



Christ the Saviour Orthodox Cathedral
16601 NW 77th Court, Miami Lakes, FL 33016



APRIL 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Mar 27 8:30 AM Matins 10 AM Liturgy Church School Sisterhood Mtg	Mar 28	Mar 29	Mar 30 6:30 PM Pre-Sanct Lenten Meal	Mar 31	1	2 6 PM Vespers Confessions
3 8:30 AM Matins 10 AM Liturgy Church School	4	5	6 6:30 PM Pre-Sanct Lenten Meal	7	8	9 6 PM Vespers Confessions
10 8:30 AM Matins 10 AM Liturgy Church School	11	12	13 6:30 PM Pre-Sanct Lenten Meal	14 7 PM Grt Canon	15	16 6 PM Vespers Confessions
17 8:30 AM Matins 10 AM Liturgy Church School Sisterhood Mtg	18	19	20 6:30 PM Pre-Sanct Lenten Meal	21	22	23 <i>Lazarus Saturday</i> 9 AM Kid Confession 10 AM Liturgy Pancake Breakfast 6 PM Vespers Confessions
24 PALM SUNDAY 8:30 AM Matins 10 AM Liturgy Church School Fish Dinner 2 PM Bridegroom Matins	25 7 PM Bridegroom Matins	26 7 PM Bridegroom Matins	27 7 PM Holy Unction	28 10 AM Vesp Liturgy 7 PM Twelve Gospels	29 3 PM Vespers 7 PM Matins	30 <i>Holy Saturday</i> 10 AM Vesp Liturgy 11 PM Pascha Vigil Blessing Baskets

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Orthodox Cathedral of Christ the Saviour

Dear Parishioners and Friends of the Cathdral:

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!

The time of Great Lent is at hand! It will begin on Monday, March 21, and end with Holy Pascha on Sunday, May 1. It is big part of our Orthodox Christian history and tradition, practiced and revered through the generations. Most look forward to it, gear up for it, and ready themselves for the call to spiritual action and renewal. As a community we are directed to enter into this spiritual journey, returning to basic practices of regular prayer/devotions, fasting, almsgiving, attending at least some of the special Lenten Divine Services, and, of course, repenting to God – which includes coming to Holy Confession. Other common activities include: limiting TV and other worldly entertainments/activities, spiritual reading (lives of Saints, spiritual guidance, etc.), guarding our speech, reconciling with others (family, friends, parishioners, etc.), and more.

It is important to take Great Lent seriously, but to be at the same time moderate in our approach. In other words: to strive, but not to bite off more than we can chew. It is important to incorporate those things that truly challenges us, but are at the same time doable for us. Doing too much at one time could set up ourselves for discouragement and failure. Our goal: to repent of our sins, to introduce and

reinforce good spiritual habits, and to come closer to God. All of us can participate. All of us can strive toward these noble goals.

On Sunday, March 21, following our annual Blini Lunch, at about 2PM, we will start the Lenten Journey with Forgiveness Vespers. The large Cross of the Crucified Christ will be in the middle of the church. The special penitential hymns will be sung and the covers will be changed from the lighter to the dark. At the end of it, we will come before the Cross, bowing and asking forgiveness of Christ, and then facing each other as we line up, bowing and asking forgiveness of each other. This is the Orthodox equivalent of Ash Wednesday in the Western Churches. This is how we, as Orthodox Christians, begin the journey of Great Lent together. So please seriously consider staying a little longer at church that Sunday, in order to participate and experience the humble spirit of the beginning of this Great and Sacred Lent.

Please check out the calendar for the various Lenten Divine Services that will be offered at church and attend where you can. May we all have a wonderful and spiritually productive Great Lent!

Yours in Christ,

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Feb 28 <i>Prodigal Son</i> 8:30 AM Matins 10 AM Liturgy	Feb 29	1	2	3	4	5 6 PM Vespers Confessions
6 <i>Meatfare</i> 8:30 AM Matins 10 AM Liturgy	7	8	9	10	11	12 6 PM Vespers Confessions
13 <i>Cheesefare</i> 8:30 AM Matins 10 AM Liturgy Church School Blini Meal 2 PM Forgiveness Vespers	14 7 PM Grt Canon	15 7 PM Grt Canon	16 6:30 PM Pre-Sanct Lenten Meal	17	18	19 6 PM Vespers Confessions
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Clergy

Rector
Archpriest Philip Reese

Associate
Priest Joseph Lucas

Deacon Carlos Miranda

Subdeacons
Randolph LaCroix
Alexander Dimich
Julio Gurra

Readers
Dionysi Charles Doten
Christopher Herbert
Stephen Butcher
Anthony Brian Allen

