

Assumption of the Holy Virgin Orthodox Church

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Sunday, September 11, 2022 | 13th Sunday After Pentecost

Tone 4 – Sunday before the Exaltation of the Cross
Afterfeast of the Nativity of the Most Holy Theotokos
Venerable Theodora of Alexandria (474-491).

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Weekly Schedule

- Today: After Divine Liturgy, a Panikhida will be served in memory of His Beatitude Metropolitan Herman
- Today: 21th Anniversary of the terrorist attacks on American soil.
REMEMBER 9-11 – NEVER FORGET!!!
- Tuesday: September 13 – Vespers Divine Liturgy at **5:30PM** for the Exaltation of the Precious and Life-Giving Cross
[Strict Fast Day on Wednesday, September 14]
- Saturday: September 17 – Great Vespers **CANCELLED!!!**
- Sunday: September 18 – Afterfeast of the Exaltation of the Cross
Reading of Hours – 9:30am
Divine Liturgy – **10:00am**
Fellowship Coffee Hour to follow the Divine Liturgy
- Tuesday: September 20 – Bible Study at 6:30PM in the church basement and on the ZOOM media platform.

Texts for the Liturgical Service

Troparion (Tone 4)

When the women disciples of the Lord / learned from the angel the joyous message of thy Resurrection, / they cast away the ancestral curse / and elatedly told the apostles: / “Death is overthrown! / Christ God is risen, // granting the world great mercy!”

Troparion (Tone 4 – Nativity of the Theotokos)

Thy nativity, O Virgin, / has proclaimed joy to the whole universe! / The Sun of righteousness, Christ our God, / has shone from thee, O Theotokos. / By annulling the curse, / He bestowed a blessing. // By destroying death, He has granted us eternal life.

Troparion (Tone 8 – Saint Theodora)

The image of God was truly preserved in thee, O Mother, / for thou didst take up the Cross and follow Christ. / By so doing, thou taughtest us to disregard the flesh for it passes away; / but to care instead for the soul, for it is immortal. // Therefore thy spirit, venerable Theodora, rejoices with the angels.

Kontakion (Tone 4)

My Savior and Redeemer / as God rose from the tomb and delivered the earth-born from their chains. / He has shattered the gates of hell, / and as Master, // He has risen on the third day!

Kontakion (Tone 2 – Saint Theodora)

Thou didst deplete thy bodily strength by fasting, vigil, and prayers, / entreating the Creator to grant forgiveness of thy sin; / having received it, thou didst show us the way of repentance, // venerable Mother Theodora.

Kontakion (Tone 4 – Nativity of the Theotokos)

By thy nativity, most pure Virgin, / Joachim and Anna are freed from barrenness, / Adam and Eve – from the corruption of death. / And we, thy people, freed from the guilt of sin, celebrate and sing to thee: // “The barren woman gives birth to the Theotokos, the nourisher of our Life.”

Prokeimenon (Tone 6)

O Lord, save Thy people / and bless Thine inheritance!
v. To Thee, O Lord, will I call. O my God, be not silent to me!

Another Prokeimenon (Tone 3)

My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior!

Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 16:13-24

Watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong. Let all that you do be done with love. I urge you, brethren – you know the household of Stephanas, that it is the firstfruits of Achaia, and that they have devoted themselves to the ministry of the saints – that you also submit to such, and to everyone who works and labors with us. I am glad about the coming of Stephanas, Fortunatus, and Achaicus, for what was lacking on your part they supplied. For they refreshed my spirit and yours. Therefore acknowledge such men. The churches of Asia greet you. Aquila and Priscilla greet you heartily in the Lord, with the church that is in their house. All the brethren greet you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. The salutation with my own hand – Paul’s. If anyone does not love the Lord Jesus Christ, let him be accursed. O Lord, come! The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. My love be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen. Alleluia (3x’s) (Tone 1)

- v. I have exalted one chosen out of My people. Alleluia (3x's)
- v. For My hand shall defend him and My arm shall strengthen him. Alleluia (3x's)
- v. Hearken, O daughter, and see, and incline thine ear! Alleluia (3x's) [TONE 8]

