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Divine Services

Eve Sundays & Feast Days

5:00 PM Confessions

6:00 PM Great Vespers

Sundays and Feast Days

8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hour

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy

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before noon.

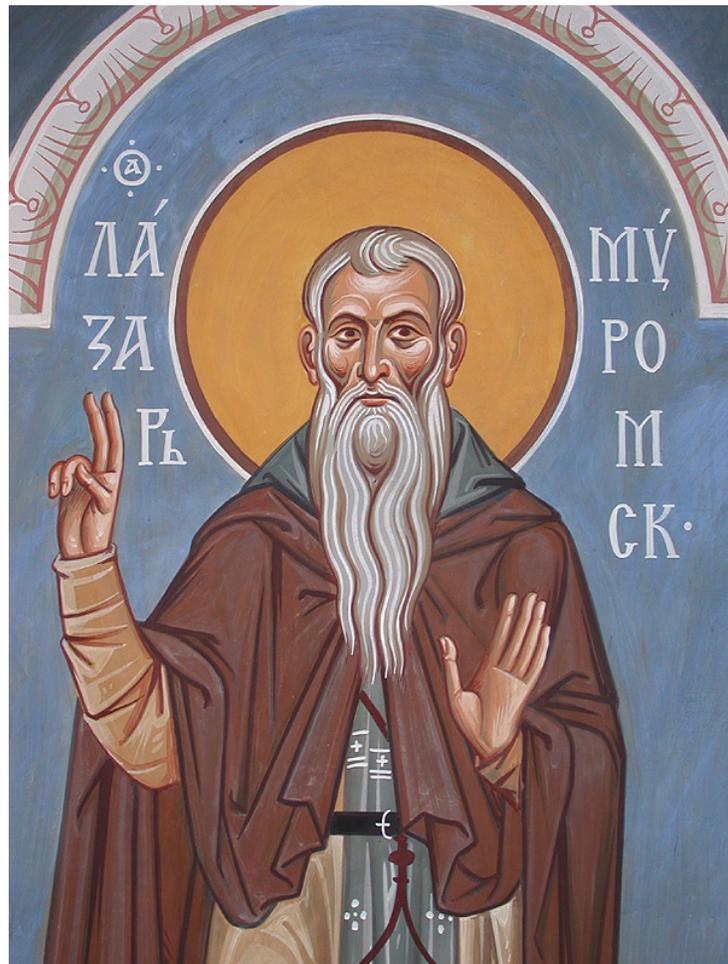
* CALENDAR: Event dates
must be submitted by the
15th of each month.

OCTOBER 14, 2018

**VEN. PARASCEVA OF
SERBIA**

VEN. NIKOLA SVIATOSHA

ST. LAZARUS



OCTOBER 17

Saint Lazarus of Murom was a Greek, born at Constantinople. In his native city he became a monk at the High-Mount monastery under the Elder Athanasius Diskotes, builder of many monasteries. Eight years later, Lazarus was under the guidance of Bishop Basil of Caesarea. In the year 1343 Bishop Basil, wanting to encourage the Russian Church, sent Saint Lazarus as a noted iconographer together with monks and gifts to Saint Basil, Archbishop of Novgorod (February 10, October 4, June 3).

Saint Lazarus made a copy of Novgorod's Icon of Sophia, the Wisdom of God (August 15) for the Caesarea diocese, and compiled an account of Novgorod churches and monasteries. Meeting the monk, the Novgorod hierarch bowed to the ground to his guest and blessed him to remain in a monastery he built. For ten years Saint Lazarus faithfully served Saint Basil, and in 1352 upon the death of the holy archpastor, he "dressed the holy body in the prepared clothing and shed many tears."

Grieved that he had been deprived of both his guides (Previously, the saint had received letters informing him of the death of Bishop Basil), Saint Lazarus considered returning to his native land. However, in a dream the Novgorod hierarch appeared to him and directed him "to go northward towards the sea, to Mucha Island in Lake Onega" (Murom Island in Lake Onega). In a short time his first guide, Bishop Basil of Caesarea, commanded him in a dream to go to that same place and found a monastery. The Chronicles say that at this time the Novgorodians were making their first attempts to convert the peoples of the White Sea coastal region to Christianity.

