

ST. JACOB OF ALASKA ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Sunday, October 29, 20th **SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - Tone 3.** Martyr Anastasia the Roman (3rd C.). St. Abramius the Recluse and his niece, St. Mary, of Mesopotamia (ca. 360). Righteous Anna of Constantinople (826). Monk Martyr Timothy of Esphigmenou (Mt. Athos - 1820).

Epistle:

Gospel:

Gal. 1:11-19

Luke 8:26-39

Monday, October 30

Daily Vespers, 5:30 pm

Friday, November 3

Daily Vespers, 5:30 pm

Wedding Rehearsal immediately following

Saturday, November 4

Sacrament of Holy Matrimony, Nina Michail and David Hevey, 11:30 am

Great Vespers for the Resurrection, 5 pm

Sunday, November 5, 21st **SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - Tone 4.** Martyr Galacteon and his wife, Epistemis, at Emesa (3rd C.). Repose of St. Jonah, Archbishop of Novgorod (1470). Apostles Patrobus, Hermes, Linus, Gaius, and Philologus, of the Seventy (1st C.). St. Gregory, Archbishop of Alexandria (9th C.).

Third and Sixth Hours, 9:10 am

Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom, 9:30 am

Epistle:

Gospel:

Gal. 2:16-20

Luke 8:41-56

SPECIAL PARISH MEETING - SUNDAY NOVEMBER 19

A special parish meeting will be held following Divine Liturgy on Sunday, November 19th to consider proposals for electrical work at the Church. Various electrical work items are necessary for the Church - outlets for our heaters, outlets for the social area, and other items. We are in the process of receiving bids for work currently. Estimates will be provided at the meeting. The cost of electrical work is not included in the approved budget for the Church and therefore must be approved by a special parish meeting. This meeting must also consider how the electrical work will be paid for. Please plan to attend this important special parish meeting.

KING DAVID ICON - SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR TWO PRIESTS IN NEED

Today we are displaying a special icon of David the King which is used for assistance and comfort for those in need. We are using this icon as a focal point for a collection for Fr. Paul Burholt, formerly of Claremont and now in Texas, and Fr. Michael Mihalick (see letter below), both in financial need.

To: Everyone of Good Will

This is Fr. Michael Mihalick. I am 56, & had to retire early from the active ministry because of an aggressive form of MS. Right now, for example, neither can I walk or talk very well. There are an entire litany of such things. My wife has no health insurance & has a host of her own medical problems..she needs health insurance. We will use part of this gift for health insurance & the other part to pay bills.

I am in a financial pickle & am asking you to be God's hands for us. I cannot live on my small income & my wife cannot go out to work as I need 24/7 care. I.e. I cannot even eat myself. To make a long story short, we are looking for 50 or so people to pledge & give \$20. or more a month. This will make it possible for us to live. Your monthly help will be appreciated.

Thank you & God bless, Fr. Michael Mihalick

NATIVITY FAST LADIES' RETREAT AND DISCUSSION

On Saturday, December 9, we will host a Ladies' Retreat and Discussion, *The Theotokos: A Shared Study of Her Importance in Women's Lives*. The retreat will begin with the Akathist to the Theotokos at 10 am, followed by a morning session, lunch, an afternoon session, and Great Vespers for the Resurrection between 2:30 and 3 pm. The retreat will be a group review facilitated by Barbara (Gabriel) Clarke. It will be organized around the Feasts of The Nativity of the Theotokos, The Entry of the Theotokos into the Temple, The Annunciation, and The Dormition of the Theotokos. The retreat will concentrate on an understanding of the Theotokos through these four events and make connections to modern lives. A light lenten lunch will be included. All Ladies are invited - you should mention your plans to attend to either Barbara Gabriel or Fr. Mark in order for us to make luncheon plans.