

St Innocent Orthodox Church

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The Orthodox Church in America (OCA)

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Fr. Yousuf Rassam

February 15th, 2026

Today's commemorated feasts and saints:

SUNDAY OF MEATFARE – Tone 3. Sunday of the Last Judgment. Apostle of the Seventy Onesimus (ca. 109). Ven. Paphnúti (Paphnutius), Recluse, of the Kiev Caves (Far Caves – 13th c.). Ven. Paphnutius and his daughter, Ven. Euphrosynē, of Alexandria (5th c.). Ven. Eusebius, Hermit, of Syria (5th c.).

SCHEDULE ALL SERVICES LIVE STREAMED.

Matins Gospel: Mark 16: 9 – 20 (*3rd Matins Gospel*)

Next Week's Epistle: 1 Corinthians 8: 8 – 9: 2 **Gospel:** Matthew 25: 31 – 46 (*Last Judgment*)

Reader: James

Today 9:30 am Liturgy

Tuesday 6:30 pm Vespers.

Wednesday 6:30 pm Moleben w/ Kontakion of Adam's Lament

Saturday 5:30 pm Vespers

Sunday 9:30 am Liturgy, Forgiveness Vespers

Next Week's Epistle: Romans 13: 11 – 14: 4 **Gospel:** Matthew 6: 14 – 21 (*Forgiveness*)

Reader: Andrew

Office Hours: Tuesday & Thursday, 10:30 am – 12:00 noon. **Confessions:** After Saturday Vespers and by appointment.

Receiving Holy Communion: We should draw near to our Lord and God and Savior, Jesus Christ, and receive Holy Communion often. Orthodox Christians, who have prepared themselves through prayer and fasting, and are at peace with all men, and have attended the Divine Liturgy from the beginning, (or, at the very least, have not missed the Gospel), and have made a recent Confession, should draw near. Others should diligently seek to be properly disposed and prepared as soon as possible.

Troparion, Resurrection – Tone 3

Let the heavens rejoice! / Let the earth be glad! / For the Lord has shown strength with His arm. / He has trampled down death by death. / He has become the first born of the dead. / He has delivered us from the depths of hell, / and has granted to the world // great mercy.

Kontakion, Triodion, Last Judgement – Tone 1

When Thou, O God, shalt come to earth with glory, / all things shall tremble, / and the river of fire shall flow before Thy judgment seat; / the books shall be opened, and the hidden things disclosed; / then deliver me from the unquenchable fire, // and make me worthy to stand at Thy right hand, O Righteous Judge!

Resources for this Sunday

[Sunday of the Last Judgment: Readings & Hymns](#)

[The Great Fast: To See Christ as He Is, by Archbishop Dmitri](#)

[Great Lent: A School of Repentance by Fr. Alexander Schmemmann](#)

For next Sunday:

[Forgiveness Sunday: Readings, Hymns, Sermons, & Kontakion](#)

[Forgiveness Vespers](#), with a sermon by Fr. Alexander Schmemmann

(Text of the Forgiveness Vespers service)

Announcements:

- Our Bulletins (\$60.00) Alla Slobodskaya
- Our Altar Wine (\$40.00) Izolda (Zoya) & Vladimir Sogokon
- Our Altar Candles (\$40.00) Gabriela Broncă & family good health & help in our needs.
- Our Altar Incense (\$20.00) Gabriela Broncă & family good health & help in our needs.
- Vigil – Golgotha I (\$7.00 /wk) Stere & Maria Caratäs
- Vigil – Golgotha II (\$7.00 /wk) Stere & Maria Caratäs
- Vigil – Prothesis (\$7.00 /wk) Stere & Maria Caratäs
- Broncă: Gabriela, Robert, & Carmen Iuliana. Good health, & help in need. Repose: Tasia.
- Sogokon: for the health of Zoya, Vladimir, Irina, Anastasia, Vladimir, Vladimir.

Today is the Sunday of the Last Judgment, the third ‘pre-Lent’ Sunday. Today is the last day for eating meat. This coming week, we do not eat meat, but otherwise we may eat milk, cheese, and eggs all week, including Wednesday & Friday. Forgiveness Sunday is next Sunday, February 22. Everyone who considers this their home parish should attend the Forgiveness Vespers on that date. Great Lent begins on Monday, February 23. Pascha is April 12.

