

# Sts. Peter & Paul Church Council News

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### Priest's Corner

**Congratulations to the parents, godparents, and relatives of the newly baptized:**

- **James Euphrosynus Andrade**, baptized on September 25, 2022

**And congratulations to the newlyweds—Alexandra (Sasha) Sommerville and Kevin Planchon** (photo at left), married in our church on September 9, 2022.



*And to all our Name's day celebrants\*:*

- Oct. 1 – Ariadna Baranoff and Arina Bohn ☐
- Oct. 4 – Subdeacon Dimitri Shikaloff
- Oct. 8 – Sergei

- Hidchenko and Sergei Tcherniavsky
- Oct. 15 – Justina Montano
- Oct. 24 – Sinaida Evaschuk
- Oct. 25 – Fr. Martin Person
- Oct. 31 – Luke Roquemore
- Nov. 1 – John Poluektov
- Nov. 4 – Anna Litvinenko and Elizabeth Gustav
- Nov. 6 – Alexander Bodulov
- Nov. 8 – Demetrius Handelih
- Nov. 9 – Capitolina Huhalova
- Nov. 10 – Neonilla Lucas
- Nov. 16 – Protodeacon George Chrebtov
- Nov. 19 – Paul Saharoff
- Nov. 21 – Michael Bodulov Sr., Michael Bodulov Jr., Michael Chidlowsky, Michael Kirchanski, Michael (Jerrod) Logvy, Michael (Todd) McPhee, Michael Mogilev Sr., Michael Mogilev Jr., and Subdeacon Michael Peterson
- Nov. 24 – Anwar Victor Handelih

***May God grant them all Many Years!***

*\*We ask that you please notify us if we have missed anyone's name's day in our lists. Thank you!*

*—With love in Christ, Father Alexander*



### To the Pastors, Monastics and the Pious Children of the Church Abroad

*Beloved brethren and sisters!*

We, the Hierarchs of the Russian Orthodox Church Outside of Russia, having assembled together in Sacred Council on the eve of the Ecclesiastical New Year in the Synodal Residence in the God-protected city of New York, in the presence of our Hodegetria and guide, the wonderworking Kursk-Root Icon of the Mother of God, greet you with the words of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, which He spoke unto His disciples after His Resurrection: “Be of good cheer: I have overcome the world” (John 16:33).

We are of good cheer because we are witnesses to the Lord's great mercy unto His children and the continuity of His headship of the Church. Having seen fit to call unto Himself our pious and humble First Hierarch, the blessedly reposed and much-beloved Metropolitan Hilarion, He has not left us bereft of order and care. We began our Council with the election of Metropolitan Hilarion's successor, the seventh Primate of the Russian Church Abroad, following the order of election approved and sanctified by St. John of Shanghai and San Francisco. By the Will of God, His Grace Nicholas, Bishop of Manhattan, was elected to bear this yoke of service—he who for many years has borne the obedience laid upon him by our Synod of accompanying the miraculous Kursk-Root Icon in her travels throughout the Russian Orthodox Diaspora and, over the last one and a half decades, all across Russia.

Beloved children: the manner in which the election took place, its very course as well as its results, are direct evidence of the unswerving path that our Church Abroad ever follows, being led by the Lord in unchanging faith from grace to grace. This we have felt all the more since, by the Will of God, revealed through His faithful servants, His Holiness Patriarch Alexei II of Moscow and the First Hierarch of the Russian Church Abroad, His Eminence Metropolitan Laurus, the unity within the Russian Orthodox Church

was restored. It is our fervent prayer that the successors of each of these men, together with us all, will continue that work of unity in faith and prayer.

