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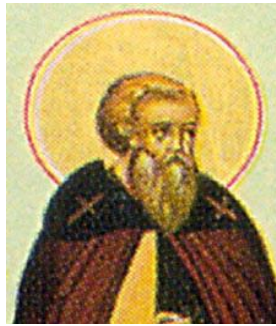
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Good Morning and Welcome!

September 29, 2024

Venerable Kyriakos the Anchorite



Sunday, September 29th 9:00 a.m. [Divine Liturgy \(In-Person/Virtual - Click for Zoom Link\)](#)
Special Parish Assembly – following Liturgy

Tuesday, October 1st 8:30 a.m. [Divine Liturgy \(In-Person/Virtual - Click for Zoom Link\)](#)
Protection of the Theotokos

Wednesday, October 2nd 6:00 p.m. [Daily Vespers/Adult Education \(Virtual Only – Click for Zoom Link\)](#)

Saturday, October 5th 5:00 p.m. [Vespers\(In-Person/Virtual - Click for Zoom Link\)](#)

Sunday, October 6th. 9:00 a.m. [Divine Liturgy \(In-Person/Virtual - Click for Zoom Link\)](#)
Special Parish Assembly – following Liturgy

Welcome

*Welcome to all those visiting All Saints today!
Please join us downstairs for Fellowship after Liturgy!*

Special Parish Assembly

There will be a Special Assembly of the ASOC Parish this Sunday, September 29th, following Divine Liturgy in the Church Hall. *Please plan to attend. Thank you!*

Happy Birthday

Marsha Coombs – October 4th

Happy Anniversary

Father John & Matushka Denise Jillions – September 30th

O.N.E. - Orthodox New England - Newsletter – September 2024

If you did not receive the *September issue* of the *O.N.E. Newsletter* – please see the following link. Dave Vargas wrote a very nice article about our *110th Anniversary Celebration*. <https://www.dneoca.org/one>

Adult Education

Wednesday Vespers/Adult Education will meet this Wednesday, October 2nd – at which time we will be discussing Chapter 5 of *Orthodox Feasts of Jesus Christ and the Virgin Mary* by Hugh Wybrew.

Theology Café

The next gathering of the Theology Café will be October 8th - all are welcome, bring a friend! 7:30 PM at 107 Elizabeth St., Hartford CT. Please RSVP to Amy Hayashida by October 6th. (937-631-5989).

Parish Council

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be Tuesday, October 15th beginning at 6:30 p.m. - Hybrid meeting.

Words from Father Constantine

Venerable Kyriakos the Anchorite

Saint Kyriakos (Kyriákos)¹ was born in the Greek city of Corinth to the priest John and his wife Eudokía. Bishop Peter of Corinth, who was a family relative, seeing that Kyriakos was a quiet and sensible child, made him a Reader in church. His constant reading of the Holy Scriptures awakened in him a love for the Lord, and made him long for a pure and holy life. When he was not yet eighteen years old, Kyriakos was deeply moved during a Church Service by the words of the Gospel: “If any man will come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me” (Matthew 16:24). He believed that these words applied to him, so he went straight to the harbor without stopping at home, got onto a ship, and went to Jerusalem.

After visiting the holy places, Kyriakos lived for several months at a monastery not far from Sion, in obedience to the Igoumen Abba Eustorgios (Eustórgios). Later, with the latter's blessing, he made his way to the wilderness Lavra of Saint Euthymios the Great (January 20). Saint Euthymios, discerning great gifts of God in Kyriakos, tonsured him into the monastic schema and placed him under the guidance of Saint Gerasimos (Gerásimos) (March 4), who trained him in asceticism at the Monastery of Saint Theoktistos (Theóktistos) by the Jordan. Strict fasting and a complete lack of evil distinguished Saint Kyriakos even among the older ascetics of the Lavra. Each night he read the Psalter in his cell, interrupting his reading only to go to church at midnight. The ascetic slept very little. When he reached the age of seventy, Kyriakos went to the Natoufa wilderness, taking his disciple John with him.

In the desert the hermits ate only bitter herbs, which were made edible by the prayers of Saint Kyriakos. After five years, a certain man found out about the ascetics and brought his demon-possessed son to them, and Saint Kyriakos healed him. From that time, many people began coming to him with their needs, but he desired complete solitude, and fled to the Rouva wilderness, where he dwelt five years more. But the sick and those afflicted by demons also came to him in that wilderness, and the Saint healed them all with the Sign of the Cross and anointing them with oil. In his eightieth year Saint Kyriakos fled to the remote Sousakim wilderness, near two dried up streams. According to Tradition, the holy Prophet David mentioned Sousakim: “Thou hast dried up the rivers of Etham” (Psalm 73/74:15). After seven years, brethren of the Souka Monastery came to him, beseeching his spiritual help during a period of debilitating hunger and illness, which God allowed. They implored Saint Kyriakos to return to the Monastery, and he settled in the cave where Saint Kharítón had once lived.