Gospel Reading: Matthew 21:33-42

Hear another parable: There was a certain landowner who planted a vineyard and set a hedge around it, dug a winepress in it and built a tower. And he leased it to vinedressers and went into a far country. Now when vintage-time drew near, he sent his servants to the vinedressers, that they might receive its fruit. And the vinedressers took his servants, beat one, killed one, and stoned another. Again he sent other servants, more than the first, and they did likewise to them. Then last of all he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' But when the vinedressers saw the son, they said among themselves, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and seize his inheritance.' So they took him and cast him out of the vineyard and killed him. Therefore, when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those vinedressers? They said to Him, "He will destroy those wicked men miserably, and lease his vineyard to other vinedressers who will render to him the fruits in their seasons." Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures: 'The stone which the builders rejected Has become the chief cornerstone. This was the LORD's doing, And it is marvelous in our eyes'?"

Instead of "It is truly meet ...," we sing Irmos of Ode 9:

Magnify, O my soul, / the most glorious birth of the Mother of God! / Virginitly is foreign to mothers; / childbearing is strange for virgins. / But in thee, O Theotokos, / both were accomplished. // Therefore all we nations of the earth unceasingly magnify thee.

Communion Hymn:

Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise him in the highest! Alleluia (3x's)
I will receive the cup of salvation and call on the Name of the Lord! Alleluia (3x's)

*[Note: Today's readings for Sunday before Exaltation of the Cross:
Epistle – Galatians 6:11-18 and Gospel – John 3:13-17]*

Announcements

A Warm Welcome to all of our visitors & guests who worshiped with us today and who have joined us in celebrating the Divine Liturgy. Please join us in the church basement for our Fellowship and Coffee Hour.

Announcements

Ukrainian Orphanage Project

The parish collected over the summer monetary donations as our Giving Project for a Ukrainian Orphanage. This project is in connection with Matushka Maggie Zlatkowski at Saint Stephens Cathedral. A check for all donations received will be generated and given to Saint Stephens Cathedral, and their Ukrainian Orphanage Project. The funds will be handed directly to the orphanage. Please note at this time, an orphanage cannot be selected in advance because of the war. Whatever orphanage is still standing by the grace of God, will be selected to receive the funds. Please continue to pray for all in the Ukraine, especially the innocent children who are caught up in the war. Thank you!

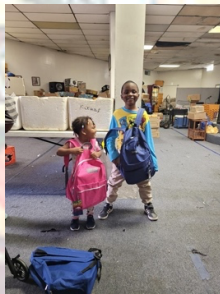
Vigil Cross Votive Candles: There is availability for the vigil cross votive candles to be lit for services on Sundays and Feast Days. Please see Simon Herbert for details of cross sizes and schedule cross lightings!

AMAZON SMILE!

When ordering online on Amazon.com, please make sure to click on Amazon Smile and select our church - Assumption of the Holy Virgin Russian Orthodox Church - to have a small percentage of your purchases (0.5%) to be contributed to our church. For more information on the Amazon purchase process, please speak with any member of the parish council. Thank You!

School Backpack Program

Matushka Janine and those in charge of the school backpack program wish to thank everyone who gave so generously to this years school supply project drive. Your generosity provided backpacks and school supplies for 48 school children. Mother Catherine provided photos of the children picking up their backpacks.



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Announcements (cont.)

Candles and Prayers for the Faithful and Departed

Health for the Living:

Family, Friends, and Parishioners offered by Nina Patterson
Barbara, Levi, Patricia, Catherine offered by MM K Kavalkovich
Neil Hourahan offered by Sandra Hourahan
Alexander Kavalkovich offered by MM K Kavalkovich

May God Grant Them Many Blessed Years!

Memory for the Departed:

Michael Bolinsky offered by MM Herbert
George and Mary Rachko offered by daughter Larissa Rachko
John and Julia Dear offered by David Pellack
Anne Ashmore, Helen Gerasimoff, Albert Kavalkovich, Margaret Davis,
Vito Maturo, John Ashmore offered by Debbie Kavalkovich

May Their Memories Be Eternal

Vigil Cross Candles – 9/4/22

Two Small Vigil Crosses – Memory of Helen Gerasimoff offered by Emily Gerasimoff

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Please remember in your prayers:

+ Metropolitan Kallistos (Ware) of Diokleia (Aug 24)

Elton Andrews; Ronald Kavalkovich; Jane Kelly; Anne (Homa) Killoran; Sheba Patton; Dr. Gale Rutan;
Joseph Rabik; Peter Witiak; and all those who are serving in our Armed Forces!

