

St Innocent Orthodox Church

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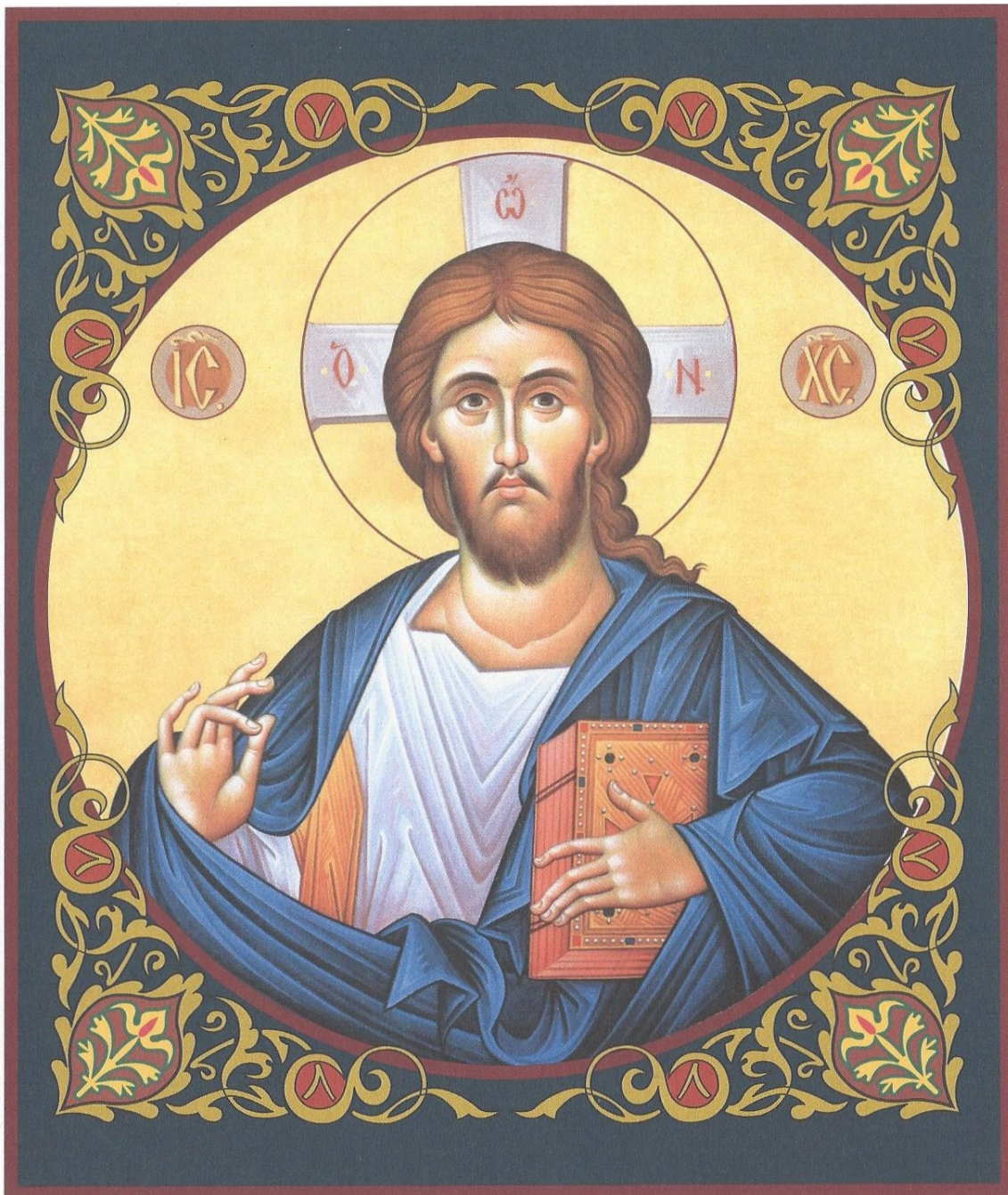
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Fr. Yousuf Rassam

January 26th, 2025

Today's commemorated feasts and saints:

31st SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 6. New Martyrs and Confessors of Russia. Ven. Xenophon, his wife, Mary, and their two sons, Arcadius and John, of Constantinople (5th-6th c.). Translation of the Relics of Ven. Theodore, Abbot of Studion (845). St. Xenophon of Robeika (1262). Martyrs Ananias – Presbyter, Peter, and seven soldiers, in Phœnicia (284-305). St. Simeon “the Ancient” of Mt. Sinai (ca. 390). St. Joseph, Bishop of Thessalonica, brother of St. Theodore of Studion (830). Rt. Blv. David (Dató) III, King of Iberia and Abkhazia (Georgia – 1125).



