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Welcome!

March 15, 2026

Veneration of the Cross



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| <i>Sunday, March 15th</i>
<i>Veneration of the Cross</i> | 9:00 a.m. <u><i>Divine Liturgy (In-Person/Virtual - Click for Zoom Link)</i></u>
<i>Panikhida – Alexander Kirsanov</i> |
| | 4:00 p.m. <i>CT Deanery Mission Vespers – St. Dimitries, Easton CT</i> |
| <i>Wednesday, March 18th</i> | 6:00 p.m. <i>Presanctified Liturgy/Potluck Lenten Meal</i> |
| <i>Friday, March 20th</i> | 6:00 p.m. <i>Akathist</i> |
| <i>Saturday, March 21st</i> | 9:00 a.m. <i>Memorial Liturgy</i>
10:30 a.m. <i>Interior Church Clean-up</i>
3:30 p.m. <i>Vespers</i> |
| <i>Sunday, March 22nd</i>
<i>St. John Climacus</i> | 9:00 a.m. <u><i>Divine Liturgy (In-Person/Virtual - Click for Zoom Link)</i></u>
4:00 p.m. <i>CT Deanery Mission Vespers – St. Alexis, Clinton CT</i> |

Welcome

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

Smile – You're on Candid Camera!

Beginning this Sunday during Fellowship Hour, Monica Kapral and Cathy Vargas will be taking everyone's pictures and will be creating a Family Photo Board in the Church Hall – another way for us to become more of a family! Thank you!

Happy Birthday

Susan Ranstead – March 16th

Dan Mucha – March 18th

Jullia Ikonnikov – March 19th

Thank yous

Thank you to Monica Kapral for adorning the cross with beautiful flowers in the center of the Church today.

Thank you to all those that brought in lunches last Sunday. 136 lunches were delivered to Loaves and Fishes on Monday. Thank you to Tom, Gail and Michael Stenko for delivering the lunches.

Thank you to all that came to Make the Pieroghis last Saturday. We made over 450!

Egg-Stravaganza – March 28th

Egg-Stravaganza – March 28th - 9:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Features 2 Psyanky Classes, Baked Sale, Lenten Lunch, Bookstore open. Please see flyers/registration forms on table in back of church and on Communication Table in Church Hall. Please share a flyer or two with your family and friends! Flyer posted on Website and on Facebook. Please see Baked Goods sign-up sheet at Communications Table. Thank you! Any questions, please see or contact Cathy Vargas.

Annual Meeting Request

At our recent Parish Annual Meeting, a request was made to have Parish Council Minutes available for parishioners to read. A binder has been created “Parish Council Minutes” and includes minutes starting with December 2023 and forward. Each month, after minutes are approved, a copy of current minutes will be added. The binder can be found on the “Communications Table” in the Church Hall. Thank you!

Name Tag Sunday – April 5th

Get to know your brothers and sisters! Next Name Tag Sunday, April 5th and the first Sunday of every other month going forward, we will be asking everyone to wear a Name Tag, so that we can get to know one another better. Name tags and markers will be available as you enter church.

Adult Education

Please note that Adult Education will resume after PASCHA.

Theology Café

The next gathering of the Theology Café will be April 21, 2026 - all are welcome, bring a friend - 7:30 PM at 107 Elizabeth St., Hartford CT. Please RSVP to Amy Hayashida. Thank you!

Fellowship Hour 2026

2026 – New Year - Reminder that Fellowship Hour is a time to break the fast and have Fellowship with our brothers and sisters. Please try to keep foods to finger foods, for easy setup and cleanup. 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 Monica Kapral. Thank you!

Church Metrics – Memory Eternal!

*Olga Kononchik – 3/16/14; Theodozia Yanchincky - 3/17/01; Leon Wolk, Jr. – 3/18/02;
Ksenia Shinkaruk – 3/19/98; Carl Bantle – 3/20/78; Basil Matychak – 3/21/11*

Tithely - Stewardship

The All Saints Church Council has approved the addition of Tithely as a new secure method of making your stewardship donations, this is in addition to Paypal and traditional payment methods (e.g. cash or checks). Why Tithely: 1) ease and security, 2) provides for auto-recurring giving (e.g. weekly, monthly or yearly), 3) allows the giver to cover ASOC's processing fees.

You can use the link below to get to All Saints Church donation page or [All Saints Church Tithely Giving](#)

Go to our website at allsaintshartford.org and click on the green **Give using Tithely** button located at the bottom of any page.

Thank you – any questions, please see Tom Denisky.

Commemorations

Living:

Mary, Elaine, Margaret, Roger, Mark, Susan, Stephanie, Sophia, Patty Ann, Richard, David, Joseph, Andy, Marsha, Elizabeth, Eugenia, Alexander, Kristina, Maria, Jeremy, Alexei, Lewelyn, Ekaterina, Marina, Mariam, Joseph, Patricia, Patrick, Sharon, Deborah, Darlene, Frank, Harry, Caryl, Janet, James, Arielle, Heather, Jeanne

Departed:

Deacon Joseph, Mike, Alison, Argia, Wayne, Margaret, Larry, Jozef, Jozef, Raisa, Krystyna, Tedeusz, Joseph, Michael, John, Vera, Michael, Marina, Constantin, Tatiana, Sergei, Anastasia, Nicholas, Louise, Walter, Anna, Nancy, Paul, Robert, Marcia, Leonard, Josephine, Helen, Jennie, Harry, Susan, Carol, Janice

Sunday of the Cross

The Third Sunday of Lent is that of the Veneration of the Cross. The cross stands in the midst of the church in the middle of the lenten season not merely to remind men of Christ's redemption and to keep before them the goal of their efforts, but also to be venerated as that reality by which man must live to be saved. "He who does not take up his cross and follow me is not worthy of me" (Mt.10:38). For in the Cross of Christ Crucified lies both "the power of God and the wisdom of God" for those being saved (1 Cor.1:24).