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Sidewalk Repair Donations (Week of September 4)

Sidewalk Repair Block Donation – \$0 from the Candy Sale

Announcements (cont.)

Please ensure that your Mobile Phone is set to Silent (or at least set on vibrate) during the Divine Liturgy! Thank You!!!

*******Special weekly collections taken after Gospel or Sermon*******

In addition to our general collection, the parish takes a special collection each week to fund certain parish projects. By the action taken at the Fall General Parish Meeting held back on Sunday, October 10, 2021, the parish body approved that the special collection for the first three Sundays of the month be earmarked towards the repairing/fixing/replacing of the roofs of both houses that the parish owns (now known as the Row House Fund).

The fourth Sunday (and fifth, when it occurs) the special collection will be earmarked towards Charity.

This new collection schedule began back on Sunday, October 17, 2021.
Please be generous with your offering. Every little bit counts. Thank You!

Cash Flow Activity (August)

| <u>Week of Sun Aug 28 to Sat Sep 3</u> | <u>August Month (Unaudited)</u> | |
|--|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| Attendance: | 31 | 28 (average) |
| Funds In: | \$ 1,271.94 | \$ 6,594.03 |
| Funds Out: | \$ 5,822.63 | \$10,422.68 |
| Net Surplus/(Deficit): | (\$ 4,550.69) | (\$ 3,828.65) |

Thank you all for your continuous offerings to maintain the parish!

Shop Rite Gift Cards: If you need to purchase Shop Rite Gift Cards, please see either David Pellack or Ken Kavalkovich to secure them. Your purchase of a Shop Rite Gift Card is an additional fundraising project that helps support the church at no additional expense to the purchaser.

Calendar of Events

- 1st Sunday of each month** – Monthly Panikhida immediately after Divine Liturgy.
- 2nd Tuesday of each month** – Bible Study at 6:30pm in church basement.
- 2nd Sunday of each month** – Property Committee Meeting after Divine Liturgy.
- 3rd Sunday of each month** – Currently no permanent event is scheduled.
- 4th Sunday of each month** – Currently no permanent event is scheduled.
- 5th Sunday of each quarter** – Quarterly Parish Council Meeting after Liturgy.

Readers Schedule:

| | <u>Today (Sep 11)</u> | <u>Next Week (Sep 18)</u> |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| 3 rd Hour: | Reader Mark Klus | David Pellack |
| 6 th Hour: | David Pellack | Sbdn Daniel Kavalkovich |
| Epistle: | Reader Mark Klus and John Spack | Sbdn Daniel Kavalkovich and Michael Spack |

Fellowship Coffee Hour & Cleaning Teams:

If you have volunteered to host coffee hour, please check which Team you are on and when your Team is hosting coffee hour on the calendar printout which is located in the white/clear 3-ring binder located on the display case outside of the office room.

NOTE: The following Sundays are coffee hour bye-weeks where there is no team scheduled. There will be coffee available, just no food or meal:

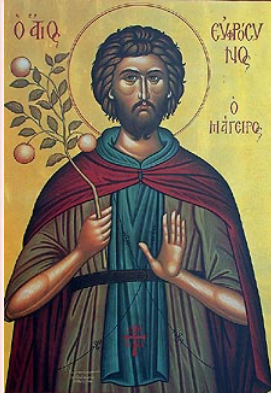
No Coffee Hour Bye-Weeks Scheduled Any Time Soon

Please continue to check our parish website, social media pages, and your emails regularly for updated information on the parish regarding parish services & events in September 2022.