THE RULER OF THE UNIVERSE

The awesome sight of the PANTOCRATOR ICON graces the interior of many churches in our land. This is a particular type of icon of Christ the Ruler of All, usually done in monumental style. It depicts the divine majesty of the Saviour and Judge of man, and governor of the universe. The Lord is shown in all His majesty, usually clutching the Bible. There is a unique combination of sternness and loving kindness in the facial features of the Lord, presiding over the destinies of all humanity.

Seeing such an icon, we pray piously before it. One may recall the words of St. Cyprian, the great Bishop and Martyr of the Early Church: *“This is a cheerful world as I see it from my garden . . . But if I were to ascend some high mountain and look out over the wide lands, you know very well what I would see: thieves on the highways, pirates on the sea, armies fighting, cities burning . . . selfishness, cruelty, misery and despair under all roofs.”*

“It is an incredibly evil world. But I have discovered in the midst of it a quiet and holy people who have learned a great secret. They have found a joy which is a thousand times better than any pleasure of our sinful life. They are despised and persecuted, but they care not. They are masters of their souls. They have overcome the world. These people are CHRISTIANS and I am one of them!”

Let the Pantocrator icon remind us that the Lord rules this world. Our Saviour loves His people and one day He shall judge His creation.

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SCHEDULE ALL SERVICES LIVE STREAMED.

Matins Gospel: John 20: 19 - 31 (*9th Matins Gospel*)

This Week's Epistle: 1 Timothy 1:15-17 **Gospel:** Matthew 15:21-28 (*Canaanite Woman*)
Romans 8: 28 - 39 Luke 21: 8 - 19 (*New Martyrs*)

Reader: Andrew

Today 9:30 am Liturgy

Wednesday 6:30 pm Moleben

Saturday 5:30 pm Vigil

Sunday 9:30 am Liturgy

Next Week's Epistle: 1 Timothy 4:9-15 **Gospel:** Luke 19:1-10 (*Zacchæus*)
Hebrews 7:7-17 Luke 2:22-40 (*Meeting*)

Reader: -

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 6

The angelic powers were at Thy tomb; / the guards became as dead men. / Mary stood by Thy grave, / seeking Thy most pure body. / Thou didst capture hell, not being tempted by it. / Thou didst come to the Virgin, granting life. // O Lord who didst rise from the dead: glory to Thee!

Announcements:

Our Bulletins (\$60.00)	Alla Slobodskaya Izolda (Zoya) & Vladimir Sogokon Veska
Our Altar Wine (\$40.00)	Gabriela Broncă & family good health & help in our needs.
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)	-
Vigil – Golgotha II (\$7.00 /wk)	-
Vigil – Prothesis (\$7.00 /wk)	-
- Broncă: Gabriela, Robert, & Carmen Iuliana.	Good health, & help in need. Repose: Tasia.
- Sogokon: for the health of Zoya, Vladimir, Irina, Anastasia, Vladimir, Vladimir.	
- for Svetlana, Rossitza, Emil, Veska; Repose: Atanas	

Today is Sanctity of Life Sunday, the prayers of this Sunday will be included in Liturgy.

Feast of the Meeting of the Lord next Sunday. Blessing of Candles next Sunday.

Friends of St Barbara Monastery Meeting today 4pm Presentation: “Trial by Fire: St. Nikolai of Zica on Suffering”, Fr John Finley; 5pm Vespers; 6pm Potluck.

National Antiochian Orthodox Choir of North America will hold a public performance hosted by St. Michael Antiochian Orthodox Church (16643 Vanowen Street; Van Nuys, California; 91406) on Saturday, February 1, 2025 at 6:00 pm, preceded by festal Vespers at 5pm.

2025 Wall Calendars are here at the Candle stand, with pictures of Orthodox Missions. Requested donation this year, \$10.00.

Adult Education is will take place after the Moleben on Wednesday.

Lectionary. The Church Lectionary is reading from 1 Timothy & St Matthew. On weekdays, from James & Mark.

Coffee Hour, This Week: Sofia & family **Next Week:** Jacqui

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>.

