

June 2018

SAINTS CYRIL AND METHODIUS ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Russian Orthodox Church Outside of Russia * Русская Православная Церковь

PO Box 932, Summerville, SC 29484-0932 * Founded 1973

Services at 122 South Main Street on the Town Square * Summerville, SC

Pocket Calendar

Fri., June 1 - A Good Month! Καλο Μηνά!

Sat., June 2 - 5 p - VESPERS

SUN., June 3 - 1st Sun aftr Pentecost ***ALL STS**

8:30 a - Matins **10 a - DIVINE LITURGY**

B team - Olga 12:30 p - Sunday School

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 Mon., June 4 - *Apostles' Fast Begins*

A blessed & beneficial fast to all of us!

Wed., June 6 - 6 p - Vespers

Thu., June 7 - *Prison Ministry*

Sat., June 9 - 5 p - VESPERS

SUN., June 10 - 2nd Sun. after Pentecost and

All Saints of Russia & of Mt. Athos

8:30 a - Matins 10 a - DIVINE LITURGY

C Team - Uliana 12:30 p - Sunday School

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Wed., June 13 - 6 p - Vespers

Sat., June 16 - 5 p - VESPERS

SUN., June 17 - 3rd Sunday after Pentecost

*& All Saints of Novgorod, Belorussia, Pskov,
St Petersburg, Vologda, & the British Isles*

Father's Day

8:30 a - Matins 10 a - DIVINE LITURGY

A - Presbytera Elizabeth 12:30 p - Sun School

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Wed., June 20 6 p - Vespers

Thu., June 21 - *Prison Ministry*

Sat., June 23 - 5 p - VESPERS

SUN., June 24 - 4th Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 a - Matins 10 a - DIVINE LITURGY

D - Men Team - 12:30 p - Sunday School

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Wed., June 27 - 6 p - Vespers

Fri., June 29 - 6 p - VESPERS

 Sat., June 30 St. John of Shanghai
& San Francisco

8:40 a Hours & DIVINE LITURGY

5 p - VESPERS

SUN., July 1 - 4th Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 a - Matins 10 a - DIVINE LITURGY

B Team - Olga 12:30 p - Sunday School

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Dear Brothers, Sisters, 'lil Ones,
and Friends & Supporters of the Parish,

There are many "ups and downs" in our personal life and in our life as members of a family, parish, work-place, school, relationship, etc.

By God's grace and our efforts we are able to manage these things and survive. It takes personal and collective - group - effort.

In our 46th year as a growing parish while we experience these "ups and downs" wonderful improvements are taking place because of God's grace and our efforts. For sure, the larger the group, the greater the challenge!

This is what a parish - the living Eucharistic Assembly, - the Body of Christ - is called to be. In our fallen state we are to imitate and affirm the love and interaction of the Three Persons of the most Holy Trinity confirmed by our interaction with one another, expressing our personal feelings but in love consenting to what is holy, good, and proper for the Community of believers. As we pray in the Divine Liturgy: ***And grant us with one mouth, and one heart, to glorify and hymn Thy most honorable and majestic name: of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit....***

What joy there was this past Holy Tuesday morning serving the first - *ever* - Presanctified Liturgy in Holy Week! What a blessing having more faithful helping with all activities including lay folks reading/chanting at the weekday Liturgies & vespers, church & icon cleaning, trapeza set-ups and clean-ups - working for the common good! God grant rest to our reposed and bless the 14 gathered for Radonitsa at the cemetery - twice the count of 2016 and four times that of 2017. More youngsters than ever are bringing their parents to Church each week because of ***Sunday School***.

"A Downer!" For the ***first time*** in nearly a half century, a scheduled Baptism - was ***not*** on the schedule. It started a little late! Many apologies again to the newly-illuminated 'lil Ivan, family, & friends! [Fr. Daniel kept saying, "I think we are missing a Baptism!"]

Finally, ***the reroofing*** of the Old Temple and hallway should be completed in May - perhaps in honor of Bishop Nicholas! His Grace endured with joy a very memorable and very wet Hierarchical Liturgy!

May God bless us all with good effort and a profitable Fast of the Holy Apostles.

Fr. Anastasy