Tuesday, September 13 – Vespers Divine Liturgy at 5:30PM for the Exaltation of the Precious Cross [Strict Fast Day on September 14]

Tuesday, September 20 – Bible Study at 6:30pm in the church basement and on the ZOOM media platform **[NOTE Change in Date!!!!]**

Friday, September 23 – The 5th Annual Golf Tournament of the “Two Holies and a Saint” (sponsored by Orthodox Church of the HOLY Cross in Medford, NJ; Assumption of the HOLY Virgin Orthodox Church in Philadelphia, PA; and SAINT Stephen Orthodox Cathedral in Philadelphia, PA). at Ron Jaworski’s Ramblewood Country Club in Mount Laurel, NJ. Golf Registration is now closed. **Proceeds from the tournament will benefit the Ukrainian Orphanage Fund!**



Saint Euphrosynus the Cook, of Alexandria [September 11th]

Saint Euphrosynus the Cook was from one of the Palestinian monasteries, and his obedience was to work in the kitchen as a cook. Toiling away for the brethren, Saint Euphrosynus did not absent himself from thought about God, but rather dwelt in prayer and fasting. He remembered always that obedience is the first duty of a monk, and therefore he was obedient to the elder brethren.

The patience of the saint was amazing: they often reproached him, but he made no complaint and endured every unpleasantness. Saint Euphrosynus pleased the Lord by his inner virtue which he concealed from people, and the Lord Himself revealed to the monastic brethren the spiritual heights of their unassuming fellow-monk.

One of the priests of the monastery prayed and asked the Lord to show him the blessings prepared for the righteous in the age to come. The priest saw in a dream what Paradise is like, and he contemplated its inexplicable beauty with fear and with joy.

He also saw there a monk of his monastery, the cook Euphrosynus. Amazed at this encounter, the presbyter asked Euphrosynus, how he came to be there. The saint answered that he was in Paradise through the great mercy of God. The priest again asked whether Euphrosynus would be able to give him something from the surrounding beauty. Saint Euphrosynus suggested to the priest to take whatever he wished, and so the priest pointed to three luscious apples growing in the garden of Paradise. The monk picked the three apples, wrapped them in a cloth, and gave them to his companion.

When he awoke in the early morning, the priest thought the vision a dream, but suddenly he noticed next to him the cloth with the fruit of Paradise wrapped in it, and emitting a wondrous fragrance. The priest, found Saint Euphrosynus in church and asked him under oath where he was the night before. The saint answered that he was where the priest also was. Then the monk said that the Lord, in fulfilling the prayer of the priest, had shown him Paradise and had bestowed the fruit of Paradise through him, “the lowly and unworthy servant of God, Euphrosynus.”

The priest related everything to the monastery brethren, pointing out the spiritual loftiness of Euphrosynus in pleasing God, and he pointed to the fragrant paradisaical fruit. Deeply affected by what they heard, the monks went to the kitchen, in order to pay respect to Saint Euphrosynus, but they did not find him there. Fleeing human glory, the monk had left the monastery. The place where he concealed himself remained unknown, but the monks always remembered that their monastic brother Saint Euphrosynus had come upon Paradise, and that they in being saved, through the mercy of God would meet him there. They reverently kept and distributed pieces of the apples from Paradise for blessing and for healing.

His Beatitude Metropolitan Herman (Swaiko)

(February 1, 1932 – September 6, 2022)



On September 6, 2022, His Beatitude Metropolitan Herman (Swaiko), retired Primate of the Orthodox Church in America, fell asleep in the Lord at the age of 90. He had served as Metropolitan of All America and Canada from 2002 until his retirement in 2008.

His Beatitude was born Joseph Swaiko in Briarford, PA on February 1, 1932 and was baptized at St. Michael's Russian Orthodox Church in Curtisville, PA. As a youth and young adult, he sang in the parish choir, taught Sunday school and, eventually, served as a member of the parish and diocesan councils. After completing his elementary and secondary education with honors in the West Deer Township PA schools, he enrolled at Robert Morris School of Business (later, Robert Morris College and now, Robert Morris University) in Pittsburgh, where he received a certificate in secretarial science. Subsequently, he served in the Adjutant General Corps of the US Army while stationed in Labrador.

After being discharged from the military in 1959, at the urging of his parish priest Father Gabriel Davidiuk, Joseph Swaiko enrolled at Saint Tikhon's Seminary, South Canaan, PA, from which he graduated in 1963. While still a seminarian, he was appointed personal secretary to His Grace, Bishop Kiprian (Borisevich), who became Rector of the seminary in 1961. After ordination and graduation, Fr. Joseph also assumed the duties of seminary Registrar.

