



## ALL SAINTS OF AMERICA MISSION

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*Welcome to our parish!*

Thank you for choosing to worship with us on the Lord's Day. We are grateful for your prayers and participation!

Please join us for coffee hour after the service. Our priest, Father Alessandro, would love to greet and welcome you.

Holy Eucharist requires full communion of faith, so if you are not an Orthodox Christian, please do not approach the Chalice. If you are an Orthodox Christian, please note that communion must be preceded by fasting, recent Confession, and reconciliation with all people.

## FEBRUARY 19, 2023

SUNDAY OF THE LAST JUDGMENT  
Apostles of the Seventy Archippus  
and Philemon, and Martyr Apphia

## APOSTLES OF THE SEVENTY ARCHIPPUS AND PHILEMON, AND MARTYR APPHIA

Saints Archippus, Philemon and Apphia, Apostles of the Seventy were students and companions of the holy Apostle Paul. In the Epistle to Philemon, the Apostle Paul names Saint Archippus as his companion, and mentions him again in the Epistle to the Colossians (Col. 4:17).

Saint Archippus was bishop of the city of Colossae in Phrygia. Saint Philemon was an eminent citizen of this city, and the Christians gathered in his home to celebrate church services. He was also made a bishop by Saint Paul and he went about the cities of Phrygia, preaching the Gospel. Later on, he became archpastor of the city of Gaza. Saint Apphia, his wife, took the sick and vagrants into her home, zealously attending to them. She was her husband's co-worker in proclaiming the Word of God. During the persecution against Christians under the emperor Nero (54-68), the holy Apostles Archippus and Philemon and Apphia were brought to trial by the ruler Artocles for confessing faith in Christ.

Saint Archippus was brutally slashed with knives. After torture, they buried Saints Philemon and Apphia up to the waist in the ground, and stoned them until they died.

Saint Archippus is also commemorated on November 22.

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

REQUESTING PRAYERS: Mihai, Georgia, Don, Bobbi, Yuri,  
David

DEPARTED: Archpriest Daniel, Mother Christina, Kristen

## NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW WEBSITE: If you have not already done so, please check out our newly redesigned website: [orthodoxalexandria.org](http://orthodoxalexandria.org)

APPROACHING THE GREAT FAST: As we approach the beginning of Great Lent, Fr. Alessandro offers an encouragement to all parishioners to begin preparing for our blessed journey to Pascha. The Parish Google Calendar (<https://www.orthodoxalexandria.org/calendar.html>) has been updated with the lenten schedule and Holy Week so you can see which services will be served at our parish. Make a special effort to plan your schedule in advance so that you can attend Forgiveness Vespers (2/26), the services of Clean Week (the Great Canon), and the Liturgy of the Presacrtified Gifts served every week. Without attending those services, we will miss so much of the gift offered to us through Great Lent.

CHOIR REHEARSAL: Please note that the next choir rehearsal is next Saturday, February 25 after Vespers.

APPEAL FOR VICTIMS OF EARTHQUAKE: His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon has recently called on the faithful of the Orthodox Church in America to support the earthquake relief efforts of IOCC and the Antiochian Archdiocese. As you are able, consider making a donation.

SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY VESPERS: This year, Sunday of Orthodoxy Vespers will be held at Sts. Constantine & Helen Greek Orthodox Church (721 Norwood Rd, Silver Spring, MD),

on March 5, at 5pm. The speaker will be Dr. Lewis Patsavos, Professor Emeritus of Canon Law at Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School Of Theology. His topic will be *The Triumph of Orthodoxy: its Peril and Challenge*.

## UPCOMING SERVICES & EVENTS

Feb 19, Sun

8:45 AM

Church School

9:30 AM

Divine Liturgy

Feb 25, Sat

4:00 PM

Adult Education

5:00 PM

Divine Liturgy

Feb 26, Sun

8:45 AM

Church School

9:30 AM

Divine Liturgy

5:00 PM

Forgiveness Vespers

## MINISTRY ROTATIONS

*Coffee Hour - Barr*

*Reader - Barr*

*Assisting the Treasurer - Childs & Easton*

*Fr. Alessandro is available to hear confessions after Vespers or by appointment during the week*