
Commemorations of the Day:

Saint George, Metropolitan of Mytilene, from his youth led a monastic life, and was especially accomplished in the virtue of humility. In the reign of Leo the Isaurian (716-741) the saint underwent persecution from the iconoclasts and became a Confessor. During the reign of the emperor Constantine Porphyrogenitos (780-797) Saint George was elevated to the archbishopal cathedra of the city of Mytilene on the island of Lesbos. His life was radiant with prudence and purity and resembled the life of angels. He possessed a gift of wonderworking, cast out unclean spirits and healed incurable diseases. The saint distinguished himself by his compassion, and he helped all the needy. In 815, during the reign of the iconoclast Leo the Armenian (813-820), the holy archpastor was banished and sent to Cherson, where he died after the year 820. At the hour of his death a bright star shone in the heavens over the city of Mytilene.

Saint Daniel of Pereslavl (in the world Demetrius) was born around 1460 in the city of Pereslavl-Zalessky. He was the son of pious and God-loving parents, Constantine and Theodosia, who later was tonsured as a nun with the name Thekla. Therefore, it is not surprising that from his childhood, Daniel had a great love for the monastic life. He learned a great deal about the angelic life from Igumen Jonah of the Monastery of Saint Nikéas the Stylite (May 24) at Pereyaslavl. When Saint Daniel arrived at the Borov monastery in 1466, Saint Paphnutius (May 1) entrusted him to Elder Leucius of Volokolamsk (August 17), who was an experienced ascetic in the spiritual life. Saint Leucius was a disciple of Saint Paphnutius of Borov and an associate of Saint Joseph of Volokolamsk (September 9). Under his guidance, Saint Daniel reached his spiritual maturity. Years later, Saint Daniel returned to Pereyaslavl, and there he demonstrated much love for his neighbor. He buried the neglected, the poor, and those without any family. The saint also founded a monastery on the site of the cemetery. Anticipating the approach of death, Archimandrite Daniel was tonsured into the Great Schema. The blessed Elder reposed on April 7, 1540, in the 81st year of his life. His incorrupt relics were recovered in 1625. The Lord glorified His saint with numerous miracles. Saint Daniel is also commemorated on December 30 and July 28.

(Sourced from OCA website.)

Announcements

Individuals interested in helping with the planned Church Education Program coming in the fall please speak to Fr. Nathan so that you can be set up for the necessary background checks and clearances as per the OCA guidelines. Please provide the email address you would like submitted to the diocese.

St. Nicholas will be hosting Mission Vespers on Sunday April the 21st, St. Mary of Egypt Sunday, please mark your calendars and plan to attend.

We are asking for donations for the baskets of flowers that will be placed around the Grave of our Lord at Pascha in memory of your departed loved ones. Please contact Father if you are willing to donate a basket for \$25. If you would like you can make a smaller donation toward the potted flowers decorating the church please use the Easter flower envelope in your box.

Sign up sheet is at the candle desk for grave watch, please sign up to read during the hours between services for Holy Pascha.

Parish Council will meet following coffee hour next week.

Anyone interested in assisting at Providence Pregnancy Center please speak to Fr. Nathan.

Spiritual Food for Thought:

Repentance is the beginning, middle, and end of the Christian way of life.

-St. Gregory Palamas

Prayers for the Sick:

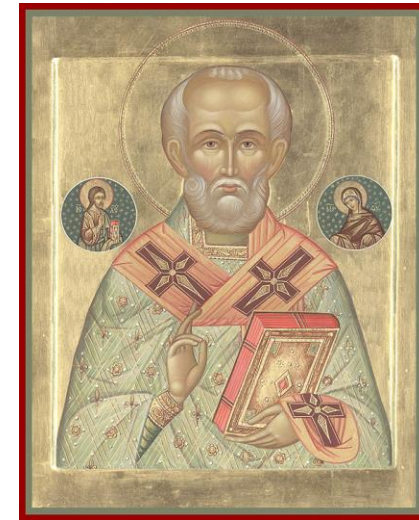
Archbishop Nathaniel	Thom
Archpriest Vladimir	Nancy
Priest John	Julie
Archpriest Michael	Joan
Archpriest Gregory	James
Matushka Gloria	James
Matushka Myra	Gerald

3rd Sunday of Great Lent: Veneration of Precious Cross; Repose of St. Tikhon, Patriarch of Moscow, Enlightener of North America

April 7th, 2024

Upcoming Services:

April 7th – Mission Vespers at Holy Trinity, Stoudsburg – 4:00pm
April 10th – Presanctified Liturgy at All Saints, Olyphant – 6:00pm
April 12th – Panikhida – 6:00pm
April 13th – Great Vespers – 6pm
April 14th – Divine Liturgy: St John Climacus – 9:30am



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