

# St. Alexis of Wilkes-Barre Orthodox Church

## A Mission of the Orthodox Church in America

2323 N State St, Unit 112, Bunnell, FL 32110

**Sunday Divine Liturgy 9:30 AM**

*Confessions heard Saturday after Great Vespers or by appointment*

**SUNDAY, JUNE 14**

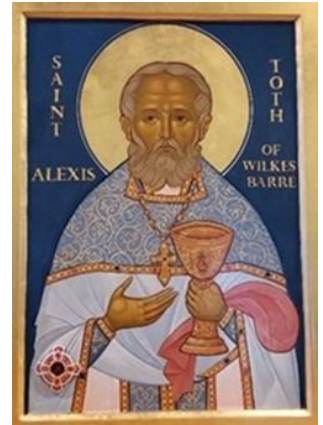
**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**All Saints of America**

**TONE 1**



“The Orthodox Christian Church is evangelical, but not Protestant. It is orthodox, but not Jewish. It is catholic, but not Roman. It is not denominational, it is pre-denominational. It has believed, taught, preserved, defended, and died for the Faith of the Apostles since the Day of Pentecost nearly 2,000 years ago.”  
– *Our Life in Christ*



### **Welcome to our Guests!**

Thank you for coming to pray with us. You will find a blue guest information card next to the weekly bulletin with today's hymns on the table where you entered. Please fill out the card and give it to a greeter or to our priest, Fr David, who looks forward to meeting you! You are also invited to *Coffee Fellowship* in the parish hall following the Liturgy this morning.

**According to ancient Christian practice, Holy Communion (Eucharist) is served to** members of the Orthodox Church who have made preparation through prayer, fasting, and recent confession, and who are at peace with their neighbor. If you are not a member of the Orthodox Church, you may be offered blessed bread (*antidoron*) by others in respect and love.

### **Announcements:**

#### **SAVE THE DATE!**

**The Annual Diocese of the South Assembly will be taking place July 20-24** and will be held in St Augustine, FL – and St. Alexis Mission has been given the role of HOST for the event.

- ❖ Volunteers are needed! Want to help? Contact DiDi Dejanovic, our DOS Assembly Assistant! **(also see p. 5 of this bulletin for volunteering options!)**
  - 609-668-1836
  - [DiDi@stalexisoca.org](mailto:DiDi@stalexisoca.org)
- ❖ A **Pontifical Liturgy** open to the public will be celebrated during the Assembly at Annunciation OCA Mission in Jacksonville, Florida on **Wednesday July 22 at 9am.**
- ❖ You won't want to miss it!

### **Intro to Orthodoxy with Fr David after Coffee Fellowship Hour**

Fr David facilitates this informal session on designated Sundays. *Check the calendar and look for "Intro to Orthodoxy with Fr David."* Catechumens, please make it a priority to attend –all others are welcome to join in. If you are a guest, seeker, inquirer, or member, this is an opportunity to learn more about Orthodox faith and practice. We meet around a table in the Parish Hall.

### **Celebrating New Life!**

Glory to God for All Things!!!

Our St. Alexis family is coming together to celebrate our four expectant families as they prepare to welcome their precious newborn babies.

**Everyone is welcome!**

**The celebration will be held Saturday, June 20 - 2:30 to 4:30 in our parish hall.**

Light refreshments will be served.

For those who would like to give something for the newborns and new mothers, **there will be a collection basket in church from Sunday, May 31 until Sunday, June 14.**

**Examples of items to contribute include:**

diapers, newborn wipes, baby clothes (generic colors), bottles, pacifiers, receiving blankets, gift cards and baby toiletries - to name a few.

Should anyone wish to make a monetary contribution, please see Helen Ireland, our parish treasurer.

**If you'd like to know further details or to help with the planning, please see Carol Pearce at church.**

Thank you!

### **Encouraging ACH donations at St. Alexis for Tithes and Offerings and the Building Fund**

We encourage online donors to choose **ACH** rather than credit card transactions. Our parish is charged a 2.2% transaction fee for each credit card donation. In contrast, we are charged only \$.25 for each ACH donation. To donate via ACH, register with **Church Connect**, a one-time, quick, secure set up:

#### **Church Connect - Our St Alexis Orthodox Church App**

- Scan the **QR code** with your smart phone to create your account
- You may also go directly to the link at: [stalexisoca.org/give](http://stalexisoca.org/give)
- If you need help setting up your account, see Mka Rozanne or Mike Ruddy