Sunday of Orthodoxy Vespers, Sunday March 1st, 2026, 6:00 pm, at St Nicholas Antiochian Orthodox Cathedral; 2300 W 3rd St, Los Angeles, CA 90057. Our own Bishop Vasily will preach the homily.

Adult Education will take place this Wednesday after the Moleben.

Maslenitsa - there will be a blini dinner after Forgiveness Vespers on February 22nd, the last day before Lent.

Gift Cards: donations, which can be given to the needy are still welcome.

2026 Wall Calendars are here!

Thanks to God for all who helped prepare the Church for the temple feast and for the holiday decorations.

Lectionary. The Church Lectionary is reading chosen pre-lent readings on Sundays, and on weekdays: 3 John, Jude & Mark.

Coffee Hour, This Week: Men’s group **Next Week:** Ukrainian blini

USEFUL INFORMATION

Donations We now have a [Tithe.ly](https://tithe.ly) page to make donating to the parish easy. Just click this link: <https://tithe.ly/give?c=1324837>. Thank you and God bless!

Streamed serices can be viewed at our website <https://stinnocenttarzana.org/livestream> or <https://stinnocenttarzana.org/facebook>, the streamed services are also uploaded here <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEhqUqTl5kDekOrPPERcy5g>.

The daily readings and saints may be found here: <https://stinnocenttarzana.org/dailyreadings>.

| Financial reports (tithes and donations ONLY) (we need to average around \$29,000 per month) | | |
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| Jun. 2025: \$16,823 | Aug. 2025: \$9,273 | Oct. 2025: \$13,465 |
| Jul. 2025: \$20,468 | Sept. 2025: \$11,868 | Nov. 2025: \$14,940 |

Of our charity, remember in your prayers:

February 15th, 2026

Special Intentions:

Christians of Syria, Egypt; Met. Paul, Abp. John, in captivity.

Natalya & Alla in Donetsk

sister Oksana McGovern & family

Metropolitan Onuphry of Kiev, the brotherhoods of the Kiev Caves Lavra, the Pochayiv Lavra, & Svyatohirsk Lavra.

Sophia Fortas

St Symeon Mission

The Sick and those in need of health:

Archbishop Benjamin,

Archpriests Paul Waisanen, George Gray, Michael Regan, Andrew Jacobs; John Armstrong, Matthew Tate; James Jorgensen.

Abbess Victoria; Abbess Susanna;

Matushki Alexandra Safchuk, Elizabeth Powell, Clara Mancantelli, Maria Vallens, Jean Moore;

Robert David Peterson, Marios Perez, Barbara Anderson, Monika Cleenewerck, Marea Kuolt.

OCA-DOW

Manya Prybyla, Gregory Theophan Hoffberg; Virginia, Levon; Edmund Roschak, Darka Raicevich; Karen Olds; Alla Miller,

Mike Shinkarik, Andrew Sturmer; Bridget Merridy Strand, Assia Alexander, Scott T. Karen T., Dmitri G., Kyra; Linda Phillips;

Ed Salm; Raphael; Magdalena Elizabeth; Ludmilla, Anna, George Arglen, Mircea, Gayle Anne; Lana.

Our Parish

Jelica, Zharko, Milanka

Darka, Ilija & Jovanna

Lea Ann (Leah) Bochnak

Laura Bochnak

Gary Andrew Hart

Pia

sister Julia Azrael

Yevgeniya

Irina

Vladimir

Anya

Victoria Wilson

+Bernie Wilson

Laura, Eladia; Lydia

Manya Prybyla

Marie; Archpriest Jonathan Proctor (Holy Trinity, St. Paul, MN) (cancer).

Thaddeus Wojcik

Mildred Sturmer, Susan

Sturmer family

Margaret Banescu, Vona Leslee Christie, Hope Peacock; Wendell & Linda; and family.

Banescu family

Euphemia Marie Cox

John Ambrose Cox

George. Mihai

Maria Caratäs

Mary, George Laurentiu, cancer treatment.

