

# The Martyr

## St. George Orthodox Church

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March 14, 2021

### Upcoming Services\* and Events

**Mar 14** - 9:30 am - Divine Liturgy followed by  
Forgiveness Vespers

**Mar 15** - Great Lent begins

**Mar 21** - 9:30 am - Divine Liturgy

**Mar 25** - Annunciation (transferred to  
Sunday, March 28)

**Mar 28** - 9:30 am Divine Liturgy ( Annunciation of  
the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary transferred  
from March 25)

**\*RSVP to:** Laura Chadwick by 3:00pm the Saturday  
prior to the Sunday service if you are attending.  
Admission is on a first come, first serve basis.  
Laura's cell/email - 203.218.1552 [lchad@att.net](mailto:lchad@att.net)

### Prayers for the Blessing

Bishops Paul and John of Aleppo, *captive in Syria*.

Father Gregory Buzi on his journey in the monastery.

*Those who are sick:* Mitered Archpriest Michael Koblosh,  
Christy & Christina Adams; Mildred Arendac; Juan Aguilar  
Paul Betts; Alexis Black; James Brideau; Jeannie Brideau;  
Debi Broadus; Sharon Buzi; Jim Cernera; Joyce Chadwick;  
Frank Chamberlain; Bernard & Annie Christenson; Bobby  
Christo; Anthony Cordero; George and Carmen Costa;  
Renate Deer, Armando Dias; Patti Fischer; Louise Karoli  
Gallagher; Peter Gallo; Luba Geeza, Mike Green; Nancy  
Hurd, George Jones; Sug Jones; Shirley Jordan; Isabella  
Kerma; Violet Laska; Bruce Lazar; June Lopen; Carole  
Lundquist; Jeannine Masek; Thomas Matthews; Jaimie  
McCarvill; Kathy Meahlenbrock; Zoe Michael; Michael  
Moras, Jr.; Theodore Morrison; Andy Nunn; Kimberly  
Orosz; Pat Perrotta, John Rafail, Helen Reh, David Schutte;  
Anthony Sica; Angie Soter; Charles & Joann Soter; Sue &  
Thomas Spero; Thalia Thomas; William Thomas; Paulette  
Todisco; Margaret Torre; John Towne; Alice Vasil; Joe  
Vitale; Michael Wilson.

*If anyone should be added or removed from this list, please  
contact Kim O'Brien at [kimobrien720@gmail.com](mailto:kimobrien720@gmail.com).*

### Prayers in Memoriam

#### 40 Days

William Kintop  
Archpriest John Tkachuk  
Archpriest Joseph Irwin

#### March

- 14 Catherine Panoli (2014)
- 15 Pandora Nastes Nicholas (1999)  
Thomas William Soter (2011)
- 16 Ligor Lazar (1951)  
Harriet Atanas Lambert (2001)
- 19 Maria Karaja (1984)
- 20 James N. Vani (1951)  
Naum Nicholas (1952)  
Ilo Vasil (1980)  
Efthemia (Thimika) G. Vasil (1995)

### Father James Parnell

Father James Parnell (Major Chaplain - U.S. Army  
Reserves) the priest of All Saints Church, Hartford,  
CT is being deployed overseas until the New Year  
(2022). Please include him in your prayers.

## Thank you from the Monastery

On behalf of Archimandrite Seraphim and all the brotherhood of Holy Cross Monastery, we want to extend our most heartfelt thanks to the many hundreds of people from across the country and even across the world who have stepped forward to help us through our recent crisis. We have been truly overwhelmed by the enormous outpouring of kindness, concern, love, and generosity that we have received from all of you. Although we live in an isolated and remote location, and although we have seen far fewer of you than usual during the past year due to the COVID-19 restrictions, this recent disaster has brought us the incomparable consolation of revealing once again the spiritual strength of the bond that unites us to one another in Christ. We are immensely grateful to God for each and every one of you, and cannot begin to express our gratitude and love in words.

While the situation remains ongoing, by God's grace and through your prayers and support we have put the worst of the difficulty behind us. As of last Thursday we now have consistent power to our buildings once again, and roads have finally been cleared to allow deliveries and mail service to resume.

Most of the damage to our buildings remains in need of repair, although the property has largely been cleared of the many fallen trees and tree limbs from the ice storm. We will now be turning our attention to making the necessary repairs as quickly as we can, which has been enabled by the extreme generosity so many of you have shown.

We are also planning to upgrade as many of our generators as possible to be able to run on both natural gas as well as a propane backup, so that in the event of future disasters we will be able to better withstand prolonged power outages and shortages of natural gas. In addition, we will be carefully assessing the trees surrounding our buildings in order to evaluate which ones need to be cut down in order to prevent similar damage to our buildings in the future. This is tricky due to our terrain, as removing too many trees will substantially weaken the integrity of the hillside and increase the already serious problems we have with landslides and hill movement.

All in all, thanks to your generosity we are now in a position to both effect the needed repairs as well as to do everything possible to ensure that future disasters will not affect us so severely. Again, we are incredibly grateful to God and to all of you for doing so much for us in our time of need. May He reward you a hundredfold in His Kingdom!

We are still waiting for the restoration of our phone and internet service, and unfortunately there has been no estimate provided to us for when this might be. As soon as it is restored, we will immediately resume live-streaming the divine services once again, which we know so many of you have missed. In addition, once this happens we will serve a special Moleben of thanksgiving and prayer for all the many friends and benefactors who have helped to get us through this difficult time.

Please know that all of you remain in our unworthy prayers. If there is ever anything we can do to repay you, do not hesitate to reach out and let us know.

May God grant us all a profitable Lent and a radiant and joyous Pascha!

## On-Line Sermons

To find the most current video of a Weekly Sermon or the Monthly Sermonette for our Church School children, a quick link was added to the Home page on our website.

After the *Upcoming Services & Events* section and before the *Weekly Bulletin* section, there is a new *Sermons* section.

When visiting our YouTube site, you can click the 'subscribe' button. You will be notified as soon as an item is placed up for view.

## Pastoral Emergency Care

If there is an emergency, and you would like a priest to contact you, call Father Sergei at 203-331-2251 (cell), 203-713-6007 (home) or Bill Kovachi at 203-449-4404 .