In the course of our gathering, the Council heard reports on the life of our Church throughout the world. Our Hierarchs spoke of the state of affairs in the dioceses entrusted to them, and we rejoice at their confirmation that the number of faithful is increasing everywhere, that new communities are being established and churches being built, and that the number of those whom our Lord Jesus Christ leads to the Orthodox Faith from other confessions is increasing, together with those whom He mercifully guides back from paths of error. The return of several parishes to our Church, after years of division, is both a source of deep joy, and also a sign of hope in these days of widespread schism and apostasy, that the door of return is always open, and love may yet triumph over enmity. Further, the report from Holy Trinity Monastery confirmed that, by the grace of God, the flow of pilgrims to the Lavra of the Russian Diaspora, which had become scarce during the pandemic, is again increasing every day—and so, too, in many other parts of the Church. The Council likewise heard reports on the activities of our Orthodox youth, both at the diocesan and international levels; on the life of our ancient communities in the Holy Land; on the growth of our Seminary and pastoral schools; on the labors to preserve and cherish our unique liturgical heritage; on the work of our Fund for Assistance, which tirelessly supports communities and missions that would be difficult to sustain without such aid; on our relations with our fellow Orthodox Christians of other jurisdictions; and many other topics. Receiving all these reports, we heard, as it were, the word of God speaking to the Church: “God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work” (2 Corinthians 9:8).

Our Council took special joy in welcoming the recognition of the Macedonian Orthodox Church—Ochrid Archbishop by the Holy Synod of Bishops of the Moscow Patriarchate, and greets our fellow hierarchs, clergy, and faithful of the Macedonian Church with a fraternal embrace. We cannot but rejoice at the news that here, too, we find unity restored and the ability to pray and serve with beloved brethren returned to us. May God ever be praised for His mercies!

And yet, in this earthly life, all is not sweetness and simplicity. The Apostle Paul, addressing the

ancient Christians, once wrote: “Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?” (Romans 8:35).

Especially in these present days, such words seem profoundly relevant. Daily and even hourly, the world itself reminds us of the words of the Lord, addressed to His Apostles: “Ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars: but see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in diverse places. All these are the beginning of sorrows” (Matthew 24:6–8). Today, these formidable signs, foretold by the Pillar of the Apostles and spoken about by the Lord, are observed by us personally, directly, and we feel the effects of them on both ourselves and our neighbors. Spirits of evil in high places, through the people they enslave, labor in every manner to thwart us with the poison of division and hatred. Hostile forces have worked hard, and do so still, to sow discord between brothers in faith and spirit, heirs of a common history and culture, who emerged from the common font of the Baptism of Russia.

***Stand firm in the Faith, do not falter in the hope that is in you, dwell on what is good and righteous, and flee from what is evil.***

We have called upon the faithful before to remember that participation in political discussions is not the role of the Church of Christ, whose mission is the Gospel and the guidance of man into repentance and life. The Orthodox Church, by her very essence, cannot call for war, but always, in spite of everything, prays for peace. With respect to the great turmoil currently unfolding around us, we must live by

this calling. It has been eight years since our Russian Orthodox Church Abroad began lifting up a special prayer at the Divine Liturgy “for the suffering country of Ukraine, torn apart by strife and discord”—and this prayer we unceasingly continue to offer, and so will do until peace is manifest. Additionally, our dioceses, as well as our Church centrally, and in particular our faithful, have labored in many practical ways to aid those suffering in Ukraine, as well as its many refugees across the world. We express our gratitude for their generosity, and we shall continue to act in like manner until the darkness of suffering has been turned to the light of reconciliation. As for State authorities and the leaders of world powers on all sides, we can only beseech them to take their places at the negotiating table without delay so that an end can be put to hostilities as soon as possible; and this call, too, we shall not cease to make. It is distressing for us to see frivolities and entertainments—such as pop

concerts and the like—organized when the conflict ought the more rightly to bring us all a sense of sobriety and grief. A fratricidal war, a war between those of a shared faith, is the greatest of sorrows; it cannot but shake every Orthodox heart. May all those in power remember the commandment of Christ: “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called the sons of God” (Matt. 5:9).

We therefore exhort all the faithful children of the Church to be such peacemakers, and to be, as His Beatitude Metropolitan Anthony (Khrapovitsky) once called us, “sons of the Resurrection.” Stand firm in the Faith, do not falter in the hope that is in you, dwell on what is good and righteous, and flee from what is evil—and know that Almighty God will never forsake those who put their trust in Him.