Troparion, New Martyrs – Tone 4

Today the Churches of Rus’ joyfully forms a chorus, / praising her new martyrs and confessors; hierarchs and priests, royal passion-bearers, right-believing princes and princesses, / venerable men and women, and all Orthodox Christians. / Having laid down their life for faith in Christ during the days of godless persecution, / they preserved the truth by the shedding of blood. // By their protection, O long-suffering Lord, preserve these lands in Orthodoxy till the end of the age.

Kontakion, New Martyrs – Tone 3

Today the new martyrs of Rus’ stand in white robes before the Lamb of God, /and with the angels they sing to God the hymn of victory:/ “Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and praise, and honor, / and power, and strength be to our God // unto the ages of ages. Amen.”

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Of our charity, remember in your prayers:

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. Metropolitan Theodosy and the faithful of St Michael Cathedral in Cherkassy, St Andrew Cathedral in Zoporyzhya

The Sick and those in need of health:

Archbishop Anastasios of Albania

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; Leontina Himber; 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,

Our Parish

Gayle Anne; Lana,

Darka, Ilija & Jovanna

Jelica, Zharko

Laura Bochnak

Lea Ann (Leah) Bochnak

Gary Andrew Hart

Vladimir

Victoria Wilson

Laura, Eladia; Lydia

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

Mildred Sturmer, Susan

Martha Yarbrough

Margaret Banescu, Vona Leslee Christie, Hope Peacock and family.

Euphemia Marie Cox

George. Mihai

Mary, George Laurentiu, cancer treatment.

Barbara, Steve

Angela Apostol, Constantine Apostol

Yekaterina

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

Matushka Sophia Haloulakos

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

Michael Rogozik

Yulia.

Lya, Marie, Yvonne

Timofey

Kristina DeBree

Reader John, Catherine, Dianna Bowen.

Walter

Larry & Emma

Anna

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

Bruce Anderson, Audrey Anderson.

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

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; Alexander; Zachary; Jacqueline; Garreth, Hannah, James

Daniel

Orion

Nikolina

Zlata Okunev, Artemi & Erica

Charlotte, parents Jonathan & Michaela Durham

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

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

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

Elijah, parents Aika & Dmitri Goudkov

Rowan. Galina.

Christopher, John, Lauren, Ekaterina.

Catalina, Sofia, Florentina, Doina.

Sherri, Nathanael, & Christopher, Amelia Marie.

Igor & Luda

Jovanna & Ilja

Tikhvin icon donors

Alla Slobdoskaya

+ Lola Macrina

Yelena, Anna, Wolfgang

+ Margarita Maximova

Calugaru family

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 Archbishop Anastasios of Albania
Newly Departed Nicholas Juried + Jan 11, 25. Amy Juried, Fr Yousuf
Newly Departed Matushka Susanne Senyo, + Jan 18, 25. grandson James Goodarzy & family
Newly Departed Parvin, + Jan 15, 25. Maggie Medina, Dean Apostol
Newly Departed Lazaro Medina, Gay Butu & family
Newly Departed Katherine Turnbull, + Jan 6, 25. Julia Azrael
Newly Departed Traian Butu + Dec 20, 24. Lyudmilla
Newly Departed Simos Constantine Dimas, +Nov 29, 2024. Diane Elizabeth Rhodes
Newly Departed Olga, + Nov 15, 2024. Boris, Nikolay, Lidiya, Olga. Christia, Marina, John & family
Newly Departed Mary Grace Davidson +June 21, 2024; Newly Departed Carl Pagter, Jan 3, 2023; Ken Reed. Nathalie, Tamara, Marina, Michael & family
Mitre Archpriest Sergei Glagolev, +Sep 1, 2021, Matushka Gerry (Evgenia) Glagolev. +May 23, 2022. OCA
Archpriest Nicolas Boldireff, +May 22, 2024; Matushka Anisia Boldireff +Sep 1, 2021
+Jan 19: Priest Valerian Kanabay, 2003; Matka Eleanor Krell, 2012; Deacon Joseph Mell, 2013. +Jan 21: Abbess Alexandra.
Matushka Tresja Denysenko Deacon 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;
Rebecca Svetlana (Photini) Gushard son Wade Aiden Greer, Fr Yousuf
Basil Rosiczka

Kontakion, Resurrection – Tone 6

When Christ God, the Giver of Life, / raised all of the dead from the valleys of misery with
His mighty hand, / He bestowed resurrection on the human race. // He is the Savior of all,
the Resurrection, the Life, and the God of all.