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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.

**JANUARY 12, 2025**

29th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

TONE 4

Afterfeast of the Theophany

Sunday after Theophany

Martyr Tatiana of Rome and those  
who suffered with her

Venerable Martinian

## Venerable Martinian, Abbot of Belozersk

Saint Martinian of White Lake, in the world Michael, was born in the year 1370 in the village of Berezniko, not far from the Cyrilov monastery. At age thirteen he left his parents and went secretly to Saint Cyril of White Lake (June 9), whom many described as a great ascetic.

The young Martinian began zealously to imitate his teacher, with whom he dwelt in complete obedience. At the monastery he studied reading and writing, and with the blessing of Saint Cyril, he occupied himself with the copying of books.

In time Martinian was ordained deacon and then hieromonk. After the death of Saint Cyril (+ 1427), Martinian withdrew to a deserted island on Lake Vozha. Several monks gradually gathered around him. Saint Martinian established for them the church of the Transfiguration of the Lord and introduced a general Rule for the inhabitants.

Yielding to the persistent requests of the brethren of Therapon monastery, he consented to become igumen of the monastery and brought it into an improved condition.

Saint Martinian gave spiritual support to Great Prince Basil in the difficulties of his time, when his first-cousin Demetrius Shemyaka illicitly sought the Moscow throne.

He was always an advocate of truth and justice. Afterwards, upon the entreaty of the Great Prince, the saint accepted the governance of the monastery of Saint Sergius of Radonezh. In 1455, Saint Martinian returned to the Therapon monastery.

In his last years he was grievously ill and not able to walk, so the brethren carried him to church. He died at age 85. His relics were uncovered in the year 1514, and this event is celebrated on October 7.

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

REQUESTING PRAYERS: Kelly, Jim, Sharon, Martha, Larissa, Bob, David, Zondra, Art, Jerry, Davide

CATECHUMEN: Brooke, Sarah, Levi, Daniel

MISSIONARIES: The Brandow family serving in Guatemala

BIRTHDAYS: Michelle Weaver, Nicholas Barr, Christine Garber

NAMEDAYS: Anton Dolgopolov

## NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

FR. ALESSANDRO TRAVELING THIS WEEKEND: Please note that Fr. Alessandro is traveling with His Beatitude this weekend. Fr. Sean will preside at the services.

FR. SEAN LEVINE: We are excited to welcome Fr. Sean, Matushka Jennifer, and Andrew to our parish family! We are especially grateful to Fr. Sean for his willingness to assist the parish pastorally in the coming months when Fr. Alessandro takes on temporary additional duties at the national Chancery. Fr. Sean's email is [fr.sean.levine@gmail.com](mailto:fr.sean.levine@gmail.com), and his cell # 210-274-1102. As I mentioned on Sunday, general pastoral requests (meetings, counseling, blessings) should come to me first and then I can arrange with Fr. Sean based on our availability.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING: Note that our parish annual meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 26 following Divine Liturgy. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend this important event in the life of our parish. At our meeting we will hold elections for some positions on the parish council. If you are interested in running, please speak with Fr. Alessandro or James Class.

**MARCH FOR LIFE:** The annual March for Life in Washington, DC, will take place on Friday, January 24. Join His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon, along with many other bishops, clergy, seminarians, and faithful of the various Orthodox Churches at 11:30am at the National Mall where the March for Life Rally will begin at noon.

**HOME BLESSINGS:** If you would like to have your house blessed, please let Fr. Alessandro know. Home blessings will be scheduled through the end of February. To prepare for Father's visit, on your dining room table or at your icon corner, lay out a white cloth if you have it, and set on it a candle that can be carried around the house and your prayer list.

### UPCOMING SERVICES & EVENTS

Jan 12, Sun 8:45 AM 9:30 AM	Church School Divine Liturgy
Jan 18, Sat 5:00 PM	Great Vespers
Jan 19, Sun 8:45 AM 9:30 AM	Church School Divine Liturgy

### MINISTRY ROTATIONS

	<b>Jan 12</b>	<b>Jan 19</b>
<i>Coffee Hour:</i>	Hughes	Mittlefehldt
<i>Reader:</i>	Mykyta	Hughes
<i>Cleaning:</i>	Easton	Mittlefehldt
<i>Communion Cloth:</i>	Easton/Mazzeo	Class/Schmitt

*Priest available for Confession after Vespers or by appointment*