

Venerable Gennadius of Kostroma (Jan 23)

Saint Gennadius of Kostroma and Liubimograd, in the world Gregory, was born in the city of Mogilev into a rich family. He early displayed love for the church, and his frequent visits to monasteries evoked the dismay of his parents. Gregory, however, was firmly resolved to devote himself to God, and changing into tattered clothing, he secretly left his parental home and journeyed to Moscow.

He visited the holy places in Moscow, but he did not find it suitable in spirit and so set out to the Novgorod region. The destiny of the future ascetic was decided by an encounter with Saint Alexander of Svir (August 30). With his blessing, Gregory went to the Vologda forest to Saint Cornelius of Komel (May 19), and was tonsured by him with the name Gennadius. Together with

Saint Cornelius, Gennadius moved on to the Kostroma forest. Here, on the shores of Lake Sura, in about the year 1529, there emerged the monastery of the Transfiguration of the Lord, afterwards called "the Gennadiev monastery". Having become igumen, Saint Gennadius did not slacken his monastic efforts, and together with the brethren he went out to the monastery tasks: he chopped wood, carried firewood, made candles and baked prosphora. He also wore heavy chains. One of his favorite tasks was the painting of icons, with which he adorned his new monastery.

For his holy life Saint Gennadius received from the Lord the gift of clairvoyance and wonderworking. Journeying to Moscow on monastic affairs, at the house of the nobleman Roman Zakharin, the saint predicted to his daughter Anastasia that she would become Tsaritsa. Indeed, Tsar Ivan the Terrible chose her as his wife.

The Life of Saint Gennadius was written by his disciple, Iguman Alexis, between the years 1584-1587. In it was inserted his spiritual testament, dictated by Saint Gennadius himself. In it he commands the monks to observe the monastery Rule, to toil constantly, to be at peace with everyone, and to preserve the books collected at the monastery, while striving to understand their meaning. He said, "Strive towards the light, and shun the darkness."

Saint Gennadius died on January 23, 1565, and was glorified by the Church on August 19, 1646.

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January 23, 2022

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

COMMEMORATIONS:

14TH SUNDAY OF LUKE
HIEROMARTYR CLEMENT, BISHOP OF ANCYRA
AGATHANGELUS THE MARTYR
RIGHTEOUS FATHER DIONYSIUS OF OLYMPUS
PAULINOS, BISHOP OF NOLA

Tone 6 - Eothion 9

Orthros Gospel: St. John 20:19-31

Epistle: 1 Timothy 1:15-17

Liturgy Gospel: St. Luke 18:35-43

RESURRECTION TROPARION - Tone 6 - When Mary stood at thy grave, looking for thy sacred Body, angelic powers shone above thy revered tomb, and the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men. Thou led'st hades captive and wast not tempted thereby; thou didst meet the Virgin and didst give life to the world. O thou who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to thee!

APOLYTIKION OF ST. CLEMENT OF ANCYRA - Tone 4 - Thou didst blossom forth for the faithful, O most sacred Clement, as a branch of holiness, a staff of contest, a most sacred flower, and a sweet God-given fruit. But as a fellow-sufferer of martyrs and a fellow-prelate of hierarchs, intercede with Christ our God that our souls be saved.

TODAY: ORTHROS & Confessions 8:45 a.m.
Divine LITURGY 10 a.m.
Sunday School, Catechism, & Coffee Hour

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Office Hours: Monday through Friday 10:00 - 3:00

Fr Noah & Fr James are available for hospital visits. If you or anyone you know is in the hospital or homebound and would like a visit, please call the church office.

Weekly Ministries & Stewards:

This Week:	Next Week (Jan 30):
PROSPHORA BREAD: MaryLynne B.	Baking Class
ALTAR CANDLES: ----	----
USHERS: Sdn. John & Bill H.	Dan M. & Ken G.
ALTAR BOYS: "Archangel Michael"	"Archangel Gabriel"
CLEANING TEAM: The Moodys & Natalia M.	George & Lily H.; Zaria R.
COFFEE HOUR TEAM: Felicia; Myriam; Abraham	Kendra; Zach W.; Dale

Mark Your Calendar:

Meeting of the Lord

Tuesday, February 1
Vesperal & Artoklasia 6:30 pm

Wednesday, February 2

Orthros 9 am
Liturgy & Candle blessing 10 a.m.
Potluck (Fish/Wine/Oil)

Lenten Triodion

Feb 27—Meatfare Sunday
Mar 6—Cheesefare Sunday
Mar 13—Sunday of Orthodoxy

Feast of Annunciation

Friday, March 25

Lenten Retreat:

"An afternoon with
St. John Chrysostom"
w/ Dr. David Ford
March 26, 2022

We live Pascha to Pascha!

April 24, 2022

Pray For:

Living	Departed
Newly-Illumined Shaun	+Fred Andrew +Barbara
N.I. Filomena Nicole	+ArchP Stavros
Sze-Tatiana	(January Parish Dptychs)
Joanne	+George
Patrick	+Pedrag
Doris	+Mimi
John	+Helen
John	+Christopher
James	+Nagib
Lasha B	+Julia
Otari B	
Mark	
Nancy-Anna	
Helen	
Wadieh	
Anna	
Anesia	
A.P. Serge	
Mat. Lubov	
Mary	<u>Catechumens</u>
Mary	Christian,
ProtoDn Paul	Laura,
Dn Alexander	Taylor,
Herman	Tim & Luke,
Claudia-Mary	Kate,
	Tyson,
	Joseph & Alana,
Priest Thomas,	Ryan,
Elizabeth, Jesse, Bill,	Michael, Tina
Elaine	
& all Missionaries	
New & Expectant Mothers & their children	
For the people of our land and their repentance, healing & unity	

JANUARY OUTREACH COLLECTION:

ORAL CARE PRODUCTS

CHALLENGE FOR 2022:

"You are the Light of the World"

PROSPHORA BAKING CLASS — Mark your calendar!

When: January 29 between 3:00 pm - 6:30 pm

Where: Great room and kitchen.

Who: Anyone interested in joining the Prosphora baking team, please ask for Fr Noah's blessing and then contact Gabi or Catalin Tinjala.

What to bring:

If you have an 9 inch round pan you can bring your pan.
Flour, yeast and Prosphora stamp will be provided. We will also have the pans with the stamp on the bottom.

The class will cover both types of baking:

1. pan with stamp on the bottom
2. pan without stamp on the bottom (where we are using the wooden stamp)

This Week:

Mon, Jan 24: Office open

Tues, Jan 25: 6th Hour Prayers 12 noon
Matushka Olga Sewing Club 1 p.m.

Wed, Jan 26: Little Compline & Patristic Discussion 6:30 p.m.

Thurs, Jan 27: Office open

Friday, Jan 28: Paraklesis 6:30 p.m.

Sat, Jan 29: Prosphora Baking class 3 p.m.
Vespers 6:30 p.m.

Special guest & presentation:

Fr. John Parker, Dean of St. Tikhon's Seminary
"Sowing or hoarding: the Christian call to share the faith."

Sun, Jan 30: **ORTHROS 8:45 a.m.**
Divine LITURGY 10 a.m.
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OFFERINGS 1/16: Candles, \$198. Collections, \$248. Youth, \$1. Book Shelf Ministry, \$40. Classical School Fund, \$385. Crafty Kids Fund, \$505. Needy Fund, \$100. Stewardship, \$9,617.52. Total received: \$11,094.52.

We now have 88 pledges for 2022 totaling \$304,893 or 96% of our goal.

THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!