We invoke God’s blessing on all of you and wish you all peace, health, and joy in our Lord Jesus Christ.

**—NICHOLAS, Metropolitan of Eastern America and New York, First Hierarch of the Church Abroad, and the entire Synod of Bishops of the Russian Orthodox Church Outside of Russia**



### **Imitating Christ—Becoming the Image of Christ to Others**

If we are to be true to our calling as the children of God, we must live in imitation of Christ. We must imitate His meekness and humility. We must love others just as did He. We must be willing to be transformed, and made whole, that others might see in us the Light of Christ.

Each and every hour must be closely scrutinized so that we make sure the Image of the Saviour shines forth as we interact with others. If we find ourselves growing angry toward a family member, or a coworker, we must sincerely repent at that very moment, and with Christ’s help, turn ourselves around. In our journey to God, time must not be wasted, for we



never know the day or hour when we will be held accountable.

Tomorrow is never early enough, for the day of our repentance must be today! Tomorrow cannot be the day we start treating others with love, for tomorrow may never come. If we see another person abused, now is the time to act. If we see an old woman needing help paying for her groceries, now is the time to reach into our own pocketbook. If we see a woman being abused by her boyfriend, now is the time to speak out on her behalf, or to call the police.

If a homeless person approaches us for help, we must not refuse to give him at least a dollar and a kind word of encouragement. If a clerk is rude to us, a smile must be our only response. If, returning to our car, we see a parking enforcement officer writing a ticket, we must receive it with a smile. If a police officer has pulled us over for speeding, we must thank him for doing his job to keep us all safe.

If a neighbor is speaking unkind words about another neighbor, we must not remain silent, lest our silence be interpreted as agreement and their own day of repentance be avoided. If a stranger is in need of a word of encouragement, we must not let our own needs be a deterrent to our becoming a vehicle of the mercy of Christ.

Church services, personal prayer, and fasting are all required components of the Christian life but are never enough if we wish to be saved. We must see ourselves as “our brother’s keeper,” for if we do not love our neighbor, we will not inherit the Kingdom of God. As daunting as this all may sound, it is never impossible, for we have the help of the Holy Spirit. Only the Holy Spirit can ignite our soul for love of God, and the love of neighbor, but we must cooperate by working to make our hearts open to Christ.

Christianity is not meant to be an easy path, for how can anyone hear the words of Our Saviour, requiring that we love even our enemies, and not know how hard this journey will be? Yet if we take up our cross hourly, we will have victory over our fallen nature, and we will be given the power to love everyone, even as we love ourselves, and the love of God will grow stronger in our own heart, ever remembering the words of scripture, “Without Me you can do nothing” (John 15:5).

With love in Christ, Abbot Tryphon  
*All-Merciful Saviour Monastery  
 Vashon Island, Washington*

**Abbot Tryphon’s daily blog “The Morning Offering” can be accessed at [abbottryphon.com](http://abbottryphon.com).**



## Starosta / Warden's Corner

Our Christmas Bazaar on November 12 and 13 is approaching very quickly. Thanks to our Sisterhood, all the frozen food has been prepared well ahead of time including borscht, pelmeni, beef stroganoff, cocktail piroshki, fried piroshki, and take-and-bake piroshki. We purchased a new freezer this year to accommodate additional food, as we had to retire one of our freezers due to obsolescence.



We already have some volunteers signing up to help during the Bazaar; however, we could use more hands for the day of, as well as for the setup the week ahead, and for the takedown and cleanup afterwards. Please contact Anya Krassovsky, Anna Ferguson, or myself to let us know of your availability to help. We will still have a rummage sale outside but on a reduced scale this year. Jewelry, Russian items, and fineries, etc., will be inside the hall.

The property, church, admin building, and hall are gradually being cleaned up, and much has been accomplished. There is a definite improvement in the landscaping. We are currently looking into preparing the soil and irrigation in the center island of the parking lot for planting new Crape Myrtle trees and Agapanthus.

