

## New Guidelines

We, at Holy Spirit Orthodox Church, are following the new Guidelines for Parish Life now that updated recommendations have been issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and many of the Covid-19 restrictions have been either relaxed or removed. Please read the attached ***Guidelines for the Diocese of New York and New Jersey, On the Continuing Re-Opening of Our Churches, Missions, and Chapels (For Churches in the State of New Jersey)***, issued by Archbishop Michael.

We pray for our entire church family and those who do not have a family or church family, and our special prayers are for the sick and suffering:

The Archpriests Samuel and Joseph, the priest Gregory, Matushka Ellen, Emily Anastasia, Nadine Olsen, Marianna, Sophia Eptamenitis, Edward, Taisa, Konstance & Elaine Engelsman, Maria Higginbotham, Valentina Bobrowski, Anna Konoleva, Erika Dobrzynski, Marie Biancarelli, Joshua and Daniel Buccieri, Emma Matthews, Stephanie, Kristy, Victor Szemetylo, Helen, Bonnie Shaffner and Helen Schweizer. Amen!!!

\*\*\* To amend the prayer list, speak with Mary Osinski\*\*\*



[Venerable Arcadius of Novotorsk](#)



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# The WEEKLY BULLETIN HOLY SPIRIT ORTHODOX CHURCH

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July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Do not make any judgments, and you will travel no quicker road to the forgiveness of sins.

**St. John Climacus**

**VENERABLE ARCADIUS OF NOVOTORSK** - Saint Arcadius of Vyazma and Novotorsk was from the city of Vyazma of pious parents, who from childhood taught him prayer and obedience. The gentle, perceptive, prudent and good youth chose for his ascetic feat of being a fool-for-Christ. He lived by alms, and slept wherever he found himself, whether in the forest, or on the church portico. His blessed serenity and closeness to nature imparted to the figure of young Arcadius a peculiar spiritual aspect and aloofness from worldly vanity. In church, when absorbed in prayer, Saint Arcadius often wept tears of tenderness and spiritual joy. Though he seldom spoke, his advice was always good, and his predictions were fulfilled. An experienced guide, Saint Ephraim the Wonderworker of Novotorsk (January 28), helped the young ascetic to avoid spiritual dangers while passing through the difficult and unusual exploit of foolishness. After this the people of Vyazma witnessed several miracles, worked through the prayers of Blessed Arcadius, but the saint fled human fame and traveled along the upper Tvertsa River. Here Saint Arcadius shared the work with his spiritual guide Saint Ephraim, and with him founded a church and monastery in honor of the holy Passion-Bearers Boris and Gleb (May 2). Entering into the newly-built monastery, Saint Arcadius became a monk and took upon himself the exploit of full obedience to his spiritual Father, Saint Ephraim. Saint Arcadius never missed Liturgy and he was always the first to appear for Matins together with his spiritual guide. After Saint Ephraim's repose (January 28, 1053), Saint Arcadius continued to pursue asceticism in accord with the last wishes of his Elder, dwelling in prayer, fasting and silence. After several years, he also fell asleep in the Lord (December 13, 1077). In 1594, a chapel dedicated to Saint Arcadius was built in one of the churches of Vyazma. A combined celebration of Saints Arcadius and Ephraim was established by Metropolitan Dionysius in the years 1584-1587. The relics of Saint Arcadius, glorified by miracles of healing, were uncovered on June 11, 1572, and on July 11, 1677, they were placed in a stone crypt of Saints Boris and Gleb cathedral in the city of Novotorsk (New Market). In 1841, the left side chapel of Saints Boris and Gleb cathedral church was dedicated in honor of Saint Arcadius. The solemn celebration of the 300th anniversary of the uncovering of the holy relics of Saint Arcadius took place in the city of Novotorsk in July of 1977. He is also commemorated on August 14 and June 11 (Transfer of his relics).

### Service Schedule

**Great Vespers:** 5 pm Saturdays

**Hours:** 9:40am Sundays

**Divine Liturgy:** 10:00am Sundays

**Confessions:** Will be heard every Saturday evening after Vespers or by appointment.

**Call, text or email Father Michael at (848)228-1563 or [holyspiritwantagenj@gmail.com](mailto:holyspiritwantagenj@gmail.com)**

Monthly calendar at [www.HolySpiritOrthodox.org](http://www.HolySpiritOrthodox.org)

### Dates to Remember

**Saturday 10<sup>rd</sup> of July**

**Great Vespers at 5 pm**

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> of July**

**Divine Liturgy at 10 am**

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> of July**

**Parish Council Meeting at 6 pm via ZOOM**

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> of July**

**Great Vespers at 5 pm**

**Panikhida for Very Rev. Archpriest Stephen Kachur after Vespers**

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> of July**

**Divine Liturgy at 10 am**

**Saturday August 7<sup>th</sup> – Saturday August 14<sup>th</sup>**

**New Jersey State Fair**

### Announcements

#### Welcome!

Everyone is welcome and invited to visit and worship with us and experience the beauty of Vespers each Saturday at 5:00 pm and/or Divine Liturgy each Sunday at 10:00 am.

#### Congratulations

We did it! The parishioners and friends of our much loved Holy Spirit Orthodox Church are to be congratulated and thanked for all of the recent major accomplishments and supporting our church, especially during the difficult past year and COVID-19. The church and rectory are both mortgage free!!! The goal of \$7,400 for the church furnace has been met. The furnace will be installed sometime during the month of September 2021. God Bless and God Grant You Many Years!

#### Committee on FundRaising

At the last Parish Council Meeting, it was agreed to form a Committee on FundRaising. The purpose of the committee is to create ideas for fundraising events. If interested, speak with Father Michael at the Coffee Social for details or more information.

#### In the Narthex

The Diocesan magazine, *Jacob's Well*, is in the narthex. Take one for yourself and one for a friend.

#### Parish Council Meeting:

On Monday 12<sup>th</sup> of July we have our next Parish Council Meeting at 6 pm via ZOOM. If you would like to receive minutes from the Parish Council Meetings please contact Mary Osinski.

#### Father Michael's and Matushka Mihaela's Trip to Europe

Due to my father's health issues and emigrational responsibilities, I will have to go back to Serbia at the beginning of August. Right now I plan to travel to Serbian on August 3rd and come back on September 3rd. While I am gone you will have services with Archpriest George and Priest Alexander. Please treat them with the same kindness and love that you are treating me. I am blessing anyone who needs holy confession to confess to Father Samuel Kedala. If you would like to confess to some of the visiting priests please let me know. While I am abroad I will be available on my email: pejovicveljko@gmail.com. Thank you for your understanding and prayers.

#### Have an item for the bulletin?

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