Following his ordination to the Holy Diaconate on March 21, 1964 and to the Holy Priesthood on April 7, 1964, Father Joseph served as Rector of Saint John the Baptist Church, Dundaff, PA and Saints Peter and Paul Church, Uniondale, PA while continuing administrative work and teaching Church Slavonic at the Seminary. He was appointed to the Seminary's Accreditation Committee and was instrumental in organizing the formation of its Board of Trustees, of which he was a charter member and Secretary-Treasurer. As Bishop Kiprian's chief assistant, Father Joseph Swaiko facilitated construction of a large new building for the Seminary and renovation of the monastery church. He also served as Secretary of the Diocese of Philadelphia and Pennsylvania (today known as the Diocese of Eastern Pennsylvania). Father Joseph was also appointed General Chairman of the Local Organizing Committee for the historic 14th All-American Sobor, convened at Saint Tikhon's Monastery in October 1970, which - on recognizing the Church's autocephaly granted earlier that year - became the 1st All-American Council of the Orthodox Church in America.

In his ministry to youth, Father Joseph organized the first summer camp for children at the Seminary and Monastery in 1965. He inspired the formation of the Orthodox Christian Fellowship at Bloomsburg State College and became its Chaplain. For many years, he also served as Spiritual Advisor to the Anthracite District of the Federated Russian Orthodox Clubs (today known as the Fellowship of Orthodox Christians in America).

On December 4, 1970, he was tonsured a monk by Archbishop Kiprian and given the name Herman, in honor of Saint Herman of Alaska who had been glorified among the saints just four months earlier. Less than a year later, on October 17, 1971, he was elevated to the rank of Igumen and named Deputy Abbot of Saint Tikhon's Monastery.

On October 19, 1972, Father Herman was elected to the Episcopate and raised to the rank of Archimandrite three days later. He was consecrated to the episcopacy at Holy Resurrection Cathedral, Wilkes-Barre, PA on February 10, 1973 with the title of Bishop of Wilkes-Barre, serving as auxiliary of the Diocese of Philadelphia and Pennsylvania. The hierarchs participating in his consecration were Metropolitan Ireney (Bekish), Primate of the Orthodox Church in America; Archbishops Sylvester (Haruns) of Montreal and Canada; Kiprian of Philadelphia and Pennsylvania; Valerian (Trifa) of Detroit and the Romanian Episcopate; along with Bishops Theodosius (Lazor) of Pittsburgh and West Virginia and Dmitri (Royster) of Hartford and New England.

During his episcopal service, Bishop Herman continued to reside and teach at Saint Tikhon's Monastery and Seminary. In addition to his ministry within the Diocese of Philadelphia and Pennsylvania, he served as Temporary Administrator of the Diocese of the West in 1975 and Temporary Administrator of the Diocese of New England in 1978-81. Following the death of Archbishop Kiprian in December 1980, Bishop Herman was nominated to be ruling hierarch by a diocesan assembly on February 19, 1981 and elected Bishop of Philadelphia and Eastern Pennsylvania by the Holy Synod of Bishops on March 17, 1981. His installation as diocesan hierarch took place at Saint Stephen's Cathedral in Philadelphia on April 29, 1981. During his tenure as ruling bishop of the diocese, several parishes were established and new church buildings were constructed and consecrated for both new and long-established parish communities.

Even after he was appointed Rector in May 1981, Bishop Herman continued to teach at Saint Tikhon's Seminary. Among the subjects he taught were Church Slavonic, Liturgics, Homiletics and Pastoral Theology. As Rector, he recruited new faculty members and sought to increase the student body. He oversaw modernization of the existing Seminary building and construction of a large new dormitory, and supervised several stages of the Seminary's academic accreditation.

As Deputy Abbot of Saint Tikhon's Monastery, he continually reinforced the monastic community by receiving new members. He also spearheaded construction of a new bell tower next to the church, which was the original home of an icon repository and erection of a mausoleum at the cemetery. He hosted several monastic and other conferences as well as continuing the tradition of an annual Memorial Day weekend pilgrimage for the faithful that have taken place since the monastery's founding in 1905.