The lower parts of the three mid-sized cupolas have been completely painted and protected with clearcoat. The top of the cupolas have been painted with an undercoat and are ready for gilding, which we hope to complete in the near future.



Fabrication of the four columns for the church interior has nearly been completed, and they should be shipped from Crete by the end of this month. We are

also planning to place an order for a new altar table, as it is now possible to ship items out of Kyiv.

We are very thankful to all who helped with the remodel of the Admin Building. The project took five days to complete, and there are only a few remaining items that need to be taken care of, such as the possibility of replacing windows.

Stewardship pledges are at 60% so far, so please send in your pledges as soon as possible.

The newsletter is available to be sent by email in place of U.S. Mail. This way, you would receive it the day it is completed rather than a week later for the printed version. More people like the convenience of receiving it by email, so if you would like to do the same, please send us your email address and we'll add you to the list.

—Paul Johnson

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## Sisterhood News

It is that time of the year again when we treat our Bazaar guests on November 12 and 13 to delicious food and desserts. Volunteers have been preparing borscht, pelmeni, beef Stroganoff, and piroshki for the upcoming Bazaar. There have been two sessions for making the fried piroshki, which is always a popular item. Our volunteers have made over 6,000 pelmeni! Even so, it may not be enough for our hungry visitors. The next items to prepare are mushroom and cabbage pirogi. Please think about how you would like to volunteer your time to help out. We need people for serving, filling orders, cashiering at the rummage sale stand, selling desserts, and doing setup, to name a few. Contact Anna Ferguson at nanfergnapa@gmail.com or Anya Krassovsky at kasaak@pacbell.net to volunteer.



*Katya Peterson and Amanda Merriss serve a recent trapeza lunch after Sunday Liturgy.*

This year, our Eritreans brothers and sisters will be participating in the Bazaar, contributing their unique cuisine to our menu. The rummage sale will be smaller scale this year. Our storage units on the grounds, the *chulans*, need to be cleaned out and the contents sorted for what to keep for sale, discard, or bring to Goodwill. If you would like to volunteer to help with this task, please contact one of our ladies.

Natasha Tatsy will be running the dessert section again this year and is looking for cakes, cookies, pies, and any other sweets you can create or donate. Please let her know if you would like to contribute a dessert for the upcoming Bazaar—we can never have too many. Email: ntatsy@aol.com.

Also, If you would like to help out with future Sunday or holiday lunches, please contact our lunch scheduler, Sharon Buot, at 707-321-9893 or sharonbuot@northbaypostacute.com.

Please do not forget our ailing members and shut-ins: They could always use our prayers and maybe even a cheerful visit or phone call. For more information, please contact our Outreach Liaison, Anna Judd at 707-823-2372 or annajudd@comcast.net.



## **Tradition of St. Demetrius Saturday of Souls**

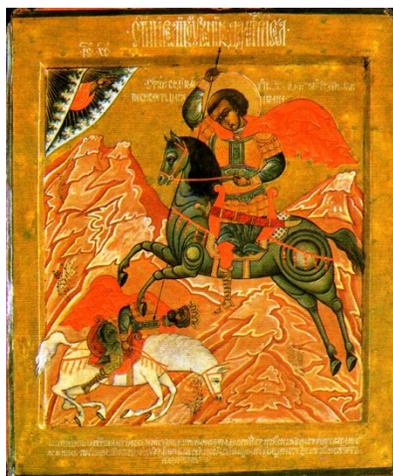
In the spiritual experience of the Russian Church, veneration of the holy Great Martyr Demetrius of Thessalonica is closely linked with the memory of the defense of the nation and Church by the Great Prince of Moscow, Demetrius of the Don (May 19).

