

# ST. NICHOLAS ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Stephen Kelsey - Church School

Sunday, July 26, 7<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - Tone 6. **The Repose of St. Jacob**

(Netsvetov), Enlightener of the Peoples of Alaska (1864). Hieromartyr

Hemolaus and Martyrs Hermippus and Hermocrates at Nicomedia (ca. 305).

Martyr Parasceva of Rome (2<sup>nd</sup> c.).

Epistle:

Gospel:

Rom. 15:1-7

Matt. 9:27-35

Phil. 3:7-14 (Saint)

Mark 10:29-31, 42-45 (Saint)

Tuesday, July 28

Daily Vespers, 5:30 pm

Soup and Bread Reading Group, *St. Seraphim of Sarov*, 6:30 pm

Wednesday, July 29

More Mature Party III, Pohotsky's in Beverly, Noon to 3 pm

Friday, July 31, Forefeast of the Procession of the Cross

Great Vespers for the Feast, 5:30 pm

## Beginning of the Dormition Fast

Saturday, Aug 1, **Procession of the Life-Giving Cross of the Lord**

Divine Liturgy, 9:00 am

Great Vespers for the Resurrection, 6 pm

Sunday, Aug 2, 8<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - Tone 7. Translation of the Relics

of the Protomartyr and Archdeacon Stephen from Jerusalem to

Constantinople (ca. 428), and finding of the Relics of the Righteous

Nicodemus, Gamaliel, and Abibas. Blessed Basil of Moscow, Fool-for-

Christ (1552).

Sixth Hour, 8:50 am

Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom, **9 am**

Epistle:

Gospel:

I Cor. 1:10-18

Matt. 14:14-22

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### THE DORMITION FAST/CONFESSION AND COMMUNION

The Dormition Fast begins this Saturday, and all are urged to keep the fast as you are able. This includes not only abstaining from certain foods, but also increasing your prayers, reading, and spiritual attention.

Since the fast periods are good reminders for confession, regular communicants should consider whether it's desirable to engage in the Sacrament of (private) Confession.

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### SUMMER BOOK STUDY - ST. SERAPHIM OF SAROV

The next meeting of our summer reading group on the book, *St. Seraphim of Sarov*, by Valentine Zander, will take place following Daily Vespers on Tuesday, July 28. The reading group and discussion is informal. There is something for everyone - it's not necessary to have attended earlier session in order to benefit from the discussion. The next session will consider Chapters 2 and 3 of the book.

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### MORE MATURE PARTY III - JULY 29

Once again this year, Donna and Oleg Pohotsky will host the More Mature Party! On Wednesday, July 29, the community of St. Nicholas Church will enjoy it's third annual More Mature Party. As in the past two years, the party is a get-together for those parishioners who are 80 years of age and older at the Pohotsky home from noon to three. The previous MMP's have been well-attended and enjoyed by all. It is an opportunity for friends to reminisce and enjoy good food and refreshments together. Rides will be provided by fellow parishioners. Please call Christine Liberti at 978 531 4984 or Donna Pohotsky at 978 922 0893 for more details. It will be a good time for all!

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### LOOKING AHEAD

Aug 6	Thursday	Feast of Holy Transfiguration
Aug 15	Saturday	Feast of the Holy Dormition of Our Most Holy Lady The Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary - End of Fast
Sep 1	Tuesday	Beginning of the Church Year
Sep 8	Tuesday	Feast of the Nativity of The Theotokos
Sep 28	Sunday	Annual Memorial Panikhida by the Bell (followed by a coffee-hour luncheon)

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