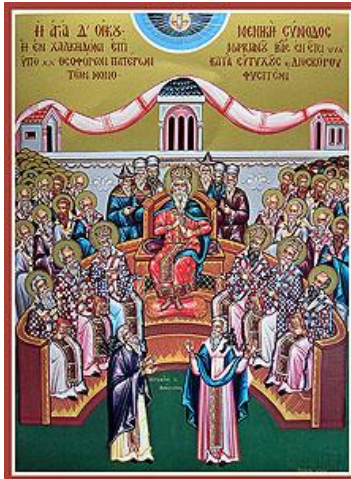




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July 19, 2026

Fathers of the First Six Councils



Sunday, July 19th	8:45 a.m. Chrismation of Magdalena Giszter
	9:00 a.m. <u>Divine Liturgy(In-Person/Virtual - Click for Zoom Link)</u> Blessing of Vehicles in Church Parking Lot
Monday, July 20th	8:30 a.m. Liturgy/Prophet Elijah
Wednesday, July 22nd	6:00 p.m. <u>Daily Vespers/Adult Education (Virtual Only – Click for Zoom Link)</u>
Saturday, July 25th	5:00 p.m. Vespers
Sunday, July 26th	9:00 a.m. <u>Divine Liturgy(In-Person/Virtual - Click for Zoom Link)</u>

Welcome

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

Happy Birthday

Jon Diaz – July 17th
Rhein Knight – July 20th
Michael Stenko – July 21st
Alex Taylor – July 22nd

Happy Anniversary

*Caleb & Amy Hayashida – July 20th
Subdeacon Nick & Janice Medynski – July 24th*

Thank You

Thank you to all those that brought in lunches last Sunday – 99 lunches were delivered to Loaves and Fishes on Monday. Thank you to Gail, Tom and Peter Alesevich for delivering the lunches!

Thank you to Liz Jeltema for her donation towards the new Sound System. Thank you to Mark Ranstead for installing it.

Help Needed – Church Cleaning

All Saints Church does not have the luxury of a full-time, or even part-time, janitor to keep up with the general cleaning that needs to occur each month. To keep our Church clean and safe, we are asking for help on a rotating basis with cleaning tasks such as mopping floors, cleaning bathrooms, vacuuming and dusting and sweeping as needed. We ask that each family or group of two or three individuals, sign up for a month to come into the church and complete these tasks. The sign-up sheet is on the table in the auditorium. Please see Greg Belekewicz (860) 268-6554 with any questions. Thank you!

Adult Education

*Please note that Adult Education will be on Wednesday, July 22nd. We will be discussing chapter 1 (Liturgy and Education) in *Liturgy and Life*, by Alexander Schmemmann.*

Name Tag Sunday – August 2nd

Get to know your brothers and sisters! Next Name Tag Sunday, August 2nd 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.

Theology Café

The next gathering of the Theology Café will be August 4th - all are welcome, bring a friend - 7:30 PM at 107 Elizabeth St., Hartford CT. Please RSVP to Amy Hayashida. Thank you!

Parish Council Meeting

Next Parish Council Meeting will be August 11th at 6:30 p.m. in person at All Saints.

Commemorations

Living:

Roger, Sandie, Lisa, Susan, Mark, Carissa, Richard, Mary, Benjamin, Jeannie

Departed:

Vera, Paul, Joseph, Margaret, Mikey, Theresa, Guy, Thomas

Church Metrics – Memory Eternal!

*Mary Tincovich – 7/20/05; George Denisky – 7/21/87; Martha Demchuck – 7/23/79; Anna Drumm – 7/23/89;
Mary Ziruk – 7/25/05*

Troparion/Kontakion

Troparion — Tone 8

You are most glorious, O Christ our God, / You have established the Fathers as lights upon the earth, / and through them, You have guided all of us to the true Faith! / O greatly compassionate one, glory to You.

Kontakion — Tone 8

The preaching of the Apostles and the dogmas of the Fathers have confirmed one faith for the Church; / and She, clad in the garment of truth woven from heavenly theology, / teaches aright and glorifies the great mystery of piety.

Epistle: Romans 15:1-7

We then who are strong ought to bear with the scruples of the weak, and not to please ourselves. Let each of us please his neighbor for his good, leading to edification. For even Christ did not please Himself; but as it is written, “The reproaches of those who reproached You fell on Me.” For whatever things were written before were written for our learning, that we through the patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope. Now may the God of patience and comfort grant you to be like-minded toward one another, according to Christ Jesus, that you may with one mind and one mouth glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore receive one another, just as Christ also received us, to the glory of God.

Gospel according to Matthew 9:27-35

When Jesus departed from there, two blind men followed Him, crying out and saying, “Son of David, have mercy on us!” And when He had come into the house, the blind men came to Him. And Jesus said to them, “Do you believe that I am able to do this?” They said to Him, “Yes, Lord.” Then He touched their eyes, saying, “According to your faith let it be to you.” And their eyes were opened. And Jesus sternly warned them, saying, “See that no one knows it.” But when they had departed, they spread the news about Him in all that country. As they went out, behold, they brought to Him a man, mute and demon-possessed. And when the demon was cast out, the mute spoke. And the multitudes marveled, saying, “It was never seen like this in Israel!” But the Pharisees said, “He casts out demons by the ruler of the demons.” Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people.

