

**Week of 6/19/11**  
**Happy Father's Day**

**FOR THE HEALTH OF:**

Family Members by Helen Davis  
Peter Powers by Paul, Wendy & Family  
Family by Mariann Mica  
Dad by Michelle & Jody  
Michelle & Jody by Mom & Dad  
Larry by Helen  
Mary & Johnny Kossol by Larry & Helen  
Don & Helen Backstrom by Larry & Helen  
Myron Sepitko by Larry & Helen  
Margaret Krill by Daughters  
John Matty by Peter & Mary Stephanie  
Tony Miralles by Peter & Mary Stephanie  
Myron Sepitko by Peter & Mary Stephanie  
Katherine Dupay by Dave & JoAnn Metz  
Dave by JoAnn Metz  
Family by Fran Sabo  
Thelma by Fran Sabo  
Simmons Family by John & Anna  
Bill Snodgrass & Bill Weinheimer by Patty & Mary Jo  
Ann & John Simmons by Charlene & Cassandra  
Cassandra, Jaxson & Jarred by Mom/Baba  
Bridgette & Logan Butcher by Charlene/Baba  
Mary Jo Yetsconish by Chuck  
Bill Janeri by Mr. & Mrs. Charles Yetsconish  
John Matty by Mr. & Mrs. Charles Yetsconish  
Tony Miralles by Mr. & Mrs. Charles Yetsconish  
Dad by Ava  
PapPap John by Ava  
PapPap Jeff by Ava  
PapPap Joe by Ava  
Sophie Dudzinski by Jonathan, Jennifer & Ava

Sara Morgan by Jonathan, Jennifer & Ava  
Dudzinski Family by Jonathan, Jennifer & Ava  
Vernet Family by Jonathan, Jennifer & Ava  
Konsugar Family by Jonathan, Jennifer & Ava  
Sophie Dudzinski by John, Marie & Jacob  
Steven Kovatch by Mom, Dad & Tommy  
Nellie Redmond by Kovatch & Redmond Families  
Family by John & Nancy Koons  
Costella Family by Toni  
Myron Sepitko by Toni & John  
Miralles Family by Tony & Janet Tony by Janet  
Millie Yannitto by Tony & Janet Miralles  
Myron Sepitko by Tony & Janet Miralles

**IN MEMORY OF:**

Deceased Family Members by Helen Davis  
John Metz by Dave & JoAnn  
Michael Dupay by Dave & JoAnn  
Russell Metz by Dave & JoAnn  
Paul Mica by Mariann  
Peter Skurkay by Mariann  
Paul Mica, Peter Skurkay & Paul Mica, Sr. by Jim & Beth Saul  
Chuck by Mom & Dad  
Steve Morozek by Larry & Helen  
Jennifer Farrell by Mr. & Mrs. Terry Farrell & Family  
Peter Merella by Peter & Mary Stephanie  
Peter Merella, II by Peter & Mary Stephanie  
John Monita by Peter & Mary Stephanie  
Steve Turpack by Peter & Mary Stephanie  
Paul Mica by Peter & Mary Stephanie  
Sam Zabowsky by Peter & Mary Stephanie  
John Skurkay by Patty & Bill

John Sesco, Sr. by Mary Sesco  
John & Wallace Butcher by Mom/Charlene & Cassandra  
John Rosak by Toni  
John Costella, Sr., by John, Jr.  
Al Slavic by Thelma  
George Slavic by Thelma  
Thomas Harris by Thelma  
Al Sabo by Fran  
Al Slavic by Fran  
Ed Hamilton by Fran  
Louis Sabo by Fran  
Charles Yusko, Sr. by Larry & Helen  
Chuck by Michelle & Jody  
Joe Meisner by Michelle & Jody  
Andrew Beck by Tony & Janet Miralles  
Anthony Miralles by Tony & Janet

**SAFE TRAVEL:**

Dad & Mom by Ava  
Chuckie by Mom & Dad

**THANKFULNESS & GOD'S BLESSINGS:**

Peter & Mary Stephanie  
Michael, Becca & Justin Bazzar  
Fran

**SPECIAL INTENTIONS:**

Patty  
Fran

**HEALTH & SAFETY:**

Jonathan, Jennifer, Jereme & Jacob by Mom & Dad  
Ava by Baba, PapPap & Uncle Jacob  
Sam, Max, Luca & Vivian by Bill & Patty  
Family by Chuck & Julia Urdenis

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY & MANY YEARS:**

Janet Miralles by Michelle & Jody  
Janet Miralles by Larry & Helen

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY & MANY YEARS:**

Beverly & Alfred Davis by Mary Sesco

## ***REGIONAL ALL SAINTS SUNDAY***

(Text taken from the OCA Website)

On the second Sunday after Pentecost, each local Orthodox Church commemorates all the saints, known and unknown, who have shone forth in its territory. Accordingly, the Orthodox Church in America remembers the saints of North America on this Sunday. Saints of all times, and in every country are seen as the fulfillment of God's promise to redeem fallen humanity. Their example encourages us to "lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily besets us" and to "run with patience the race that is set before us" (Hebrews 12:1). The saints of North America also teach us how we should live, and what we must expect to endure as Christians.

The first Divine Liturgy in what is now Alaska was celebrated on July 20, 1741, the Feast of the Prophet Elias, aboard the ship Peter under the command of Vitus Bering. Hieromonk Hilarion Trusov and the priest Ignatius Kozirevsky served together on that occasion. Later missionaries were sent to Alaska.

On September 24, 1794, a group of monks from Valaam arrived in Alaska headed by Archimandrite Joasaph and Hieromonks Juvenal, Macarius, and Athanasius, and Hierodeacons Nectarius and Stephen, and the monks Herman and Joasaph. St. Herman of Alaska the last surviving member of this mission fell asleep in the Lord in 1837.

Throughout the Church's history, the seeds of faith have always been watered by the blood of the martyrs. The Protomartyr Juvenal was killed by natives in 1799, thus becoming the first Orthodox Christian to shed his blood for Christ in America in 1816. St. Peter the Aleut was put to death by Spanish missionaries in California when he refused to convert to Roman Catholicism.

Two of the most prominent laborers in Christ's Vineyard were St. Innocent Veniaminov and St. Jacob Netsvetev who translated Orthodox services and books into the native languages. St. Jacob died in 1864, and St. Innocent received monastic tonsure after his wife's death and died in 1879 as the Metropolitan of Moscow.

On March 25, 1891, Bishop Vladimir went to Minneapolis to receive St. Alexis Toth and 361 of his parishioners into the Orthodox Church. This was the beginning of the return on many Uniates to Orthodoxy.

St. Tikhon, the future Patriarch of Moscow came to America and as the only Orthodox Bishop on the continent traveled extensively throughout North America. He focused his efforts on giving the American Church a diocesan and parish structure which would help it mature and grow. He returned to Russia in 1907, was elected Patriarch of Moscow and died in 1925.

St. Raphael of Brooklyn was the first Orthodox bishop to be consecrated in North America in 1904 by Bishop Tikhon and Bishop Innocent at St. Nicholas Cathedral in New York.

In the twentieth century, in the aftermath of the Russian Revolution, countless men, women, and children received the crown of martyrdom rather than renounce Christ. Sts. John Kochurov and Alexander Hotovitzky both who served in America were killed in Russia.

In addition to the saints listed above, we also honor those saints who are known only to God, and have not been recognized officially by the Church. As we contemplate the lives of these saints, let remember that we are also called by God to a life of holiness.