But Saint Lazarus was not able to get to this island at once. For a long time, the owner of the island, the Novgorod merchant Ivan, would not permit him. The monk prayed fervently to the Most Holy Theotokos and to Saint John the Forerunner, and he wept at the grave of Saint Basil. And the owner's resistance was removed. Saint Basil once appeared to him in a dream and ordered him to bestow the island "to our friend Lazarus", so that the Mother of God might be honored there.

Saint Lazarus arrived alone at the blessed spot. He set up a cross, a hut, and a chapel. Soon the Lopari and Chud natives living on the island heard about him, and he endured much suffering from them. They burned down his hut and did what damage they could. They beat him, chased him from the island, and pursued him in order to kill him. But God and the Queen of Heaven guarded the saint.

At the site of the burned hut the icon of the Dormition of the Most Holy Theotokos again appeared to Saint Lazarus, miraculously undamaged by the fire. It was with this icon that they had blessed him when he became a monk, and from it was heard a commanding Voice: "The faithless people shall become faithful, and there will be one Church and one flock of Christ. Establish upon this place a church of the Dormition of the Most Holy Theotokos."

Another time the saint saw how this place was blessed by "a Woman of majesty, radiant with golden hue, and resplendant men who made reverence to Her." Soon the eldest of the Lopari came to the monk and begged him to heal a child born blind: "... then we shall depart from the island, as your servants have been commanded." Saint Lazarus perceived that this was an angel, and he gave thanks unto the Lord. He healed the blind child after praying and sprinkling him with holy water. Then, the "bad people" quit the island, and the father of the healed child later became a monk, and all his sons were baptized.

From that time, people started coming to the saint from faraway places. He baptized them, and tonsured them into monasticism. Even his fellow countrymen came to him from Constantinople, the holy Monks Eleazar, Eumenius and Nazarius (June 4), future founders of the Monastery of the Forerunner in the Olonetsk region.

Visiting Novgorod, Saint Lazarus received from Bishop Moses (1352-1360) his blessing for the construction of a monastery, together with an antimimension and some church vessels. A church was built in honor of the Dormition of the Most Holy Theotokos, the first in all the coastal region; also a church of the Resurrection of Lazarus, and even a wooden church of Saint John the Forerunner together with a trapeza.

The Murom Dormition monastery was built up and strengthened by its zealous head Saint Lazarus until his old age.

The time of his death was revealed to him in a vision by his faithful protector, Saint Basil of Novgorod. Having chosen a worthy successor, the Athonite Elder Theodosius, and after receiving the Holy Life-Creating Mysteries and blessing everyone, Saint Lazarus departed to the Lord on March 8, 1391 at the age of 105 years. They buried him in a chapel beside the church of the Dormition of the Most Holy Theotokos.

The Life of Saint Lazarus was written by the Elder Theodosius from the words of the monk himself.

BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 14

Oct. 14 Gal. 1:11-19
Luke 8:5-15

Oct. 16 Col. 1:1-2,7-11
Luke 9:23-27

Oct. 19 Col. 2:1-7
Luke 10:1-5

Oct. 15 Phil. 4:10-23
Luke 9:18-22

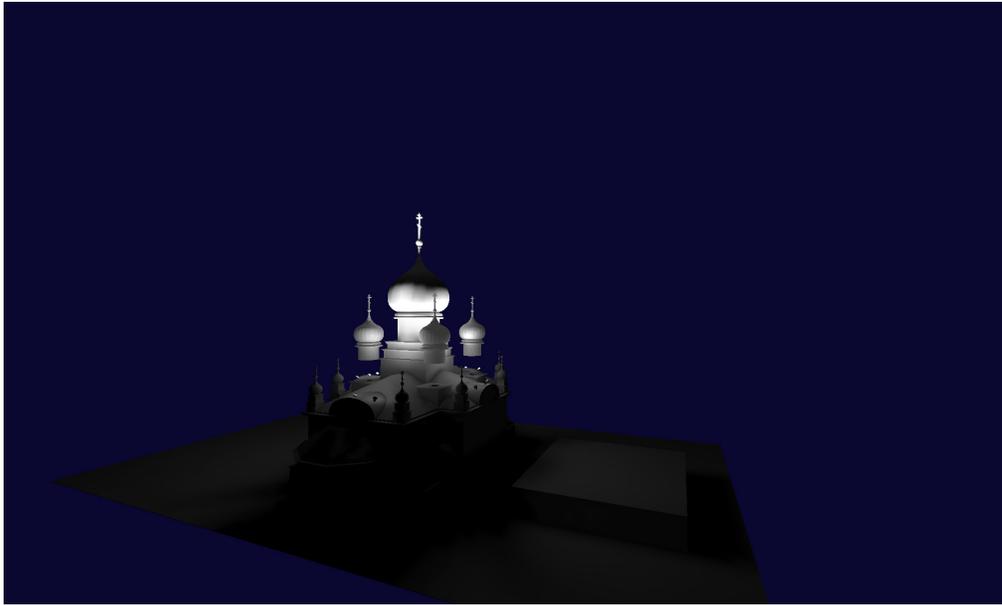
Oct. 17 Col. 1:18-23
Luke 9:44-50

Oct. 20 2 Cor. 3:12-18
Luke 7:2-10

Oct. 18 Col. 1:24-29
Luke 9:49-56

Overdue but always welcome, the next Boys Night Out will be Sunday November 4th at 5:00 PM! All men are invited - imbibers or not - for an evening out. Location coming soon. See Dan Morris with questions or to confirm your spot.





We are proposing to change the dome lighting on the Cathedral from standard fixtures to LED fixtures.

There are many advantages of LED fixtures over standard ones. LEDs are difficult to damage with external shock. LEDs have a significantly longer lifespan when compared to traditional lighting solutions. The average LED lasts 50,000 to 100,000 operating hours or more. Less frequent replacement means two big things: lower maintenance costs in terms of labor and lower costs for replacement parts. To change any existing lamp that has burnt out, we are required to rent a lift AND hire an operator adding additional cost to the life of the existing fixtures. LEDs generally consume very low amounts of power. Most LED lighting retrofit projects result in a 60-75% improvement in the overall energy efficiency of the facility's lighting.

We are working on getting pricing for installation. The cost for the 12 new fixtures is just under \$18,000. This includes mounting the fixtures at the existing location (off of a single point mounting with a horizontal bracket on which will be mounted three fixtures per side of dome). PLEASE NOTE: lead-time for fixtures is 6 weeks from date order is placed. This cost, as stated above, does NOT include costs for installation.

We are looking for contributions to accomplish this LED project. One idea that has been suggested is to break the cost down into a per fixture cost to aid those considering making a donation. For example, each fixture will be approximately \$1,500. Perhaps a family could go in together and further break it down into smaller portions. The possibilities are endless!

As always we consider donations as did the widow and her mite: Christ, in commenting on her unselfish contribution, was looking not at how much she gave, but on how much she had left over.

Both Michael Tabeling and Fr. John are available to answer any questions you may have.



PRAYER REQUESTS

Departed:

Theresa Shumaker
09-20-18

Ill Afflicted & Special Intentions:

Fr. Basil Stoyka
Matushka Susanne Senyo
Matushka Laryssa Hutnyan
Archpriest Theodore Bobosh
Child Katie Repasky (*friend of Fr. John*)
Melissa (*cousin of Mary Ann Kovach*)
Julia
Christopher Baymiller (*friend of Paul Pangrace*)
Paula Baymiller (*friend of Paul Pangrace*)
Debbie Bazelides (*Judy Schwind's cousin*)
Carol Bohurjak
Marie Borland
Sandra Brello
Gregory Cervo
Elsie Conrad
Arlene Czajkowski
Jerry Czajkowski
Horia Dascalescu (*Lavinia Morris's brother*)
Debra Ellis
Gregory Galan
Joseph Gammalo

Aleksei Green
Don Hinkle
Joy Jahans (*friend of Paul Pangrace*)
Stephen Jahans (*friend of Paul Pangrace*)
Diane Kearsey (*Janice Tkacz's sister*)
Lacey Kihn (*friend of Michael Udell*)
Mara Kilbane (*Melissa McCutcheon's granddaughter*)
John Kovalski (*friend of Paul Pangrace*)
Chris Magee (*Erin Zawolowycz's brother*)
Melissa McCutcheon
Michael McCutcheon
Marguerite Mihal (*Paul Mihal's mother*)
Paul Mihal
Natalya Miller (*Arlene Neale's great-niece*)
Andrew Mytrohovich
Bert Nielsen (*Paul Pangrace's brother-in-law*)
Carol Nielsen (*Paul Pangrace's sister*)
Daniel O'Donnell
Pat O'Donnell
Patricia Owens
Debra Parhamovich (*Karen Felon's sister*)