The ascetics had stored some water in the hollow of a rock during the winter, but in the heat of summer, all the water dried up. Since there was no other source of water, Saint Kyriakos prayed, and the rain fell, filling the hollow with water. Saint Kyriakos returned to the Monastery two years before his death and settled once more in Saint Kharítón's cave. Until the end of his life the righteous Elder preserved his courage, and prayed with fervor. He was never idle, he either prayed or he worked. Before his blessed repose, Saint Kyriakos summoned the brethren and blessed them all. He fell asleep in the Lord, having lived for 109 years.

Fellowship Hour Sign-Up

Hosts and Hostesses needed for Fellowship Hours – please see the clipboard/sign-up sheet at the coffee window – please sign up for a Sunday or two that are convenient for you! Any questions, *please see Liz Jeltema. Thank you!*

Church Metrics – Memory Eternal!

Edna Woovichenko – 9/29/80; Annie Zuromsky – 10/1/83; Stella Dimitruk – 10/2/80; Michael Gurski – 10/2/85; Vera Labet – 10/5/77; Jeanne Zukowsky – 10/5/83; Fred Massow, Sr. – 10/5/86

Commemorations

Living:

Priest David, Priest Justin, Presbytera Christina, Sarah, Margaret, Peter, Bridget, Elaine, Larry, Roger, Ann Marie, Joan, Joseph, Mariam, Denisse, Matthias, Dawn, Heloise, Alphage, Odilia, Kurt, Linda

Departed:

Vladimir, Donald, Joseph, Isabelle, Robert

Troparion/Kontakion

Troparion — Tone 1

You were shown to be a citizen of the desert, an Angel in the body / and a wonderworker. / O our God-bearing Father Kyriákos, / through fasting, vigil and prayer you received heavenly gifts, / healing the sick and the souls of those who hasten to you with faith. / Glory to Him Who gave you strength. / Glory to Him Who crowned you. / Glory to Him Who, through you, grants healing to all.

Kontakion — Tone 8

(“O Victorious Leader...”)

The sacred Lavra always honors you as a mighty champion, / and celebrates your holy memory every year. / Since you possess boldness with the Lord, / protect us from our enemies, that we may cry to you: / “Rejoice, O thrice-blessed Father.”

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 1:21-2:4

<https://www.oca.org/readings/daily/2024/09/29/2>

Gospel according to Luke 6:31-36

<https://www.oca.org/readings/daily/2024/09/29/3>

Outreach Opportunitites

Coats for CT

We will be *collecting new and slightly used coats* for donation to *Coats for CT* through Best Cleaners. If you have a new or slightly used coat(s) that you would like to donate, please bring them to the box located in the Church Hall, Donation Corner. If you have any questions, *please contact Mary Beth Stenko*, who is coordinating this effort. *Thank you!*

Foodshare

There is a basket for donations of nonperishable food items for Foodshare in the “Donations Corner” in the Church Hall – NEW LOCATION! We are also in need of brown bags with handles. Also, please avoid food items in glass containers. *Please remember to thank God for your blessings by helping those in need. God Bless and Thank you!*

Reminder - Feed a Friend – Sunday – October 13th

Please put your lunches into refrigerator in the Church Hall (Thank You!)

Help the poor, the hungry, the homeless, and the victims of domestic abuse here in the Greater Hartford region by giving them something that's hard to come by: A Free Lunch! We'll deliver bagged lunches to [Loaves and Fishes](#) in Hartford, beginning today and every second Sunday of each month, who has numerous men, women, and children, who will appreciate the food you provide and the love that you show in making it. This is a great opportunity to get your kids to help and discuss with them the words of Christ: "When I was hungry, you fed me...."

To participate - Make & bring a brown-bag lunch to Church which includes all of the following:

- 1) Sandwich,
- 2) Piece of Fruit
- 3) Bag of Chips/pretzels
- 4) Canned/Bottled Drink &
- 5) Desert (pudding, cookie, etc.)

Important Note: For the purpose of uniformity, please include all/only the items above.

Also PLEASE write type of sandwich (and the presence of any allergens) on bag.

The Underground NE – 2024 Spring Update

SPRING 2024 UPDATE:

Golden Elephant was forced to move because her trafficker found her again (through no fault of her own). The trafficker completely trashed her apartment and destroyed most of her treasured belongings including all of the artwork she's created.

In order to ensure she was safe, UGNE placed her in a hotel for 2 months while she searched for and went through the long process of getting a new apartment approved by the government. She also needs a \$2,700 security deposit that we're currently trying to find funds for - we've helped her apply to two different places, but that will extend the hotel stay even longer while we wait. UGNE will have spent \$5 - \$8,000 on ensuring safe housing for her by the end of the month.

We are also thanking God because she fought back against her trafficker for the first time in her life, and that's the only reason she is still alive and safe today.

Needs: Financial assistance for her hotel stay, replacement art supplies (canvases, acrylic paint), replacement dishes - (plates, bowls, glasses), gift cards to replace other things that were damaged.

Again, thank you so much for your support and God bless.

The team at UGNE

Financial donations - write a check to *The Underground NE*. Any questions, please see Amy Hayashida. Thank you!

Please Note

Any photos taken at Church events may be used on the Church website or Facebook page. If you have any questions on this, please see or contact Father Constantine. <https://www.oca.org/files/PDF/official/2018-1024-socialmediaguidelines-clergy/layleaders.pdf>

Have a Blessed Week!