

# St. Basil the Great Orthodox Church



*Bulletin*

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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 8)

From the heights Thou didst descend, O compassionate One, and Thou didst submit to the threeday burial, that Thou might deliver us from passion; Thou art our life and our Resurrection, O Lord, glory to Thee.

## APOLYTIKION OF ALL SAINTS (Tone 4)

Thy Church, O Christ God, hath regaled herself in the blood of Thy Martyrs throughout the entire world, as in porphyry and purple. Through them she lifteth her voice crying: Turn with Thy compassion toward Thy people, and grant peace to Thy city, and to our souls the Great Mercy.

## 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.

## KONTAKION OF ALL SAINTS (Tone 8)

As first-fruits of our nature to the Planter of created things, the world presenteth the God-bearing martyred Saints in offering unto Thee, O Lord. Through their earnest entreaties, keep Thy Church in deep peace and divine tranquility, through the pure Theotokos, O Thou Who art greatly merciful.

# The Epistle



*God is wondrous in His saints.  
In the churches, bless ye God.*

## **The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews. (11:33-12:2)**

Brethren, all the saints through faith subdued kingdoms, worked righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, from weakness were made strong, became mighty in war, and turned to flight armies of the aliens. Women received their dead by resurrection, and others were tortured, not accepting their deliverance, that they might obtain a better resurrection. And others suffered mocking and scourging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn asunder, they were tempted, they were slain with the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, being destitute, afflicted, tormented (of whom the world was not worthy), wandering in deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, having obtained a witness through their faith, did not receive the promise, since God had foreseen something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect. Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which does so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the Author and Perfecter of our faith.

# The Gospel



## **The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (10:32-33, 37-38; 19:27-30)**

The Lord said to His disciples, “Everyone who acknowledges Me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father Who is in heaven; but whoever denies Me before men, I also will deny before My Father Who is in heaven. He who loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me; and he who loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me; and he who does not take his cross and follow Me is not worthy of Me.” Then Peter said in reply, “Lo, we have left everything and followed Thee. What then shall we have?” Jesus said to them, “Truly, I say to you, in the New World, when the Son of Man shall sit on His glorious throne, you who have followed Me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And every one who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or lands, for My Name’s sake, will receive a hundred fold, and inherit eternal life. But many that are first will be last, and the last first.”

# Offerings



Prayers of Health and Safety are Offered for:

Irine	John	Ana
Maria	Nichole + family	Nadja & Family
Ana	Brenda + family	Riske Family
John	Simerick family	Carriveau Family
Axenia	Katerina	Sumitra Family
Vasilii	Nikolai	Vaught Family
Hilarion	Ksenia	Messey Family
Irina	David	Hebzipah & John
Anton + family	Christina	Bill
Stephen	Jan	Strack Family
Nicholas	Vladimir	Aiden & Sophia
Mariann	Elizabeth	Switzer Family
Nathaniel	Schaffer Family	Oxana
George + Family	Saur Family	Sarah
Maria	Ekaterina	Ruth
Sidor family	Angelina	Ezekiel
Yana	Igor	Michael
Nina	Alexander	David
Mark	Mark	Joseph
Tatiana + family	Alexander	Elizabeth
Maia + family	Whelan Family	Mary
Tamar	Joanne	Charlie & Anastasia
Mirela + family	Don	Trey
Gregory	Loretta	Peter

# Offerings



Prayers of Health and Safety are Offered for:

Sam	Bella	Michael
John	Asfari Family	Sarna
Fawn	Palomino	Maggie
Rick	Goodson	Megan
Dave	Dawes	Vall
Julie Ann	Wheeler	Grace
Emry Family	Houston	Nathan
Neil Family	Hamilton Families	John
Elias Family	Nadia	Anna
George & Margie	Ran Li	Frank & Lauren
Athena & Justice	Rachel Shi & Zhong	Josiah & Margaret
Edens Family	St. Porphyrios Parish	Simerick Family
Temple Family	Frank Gu	Thompson Family
Bob	McCullough Family	Butler Family
Robert	Kosta & Edwin	Neal Family
Tatiana	Wetzel Family	Fr. Michael & Mat. Linda
Natalia	Salyer Family	DiJacobbe Family
Olivia	Widrick Family	Lazarou Family
Angelina	Nancy & Rene	Ben & Laura
Sophia	Niko	Julian
Joshua	Sandro	Teresa & Brian
Alexandra	Nikoloz	Randy & Leslie
Stas	Renate	Carrie
Maiya	Martha	Joshua

# Offerings



Prayers of Health and Safety are Offered for:

Jacob

Devon

Robert

Bilowus Family

Johnson Family

Steffano Family

Cane Family

Sarah & Child

Fr. John

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Blizzard Family

Declan

Elswick Family

Dan

Ross Family

Randy

Rick

Mustafa

Ted

Sammy

Garcia Family

Hanrahan Family

Diontrae

Taylor Family

Zac

Lily

Gracie

Aileen

Peter

Ben

Marcy

Claire & Bobby

Gwen & Ben

Bruce & Kim

Mastin Family

Sweeney Family

Fleury Family

Gervais Family

Hoffman Family

Donna

Tarka Family

Carmichael Family

# Offerings



Prayers of Loving Memory are Offered for:

Fr. John	Ephimia	Averkia
Fr. Milan	Ephim	Laura
Tatiana	Michael	Lydia
Sergei	Alexey	Victor
Ion	Alexandr	Tatyana
Maria	Alexandra	Alexander
Agrepina	Yuri	Nun Thekla
Ion	Boris	Nun Nektaria
Maria	Valentin	Roman
Nadejda	Valentina	Evdokia
Maria	Vladimir	Bill
Maria	Zinaida	Fr. Ayoub
George	Arch. Ilya	Kh. Deebie
Ana	Radovanka	Peter
Michael	William	Adele
George	Lazar	Hillary
Ana	Dragitza	Caitlyn
John	Velinka	Dominic
Thomas	Goran	Bill
Joseph	Loretta	James
John	John	Paul
Pete	Connie	Jeremiah
Nella	John	Vino
Kathrine	John	Beatrice & Dwight

# Offerings



Prayers of Loving Memory are Offered for:

Boris	Katherine	Theresa	Conrad
Ivan	Charles	Al	Wilhelm
Galina	William	Louise	Charlotte
Elana	Marie	Joseph	Grace
Jose & Esther	Helen	Eva	Myron
George & Patricia	Evelyn	Richard	Karl
David & Dianna	Alexander	John & Mary	Andy
Adam	Mat. Carol	Gilbert & Jewell	
David	-----	Warren	
Antonia	Anna	Larry	
Andreas	Thadeus	Odell	
Saedra	Julia	Sam	
Grant	Conrad	Marcie	
Ashley	Nicholas	Lena	
Asanaketch	Walter	Gerhard	
Dawit	Elena	Mary	
David	Angeline	Roger	
Mike	Edward	Kelly	
Bob	Helen	Lisa	
Bill	Adelarde	Gabby	
Fr. Neil	Edward	Patricia	
Demetrius	Diane	Pheobe	
Christopher	Kenneth	Ben	
Kathy	Francis	Kent	

# 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. Inflame 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

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

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# Events



June 13

Divine Liturgy at Chesapeake Mission, 10:00 am

June 21

Antiochian Women's Group, 12:45 pm

June 28

Antiochian Men's Group, 12:45 pm

Parish Council, 12:45 pm



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