In addition to his service to the Diocese of Philadelphia and Eastern Pennsylvania, Archbishop Herman served the greater Orthodox Church in America in a wide variety of capacities. He served as Chairman of the OCA Department of Finance; Vice-Chairman of the Department of Missions; Member of the Board of Theological Education; Vice-Chairman and Chairman of several Preconciliar Commissions; Episcopal Moderator for the Department of Stewardship; Chairman of the Pension Board; Vice-Chairman of the Office of Inter-Church Relations and Ecumenical Witness; and Member of the Lesser Synod of Bishops.

Bishop (later, Archbishop) Herman represented the OCA at numerous events abroad, often traveling with Metropolitan Theodosius to Russia and elsewhere. As an OCA hierarch, he participated in the historic conference of North America's Orthodox Bishops in Ligonier, PA in 1994. Several patriarchs and numerous hierarchs from around the world visited Saint Tikhon's Monastery for the annual pilgrimage or other celebrations throughout the years as guests of Metropolitan Herman.

Metropolitan Herman was well known as a proponent of the Sanctity of Life. For many years, he participated in the March for Life held in the US capital every January, leading the Orthodox participants and addressing thousands in defense of the unborn.

On September 29, 1999, he was named Acting Treasurer of the Orthodox Church in America, while also serving as Temporary Administrator of the Orthodox Church in America from May until September 2001, during Metropolitan Theodosius' medical leave-of-absence.

On April 2, 2002, Metropolitan Theodosius submitted a petition requesting retirement to the Holy Synod of the OCA. The Holy Synod granted his request and announced that the election of his successor would be held on July 22 at the OCA's Thirteenth All-American Council in Orlando. No candidate received the required two-thirds majority for immediate election during the first round of voting, which made a second ballot necessary. During the second round, the Holy Synod chose to elect Archbishop Herman. The enthronement of Metropolitan Herman took place during the Divine Liturgy on September 8, 2002 at Saint Nicholas Cathedral in Washington, D.C. Numerous prominent Orthodox hierarchs and dignitaries from around the world attended the enthronement ceremony and the reception that followed.

During his primatial tenure, in 2005, the title of the Primate was changed to "Archbishop of Washington and New York", consolidating the two dioceses. This placed greater diocesan responsibility on Metropolitan Herman, who ably shouldered this additional burden until his retirement. In 2009, the two dioceses were once again separated as before their merger in 2005.

Metropolitan Herman received numerous awards and honors. In 1994, he was elevated to the rank of Archbishop by the Holy Synod of Bishops of the Orthodox Church in America and awarded the Order of Saint Innocent Silver Class. He was granted an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from Nashotah House Seminary in Wisconsin and an honorary Doctor of Business Administration degree from his alma mater, Robert Morris College.

On September 4, 2008, the Holy Synod of Bishops of the Orthodox Church in America granted Metropolitan Herman's request to retire as Primate of the Orthodox Church in America. The election of his successor took place two months later at the 15th All-American Council. During his retirement, Metropolitan Herman quietly resided in a house on the grounds of Saint Tikhon's Monastery until his repose.

Metropolitan Herman is especially remembered by those who were seminarians under his mentorship. Historically, in terms of the development of the Orthodox Church in America, he will be memorialized as the second American-born Primate of the OCA.

The schedule of services for the funeral of His Beatitude Metropolitan Herman is as follows:

Wednesday, September 14

4:00-6:00 PM: Viewing at Holy Resurrection Cathedral, Wilkes-Barre, PA

6:00 PM: Panikhida at Holy Resurrection Cathedral

Thursday, September 15

Transport of body from Wilkes-Barre to Saint Tikhon's Monastery, South Canaan, PA

3:00 PM: Arrival of body at Monastery with short memorial service

4:30 PM: Daily Vespers and Matins

7:00 PM: Burial service for a priest

Friday, September 16

8:30 AM: Hours and entrance of Metropolitan Tikhon (vesting in altar)

9:00 AM: Hierarchical Divine Liturgy

Burial in cemetery and meal in monastery trapeza

Because of limited space at Saint Tikhon's Monastery Church, only 20 clergy will be able to concelebrate. Any clergy interested in serving must email Archpriest Alexander Rentel (chancellor@oca.org) or Priest Alessandro Margheritino (secretary@oca.org) in advance.

May Metropolitan Herman's memory be eternal!