Grace Parhamovich (*Karen Felon's mother*)
James Peter Petkac
Anastasia Pogorily
James Marshall Prock
Elena Rich (*Jerry Czajkowski's daughter*)
Julia Sankovic (*Child*)
Andrew Sykaluk
Elaine Sudnick (*Joy Pfeiffer's mother*)
Tony Sykaluk (*friend of Lydia Mytrohovich*)
Janice Tkacz
Eleanor Wachovec (*friend of Karen Felon*)
Robert Walsh (*friend of The Felons*)
Colleen Walsh (*friend of the The Felons*)
Elisabeth Wright (*friend of Paul Pangrace*)
Malcolm Wright (*friend of Paul Pangrace*)
Erin Zawolowycz
Theodore Zolikoff (*Nick Zolikoff's father*)

John & Anna (*Tom Mitchell's sister*) **Neth & Unborn Child**



Welcome Visitors

Our parish welcomes you and thanks you for joining us at today's Divine Liturgy. While only Orthodox Christians may approach the chalice for Holy Communion, everyone is welcome to partake of the Holy Bread after Liturgy. You are also invited to join us for fellowship in the Parish Hall following Liturgy.

COFFEE HOUR & GREETERS SCHEDULES

Coffee Hour:

10/14/18 Mat. Cindy Zdinak & Tammy Ponomarenko
10/21/18 Cathy Weber & Mat. Jenn Boerio
10/28/18 Shawna Whitlock & Gayle Vidovich
11/4/18 Dan & Lavinia Morris
11/11/18 Michael Tabeling & Michael Udell
11/18/18 Joyce Tabeling & Judy Schwind
11/25/18 Paul & Deborah Finley

Greeters:

Karen Felon & Paul Pangrace
Tammy & Eva Ponomarenko
Virginia Medvec & Sonia Vorell
Sonia Vorell & Virginia Medvec
Nina & Elizabeth Antonik
Tammy & Eva Ponomarenko
Michael Tabeling & Paul Pangrace



FOOD PANTRY

Our Food Pantry ministry continues through Merrick House. They currently use the bags in their Moms First program. We can always use your help by "sponsoring a bag". Envelopes are in the foyer, \$10 fills a bag. Thank you and God bless you for helping those in need. - Dan Morris



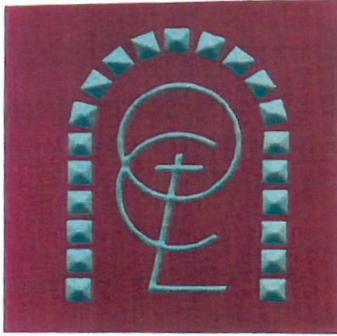
Dome Lighters

Donations to offset the cost of lighting the domes can be made for *The Health Of* or *In Memory Of* your loved ones. Contact the Parish Office if you are interested.

For the entire 2018 year:

In loving memory of Olga Fritskey

from John & Ruth Fritskey



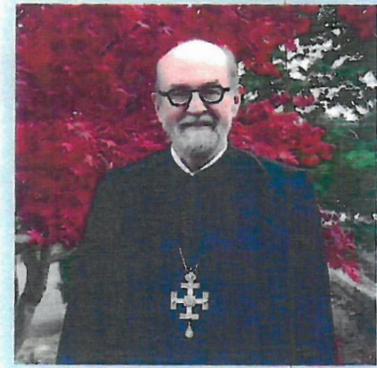
PANORTHODOXY

CLEVELAND, THE PAN ORTHODOX CITY

A FORUM SPONSORED BY THE ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN LAITY

KEYNOTE SPEAKER:

THE VERY REVEREND CHAD HATFIELD
PRESIDENT, ST. VLADIMIR'S ORTHODOX SEMINARY



TOPIC: "PAN ORTHODOXY - TRUTH OR FICTION"

DATE: OCTOBER 20, 2018

TIME: SATURDAY MORNING, 9:00AM TO 1:00PM

WHERE: SAINT MARY ROMANIAN ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL
3256 WARREN ROAD, CLEVELAND, OH

RESERVATIONS/TICKETS: \$15 **KAREN M. FELON has tickets!*
INCLUDES CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST & LUNCH
AVAILABLE FROM YOUR CHURCH EASTERN ORTHODOX WOMEN'S GUILD REPRESENTATIVE
OR KATHERINE KARTALIS (TEL: (216) 831-2263 OR EMAIL: KATHERINEKARTALIS@GMAIL.COM)

