos. That same Angel received the soul of Saint Alypius, who reposed in 1114 and was buried in the Near Caves.

A twentieth century icon in the church of the Pskov Caves Monastery of the

Dormition depicts Saint Alypius holding a copy of the “Assuage My Sorrows” Icon of the Most Holy Theotokos (January 25 and October 9).

Saint Alypius is also commemorated on the second Sunday of Great Lent, the Synaxis of All Saints of the Kiev Caves (movable Feast); and on September 28, the Synaxis of all the Venerable Fathers of the Near Caves of Saint Anthony.



The Saints Constantine & Helen Cathedral in Cleveland Heights, Ohio
St. Makrina Bible Study presents

Fall Retreat

Saturday, November 9, 2024 10 am to 3 pm

Liturgy of St. Nektarios on Saturday at 8:30am with breakfast and retreat to follow

“Finding Gratitude”

Father Stavros Akrotirianakis



Checks to: Sts. Constantine & Helen Cathedral / “Retreat” in the memo

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Phone _____ Church _____

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_____ Prepaid Tickets (includes breakfast and lunch) \$10 / \$15 after Sunday Nov 3rd

_____ Students Free (Registration Required)

Additional Donation _____

Total Enclosed _____

PRAYER REQUESTS

as of 8/11/2024

Deceased

Matushka Annice Oleynik

Diane Kearsey (*Janice Tkacz's Sister*)

Special Intentions:

Subdeacon Theodore Lentz

Subdeacon Roger Pinta

Subdeacon Leon Felon

Reader Frank Tkacz

Reader Daniel Morris

Stephan Chwalyk

Horia Dascalescu (*Lavinia's brother*)

Janice Tkacz

Eleanor Wachovec (*friend of Karen Felon*)

Rachel Ohlin (*relative of Tatiana*)

Erin Zawolowycz

Jeffrey Parhamovich (*brother of Karen
Felon*)

Margaret Parhamovich (*sister-in-law of Karen
Felon*)

Margaret Peyton (*Cathy's aunt*)

Jean Woycitzky Thompson (*Frank's cousin*)

Anna Marie Luvison (*daughter of Matthew &
Katie (Ellis) Luvison*)

Debra Parhamovich
(*sister of Karen Felon*)

Grace Mary Parhamovich
(*mother of Karen Felon*)

Lonnie Ellis (*Husband to Debra Ellis*)

Robert Martin Prock

Valentina Zawolowycz (*mother of Paul Z*)

Paul Epele (*Father-in-law of Lauren*)

Michael Kalinich (*Uncle of Linda Kovach*)

Child McKenna Kranek

Linda Smotzer

Elena Rich (*Jerry Czajkowski's daughter*)

Donna Fabris (*Jerry Czajkowski's friend*)

Karen Slowey (*sister of Nancy Prock*)

Elizabeth and **Michael** Prendergast and their

Unborn Child

Child Vincent

Please submit names to the Prayer List by
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Or calling at 1 (440) 732-8182

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Coffee Hour Sign-Up

Questions/Concerns: Cathy Weber (412-215-1928)

July 7 Joyce & Judy	Aug 25 Shawna & Wayne (sponsors John and Patricia Sankovic)
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July 21 Cathy (sponsors John and Patricia Sankovic)	Sept 8 Matushka Jana (sponsors John and Patricia Sankovic)
July 28 Chanda Czaruk anonymous sponsor)	Sept 15 Shawna
Aug 4 Matushka Jana (sponsor Lisa Theodore)	Sept 22 Joyce & Judy
Aug 11 Joyce (sponsors Dan & Lavinia)	Sept 29 Sarah & Mike B (sponsor William Lynk)
Aug 18 Tammy & Cathy	

Notice: A request from Maria Hadjian

Her mother is 91, recently had a fall and is currently in rehab at Fairview Hospital. She is looking to bring her mother back home and wants to hire someone to help watch and take care of her because she has dementia. She is also offering options of aide/companion living at the home as a way of compensation.

She is originally from the Canton area; and moved here to Cleveland after remodeling a house to accommodate her mother. If you are interested you can reach Maria Hadjian at (234-521-5718)

Sunday, August 11

7th Sunday after Pentecost
Afterfeast of the Transfiguration
Holy Martyr and Archdeacon Euplus (Euplius) of Catania (304)
8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hours
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy
Coffee Hour

Monday, August 12

Afterfeast of the Transfiguration
Martyrs Anicetus and Photius (Photinus) of Nicomedia, and many with them (305-306)
6:00 PM Transfiguration Vespers
Blessing of the Fruits

Tuesday, August 13

Leavetaking of the Transfiguration
St. Tikhon, Bishop of Voronezh, Wonderworker of Zadonsk and All Russia (1783)

Wednesday, August 14

Forefeast of the Dormition
Translation of the Relics of Ven. Theodosius of the Kiev Caves (1091)
6:00 PM Dormition Vespers
Blessing of Flowers & Herbs to follow

WEEKLY SCHEDULE 2024



Thursday, August 15

The Dormition (“Falling Asleep”) of our Most Holy Lady, Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary
8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hours
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy
Blessing of Flowers & Herbs to follow
10:30 AM Festal Meal
(courtesy of the Altar Society)

Friday, August 16

Afterfeast of the Dormition
Translation of the Image “Not-made-by-hands” of our Lord Jesus Christ from Edessa to Constantinople

Saturday, August 17

Afterfeast of the Dormition
Martyr Myron, Presbyter, of Cyzicus (254)
6:00 PM Great Vespers

Sunday, August 18

8th Sunday after Pentecost
Afterfeast of the Dormition
Martyrs Florus and Laurus of Illyria (2nd c.)
8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hours
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy
Coffee Hour