St Demetrius of the Don smashed the military might of the Golden Horde at the Battle of Kulikovo Field on September 8, 1380 (the Feast of the Nativity of the Most Holy Theotokos), set between the Rivers

Don and Nepryadva. The Battle of Kulikovo, for which the nation calls him Demetrius of the Don, became the first Russian national deed, rallying the spiritual power of the Russian nation around Moscow. The “Zadonschina,” an inspiring historic poem written by the priest Sophronius of Ryazem (1381), is devoted to this event.

Prince Demetrius of the Don was greatly devoted to the holy Great Martyr Demetrius. In 1380, on the eve of the Battle of Kulikovo, he solemnly transferred from Vladimir to Moscow the most holy object in the Dimitriev cathedral of Vladimir: the icon of the Great Martyr Demetrius of Thessalonica, painted on a piece of wood from the saint’s grave. A chapel in honor of the Great Martyr Demetrius was built at Moscow’s Dormition Cathedral.

The St. Demetrius Memorial Saturday was established for the churchwide remembrance of the soldiers who fell in the Battle of Kulikovo. This memorial service was held for the first time at the Trinity–St. Sergius monastery on October 20, 1380, by St. Sergius of Radonezh in the presence of Great Prince Demetrius of the Don. It is an annual remembrance of the heroes of the Battle of Kulikovo, among whom are the schemamonks Alexander (Peresvet) and Andrew (Oslyab). Later the Church began to commemorate on this day not only all those who had fallen on the battlefield, but all Orthodox Christians.



*Great Martyr Demetrius, the Myrrh-Gusher of Thessalonica,*

### **Traditions**

On Demetrius’s parental Saturday, the graves of deceased relatives are traditionally visited, memorial services and funeral lityas are served in churches and cemeteries, and funeral meals are arranged.

On this day, as on other parental days (on Meatfare and Trinity Saturdays, on Saturdays of the second, third, and

fourth weeks of Great Lent), Orthodox Christians pray for the repose of the souls of deceased Christians. But Demetrius Saturday also carries a special meaning: It was established after the Battle of Kulikovo and reminds us of all those who died and suffered for the Orthodox faith.

If it is not possible on these days to visit a church or a cemetery, you can pray for the repose of the deceased in home prayer. In general, the Church commands us on not only special days of remembrance

but every day to pray for departed parents, relatives, known and benefactors. To do this, the following short prayer is included in the daily morning prayers.

### **Prayer for the Departed**

*Grant peace, O Lord, to the souls of Thy departed servants: my parents, relatives, benefactors [their names] and all Orthodox Christians, and forgive them all sins, voluntary and involuntary, and grant them the Kingdom of Heaven.*

Sources: [oca.org](http://oca.org), [pravoslavie.ru](http://pravoslavie.ru)



### **Notes from the Youth Choir**

The newly formed Youth Choir is coming along really well. At our last rehearsal, we practiced the Lord's Prayer in Slavonic. Father Athanasius helped out by chanting the petitions so that the choir responds properly. Attention to detail is essential as we are learning, and we are all grateful for everyone's support in this project.



The goal of this group is to sing a full Liturgy and to appreciate how singing is an integral part of the church service. At rehearsal we are learning Slavonic pronunciation, basic music theory, and four-part harmony in both languages. The schedule of rehearsals and sign-up sheet are at the church candle counter. If you are at all interested, please contact Vera Peterson at 661-305-6234 or email at [msvnp28@gmail.com](mailto:msvnp28@gmail.com).

—Vera Peterson

### **ROCM Choir Conferences**

The **29th Annual Russian Orthodox Church Musicians' Conference** will be held in Nanuet and Nyack, NY, on **November 9–13**, after a two-year hiatus due to the pandemic. Reconnect and refresh



your choir skills with like-minded musicians and instructors. Special accommodation packages, weekend rates available. Go to [www.rocmconference.net](http://www.rocmconference.net) to register. Scholarships are available: Please contact [LisaJoanna.Smith@gmail.com](mailto:LisaJoanna.Smith@gmail.com) for info.