ALSO SPEAKING:

- THE CLEVELAND BROTHERHOOD OF PRIESTS - FATHER ALESSANDRO MARGHERITINO, PRESIDENT
- THE HISTORY OF PAN ORTHODOXY IN CLEVELAND - FATHER REMUS GRAMA
- *EASTERN ORTHODOX WOMEN'S GUILD - KAREN FELON, PRESIDENT
- ZOE FOR LIFE, UNITY IN ACTION - PAULA KAPPOS, FOUNDER
- OCF COLLEGE YOUTH PROGRAM - MARIBETH LEKAS, ADVISOR
- *ST. HERMAN'S HOUSE OF HOSPITALITY - PAUL FINLEY, LOCAL DIRECTOR
- IOCC, ITS CLEVELAND ROOTS - BERT MOYAR, PAST PRESIDENT

SUNDAY MORNING - HIERARCHAL LITURGY:

HIS EMINENCE ARCHBISHOP NATHANIEL... CELEBRANT
RULING HIERARCH OF THE ROMANIAN ORTHODOX EPISCOPATE OF AMERICA

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MEET SISTER VASSA



The 2018 Eastern Churches Seminar presents Sister Vassa Larin, Ph.D. – host of the popular online catechetical program, “Coffee with Sr. Vassa” and author of many scholarly articles on Byzantine liturgy – including “Reflections with Morning Coffee,” inspirational commentaries on Scripture and Liturgy.

**SUNDAY,
October 21
3-5 p.m.**

**Notre Dame College
Regina Auditorium
4545 College Drive
South Euclid, Ohio**

“Timeless Christianity in Today’s Changing World”

Why am I here? What is the purpose of my life? How can I live traditional Christian values in a culture that does not support them? What are some timely ways we can be bearers of hope and witnesses to timeless truth in today’s world?

Presentation is free and open to the public. For more information, contact 216.373.5357 or kivancic@ndc.edu.

Free will offerings gratefully accepted.



Theotokos of Vladimir

**EASTERN ORTHODOX WOMEN'S GUILD
OF GREATER CLEVELAND
Unity Through Participation**

*"Make new friends but keep the old.
One is silver, the other gold."*

**Thursday, October 25, 2018
Annual Gala Affair
Eastern Orthodox Women's Guild**

Holy Trinity Orthodox Church
6822 Broadview Road
Parma, OH 44134



- Special Guest Speaker highlighting the accomplishments for this Orthodox Charity
 - Enjoy appetizers at social hour with friends and family – All invited
 - Dinner prepared by EOWG Members
 - Homemade Pastry / Desserts courtesy of EOWG Members
 - Beautiful Gift Baskets – Chinese Raffle
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- Doors open at 6:00 PM / Dinner at 7:00 PM / Speaker at 8:00 PM
 - Tickets: Adults - \$15 / Children 6-12 \$7.50 / Under 6 – FREE
 - See Parish Representatives for tickets *KAREN M. FELON*
 - Or call Karen Felon (440-666-7538) or Helen Beverly (440-212-5545)
 - Reservations must be made by October 19, 2018
 - All proceeds will go to Orthodox Charities – see list compiled by EOWG



St. Herman House - FOCUS Cleveland
Presents its 6th Annual November Speaker Series...

EVERYBODY KNOWS somebody... THE ADDICT AT YOUR DOOR

Monday, November 5, 2018

Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church | 2187 W. 14th St. Cleveland, OH 44113

A Panel Discussion on the Impact of Addiction in Our Communities

Doors Open at 6:30 pm 6:30-7:00 pm - Appetizers

7:00-8:30 pm - Presentation & Panel Discussion

Fr. Dimitrios Moraitis

Dean of St Spyridon Orthodox Cathedral in Worcester, MA.
Author of "Returning the Lost Sheep: Ministry to the Alcohol
and Addict, an Orthodox Perspective"

Dr. Debra O'Beirne

Director, Addiction Medicine Service,
Fairfax County, Virginia

Fr. John and Cindy Zdinak

St. Theodosius Cathedral

Alan and Sherie Steinberger

Sts. Constantine and Helen Cathedral

Moderator: Meredith Garretson

Associate Producer, ideastream

\$30 Per Person

Tickets are being sold in parishes, online at <http://weblink.donorperfect.com/clevelandevent>, and at St Herman House
For more information, call St Herman House 216-961-3806 | All proceeds benefit St. Herman House

***** Please see Dan Morris for tickets *****

A Swarm of Locusts

This weekly bulletin insert complements the curriculum published by the Department of Christian Education of the Orthodox Church in America. This and many other Christian Education resources are available at <http://dce.oca.org>.



