PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR …

The health and salvation of –

Metropolitan Onufriy +	Vivian
Ukrainian Orthodox Church	Randall
Metropolitan Neofitos of Eldoret	Thomas
Metropolitan Isaiah	James
Archbishop Benjamin	Matthew
Archpriests Matthew, Boris	Keith
Hieroschemamonk Ambrose	Rose
Abbess Silouana	Abi
Subdeacon James	Gregory
Reader Timothy	John
Readers Aleksei, Lawrence	Robert
Khourie Annetta	Alex
Matushka Natalia • Shamassy Ina	Michael
Phoebe • Anne • Longinus • Nina	Patricia
Amal • Nicula • Seraphim • Patrick	Philip
Irina • Nadejda • Micah • Bojana	Mari
Herman • Mary • Ibrahim	Atticus
	Matthew
Catechumens Rebecca,	John
Kourtney, Elijah,	Pamela
Lucy, Corey, Bryan,	
Damon, Samuel,	
Jack, Mckenna, Breana,	
Evan, Jake, Steven, Anthony	

The repose and salvation of –

Reader John (8/8)	Paul (8/7)

Please let Father know if there are any names you would like added to the list.

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ST. TIKHON ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sunday, August 30, 2026

13th Sunday after Pentecost

Translation of the Relics of the Right Believing Great Prince Alexander Nevsky

St. Alexander Nevsky Cathedral, Sofia, Bulgaria; photo excitingbulgaria.com

Sundays at 9:05 AM – Hours & Divine Liturgy

This Wednesday, September 2, 6:00 PM: Akathist to St. Tikhon

Next Monday, September 7, 6:00 PM: Vespers + Litya

Next Tuesday, September 8, 7:40 AM: Hours + Divine Liturgy

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Translation of the relics of Saint Alexander Nevsky

The Holy Prince Alexander Nevsky (in monastic schema Alexis) died on the return journey from the Horde at Gorodtsa on the Volga, on November 14, 1263, and on November 23, 1263 he was buried in the Cathedral Church of the Nativity Monastery in the city of Vladimir.

Veneration of the Prince began right at his burial, where a remarkable miracle took place. The saint extended his hand for the prayer of absolution (a written document placed in the coffin). Great Prince John (1353-1359), in his spiritual testament written in the year 1356, left to his son Demetrius (1363-1389), the future victor of the Battle of Kulikovo, "an icon of Saint Alexander." The incorrupt relics of the holy Prince were uncovered, because of a vision, before the Battle of Kulikovo in the year 1380, and then they were sent forth for a local celebration.

Russian commanders asked for the intercession of the holy Prince, glorified by his defense of the Fatherland, in the following times: On August 30, 1721 Peter I, after a lengthy and exhausting war with the Swedes, concluded the Nishtad Peace. On this day it was decided to transfer the relics of the holy Prince Alexander Nevsky from Vladimir to the new northern capital, Peterburg, on the banks of the Neva. Removed from Vladimir on August 11, 1723, the holy relics were greeted at Shlisselburg on September 20 of that year and remained there until 1724. On August 30, they were placed in the Trinity Cathedral of the Alexander Nevsky Lavra, where they now rest in Saint Petersburg. By an edict on September 2, 1724 a feastday was established on August 30.

The name of the Defender of the borders of Russia and the Patron of Soldiers is famous far beyond the borders of Russia. The numerous temples dedicated to Saint Alexander Nevsky bear witness to this. The most famous of them: the Patriarchal Cathedral at Sofia (Bulgaria), the Cathedral church in Tallin (Estonia), and a church in Tbilisi (Georgia). These churches are a pledge of friendship of the Russian National-Liberator with brother nations.

Troparion – Tone 4 (Resurrection)

When the women disciples of the Lord learned from the angel /
The joyous message of Thy Resurrection; / They cast away the ancestral curse /
And elatedly told the apostles: / Death is overthrown! /
Christ God is risen, /// Granting the world great mercy.

Troparion – Tone 2 (Forerunner)

The memory of the just is celebrated with hymns of praise, /
But the Lord's testimony is enough for thee, O Forerunner; /
For thou wast shown to be more wonderful than the prophets, /
Since thou wast granted to baptize Him Whom thou didst proclaim. /
Then having endured great suffering for the Truth, /
Thou didst rejoice to bring even to those in Hades the good tidings: /
That God Who hath appeared in the flesh takes away the sin of the world, ///
And grants us great mercy.

Troparion – Tone 4 (Saints)

O God of our fathers / Deal with us according to Thy compassion /
Take not away Thy mercy from us /
But through the prayers of our fathers ///
Guide our lives along the way of peace.

Kontakion – Tone 4 (Resurrection)

My Savior and Redeemer as God /
Rose from the tomb and delivered the earthborn from their chains. /
He has shattered the gates of hades, /
And as Master, /// He has risen on the third day!

Kontakion – Tone 5 (Forerunner)

The beheading of the glorious Forerunner / Was by divine providence; /
That the coming of the Savior might be proclaimed to those in hell. /
Let Herodias, therefore, mourn— who sought unlawful murder, /
For she has not affected the Law of God, /
Nor has she sought eternal life, /// Preferring instead the worldly one.

Kontakion – Tone 8 (Saints)

Inflamed with the love of *Christ*, O glorious ones /
You took up His precious *Cross* upon your shoulders; /
And having imitated His *life* on earth you now share in His divine glory, /
O godly-wise Alexander, *won*drous John and glorious Paul. /
Therefore, standing now before the *throne* [of glory] ///
Ceaselessly pray for the sal*va*tion of our souls.

Epistles: I Corinthians 16:13-24 **Gospel:** Matthew 21:33-42

Also this week: *The Placing of the Cincture (Sash) of the Most-holy Theotokos (August 31);* ***Church New Year (Indiction)****; St. Simeon the Stylite; Righteous Joshua the Son of Nun (September 1); Martyr Mamas of Caesarea in Cappadocia, and his parents (September 2); St. Phoebe, Deaconess (September 3); Hieromartyr Babylas and those with him (September 4); Holy Prophet Zachariah and Righteous Elizabeth, parents of St. John the Baptist (September 5).*

**** "regular" fasting this week ****

Temptations come so that hidden passions may be revealed and so that it will be possible to fight them, and so that the soul may be rid of them. They are also a sign of God's mercy. So give yourself with trust into God's hands and ask his help, so that he will strengthen you in your struggle. God knows how much each one can bear and allows temptations according to the measure of our strength. Remember that after temptation comes spiritual joy, and that the Lord protects them that endure temptations and suffering for the sake of His love.

St. Nektarios of Aegina