The Cross reminds us of the Passion of our Lord, and by presenting to us His example, it encourages us to follow Him in struggle and sacrifice, being refreshed, assured, and comforted. In other words, we must experience what the Lord experienced during His Passion - being humiliated in a shameful manner. The Cross teaches us that through pain and suffering we shall see the fulfillment of our hopes: the heavenly inheritance and eternal glory.

The cross also teaches us that throughout life, there are many challenges that we face. Within those challenges, we can persevere and learn from that which has become difficult to bear; we can realize that through the storms of life, we have the example of Christ. He that endured the crucifixion, the scourging, the crown of thorns, and the piercing. He showed us that we can overcome all things if we have faith. As Jesus had faith in God the Father, we too must have faith that our crucified and risen Lord will accompany us on our journey of life.

Troparion/Kontakion

Troparion — Tone 4

O Lord, save Your people, / and bless Your inheritance. / Grant victories to the Orthodox Christians, / over their adversaries. / And by virtue of Your Cross / preserve Your habitation!

Kontakion — Tone 7

Now the flaming sword no longer guards the gates of Eden; / it has mysteriously been quenched by the wood of the Cross! / The sting of death and the victory of hell have been vanquished; / for You, O my Savior, have come and cried to those in hell: / "Enter again into paradise."

Epistle: Hebrews 4:14-5:6

Seeing then that we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need. For every high priest taken from among men is appointed for men in things pertaining to God, that he may offer both gifts and sacrifices for sins. He can have compassion on those who are ignorant and going astray, since he himself is also subject to weakness. Because of this he is required as for the people, so also for himself, to offer sacrifices for sins. And no man takes this honor to himself, but he who is called by God, just as Aaron was. So also Christ did not glorify Himself to become High Priest, but it was He who said to Him: "You are My Son, today I have begotten You." As He also says in another place: "You are a priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek";

Gospel according to Mark 8:34-9:1

When He had called the people to Himself, with His disciples also, He said to them, "Whoever desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me. For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake and the gospel's will save it. For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul? For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him the Son of Man also will be ashamed when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels." And He said to them, "Assuredly, I say to you that there are some standing here who will not taste death till they see the kingdom of God present with power."

Please Mark Your Calendars

March 14, 2026 – ASOC Lenten Retreat

March 21, 2026 – Interior Church Clean-up

March 28, 2026 – Egg-Stravaganza

April 5, 2026 – Diocese of NE Bridegroom Matins at ASOC

Outreach Opportunities

Reminder – Feed a Friend – Sunday – April 5th

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.

Foodshare

There is a basket for donations of nonperishable food items for *Foodshare* in the “Donations Corner” in the Church Hall! 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!*

Time to Pinch the Pieroghis!



HOLY WEEK SERVICES

<i>April 5th</i>	9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
<i>Palm Sunday</i>	4:00 p.m. Bridegroom Matins at All Saints
<i>April 6th, Monday</i>	6:00 p.m. Bridegroom Matins
<i>April 7th, Tuesday</i>	6:00 p.m. Bridegroom Matins
<i>April 8th, Wednesday</i>	6:00 p.m. Presanctified Liturgy/Washing of Feet
<i>April 9th, Thursday</i>	8:30 a.m. Vesperal Liturgy
	6:00 p.m. Matins/Passion Gospels
<i>April 10th, Friday</i>	6:00 p.m. Vespers/Matins
<i>April 11th, Saturday</i>	9:30 a.m. Vesperal Liturgy/Small Blessing of Baskets
	9:30 p.m. Nocturns, Paschal Procession, Matins, Divine Liturgy, Basket Blessing, Agape
<i>April 12th, PASCHA</i>	12:00 p.m. Paschal Vespers

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-clergyvlayers.pdf>

All Saints Orthodox Church

March 21, 2026

Memorial Divine Liturgy – 9:00 a.m.

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Interior Church Clean-up

10:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

All Brooms and Dust Rags on Deck!

Lunch will be provided



***Any questions, please see or call
Greg Belekewicz – (860)268-6554. Thank you!***



EGG-STRAVAGANZA

ALL SAINTS ORTHODOX CHURCH

205 Scarborough Street
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March 28, 2026, Saturday

9:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Featuring:

- ***2 Pysanky Classes (Egg Decorating)***
 - ***Church Tours***
 - ***Baked Goods***
 - ***“Egg Items” for Sale***
 - ***Lenten Lunch Served***

If you would like to register for one of our Pysanky classes or would like more information, please call (860) 205-9465. Please also visit our website – www.allsaintshartford.org or visit us on Facebook.

Please plan to attend!