

**ST. JACOB OF ALASKA ORTHODOX CHURCH**  
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+ + + Service Schedule + + +

Sunday, January 18<sup>th</sup>

**31<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 6. Ss. Athanasius the Great (373) and Cyril (444), Archbishops of Alexandria.** Ven. Afanasii (Athanasius), Abbot of Syandemsk (Vologda - 16<sup>th</sup> c.). Righteous Afanasii of Novolotsk, Monk (16<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> c.). Ven. Marcian of Cyrrhus in Syria (ca. 388).  
*3<sup>rd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Hours: 9:10 am.*  
Divine Liturgy, 9:30 am.  
*Epistle: 1 Tim. 1:15-17; Gospel: Luke 18:35-43.*

Wednesday, January 21<sup>st</sup>

Daily Vespers, 5:30 pm. Meal and Study Group at 6:15 PM: "Finding Christ According to the Scriptures"

Saturday, January 24<sup>th</sup>

Great Vespers of the Resurrection, 5:00 pm.

Sunday, January 25<sup>th</sup>

**32<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 7. New Martyrs and Confessors of Russia. St. Gregory the Theologian, Archbishop of Constantinople (389).** St. Moses, Archbishop of Novgorod (1362). Martyrs Felicitas of Rome, and seven sons: Januarius, Felix, Philip, Silvanus, Alexander, Vitalis and Martial (ca. 164). Ven. Publius, Ascetic, of Syria (ca. 380). St. Mares the Singer, of Syria (ca. 430). Icons of the Most-Holy Theotokos, "**Assuage My Sorrow**" (translated to Moscow in 1640), and "**The Unexpected Joy.**"  
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*Epistle: 1 Tim. 1:15-17; Gospel: Matt. 15:21-28.*

+ + + Upcoming + + +

<b>1/30/2009</b>	Friday	Synaxis 3 Hierarchs: St. Basil the Great, St. Gregory the Theologian, St. John Chrysostom: Possible trip for Divine Liturgy and Liturgical Symposium at St. Vladimir's Seminary. Anyone interested in going, please speak with Father Caleb.
Weekly	Tuesdays	Each Tuesday at 7:00 pm the Orthodox Christian Fellowship (OCF) meets in Rollins Chapel at Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire. Presently Fr. Caleb is leading this group.
Weekly	Thursdays	There is an ongoing study of St. John of Damascus being led by Mark Montague. The study meets at Father Caleb's house in White River Junction, Thursdays at 6:30 pm.
<b>2/1/09</b>	Sunday	Great Vespers ( <b>Meeting of Christ in the Temple</b> ) immediately following Coffee Hour.

## Lives of the Saints

(from oca.org)

### St. Athanasius the Great, Archbishop of Alexandria

Saints Athanasius and Cyril were Archbishops of Alexandria. These wise teachers of truth and defenders of Christ's Church share a joint Feast in recognition of their dogmatic writings which affirm the truth of the Orthodox Faith, correctly interpret the Holy Scripture, and censure the delusions of the heretics.

St. Athanasius took part in the First Ecumenical Council when he was still a deacon. He surpassed everyone there in his zeal to uphold the teaching that Christ is consubstantial (homoousios) with the Father, and not merely a creature, as the Arians proclaimed.

This radiant beacon of Orthodoxy spent most of his life in exile from his See, because of the plotting of his enemies. He returned to his flock as he was approaching the end of his life. Like an evening star, he illumined the Orthodox faithful with his words for a little while, then reposed in 373. He is also commemorated on May 2 (the transfer of his holy relics).

### St. Cyril, Archbishop of Alexandria

St. Cyril was the nephew of Patriarch Theophilus of Alexandria, who educated him from his youth. He succeeded to his uncle's position in 412, but was deposed through the intrigues of the Nestorian blasphemy against the Most Holy Theotokos. His wise words demonstrated the error of their false doctrine.

St. Cyril departed to the Lord in the year 444, and is also commemorated on June 9 (the day of his repose).



## House Blessings

Between now and the beginning of Great Lent is the traditional time for house blessings. If you would like Father Caleb to come to your home to bless it, please sign up on the sheet which is on the table at the entrance to the church.



**Rachel and Dimitri Andreyev: House blessing immediately following Coffee Hour today. Everyone is invited.**



**Gabriel and Walter Clarke: House blessing on Saturday, January 24<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 pm. Everyone is invited.**