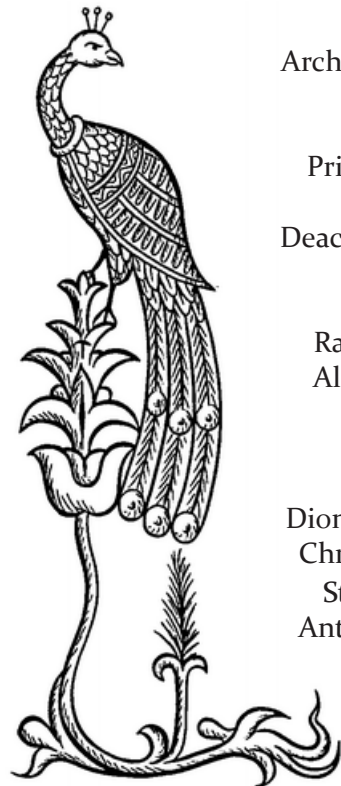
Council

Senior Warden
Christopher Herbert

Secretary
Mikhail Ramcharan

Treasurers
Jim Shiskin
Alex Pouschine

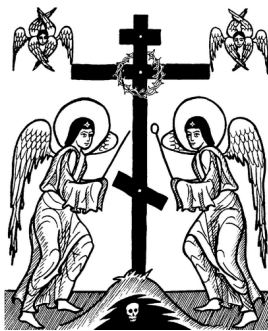
Members
Gary Popovich
Dionysi Doten
Gerasimos Evanoff
Mary Perkins
Alexander Dimich
Vernon Lee



Announcements

In Need of Our prayers

Kathryn LaCroix / Lillian Raynes
 Lidia Brookes / Valentin Jakolenko
 Fr. George & Mat. Vasilka Gerov
 Ludmilla Voinescu / Susan Simpkins
 Svetlana Roadway / Betty Calvert
 Julian Gurrea / Hannah Butcher



Palm Sunday

fish dinner

April 24

**LAZARUS
 SATURDAY**

April 23

*Kids' Confessions at 9 am
 Pancake Breakfast after Liturgy*

March Birthdays

- 2 Rdr. Christopher Herbert
- 9 Zoe Doten
- 10 Amy Allen
- 10 Andrei Mavrodin
- 11 Rafael Lucas
- 12 Kaitlyn Budowski
- 17 Walter "Derrick" Budowski
- 18 Andrea Jammes
- 20 Elena Bond
- 22 Julian Eric Gurrea
- 25 Hope Petipren
- 25 James Lowrey
- 26 Anastasia Pineros
- 28 Olga Balutina

April Birthdays

- 2 Bishop Mark
- 3 George Frisk
- 3 Jared Ross
- 4 Terri Budowski
- 5 Valerie Doten
- 10 Chase Budowski
- 12 Violet Lowrey
- 13 Deborah Bowser
- 13 Mya Rodriguez
- 14 Rdr. Dionysi Doten
- 16 Michael Richards
- 22 Mia Angelina Campos
- 23 Kathryn LaCroix
- 23 David Waite
- 29 John Prystacky
- 29 Ludmila Voinescu

April Anniversaries

- 3 Dn.Carlos & Dalia Miranda
- 9 Igor & Elena Bond
- 30 SDn.Randolph & Kathryn LaCroix

News

January and February News

With the new year in full swing, the clergy and board members of the Cathedral mapped out the plans for 2016. The first event of the year was the annual Patronal Feastday, held this year on January 24. Members of the Sisterhood, spearheaded the event, with food being prepared by Corina and Andrei Mavrodin, and Mia Idriceanu.

The Sisterhood also began coordinating a new charitable outlet for the Cathedral. The Association Pro Vita in Valea Ploputui, Romania is an NGO orphanage that offers to take care of children who would have been aborted. They take in, feed, clothe and educate the children until they are grown. Fr. Nicolae Tanase oversees the orphanage, ensuring that the children are brought up in the Orthodox faith. The Cathedral will be collecting clothes, shoes, toys and diapers on an on-going basis, and shipping them to Romania for the orphanage. Please consider helping this worthy endeavor.

In February, the Cathedral also kicked-off a fundraiser for Camp St. Christopher. In conjunction with our sister parishes in South Florida, we rent out a campground in Sebring, Florida for one week. This year the camp will be July 10-15. Our hope is to provide full scholarships for all the children who wish to attend camp. Kids who attend Orthodox summer camps are, statistically, much more likely to remain in the Church when they grow up. The fundraiser to help fund the camp will continue through March. Envelopes in the church narthex are numbered 1 to 100. Cash or check for that amount should be put inside, and the envelope placed in the box. With your support, this year will be the best week of camp yet.

On February 28 we received a visit from Kenneth Kidd from the Orthodox Christian Mission Center (OCMC) in St. Augustine, Florida. He gave a presentation during coffee hour, explaining the incredible work OCMC accomplishes. As an officially endorsed, Pan-Orthodox organization, they send missionaries into the field throughout the world to evangelize and found Orthodox parishes and communities. Kenneth explained that OCMC coordinates missions that are both short-term (2-3 weeks) and long-term (months or years).

Parish Wish List

*We are looking for donations
of the following items:*

Altar Wine
("Mavrodaphne" and "Commandaria")

Cleaning Supplies

"Forever" Stamps for Mailings

11" x 17" Copy Paper

9" x 12" Self-seal Envelopes

*We are looking for sponsors
for the following items:*

Medallion Icons of Saints in Church

Books for the Book Store

We need volunteers for:

Lawn Care and Hedge Trimming

St. Christopher Orthodox Camp
in South Florida (July 2016)