

**PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR ...**

*The health and salvation of –*

Abducted Bishops Paul & John	Pauline
Hieroschemamonk Ambrose	Ann
Archpriest Eugene	Stefan
Priest Kyrill & family	John
Priest James	Vivian
Priest John	Jung Sook
Priest Alexander	Thomas
Subdeacon Peter	Cheyenne
Reader Aleksei	Nancy
Monk Philaret	Randall
Matushka Mary	Rose
Matushka Mary Sara	Don
John • Euphrosynos	Norma
Virginia • Justina	James
Thomas • John	
Catechumen Rebecca	
Catechumen Jennifer	

*The repose and salvation of –*

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

**Sunday, July 16 – Parish Council**

**Saturday, July 22, 4:00 PM – choir practice**

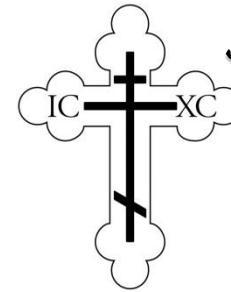
**Saturday, July 22, 5:30 PM – Great Vespers + confession**

**Saturday, August 12 / Sunday, August 13 – archpastoral visit**

*“Never, never, never let anyone tell you that, in order to be Orthodox, you must also be Eastern. The West was Orthodox for a thousand years, and her venerable liturgy is far older than any of Her heresies.”*

*-- St John of Shanghai & San Francisco*

*A mission parish under the omophorion of His Eminence Benjamin,  
Archbishop of San Francisco and the Diocese of the West,  
Orthodox Church in America*



**ST TIKHON ORTHODOX  
CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

**Sunday, June 25, 2017**

**All Saints of Britain & Ireland**



*Orthodox Monastery of All Celtic Saints, Isle of Mull, Scotland*

Sunday Hours & Divine Liturgy at 9:10 AM, followed by agape potluck  
Other services as announced

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## All Saints of Britain & Ireland

On August 21, 2007, the Holy Synod of the Russian Church officially approved the veneration of all the saints who shone forth in the lands of Britain and Ireland, blessing the annual celebration of their memory on the third Sunday after Pentecost. This feast is in honor of all the saints who lived in England, Ireland, Wales and Scotland until 1054, when most of Western Europe tragically broke away from the One Church. The Church in the British Isles and Ireland in the first millennium was an integral part of One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church. Throughout the history of Orthodoxy these lands produced no fewer than 950 saints whose names and feast-days are known to us. The majority of them are venerated locally or in some particular regions; the veneration of several dozen of them is nationwide; a large number of them were widely known outside this country. These holy people were poor and rich, simple and educated, scholars and theologians, martyrs and anchorites, abbots and abbesses, priests and bishops, kings and queens, seafarers and preachers, nuns and virgins and laymen. The Saints of Britain and Ireland were not always British or Irish by origin—many came from other countries, and vice versa—numerous missionaries, enlighteners, left the British Isles and moved to other European lands to preach and found monasteries.

How unfortunate it is that the Orthodox Faith is often considered to be synonymous with Eastern Europe. To make this mistake is to ignore the fact that the Orthodox Faith has been confessed by so many outside Eastern Europe, from Ireland to India, from Sweden to the Sudan. To overlook this and make Orthodoxy culturally exclusive is to conceal the real nature of this “mere Christianity” that is Orthodoxy; and that is to conceal the Faith of the Church in Heaven and of so many who still confess Orthodoxy on Earth. And such people there are, dwelling in all the Christian lands of the Earth. For in spite of our many attempts to overlay the Faith of the Church with the things of men, to hide it and distort it before human heart and human eye, the Faith of the Church, as established in Christ and by Christ, remains incorruptible. We may admit into the Church a false understanding of Christ, as in the Nestorian and Monophysite groups of the East, or we may admit a false understanding of the Holy Ghost, as in the Roman Catholic and Protestant groups of the West, but the Orthodox Faith remains. It is Christ's Faith, the work of the Holy Ghost through the Church and in man, which has been given the name of Orthodoxy. Is it not this Faith, and not that of Imperial Courts and State-Churches, nor that of Papal Courts and Church-States, nor yet that of those who rejected the Incarnation of the Church among humanity, is it not this Faith which is the Faith of the spiritually living, on Earth, as in Heaven? And it is to the Kingdom of Heaven that we must look if we seek the place of the ultimate fulfilment of this Faith. For only in the Kingdom of Christ do the nations find their inner selves, only there does the spiritual essence and identity of every Christian people stand in the glory of God, transfigured in holiness.

-- *Archpriest Andrew Phillips, rector St. John of Shanghai Orthodox Church, Colchester, Essex, UK*

**Also this week:** *St David of Thessalonica (June 26); St. Joanna the Myrrhbearer (June 27); Translation of the Relics of the Holy and Wonderworking Unmercenarys Cyrus and John (June 28); HOLY GLORIOUS AND ALL- PRAISED LEADERS OF THE APOSTLES PETER AND PAUL (JUNE 29); SYNAXIS OF THE HOLY, GLORIOUS, AND ALL-PRAISED TWELVE APOSTLES (June 30); Holy and Wonderworking Unmercenarys Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs at Rome; St Cwydd, Hermit of Lancaut (July 1).*

*\* APOSTLES' FAST on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday; wine and oil allowed on Tuesday; no fasting on Thursday and Saturday; regular fasting on Friday \**

**Epistle:** Romans 5:1-10 (Sunday)

**Gospel:** Matthew 6:22-33 (Sunday)

### Troparion – Tone 2 (Resurrection)

When Thou didst descend to death, O Life Immortal, /  
Thou didst slay hades with the splendor of Thy Godhead! /  
And when from the depths Thou didst raise the dead, /  
All the powers of heaven cried out: /// O Giver of Life! Christ our God! Glory to Thee!

### Troparion – Tone 4 (Forerunner)

O Prophet and Forerunner of the coming of Christ, /  
Although we cannot praise thee worthily, / We honor thee in love at thy nativity, /  
For by it thou hast ended thy father's silence and thy mother's barrenness, ///  
Proclaiming to the world the incarnation of the Son of God!

### Troparion – Tone 4 (St. Febronia)

O Jesus, Thy lamb Febronia / Cries out to Thee with great love: /  
“O my Bridegroom, I long for Thee in pain, /  
I am crucified with Thee, and in baptism buried with Thee; /  
I suffer for Thy sake in order to reign with Thee, /  
I die for Thee in order to live in Thee. / Accept me as a spotless victim /  
Since I am put to death because of my love for Thee.” ///  
Through her prayers, O Merciful One, save our souls.

### Kontakion – Tone 2 (Resurrection)

Hades became afraid, O Almighty Savior, / Seeing the miracle of Thy Resurrection from the tomb! /  
The dead arose! Creation, with Adam, beheld this and rejoiced with Thee, ///  
And the world, O my Savior, praises Thee forever.

### Kontakion – Tone 3 (Forerunner)

Today the formerly barren woman / Gives birth to Christ's Forerunner, /  
Who is the fulfillment of every prophecy; /  
For in the Jordan, when he laid his hand on the One foretold by the Prophets, ///  
He was revealed as Prophet, Herald, and Forerunner of God the Word.