### **NEW ONGOING Opportunities for Love and Ministry in our Parish:**

- ❖ **Seeking Altar Servers:** Men of all ages, if you are a member of the faithful and are open to being trained to serve in the altar, please see Fr David. *You must arrive 30 minutes before the service begins.*
- ❖ **Church Cleaning Time happens every Wednesday 3:30-5:30pm (Vespers begins at 6pm).** Nelya Lashkul is a steward of this ministry. Ask her how you can help or contact the church office.
- ❖ **We are looking for volunteers for church projects and assistance in the office. Come by the church office during office hours and ask, "How can I help?"**
- ❖ **Child Care:** Interested in helping our catechumens by providing supervision for their children during catechism each Wednesday 6:30-7:30pm? This is a special ministry requiring at least two qualified adults each Wednesday evening. An honorarium may be available if needed for this ministry. See Fr David or Mka Rozanne to learn more.

- NOTE: According to OCA policies, anyone who works with children in the parish must submit to a background check and complete a briefing process. There must be two adults caring for children at all times unless the children are with a parent or relative.

**Prayer Lists – Pray for each other daily:**

**The Departed:**

- The Priest Slava
- Choir Director John Sutko
- Archimandrite Laurence Mancuso
- Victims of accidents, hostilities, and natural disasters around the world

**All whom we carry in our hearts, including:**

- Fr Aleksandr Yu Shi, Fr. Kung Ming Cheung, Fr. Denis
- Fr Patrick, Mka Lauren, James, Walter, Henry, Kathryn, Ethan, Marissa & the child she carries, Andrew
- Fr Nicholas & Mka Anastasia, Fr Philip & Kh Diane, Fr James & Mka Daphne,
- Our missionaries: the Hoppes, Brandows, Macdonalds, and Hannah Valentine
- Iconographer Elena Mavrodieva and her family
- Wood craftsmen Zachary, Artem, Daniel and Sdn Alexander
- Ilya, Anastasia, the Poleschuk family, Moses, Michael, Elena, Stefan, Naomi
- Anna and the child she carries, Amy and the child she carries, Nadia and the child she carries, Kenadea Mary and the child she carries
- All members of our community traveling or on the bed of sickness
- St Gerard Campus staff and the mothers and babies they serve
- All who are homeless, unemployed, or under-employed in our community
- All of our guests and inquirers seeking God through the Orthodox Church
- Catechumens Chris, Lesly, Gianna, Marco, Samuel, Maryam, Annie, Gillian, Tyler, Vincent & Amy

**Hymns for this Sunday: *Please sing along with the choir – and all week long!***

**Tone 1      Troparion      (*Resurrection*)**

When the stone had been sealed by the Jews,  
while the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body,  
Thou didst rise on the third day, O Savior,  
granting life to the world.

The powers of heaven therefore cried to Thee, O Giver of Life:

“Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ!

Glory to Thy Kingdom!//

Glory to Thy dispensation, O Thou Who lovest mankind!”

**Tone 8      Troparion      (*All Saints of America*)**

As the bountiful harvest of Thy sowing of salvation,  
the lands of North America offer to Thee, O Lord, all the saints who have shone in them.

By their prayers keep the Church and our land in abiding peace//  
through the Theotokos, O most Merciful One!

**Tone 1      Kontakion      (*Resurrection*)**

As God, Thou didst rise from the tomb in glory,  
raising the world with Thyself.  
Human nature praises Thee as God, for death has vanished.  
Adam exults, O Master!  
Eve rejoices, for she is freed from bondage and cries to Thee://  
“Thou art the Giver of Resurrection to all, O Christ!”

**Tone 3      Kontakion      (*All Saints of America*)**

Today the choir of Saints who were pleasing to God in the lands of North America  
now stands before us in the Church and invisibly prays to God for us.  
With them the Angels glorify Him,  
and all the Saints of the Church of Christ keep festival with them;//  
and together they all pray for us to the Pre-eternal God.

**Tone 6      Kontakion      (*Steadfast Protectress of Christians*)**

Steadfast Protectress of Christians,  
Constant Advocate before the Creator;  
despise not the entreating cries of us sinners,  
but in your goodness come speedily to help us who call on you in faith.  
Hasten to hear our petition and to intercede for us, O Theotokos, //  
for you always protect those who honor you!

**Scripture Readings for this Sunday:**

**Epistle:**      Romans 2:10-16    &    Hebrews 11:33-12:2  
**Gospel:**      Matthew 4:18-23    &    Matthew 4:25-5:12

**The Lord's Prayer**

**English**

Our Father, Who art in heaven,  
Hallowed be Thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;  
And lead us not into temptation,  
But deliver us from the evil one.

