

St. Basil the Great Orthodox Church



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and Metropolitan of all
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Welcome visitors! If you are visiting with us for the first time, we greet you in the Holy Name of Christ, our Saviour, and hope you will join us in fellowship after worship. We are genuinely pleased to have you with us today. We must remind you that while the Orthodox Church prays for the unity of all, only those Orthodox Christians who have prepared themselves with prayer, fasting, and regular confession should approach the chalice.

For questions, please contact Fr. James Purdie. Blessings.

Hymns



RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION (Tone 2)

When Thou didst submit Thyself unto death, O Thou deathless and immortal One, then Thou didst destroy hell with Thy Godly power. And when Thou didst raise the dead from beneath the earth, all the powers of Heaven did cry aloud unto Thee: O Christ, Thou giver of life, glory to Thee.

APOLYTIKION OF ST. BASIL (Tone 1)

In all the earth that received thy sayings, thy melody did resound O righteous father, through which thou didst go about and proclaim as worthy of God the nature of creatures, cultivating the character of mankind, O thou of kingly priesthood Basil, wherefore plead thou with Christ God to save our souls.

ORDINARY KONTAKION (Tone 2)

O protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the Creator most constant, O despise not the suppliant voices of those who have sinned; but be thou quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession, and speed thou to make supplication, thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

The Epistle



The Lord is my strength and my song.

The Lord has chastened me severely.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans. (5:1-10)

Brethren, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through Him we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in our hope of sharing the glory of God. More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit which has been given to us. While we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Why, one will hardly die for a righteous man—though perhaps for a good man one will dare even to die. But God shows His love for us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we are now justified by His blood, much more shall we be saved by Him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of His Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, we shall be saved by His life. Not only so, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received our reconciliation.

The Gospel



The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (6:22-33)

The Lord said, “The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is sound, your whole body will be full of light; but if your eye is evil, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness! No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon. Therefore, I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you shall eat or what you shall drink; nor about your body, what you shall put on. Is not the soul more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of heaven: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And which of you by being anxious can add one cubit to his stature? And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon himself in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will He not much more clothe you, O men of little faith? Therefore, do not be anxious, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ For the Gentiles seek all these things; and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things shall be yours as well.”

Offerings



Prayers of Health and Safety are Offered for:

Irine	John	Ana
Maria	Nichole + family	Robert
Ana	Brenda + family	Peter
John	Simerick family	Sam
Axenia	Katerina	John
Vasilii	Nikolai	Fawn
Hilarion	Ksenia	Julie Ann
Irina	David	Dave
Anton + family	Christina	Rick
Stephen	Jan	Schaffer Family
Nicholas	Vladimir	Saur Family
Mariann	Elizabeth	Ekaterina
Nathaniel	Robert	Angelina
George + Family	Fr. Gregory	Igor
Maria	Mat. Katherine	Alexander
Sidor family	Christina	Mark
Yana	John	Alexander
Nina	Gregory	Riske Family
Mark	Desiree	Carriveau Family
Tatiana + family	White Family	Sumitra Family
Maia + family	Morin Family	John & Erika
Tamar	Whelan Family	Hebzipah
Mirela + family	Joanne	Vaught Family
Gregory	Don	Messey Family

Offerings



Prayers of Health and Safety are Offered for:

Schorr Family	Kati & Kyle
Caleb & Julian	Gen & Randy
Cormier Family	Jess & Jared
Emminizer Family	Scarlett
Angela & Children	Messimer Family
Edens Family	Russ
Jirov Family	-----
David	Brown Family
Ezekiel	Caedmon
Michael	Ivan
Elizabeth	Gapeeve Family
Joseph	Celeste
Wendy	Greg & Family
Palomino	
Wheeler	
Dawes	
Hamilton	
Houston	
Goodson Families	
Nadia	
Rachel Shi & Zhong	
Franklin	
Kosta & Edwin	
St. Porphyrios Parish	

Offerings



Prayers of Loving Memory are Offered for:

Fr. John	James	Arch. Ilya	Barbara
Fr. Milan	Barbara	Lydia	Mark
Tatiana	Frederick	Victor	Gwen
Sergei	Helen	Tatyana	Paul
Ion	Margaret	Alexander	James
Maria	Laverne	Nun Thekla	Jeremiah
Agrepina	Carl	Nun Nektaria	Dwight & Beatrice
Ion	Radovanka	Roman	Laura
Maria	William	Evdokia	Jose & Esther
Nadejda	Dragitza	Ephimia	David & Dionna
Maria	Velinka	Ephim	George & Patricia
Maria	Lazar	Michael	Adam
George	John	Alexey	David
Ana	Connie	Alexander	
Michael	John	Alexandra	
George	Loretta	Yuri	
Ana	Joan	Boris	
John	Hillary	Valentin	
Thomas	Caitlyn	Valentina	
Joseph	Mindy	Vladimir	
John	Peter	Zinaida	
Pete	Adele	Elena	
Nella	Grant	Evdokia	
Kathrine	Ashley	Heather	

Prayers for St. Basil's



First Prayer

O Lord, Jesus Christ, our God who in the multitude of Thy goodness and love hast chosen Hampton Roads, to sow a spiritual garden and called us, Thy children, to be its stewards. Grant us, O Master, the wisdom, strength, and resources to accomplish this task, discerning Thy will for this community. Guide our flock in oneness of mind. Grant bodily health and spiritual salvation unto all who support this ministry and bless them with Thy good things. In flame our hearts with love for Thee and the lost souls of America. For unto Thee we ascribe glory, together with Thine unoriginate Father and Thine All-holy, Good and Life-giving Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Second Prayer

O Lord, Jesus Christ our God, Cornerstone of Thy Holy Church, Giver of every good gift, who despite our being bound by the desires and pleasures of the flesh, hast gathered us in this Holy Church, protected by St. Basil and Thy most Holy Mother, the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary. Grant that we may be the good soil that brings forth the spiritual fruit necessary for the nourishment of all who seek Thy salvation, in accordance with Thy will, through the study of the holy scriptures; the reading of the lives and sayings of the saints; the attendance of the sacred services; the participation in Thy holy mysteries; living a life of prayer in word and deed; Worshiping the Father, in Spirit and in Truth. For unto Thee we ascribe glory, together with Thine unoriginate Father and Thine All-holy, Good and Life-giving Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.



Prayer for Missions

Please pray for the
Cumberland, MD
mission and the mission
and good health of the
Orthodox Church in the
British Isles

Events



June 21

Antiochian Women's Group, 12:45 pm

June 28

Antiochian Men's Group, 12:45 pm

Parish Council, 12:45 pm

July 26

General Parish Meeting, 12:45 pm



Going for the GOLD!

Vacation Church School!

Outdoor games, music, creative activities, and exploring our Orthodox faith—every day will be packed with fun and learning!

June 22-26th
Saint Constantine and Helen
Greek Orthodox Church
Newport News, VA





Thine own of Thine own...
2026 Stewardship Form



Express your interests Share your talents
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