

## Venerable Cosmas of Yakhrom (Feb 18)

Saint Cosmas of Yakhrom was the servant of a certain Boyar, whom he comforted during his long illness by reading to him from books. And so, travelling from town to town, they happened to stop at the Yakhrom River. Exhausted by their long journey, they fell into a sound sleep. Suddenly, Cosmas was awakened by a vision of extraordinary light. In a tree, Cosmas saw an icon of the Dormition of the Most Holy Theotokos, and he heard a mysterious voice say: "Pay attention, Cosmas, and understand the words of life. Lead a God-pleasing life and seek the joy of the righteous, so that you may receive eternal blessings."

The voice also commanded him to become a monk and to build a monastery.

Reverently, he took the Icon of the Mother of God and brought it to his sick master. As soon as it was placed on the old man, he was healed of his infirmity. When his term of servitude expired, Saint Cosmas went to the Kiev Caves Lavra. After giving the Icon to the brethren, he was tonsured in that Monastery. After he was tonsured, he astonished even experienced monks by his asceticism. The Saint contested there for many years, and then he had a vision of an Angel telling him to leave the Lavra and to take with him the Icon of the Mother of God which had appeared to him.

He asked the monks for the Icon, and left Kiev, arriving at the place where the wonderworking Icon had appeared to him. There, with the help of some pious donors, he built a temple dedicated to the Dormition of the Mother of God. He remained at the church, engaging in various monastic struggles which he had imposed on himself. Disciples began to gather around the Saint, a Monastery was established, and Saint Cosmas was chosen as its Igoumen. During this time, word of his ascetic struggles even reached the ears of the Great Prince.

Saint Cosmas reposed at an advanced age on February 18, 1492, and was buried in the Monastery which he founded. He is also commemorated on October 14, the Feast of the Yakhrom Icon of the Mother of God.

*Text & icon from <https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2024/02/18/100554-venerable-cosmas-of-yakhrom>*



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## February 18, 2024

### SUNDAY OF THE CANAANITE WOMAN

#### COMMEMORATIONS:

LEO THE GREAT, POPE OF ROME  
AGAPITOS THE CONFESSOR, BISHOP OF SYNNAIDA IN  
PHRYGIA, AND HIS COMPANIONS  
FLAVIAN THE CONFESSOR, PATRIARCH OF  
CONSTANTINOPLE

**Tone 4 - Eothion 4**

**Orthros Gospel:** St. Luke 24:1-12

**Epistle:** 2 Corinthians 6:16-7:1

**Liturgy Gospel:** St. Matthew 15:21-28

**TROPARION OF THE RESURRECTION - Tone 4 -** Having learned the joyful message of the resurrection from the angel, the women disciples of the Lord cast from them their parental condemnation, and proudly broke the news to the disciples saying, Death hath been spoiled. Christ God is risen, granting the world great mercy!

**ORDINARY KONTAKION - Tone 2 -** O protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the Creator most constant, O despise not the suppliant voices of those who have sinned; but be thou quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession, and speed thou to make supplication, thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

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

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**Office Hours:** Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30am - 3:30pm

Fr Noah & Fr James are available for hospital visits. Please contact them directly or call the church office.

## Weekly Ministries & Stewards:

	This Week:	Next Week (Feb 25):
COFFEE HOUR:	Bagel Sunday	Bagel Sunday
PROSPHORA BREAD:	Gabi & Catalin T.	John Child
ALTAR CANDLES:	----	----
USHERS:	Sdn John & Tom A.	Dan M. & Radu C.
CLEANING TEAM:	Serge, Alex, & Sarah K.	Teens; Tyson H; Karsten B
COFFEE HOUR TEAM:	Kendra; Felicia; Michael; Maggie; Caden	Sh Hannah; Sze Man; Christian; Zach W; Zach F

### Mark Your Calendar:

#### Lenten Triodion:

Feb 25 – *Publican & the Pharisee*  
 Mar 3 – *Prodigal Son*  
 Mar 10 – *Judgment Sunday (Meatfare)*  
 Mar 17 – *Forgiveness Sunday (Cheesefare)*

**Feast of Annunciation**  
*Monday, Mar 25*

**Lenten Retreat @ St. Philip**  
*April 5-6*

**Pascha 2024**  
 May 5, 2024

We live from Pascha to Pascha!

*Save the Date!*  
**2024 Parish Life Conference**  
 June 27-30, 2024

**FEBRUARY OUTREACH**  
**COLLECTION:**  
**Paper Products**

#### Pray For:

Living	Departed
Met. Sergei	Nicole
Abbess Dimitria & Sisters	Christina
Faithful of the Holy Land	Constantine
Met. Onuphy and faithful of Ukraine	Nugzari
Faithful of Ethiopia & Eritrea	AP Moses
Pr. Andrew, family, & parishioners	Pr. Ivan
Kh. Joyce	(February Parish
Mary	Diptychs)
Child Timothy	+Frank
Xenia	+Kristina
George	+John
Ephrem	+Steve
Maria	+John
Patrick	+Hertanse
Doris	+Thomas
John	+Wendy
James	Susanna
Helen	
Wadieh	
Mary	
Victoria	
Steve	
Lasha	
Otari	
John	
Tatiana	<u>Catechumens</u>
Anesia	Lucretia
Linda	Ryan
Daria	Alina
Pavlo	Nicholas,
Elena	Rachel, Luka,
Xenia	& Leo
Derek	Michael
Michael	Caden
Leah	Keith, Maggie,
Stefan	& Eli
David	Andrew
Yianni	Daniel
Jesse, Nathan, Hannah, Elizabeth, Mary, & all Missionaries	Kassandra
Nathan & family, John, & all seminarians	Christian
New & Expectant Mothers & their children	David, Darby,
For the people of our land, and their repentance, healing & unity	& Easton
The 12 Baskets Full team asks for prayers for our homeless Philly friends –George, Bill, Jim, Jalil, Mark, Joel, Eric	

### Giving Opportunities at St. Philip

- + The **NEEDY FUND** is depleted. Please consider making a special offering to replenish it!
  - + Our supply of (**classic**) **OLIVE OIL** is running very low. Donations are greatly appreciated! Place under icon of St. Thekla.
- Thank you and may God bless your generosity!

### This Week:

**Mon, Feb 19:** *Office open*

**Tues, Feb 20:** Matushka Olga Sewing Club, 1 p.m.

**Wed, Feb 21:** *Office open*

Little Compline & Patristic Reading 6:30 p.m.

**Thur, Feb 22:** Vespers (Slavic Tones) 6:30 p.m.

Bible Study: Romans 7:30 p.m.

**Fri, Feb 23:** *Office open*

Holy Unction 6:30 p.m.

Fasting Refreshments 7 p.m.

**Sat, Feb 24:** Catechumen Class 5 p.m.

Book Study: "Bad Religion" 5:15 p.m.

**Great VESPERS 6:30 p.m.**

Confessions 7:30 p.m.

**Sun, Feb 25:** *Liturgy at Fort Washington Mission 9am*

**ORTHROS 8:45 a.m.**

**Divine LITURGY 10 a.m.**

Coffee Hour & Sunday School

Choir Rehearsal

**ATTENDANCE:** Vespers 2/10: 74      Liturgy 2/11: 212  
**OFFERINGS 2/11:** Candles, \$246. Collections, \$616.52. Book Shelf Ministry, \$94. Classical School Fund, \$50. Food for Hungry, \$20. Mission Chapel, \$25. Needy Fund, \$115. Stewardship, \$17,145. Total received: \$18,311.52.

THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

The disciples were called Christians first in Antioch (Acts II:26)