**Slavonic (Transliterated)**

Ot-che nash,  
Ee-zhe ye see na nye-bye-sekh!  
da svya-tee-tsya ee-mya Tvo-ye, da pri-ee-dyet Tsar-stvi-ye Tvo-ye:  
da boo-dyet vol-ya Tvo-ya, ya-ko na nye-bye-see ee na zem-lee.  
Khleb nash na-soosch-nui dazhd nam dnyes:  
ee o-sta-vee nam dol-gee na-shya, ya-ko-zhe ee mui o-sta-vlya-yem



dol-zhnee-kom na-shim:  
ee nye vye-dee nas vo ees-koo-shye-ni-ye,  
no eez-ba-vee nas ot loo-ka-va-go.

### Spanish

Padre nuestro, que estás en los cielos,  
Santificado sea tu nombre.

Venga tu Reino.

Hágase tu voluntad así en la tierra como en el cielo.

El pan nuestro de cada día dánosle hoy,

Y perdona nuestras deudas, así como nosotros perdonamos nuestros deudores;

Y no nos dejes caer en la tentación, mas líbranos del mal.

## *Wondering how you can help with the Diocesan Assembly?*



### **Here is a teaser list...\***

#### Putting together gift baskets for:

- His Beatitude Metropolitan TIKHON
- His Eminence Archbishop ALEXANDER
- His Grace Bishop GERASIM

#### Baking cookies and savory snacks for:

- Registration goodie bags (Tuesday)
- Clergy Wives afternoon gathering (Thursday)

#### Gathering fun local mementos for:

- Registration goodie bags

#### Decorating tables for:

- Clergy Wives Luncheon (Thursday)
- Banquet honoring His Eminence ALEXANDER (Thursday)

NOTE: the décor can be the same – will just need more for the Banquet, for the added tables

#### Compiling Delegate Name Badges & Lanyards

#### Compiling Goodie Bags

#### Staffing the Registration Table

...and more!

**\*Reimbursements available for  
PRE-APPROVED PURCHASES**

# Life in our Church

The Apostles' Fast June 8-28

(No meat, dairy, or eggs for Coffee Fellowship Hour potlucks. Thank you!)

<b>Saturday, June 13</b>	<b>Choir Rehearsal</b> <i>(in the nave)</i> <b>Great Vespers</b> <i>Confessions following</i>	<b>3:30 PM</b> <b>5:00 PM</b>
<b>Sunday, Jun 14</b>	<b>Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom</b> <i>(Sunday of All Saints of North America)</i> <i>Coffee Fellowship Hour (no meat or dairy)</i> <b>Intro to Orthodoxy with Fr David</b>	<b>9:30 AM</b>   <b>~12:15 PM</b>
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<b>Wednesday, Jun 17</b>	<b>Parish Council Meeting</b> <b>Church Cleaning</b> <b>Daily Vespers</b> <b>Catechism</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b> <b>3:30 PM</b> <b>6:00 PM</b> <b>6:30 PM</b>
<b>Saturday, June 20</b>	<b>Celebrating New Life</b> <i>(baby shower)</i> <i>(Parish Hall- all are welcome!)</i> <b>Great Vespers</b> <i>Confessions following</i>	<b>2:30-4:30 PM</b>  <b>5:00 PM</b>
<b>Sunday, Jun 21</b> <i>Father's Day</i>	<b>Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom</b> <i>(Sunday of All Saints of North America)</i> <i>Coffee Fellowship Hour (no meat, dairy, or eggs)</i> <b>Intro to Orthodoxy with Fr David</b>	<b>9:30 AM</b>   <b>~12:15 PM</b>
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<b>Wednesday, Jun 24</b>	<b>Church Cleaning</b> <b>Molieben for Beginning a Good Work</b> <i>(for hosting DOS Assembly 2026 July 20-24)</i> <b>Catechism</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b> <b>6:00 PM</b>  <b>6:30 PM</b>
<b>Saturday, June 27</b>	<b>Choir Rehearsal</b> <i>(in the nave)</i> <b>Great Vespers</b> <i>Confessions following</i>	<b>3:30 PM</b> <b>5:00 PM</b>
<b>Sunday, Jun 28</b>	<b>Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom</b> <i>Coffee Fellowship Hour</i> <b>Intro to Orthodoxy with Fr David</b>	<b>9:30 AM</b>  <b>~12:15 PM</b>
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<b>Wednesday, Jul 1</b>	<b>Church Cleaning</b> <b>Daily Vespers</b> <b>Catechism</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b> <b>6:00 PM</b> <b>6:30 PM</b>

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