

ST. JACOB OF ALASKA ORTHODOX CHURCH

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+ + + Service Schedule + + +

Sunday, September 14. 13th Sunday After Pentecost – Tone 4. The Universal Exaltation (Elevation) of the Precious and Life-Giving Cross. Repose of St. John Chrysostom (407 A.D.)

Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom, 9:30am
1 Cor 1:18-24 / Jn 19:6-11,13-20,25-28,30-35.

Wednesday, September 17: Afterfeast of the Elevation of the Cross. Eve of Martyr Ariadne of Phrygia (2nd c.).

Daily Vespers, 5:30pm, with light meal and study on St. Athanasius following.

Saturday, September 20.

Great Vespers of the Resurrection, 5pm.

Sunday, September 21. 14th Sunday after Pentecost —Tone 5. Sunday After the Elevation of the Cross. Leavetaking of the Elevation of the Cross. Transferred from July 26th: Repose of St. Yakov (Jacob) Netsvetov, Enlightener of the Peoples of Alaska (1864).

3rd and 6th Hours, 9:10am
Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom, including Blessing of the Church, 9:30am
Gal 2:16-20 (Sunday after the Cross); 2 Cor 1:21-2:4 (Sunday); Phil 3:7-14 (St. Jacob)
Mk 8:34-9:1 (Sunday after the Cross); Mt 22:1-4 (Sunday); Mk 20:29-31, 42-45 (St. Jacob)
Meal Celebrating our Patronal Feast.

+ + + Upcoming Events + + +

10/4 Saturday Education Day at St. Vladimir’s
10/11 Saturday Artful Afternoon in White River Jct (at the Abetti’s)
10/12 Sunday Parish Annual Meeting
10/?? Fri – Sat Diocesan Assembly Meeting
11/11-13 Tue – Thur All America Council

In these days of vacillation, confusion of thought and corruption, we confess the true teaching of the Church regardless of the opinions held by those who might hear us, and disregarding the skepticism and faithlessness of our environment. If, for the sake of conforming to the errors of the times, we would suppress the truth or yet profess distorted doctrines to please the world, we would in fact be offering stones instead of bread. And the higher the position of one who would act in this way, the more profound the temptation and the more serious the consequences.

--St. Philaret the New Confessor

+ + + Announcements + + +

Offering Service to the Parish: There many important ways you can serve the parish in the coming year, two of which we want to bring to your attention now. First, we have need of a secretary for the Parish Council, as well as additional Council members. The Council meets once a month for a couple hours. The commitment is not onerous, but is of great value to the parish. If you are interested, please see Fr. Caleb. Secondly, we need delegates to go to our Diocesan Assembly in Cumberland, RI (Friday and Saturday, 10/24-25), and to the All America Council in Pittsburg (Tuesday – Thursday, 11/11-13). Please see Fr. Caleb for more information.

Preparation for Parish Feast Day: Next Saturday, 9/20, those who are able will gather in the afternoon to prepare for the celebration of our feast day—cleaning and beautifying the church as well as setting up the tent, tables and chairs. Please join us for this enjoyable time working together.

Pledge Letters: You should have received your annual pledge letter in the postal mail this week. The Parish Council is asking that these be returned by the last Sunday of the Month, 9/28. You can either place them in the special basket on the offering table, or mail them back to the Church. Thank you for your tremendous generosity in the past year!

Church School: On Sunday, September 28th, all are invited to attend a meeting to discuss the ways that we can contribute to the enlivening of our children’s faith—not only in church school, but also in our liturgical life, in special events and in whatever contexts we find ourselves. Everyone is welcome to contribute.

SVOTS Orthodox Education Day. On Saturday, October 4th, St. Vladimir’s Seminary will host their annual Orthodox Education Day. This year’s topic is “Holy Icons and Sacred Arts.” The day begins with Divine Liturgy, and is filled with Exhibits, Talks, Workshops, and lots of good food. Among the campus exhibits will be a magnificent, rare collection of fifteenth to twenty-first-century Russian icons from the Museum of Russian Icons in Clinton, Massachusetts. The museum houses more than 350 Russian icons, the largest collection of its kind in North America and one of the largest private collections outside of Russia. A Flyer for the event is posted in the social room downstairs. For more information, or coordination of rides, please see Dn. John.

Artful Afternoon: The art sale and auction to benefit St. Jacob, Holy Trinity and Holy Resurrection is set for Saturday, October 11th from 2 to 5:30. Everyone who attended last year raved about the event. Flyers will be available soon. Submissions to the auction are needed as soon as possible. You don’t have to be an artist yourself to donate something. If you have an original art piece, a craft or an antique in your home that you are willing to donate, that would be wonderful. Go to www.ArtfulAfternoon.com and in the right sidebar is a link for the submission form. Contact Sarah or Fr. Caleb if you need assistance or have questions.