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The Orthodox Church in America

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“I find that doing of the will of God leaves me no time for disputing about His plans.”

George MacDonald, Scottish author

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Mat. Felicity and I will be away the first part of July. We have the opportunity to go on a pilgrimage to Scotland where Fr. Seraphim Aldea is founding the first Orthodox Monastery in the British Isles in 1,000 years. We will also be celebrating our 31st wedding anniversary.

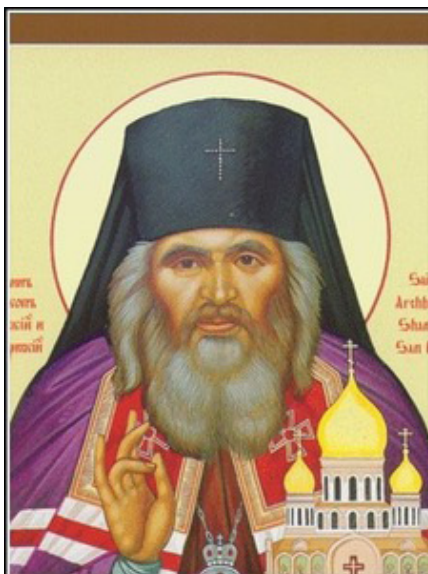
We take this “time away” with full hearts. When we return it will complete our first year here at St. Susanna. We are thankful that God brought us here, thankful that we’ve had the opportunity to get to know all of you, and thankful for the opportunity to work, serve and worship together with you.

So much has been accomplished in this past year— and there is much more to come, as we continue to strive to “keep in step” with God’s Holy Spirit. That is really our

goal— as it is God’s Spirit that must go before us, and it is in working in synergy with Him that we can accomplish His will.

Our dear Fr. Tom Renfree will be with you while we are away. The first Sunday is the Feast Day of our Father among the Saints, St. John Maximovitch of Shanghai and San Francisco. Later in the month we will be having a weekday Liturgy in honor of St. Seraphim of Sarov (July 19th). Also, our parishioners have been invited to celebrate the Feast Day of our Sister Church, St. Gabriel’s Antiochian Orthodox Church (Angels Camp) on Sunday afternoon, July 16th. This is a potluck and the celebration will take place after Coffee Hour at White Pine Lake. Bring a swimsuit if you’d like to take a dip in the lake!

With gratitude in our Lord Jesus Christ,
Fr. Joseph



The power of God is effective when a person asks for the help from God, acknowledging his own weakness and sinfulness. This is why humility and the striving towards God are the fundamental virtues of a Christian.

— John of Shanghai and San Francisco —

AZ QUOTES

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“God is a fire that warms and kindles the heart and inward parts. Hence, if we feel in our hearts the cold which comes from the devil - for the devil is cold - let us call on the Lord. He will come to warm our hearts with perfect love, not only for Him but also for our neighbor, and the cold of him who hates the good will flee before the heat of His countenance.”

~SERAPHIM OF SAROV

azquotes.com

St. Susanna Cleaning Schedule

*Blessed are those who love the beauty
of God's house*

Team 1—Week of July 2

Team 2—Week of July 16

Hours Readings

Anyone who would like to read the Hours before liturgy, please contact Rdr Tikhon at 209-728-5596 or boodt76@aol.com to be added to the list or for more information.

MANY YEARS

Birthdays:

Christina Teshin	July 2
Megan Giesbrecht	July 2
Ron McIntosh, Sr.	July 6
Allen Gomes	July 9
Mason Vitz	July 18
Larissa Worth	July 18
Rami Arsheid	July 23
John Arsheid	July 25
Elisa Anttila	July 28

Namesdays:

Allen Gomes	July 9
Olga Gomes	July 11
Sara Arsheid	July 13
Rami Arsheid	July 20
Elias Union	July 20
Christina Teshin	July 24
Grete Reighard	July 24
Jeanne Harmer	July 25

Anniversaries:

Nick & Larissa Worth	July 3
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Prayer List

PLEASE JOIN US IN GIVING THANKS TO GOD:

- For the skill and devotion of those beautifying our temple and gardens.
- For the beauty of the Mother Lode, and for the privilege we have been given to live here.
- That the Holy Mother of Jesus continues to care for the unborn.
- That many of our petitions are being answered.

PLEASE JOIN US IN PRAYING FOR GOD'S HELP:

- For seasonal weather.
- "St. John, please intercede for us before God.
- For repose of the souls of our service men and women who have given their lives for people of foreign lands.
- To safeguard all the troops who remain in hostile lands.
- That many may come to Orthodoxy through our witness and example.
- To bless our monasteries and the men and women who dwell in them.
- For the growth of the monastery in Sonora.
- For the health of Fr. Ignatius.
- For health and strength for Anna.
- For health and strength for Anastasia.
- For health and healing for Natasha.
- For health and healing for Nina.
- For health and healing for Judy.
- For health of Metropolitan Hilarion.
- For health and healing for Andres.
- For health and healing for Violet.
- For health and healing for Lise.
- For health and healing for Loretta.

To ask us to pray for you, your family, or friends, please email Alex Teshin at alex@teshin.com or call 209-536-9999.

July 2017						
◀ June						August ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 6:00 pm Great Vespers
2 9:00 am Divine Liturgy w/Fr. Tom Renfree (Rom. 6:18-23 Matt. 8:5-13) Potluck No Council Meeting for July	3 Fr. Joseph and Mat. Felicity on vacation*	4	5	6	7	8 6:00 pm Great Vespers
9 9:00 am Divine Liturgy w/Fr. Tom Renfree (Rom. 10:1-10 Matt. 8:28-9:1)	10	11	12	13	14	15 6:00 pm Great Vespers
16 9:00 am Divine Liturgy (Rom. 12:6-14 Matt. 9:1-8) Potluck	17	18 6:00 pm Great Vespers w/Litya for St. Seraphim of Sarov	19 9:00 am St. Seraphim of Sarov Divine Liturgy (1 Cor. 7:12-24 Matt. 14:35-15:11)	20	21	22 6:00 pm Great Vespers
23 9:00 am Divine Liturgy (Rom. 15:1-7 Matt. 9:27-35)	24	25 6:00 pm Great Vespers w/Litya for St. Jacob Netsvetov	26 9:00 am St. Jacob Netsvetov Divine Liturgy (1 Cor. 10:12-22 Matt. 16:20-24)	27	28	29 6:00 pm Great Vespers
30 9:00 am Divine Liturgy (1 Cor. 1:10-18 Matt. 14:14-22)	31	NOTES: Fr. Joseph and Mat. Felicity on vacation until July 13th				