**Fourth Pan-European Orthodox Liturgical Music Conference.** Theme: “Rachmaninoff and Sacred Music.” **London, UK, January 26–29, 2023**, Cathedral of the Nativity of the Mother of God and Holy Royal Martyrs. Languages of instruction: English, Russian, and French. Go to [www.aecmc.org](http://www.aecmc.org) to register.



### **Orthodox Community Events**

- **Celebration of the 70th anniversary** of the founding and blessing of the stained-glass windows, **October 30, Church of All Russian Saints, 744 El Camino Real, Burlingame.**
- **A Prayer for Peace: Concert of Russian and Ukrainian Choral Music, Slavyanka Chorus** directed by Irina Shachneva. **October 30, 4:00 p.m., 3400 Golden Rain Rd., Walnut Creek.** Tickets \$20. For more info, visit <https://slavyankachorus.org>.
- **Talk on the meaning of frescoes, iconography, and church art. October 30, 4:00 p.m.,** Fathers Patrick and Moses. **St. Seraphim Orthodox Cathedral, 90 Mountain View Ave., Santa Rosa.**
- **Holy Virgin Cathedral Feast Day, Joy of All Who Sorrow, November 5: St. John Molieben 4:30, Vigil, 5:00 p.m.;** Liturgy **November 6, 9:00 a.m.** Festal meal to follow. 6210 Geary Blvd., San Francisco.
- **Tools of Spiritual Warfare Women's Zoom Study, Thursdays, 7:00–8:00 p.m.** RSVP [eleni@holyltrinitysf.org](mailto:eleni@holyltrinitysf.org). **January 28, 2023: In-person women's retreat.** To sign up, please contact Rachel Wales at [wales.rachel@yahoo.com](mailto:wales.rachel@yahoo.com). Holy Trinity Cathedral, 999 Brotherhood Way, San Francisco.

- **Father James Jorgenson** of St. Seraphim of Sarov Orthodox Church is teaching a series of **Thursday evening Bible studies**, Thursdays, 7:00 p.m. on Zoom. Please e-mail Father Lawrence to be sent the link for the online class: LMargitich@sbcglobal.net.
- **Paraklesis (service of supplication)** to the Theotokos: **Thursday, November 3, 6:00 p.m., Holy Protection Church**, 90 Mountain View Ave., Santa Rosa. **Wednesday evenings** at 6:00 p.m., **Sts. Constantine and Helena Greek Orthodox Church**, 1224 Alabama St., Vallejo, CA 94590. 707-642-6916. www.stscah.com.
- **Catechism classes** with Father Lawrence Margitich, **Saturdays, 3:30 p.m.** Topics covered will be “On Sin,” “On Jesus the Son of God,” “On Repentance,” and “On the Holy Spirit.” For more info, contact LMargitich@sbcglobal.net. St. Seraphim Orthodox Cathedral, 90 Mountain View Ave., Santa Rosa.
- **Supplicatory Canon for the beginning of Advent, November 15, 6:00 p.m.**, St. Seraphim Orthodox Cathedral, 90 Mountain View Ave., Santa Rosa.
- **Angels Unawares Homeless Outreach**, first Thursdays, **November 3, 6:00 p.m.** Welcome those in need in our community to a supper and stayover at the parish hall. Cooks and servers needed. RSVP Michael Dovey: 707-799-4117. St. Seraphim Orthodox Cathedral, 90 Mountain View Ave., Santa Rosa.