Fathers of the First Six Councils

By virtue of the catholic nature of the Church, an Ecumenical Council is the Church’s supreme authority, and possesses the competence to resolve major questions of church life. An Ecumenical Council is comprised of archpastors and pastors of the Church, and representatives of all the local Churches, from every land of the “oikumene” (i.e. from all the whole inhabited world). The Orthodox Church acknowledges Seven Holy Ecumenical Councils:

The First Ecumenical Council (Nicea I) (May 29, and also on seventh Sunday after Pascha) was convened in the year 325 against the heresy of Arius, in the city of Nicea in Bithynia under Saint Constantine the Great, Equal of the Apostles. The Second Ecumenical Council (Constantinople I) (May 22) was convened in the year 381 against the heresy of Macedonias, by the emperor Theodosius the Great. The Third Ecumenical Council (Ephesus) (September 9) was convened in the year 431 against the heresy of Nestorius, in the city of Ephesus by the emperor Theodosius the Younger. The Fourth Ecumenical Council (Chalcedon) (July 16) was convened in the year 451, against the Monophysite heresy, in the city of Chalcedon under the emperor Marcian. The Fifth Ecumenical Council (Constantinople II) (July 25) “Concerning the Three Chapters,” was convened in the year 553, under the emperor Justinian the Great. The Sixth Ecumenical Council (Constantinople III) (January 23) met during the years 680-681, to fight the Monothelite heresy, under the emperor Constantine Pogonatos.

The Church venerates the Holy Fathers of the Ecumenical Councils because Christ has established them as “lights upon the earth,” guiding us to the true Faith. The Ecumenical Councils were always convened for a specific reason: to combat false opinions and heresies, and to clarify the Orthodox Church’s teaching. But the Holy Spirit has thus seen fit, that the dogmas, the truths of faith, immutable in their content and scope, constantly and consequently are revealed by the conciliar mind of the Church, and are given precision by the holy Fathers within theological concepts and terms in exactly such measure as is needed by the Church itself for its economy of salvation. The Church, in expounding its dogmas, is dealing with the concerns of a given historical moment, “not revealing everything in haste and thoughtlessly, nor indeed, ultimately hiding something” (Saint Gregory the Theologian).

Outreach Opportunities

Feed a Friend – Sunday – August 9, 2026

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, 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!*



For more than 200 years, The Village has been dedicated to building a community of strong, healthy families who protect and nurture children.

CALL TO ACTION: *The Village, our neighbor on Albany Avenue, is in need of Personal Hygiene Items! Are you looking to make a difference in our community? We are looking for donations of the following items:*

COLLECTION EXTENDED

Feminine Hygiene Products – both tampons and pads

Soap – Bars and Pump

Shampoo – any and all brands and sizes

Deodorant – men/women – any and all brands

Toothpaste – any and all brands and sizes

Toothbrushes – Individually wrapped – not generic lots

Shaving Cream – any and all brands and sizes

*Please leave your donations in the marked boxes on the "Donation Table" in the Church Hall. **We will be collecting, until August 30th**. Thank you for your donations!*

Are You Interested?

The Events Committee of All Saints, is sponsoring a trip to the Icon Museum in Clinton, MA on Saturday, September 12th. (Please see flyer below)

Please see sign-up sheets at the Communications Table in the Church Hall –

1. If you would like to go to the Museum with lunch on your own

Or

2. If you would like to go the Museum and pre-arranged luncheon afterwards

Assistance is available to help cover the cost of the trip. Please see Father Constantine.

**THE ICON MUSEUM
AND STUDY CENTER**

*203 Union Street
Clinton, MA*

You are invited to attend a trip to The Icon Museum and Study Center!

When: Saturday – September 12, 2026

*Everyone provides their own transportation. If you would like to carpool, we will
be gathering at All Saints at 9:00 a.m. for departure at 9:30 a.m.*

Museum Tour will begin at 11:00 a.m.

Lunch is available at beginning at 1:30 p.m.

Cost

Museum Tour:

*Adult 18+ - \$12.00
Senior 65+ - \$10.00
Ages 1-17 – FREE*

Luncheon:

Includes: *Salad; Choice of Baked Haddock or Chicken Parmesan;
Rolls/Butter; Fresh Hot Strawberry Crumble topped with Vanilla Ice Cream;
Coffee and Soda.*

\$45 per person

*Please see Father Constantine to make your reservation.
Reservations/Payment due by ???.*

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/2026-0506-socialmediaguidelines-clergy-lay-leaders.pdf> (Updated April 28, 2026)



The Orthodox Church in America's New England Diocesan Choir is expanding its membership!

See how you can become a part of it!

We are looking for singers from all three deaneries!

The Diocesan Choir supports the work of His Grace, Bishop +BENEDICT in the development of Liturgical Music in the Diocese of New England, in singing for designated Diocesan services, performing concerts of Liturgical Music, and in vetting and singing new compositions to the Glory of God!

Prospective members should be:

- **Orthodox Christians, members in good standing of a parish in the Orthodox Church in America's Diocese of New England**
- **Willing to dedicate their own time outside of rehearsals to the study and preparation of repertoire for both rehearsals and performances**
- **Able to follow a choir director, maintain pitch and tempo, and blend with their section, as well as with the whole choir**
- **Willing to travel to rehearsals (generally Saturday mornings) and performances throughout the year**

**Those interested in joining should Scan the QR code,
or click the link below to fill out an interest form!**

<https://forms.gle/uFRB5ssemyw4JG19A>

Upcoming Assessment Opportunities:
Saturday, October 10: Southern Connecticut
Saturday, October 24: Southern New Hampshire

More opportunities to be announced!