Florentina

Barbara, Steve

Scott & the Thompson family

Angela Apostal, Constantine Apostol

Constantine Apostol

Yekaterina

Lydia

Hieromonk Ambrose (Young), Amy Juried. Archpriest Michael Carney,

Fr. Yousuf

Matushka Sophia Haloulakos

Protodeacon George Haloulakos

Christina Dudchenko, Dcn. Sergius Miller, Kevin, Cecilia Gonzalez-Andrieu.

Archpriest Nicholas Denysenko & family

Michael Rogozik

Yulia.

Lya, Marie, Yvonne

Gay Butu

Timofey

Dilaria

Kristina DeBree

Kevin Patrick DeBree

Reader John, Catherine, Dianna Bowen.

Danks family

Walter

Irina

Larry & Emma

Abbe Kulhanek

Anna

Elena

Pearl Ruggiero. Sheena Wickens, Veronica Clarkson, Anna Cruz, Anna Rossiter; Ward; Griselda Leon; Allan Elmaleh.

Diane Rhodes

Marquelle Anderson. Bruce Anderson, Suzanne.

Subdeacon Polycarp Anderson & family

Larry McHargue; Laura; Robert; Kenny; Bill & Sara Love

Anne McHargue Witz & family

Those Serving in the Armed Forces

Peter, Elijah Hoffberg, Ronnie (Barnabas) Austin, Shae, Ian & Henry.

For the Health and Salvation of the servants of God:

Catechumens: Dalen, Kelly, & Jamie, & Timothy Muster; Emma; Paulina; Louis; Zachary; Jacquiline; Garreth, Hannah, Monte, James

Antonio, Cassandra, Vivienne, Josephine; Herbert, Eric, Nicholas, Habib, Jerry

Matthew newly illumined

Navya Theodora & new born Rahman John, James

Orion, Kristina

Igor & +Luda

Nikolina, Dimitrije

Jovanna & Ilja

Zlata Okunev, Artemi & Erica

Charlotte, parents Jonathan & Michaela Durham

Vitaly, Lyubov, Ella, Karen, Oksana, Valentina, Irina, Sofiya, Vladimir, Olga, Natalya, Tatyana, Irina, Elena, Evgeny.

Tikhvin icon donors

Alla, Dmitriy Jr., Dmitriy, Elena, Juliya, Tamara, Fredi.

Alla Slobdskaya

Elena, Marisa, Dimitrios (Jimmy), Nicholas, Alexander, Dimitrios, Dionisius.

+ Lola Macrina

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Yelena, Anna, Wolfgang

Christopher, John, Lauren, Ekaterina.

+ Margarita Maximova

Catalina, Sofia, Florentina, Doina.

Calugaru family

Sherri, Nathanael, & Christopher, Amelia Marie.

Of our charity, remember in your prayers:

For the repose of the souls of the departed servants of God:

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| Newly departed Stefka, + Feb 12, 2026 | February 15 th , 2026 Vesselina, Daniel OCA |
| Newly departed Bishop Seraphim (Sigrist) retired Bp. of Sendai in Japan, + Feb 7, 2026 | Arkady Trestman & family |
| Newly departed Lydia Trestman, + Feb 6 2026 | mother Alla Slobodskaya |
| Newly departed Igor Slobodsky, + 30 Jan 2026 | Martin Lugo & family |
| Newly departed Fructuosa Luz Iñiguez Oropeza, +20 Jan 2026 | Julia Azrael |
| Newly departed Alex. | |
| Newly departed Yuriy, + 10 Jan 2026 | |
| Newly departed Nikolai, + 11 Jan 2026 | Yuri Yena |
| Newly departed Suzanne | |
| Newly departed Salvatore, +Dec 17, 25; Anna, Dec 19, 25. | Jacqui |
| Mitred Archpriest Sergei Glagolev, +Sep 1, 2021, Matushka Gerry (Evgenia) Glagolev. +May 23, 2022. | Christia, Marina, John & family |
| Archpriest Nicolas Boldireff, +May 22, 2024.; Matushka Anisia Boldireff +Sep 1, 2021 | Nathalie, Tamara, Marina, Michael & family |
| + Feb 11: Archpriest John W Anderson, 2020. +Feb 12: Matka. Betty June Hill 2012. + Feb 15: John D. Ressetar, Choir Director, 2002 | OCA |
| Lyudmilla Malakhova, +Oct 26, 25. | Igor, Kristina, Orion & family |
| Leontina Himber. | Eric, Luke, Vaughan; Paula & Dan & family |
| Matushka Tresja Denysenko | Archpriest Nicholas & Sofia Denysenko & family |
| Edward Pogyor | Eleanor Pogyor & family |
| Subdeacon Patrick Bernard Wilson | Diane, Victoria, Nicholas, & Stephen Wilson & family |
| Germogen & Olga Stephanenko | Larissa, Tatiana |
| Matushka Priscilla Shipley +Sep 10, 2023 | Fr Ian Shipley & family, DoW |
| Valentina | Irina Jackson |
| Cor Brevet Delabruinene | Natalya Slusar Nosa & family |
| Rodney Lake + May 20, 2021. | son-in-law & daughter Thaddeus & Jacqui Wojcik |
| Paul Prybyla. +Jan, 10, 2021 | Manya & family |
| Nicholas Vasiliev Davidovich, +October 12, 2022 | |
| Barbara Johnson | daughter Nancy Smollen |
| Stanislava | daughter Milena; family |
| Hormuzd (Emmanuel) Rassam, + Dec 21, 2022. | wife Kaye Rassam, son Fr Yousuf Rassam, daughter Najma Fowner & family |
| Nun Seraphima (Anna Kremenetskaya) | Konstantin, Taissia, Vladimir, Ioann Kremenetsky |
| Nun Nonna (Verna Harrison) | |
| Igor | |
| Lola Macrina | |
| Edward Michael & Joan Sutyak | Tamara, Christina, Michael, Anne & family |
| Leon & Claudine Snyder | daughters Laura & Carol, & family |
| Dmitri | Boris |
| David | Mitred Archpriest Ian & Matka. Nina MacKinnon, DOW |
| Deacon Hennok Soot, Matushka Mariamna Soot, | DoW, Fr Stephen Soot family, Mark & Olga Soot family |
| Evdokiya, Anatoliy, Domnikiy, Semen, Feodosiy, Ella, Grigoriy, Nadejda, Konstantin, Svetlana, | |
| Valentina, Anna, infant Anatoliy, Olga, Anna, Peter. | Alla Slobdoskaya |
| Anne Lewandowski | + Raissa Dulian |
| Marina, Alexandra, Petr, Boris, Tatiana. | +Margarita Maximova |
| Hieromonk Vonifaty, Schemanun Savva, Priest Anatoly + Sep 9, 22; Monk Aristokliy June 1, 22; Andrei Vasilenko, April, 23; Archpriest Nikolay | |
| Palahnyuk, June 13, 23; John Markevich, Oct, 23; Viktor Kotlishyn, Oct 19 23; | |
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Psalm 136 [137]

By the waters of Babylon,
there we sat down and wept,
when we remembered Zion. **Alleluia!**
On the willows there
we hung up our lyres. **Alleluia!**
For there our captors
required of us songs,
and our tormentors, mirth, saying,
“Sing us one of the songs of Zion!” **Alleluia!**
How shall we sing the Lord’s song
in a foreign land? **Alleluia!**
If I forget thee, O Jerusalem,
let my right hand wither! **Alleluia!**
Let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth,
if I do not remember thee,
if I do not set Jerusalem
above my highest joy! **Alleluia!**
Remember, O Lord, against the Edomites
the day of Jerusalem, **Alleluia!**
how they said, “Down with it, down with it!
Down to its foundations!” **Alleluia!**
O daughter of Babylon, thou wretched one!
Blessed shall he be who requites thee
with what thou hast done to us! **Alleluia!**
Blessed shall he be who takes thy little ones
and dashes them against the rock! **Alleluia!**

Stikhera of Repentance

Sung from the Triodion on the Sundays of Pre-Lent and Great Lent.