The Prophet Joel lived in the southern kingdom of Judah.

We know little about this prophet, except that he was the son of Pethuel, as the first verse of his book tells us. Scholars are even divided on the time in which he lived and wrote, though it was sometime during the 8th to 6th centuries BC.

Joel begins his prophecy by describing something that actually occurred, an invasion by hordes of locusts overrunning the land. He writes: "What the cutting locust left, the swarming locust has eaten, and what the hopping locust left, the destroying locust has eaten" (1:4).

Joel describes these invaders as charging warriors who march without swerving from their paths or jostling each other. They "leap upon the city, they run upon the walls, they climb up into the houses, they enter through the windows like a thief" (2: 7-10a).

The effects of this attack are devastating. Writing in the first person, Joel describes the locusts as a "nation" that has come up against "my land" and with its fangs like those of a lioness it has "laid waste my vines, and splintered my fig trees; it has stripped off their bark and thrown it down; their branches are made white" (1: 7).

Joel views this frightening, destructive event as a judgment from God. As one who must speak God's word to the people, the prophet can only sorrowfully call on them to repent. He extends his call to the entire community, including the priests and "ministers of the Lord." He emphasizes that all must repent because all are being harmed, including the animals: "How the beasts groan! The herds of cattle are perplexed because there is no pasture for them; even the flocks of sheep are dismayed" (1: 18).

But like other prophets, Joel also has hopeful and loving words to impart to the people. He records the Lord's promise that they can return to their God with fasting, mourning and weeping, rending their hearts rather than their garments. In the familiar words of Psalm 86, he reminds them that the Lord is "gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love."

On the day of Pentecost, Peter quotes Joel's prophecy that God will restore the land and that He will "pour out My spirit on all flesh; your sons and daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. Even upon the menservants and maidservants in those days I will pour out my spirit" (2: 28c-29).

Kontakion - Tone 4

Illuminated by the Spirit, your heart was a vessel of illustrious prophecy, seeing far-off things as though they were present. Therefore we venerate you, glorious prophet Joel.

This prophecy is notable in that it includes both women and men as those who will prophesy. Peter alters it in one way, however. He says that it will take place "in the last days" (Acts 2: 17). It has, on Pentecost, become a message not only for the Jews of Joel's time, but for all those who follow Christ and await the true "day of the Lord."

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

2018

Sunday, Oct. 14

VEN. PARASCEVA OF
SERBIA

VEN. NIKOLA SVIATOSHA
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy

Monday, Oct. 15

VEN. EUTHYMIUS THE NEW
MARTYR LUCIAN
ST. SABINUS OF CATANIA

Tuesday, Oct. 16

MARTYR LONGINUS
THE CENTURIAN
VEN. LONGIN OF YARENSK

Wednesday, Oct. 17

PROPHET HOSEA
ST. LAZARUS

REMINDER:



Please be sure
that cell phones
are turned off
before entering
the temple.

OCTOBER
Special Collection
IOCC



Thursday, Oct. 18

HOLY APOSTLE AND
EVANGELIST LUKE
11:00 AM Faith Enrichment @
Copperstone

Friday, Oct. 19

PROPHET JOEL
RELICS VEN. JOHN OF RILA
BL. CLEOPATRA

Saturday, Oct. 20

GREATMARTYR ARTEMIUS
RIGHTEOUS CHILD ARTEMY
9:00 AM Panorthodoxy @ St. Mary
Romanian Orthodox
6:00 PM Great Vespers

Sunday, Oct. 21

VEN. HILARION THE GREAT
VEN. VISARION, SARAI
AND SOPHRONIA
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy
10:45 AM Panahida for Thomas, Mary
& Martha Gajewsky
3:00 PM "Timeless Christianity in
Today's Changing World" with Sister
Vassa @ Notre Dame

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