*Aliona Russie, Paul Johnson, Fr. Martin Person, and Misha Peterson*

- **Divine Liturgy** is being served one **Saturday** each month at 9:30 a.m., followed by a potluck outdoor lunch. Next Liturgy: **November 12, Our Lady of Kazan, Russian River**, Hours at 8:40 a.m.; Liturgy at 9:00 a.m. 17370 Neeley Rd., Guerneville, 95446. Contact Victoria Sabelnik for info and updates: kazanchurchrussianriver@gmail.com.
- **Saturdays, 4:30 p.m. Molieben to St. John of San Francisco.** Holy Virgin Cathedral, 26th Ave. and Geary Blvd., San Francisco. Submit names online by Friday at 3:00 p.m.: visit [www.sfsobor.com](http://www.sfsobor.com), St. John Prayer Requests.
- **IOCC Food and Wine Tour, November 6, 4:00-7:00 p.m.**, Resurrection Greek Orthodox Church, 20104 Center St., **Castro Valley**. Tickets \$45-\$65. Proceeds benefit **International Orthodox Christian Charities**. Go to [iocc.org/bayarea](http://iocc.org/bayarea) to register.
- **Fall Square Dance**, Friday, **November 4, 6:30-10:00 p.m.** St. Nicholas Orthodox Church, 102 Ross Ave., San Anselmo 94960.
- **Our Lady of Kazan Church feast day, November 5, 9:00 a.m.** Divine Liturgy in English. 5717 California St., San Francisco.



*Father Elijah Drake (Wu), Matushka Genevieve, and family. Our church donated icons and candle stands for the mission parish of All Saints Orthodox Mission (ROCOR) in Lodi, CA, founded in November 2021.*





*Auction winners enjoy a sumptuous dinner and wine-tasting hosted by Father Alexander and Anya Krassovsky. Proceeds benefited Sts. Peter & Paul parish.*

- **Rocky Mountain Winter Teen Retreat, OCA Diocese of the West, December 27–29.** Enjoy a time of worship, fellowship, curling, tubing, broom hockey, games, and more. Registration deadline: December 12. Fee: \$100. Contact Benjamin Huggins for more info: 970-689-4777 or FrBenjamin.Huggins@gmail.com.

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- **Thanksgiving Day service with the Montreal Iveron Myrrh-Streaming Icon of the Theotokos. November 24, 8:00 a.m. Thanksgiving Service at 10:30 a.m. Holy Virgin Cathedral, 6210 Geary Blvd., San Francisco.**
- **Cantiamo Early Music Christmas concerts, December 1–2, 8:00 p.m. St. Seraphim Orthodox Cathedral, 90 Mountain View Ave., Santa Rosa.**
- **St. Herman’s West 2022** at Christ the Savior Orthodox Church in Youngtown, Arizona. Arrival is **December 26** with departure on **December 30**. The conference will include a work project—building a walkway for processions at the church, panel discussions, lectures by Fr. George Kaplanov, liturgical workshops, a hierarchal liturgy, and social interaction in beautiful areas of Phoenix and Old Town Scottsdale. Come out for a break from winter weather and an injection of new life into your Orthodox life. Visit [https:// wadyouth.wordpress.com](https://wadyouth.wordpress.com) for more info.



*Eva and Demitrius Handelih with their son John (Hanna)*



*Misha and Vera Peterson with Gary and Gloria Collins embark on the Bay Cruise and Auction fundraiser for the Holy Virgin Cathedral parking and housing project on October 2 at Pier 3 Hornblower Landing, San Francisco.*

*The Next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 8, at 6:00 p.m. in the Admin Building.*



Sts. Peter & Paul  
Russian Orthodox Church  
Santa Rosa

**28<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR & FOOD FEST**

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**SAT: Nov. 12, 2022 10am-3pm**

**SUN: Nov. 13, 2022 11am-3pm**

*X'mas Items, Russian Imports & Gifts, Handcrafts, Jewelry,  
and much more!*

**\* HOMEMADE RUSSIAN LUNCH \***

**\*\*\* FROZEN RUSSIAN FOOD TO GO \*\*\***

*Homemade Bread Russian Desserts \**  
*Baked Goods \**

**\* AUTHENTIC ERITREAN DISHES \***

**\* FLAVORED RUSSIAN VODKA TASTING \***

*Sales of handcrafts & religious items by the nuns from  
Holy Assumption Monastery*

**Docent Church Tours**

*For additional information call:  
Nadia Stewart @ (925) 372-7838*

850 St. Olga Ct. Santa Rosa, off Stony Point Road  
½ mile north of Todd Rd. Look for the GOLD DOMES!