Tone 8

verse: **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;**

Open to me the gates of repentance, O Giver of Life,
For my spirit rises early to pray towards thy holy temple.
Bearing the temple of my body all defiled;
But in Thy compassion, //
purify me by the loving kindness of Thy mercy.

verse: **Now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.**

Lead me on the paths of salvation, O Mother of God,
For I have profaned my soul with shameful sins,
and have wasted my life in laziness.

But by thine intercessions, //
deliver me from all impurity.

Tone 6

Have mercy on me, O God,
according to Thy great mercy;
according to Thine abundant mercy, //
blot out my transgression!

When I think of the many evil things I have done,
wretch that I am,

I tremble at the fearful day of judgment.

But trusting in Thy living kindness,
like David I cry to Thee:

Have mercy on me, O God, //
according to Thy great mercy.

Lord, I call. Tone 6 - Podoben: "Having placed all their hope ..."

When Thou shalt come, O righteous Judge, / to execute just judgment, / seated on
Thy throne of glory, / a river of fire will draw all men amazed before Thy judgment-
seat; / the powers of heaven will stand beside Thee, / and in fear man kind will be
judged / according to the deeds that each has done. / Then spare us, Christ, in Thy
compassion / with faith we entreat Thee, / and count us worthy of Thy blessings, //
with those that are saved.

The books will be opened / and the acts of men will be revealed before the unbearable
judgment seat; / and the whole vale of sorrow shall echo with the fearful sound of
lamentation, / as all the sinners, weeping in vain, / are sent by Thy just judgment to
everlasting torment. / Therefore, we beseech Thee, O compassionate and loving Lord:
/ spare us who sing Thy praise, // for Thou alone art rich in mercy.

The trumpets shall sound and the tombs shall be emptied, / and all mankind in
trembling shall be raised. / Those that have done good shall rejoice in gladness, /
waiting their reward; / those that have sinned shall tremble and bitterly lament, / as
they are sent to punishment / and parted from the chosen. / O Lord of glory, / take
pity on us in Thy goodness, / and count us worthy of a place // with them that have
loved Thee.

I lament and weep when I think of the eternal fire, / the outer darkness and the nether
world, / the dread worm and the gnashing of teeth, / and the unceasing anguish that
shall befall those who have sinned without measure, / by their wickedness arousing
Thee to anger, O Supreme in love. / Among them in my misery, I am first, / but, O
Judge compassionate, // in Thy mercy, save me.

verse: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
from the Lenten Triodion, for the Sunday of the Last Judgement

Tone 8

When the thrones are set up and the books are opened
and God sits in judgment,
what fear there will be then!
When the angels stand trembling in Thy presence
and the river of fire flows before Thee,
what shall we do then, guilty of many sins?
When we hear Him call the blessed of His Father into the Kingdom
but send the sinners to their punishment,
who shall endure His fearful condemnation?
But Saviour who alone lovest mankind,
King of the ages, before the end comes //
turn me back through repentance and have mercy on me.

The Apostikha - Tone 8

Alas, black soul! / How long wilt thou continue in evil? / How long wilt thou lie in idleness? / Why dost thou not think of the fearful hour of death? / Why dost thou not tremble at the dread judgment seat of the Savior? / What defense wilt thou make, or what wilt thou answer? / Thy works will be there to accuse thee; / thine actions will reproach thee and condemn thee. / O my soul, the time is near at hand; / make haste before it is too late, / and cry aloud in faith: / I have sinned, O Lord, / I have sinned against Thee; / but I know Thy love for man and Thy compassion. / O good Shepherd, // deprive me not of a place at Thy right hand in Thy great mercy.

At the Apostikha on Sunday evening: Tone 8

Through greed we underwent the first stripping, overcome by the bitter tasting of the fruit, and we became exiles from God. But let us turn back to repentance and, fasting from the food that gives us pleasure, let us cleanse our senses on which the enemy makes war. Let us strengthen our hearts with the hope of grace, and not with foods which brought no benefit to those who trusted in them. Our food shall be the Lamb of God, on the holy and radiant night of His Awakening: the Victim offered for us, given in communion to the disciples on the evening of the Mystery, who disperses the darkness of ignorance by the Light of His Resurrection.¹

1 Heb. 13: 10; John 1: 29; I Cor. 5: 7-8; 11: 24.