

**THIS WEEKEND AT ST. VLADIMIR'S
AUGUST 17, 2018**

Make an appointment or schedule a confession with Fr. Gregory

<https://calendly.com/ogrisha>

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This weekend's schedule at St. Vladimir's is below – please join us as your personal calendar allows!

FRIDAY, AUGUST 17

Opening Night/Inaugural Meeting Orthodox Motorcycle Riding Club: 7:00 p.m.

More information: <http://orthodoxdead.com/>

SATURDAY, AUGUST 18

Russian Festival Planning Committee Meeting at Fr. Gregory's: 10:00 a.m.

Fr. Gregory Available Time/Confession by Appointment: 3:00-5:00 p.m.

Make an appointment: <https://calendly.com/ogrisha>

Confession: 5:00 p.m.

Make an appointment: <https://calendly.com/ogrisha>

Vigil: 6:00 p.m.

Live Stream: <http://www.stvladimiraami.org:8000/liturgy.mp3>

SUNDAY, AUGUST 19 – TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

Moleben to St. Vladimir: 8:00 a.m.

Prayer to St. Vladimir – Please Use if you cannot Join us for the Moleben:

<http://stvladimiraami.org/pamphlets/prayertostvladimir.pdf>

Confession: 9:00 – 9:45 a.m.

Make an appointment: <https://calendly.com/ogrisha>

Divine Liturgy: 10:00 a.m.

Live Stream: <http://www.stvladimiraami.org:8000/liturgy.mp3>

After Divine Liturgy: Blessing of First Fruits

Following Liturgy: Monthly Building Fund Dinner

More information: <http://stvladimiraami.org/flyers/dinnerdonationflyer.pdf>

During Dinner: Question & Answer Session: Orthodox Motorcycl Riding Club

Blessing of First Fruits at Christ the Savior Mission in River Rouge, MI: 4:00 p.m.

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Transfiguration of the Lord is SUNDAY August 19

The great feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord is set for August 19. Vigil the evening before will be at 6:00 p.m. with Divine Liturgy the day of the feast at 10:00 a.m. On this feast we bless the first fruits that are becoming ripe at this time of year. In Russia the tradition was to bless apples, while in Greece and warmer countries the tradition was to bless grapes. Other fruits may be blessed at this time, but it is not traditional to include other things in one's basket for blessing. Please join us for the second feast of the Savior in August and don't forget to bring fruit to bless! A table will be set up outside the church – as we do on Pascha – to hold the baskets you bring to the Divine Service on Sunday, August 19.

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Three Feasts of the Savior in August – All Celebrated in the Michigan Deanery

August, which according to the church calendar begins on Monday, August 1/14, contains three specific feasts of the the Lord. The first is the “Honey Savior”, or the Procession of the Cross (August 1/14), called this because honey is blessed on this day since this is the time of year that honey usually begins to be harvested. The second is the “Apple Savior”, or the Transfiguration of the Lord (August 6/19), called this because at this feast the first fruits of the harvest (usually apples in the northern climates) are blessed. The third is the fast of the icon of the Lord “Not Made by Hands” on August 29.

There will be Divine Services at St. Vladimir's for the Procession of the Cross (August 1/14) at 8:00 a.m. (bring honey to be blessed!), as well as for the Transfiguration (August 6/19) at 10:00 a.m. (bring fruit to be blessed!), but NOT on August 16/29. On that day Liturgy will be served at Christ the Savior Mission in River Rouge, as this is their parish feast day. Liturgy there that morning will begin at 9:00 a.m.

Congratulations to all with all the feasts of the Savior in August!

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95th Anniversary of Dormition Cathedral is this August 28 – UPDATED

Please note that according to our long-standing tradition at St. Vladimir's we will NOT hold VIGIL in commemoration of the Dormition of the Mother of God August 27. Hierarchal Services led by Archbishop Peter at the Dormition Cathedral in Ferndale are according to the following schedule:

August 27: Vigil 6:00 p.m.

August 28: Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m. Festal meal to follow.

At St. Vladimir's, with Archbishop Peter's blessing, we will have Liturgy on August 28 at 8:00 a.m. for those who cannot go to Ferndale. All are encouraged to go to Ferndale, but we understand that not everyone can do that, so we offer Liturgy for those of you who are in this situation.

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Addie Lanterman Taking Clients after September 4

Our own Addie Lanterman will begin seeing clients for counseling beginning on September 4. Addie has her Master's in Social Work and will be able to counsel within the context of our Orthodox Faith. This is very important since many secular counselors actively promote non-Orthodox Christian values. With Addie you know you and your family will not be pushed to engage in activities that violate your faith. You can make an appointment with Addie by calling 1-810-494-7180. Visit her group's web site here: <http://www.perspectivetherapyservices.com> or see her profile here: <https://www.perspectivetherapyservices.com/therapist/addie-lanterman/>. Please support Addie and be sure to spread the word. We have a terrible lack of Orthodox counselors in the Metro Detroit area. Addie's decision to go into private practice is a huge help in this regard!

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IOCC School Kits in August – Special Collection this Sunday

According to our long-standing tradition at St. Vladimir's we will gather to prepare School Kits for International Orthodox Christian Charities in August. On Sunday, August 19 we will have a special collection to support the purchase of the school supplies to be used to create the kits. On Saturday, August 25, we will compile the kits following the Divine Liturgy. PARENTS: please be sure to attend the Liturgy on August 25 (begins at 9:00 a.m.) so your children can participate in compiling the kits. These kits are sent to those in need in countries that mandate that children

bring their own supplies to school or they cannot attend. Our small contribution makes it possible for children in these countries to be educated. If you would like to make a donation, but you cannot be at Liturgy on August 19, please contact our parish Treasurer, Mikhail Fisenkov at treasurer@stvladimiraami.org. Thank you for supporting this worthy project!

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Help Sponsor the Festival!

Sponsorship is not just for businesses - it is for families too!

Establish Your Sponsorship TODAY:

<https://stvladimiraami.networkforgood.com/projects/54952-ann-arbor-russian-festival-sponsorship-2018>

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Volunteer for Festival Duties Now – the 2018 Festival is September 15 & 16:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/14paULj3UY8s49B8HaxB31EkABpf8pEpppX5BUOn5H7o/edit?usp=sharing>

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Festival Flyer is Ready to Share!

Please share our flyer via email or simply print out and pass out to all your friends, post at your place of work, and put in your car windows (in a safe manner of course)! You can find the flyer here in letter size:

<http://stvladimiraami.org/flyers/russianfestivalflyer2018ltr.pdf>

Here in legal size:

<http://stvladimiraami.org/flyers/russianfestivalflyer2018lgl.pdf>

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YOU HAVE TEETH! KEEP THEM HEALTHY AND HELP OUR PARISH!

New Dentist Office Donates 10% of Fees to St. Vladimir's Building Fund

Prime Dental, a brand new dental practice in Farmington Hills owned by St. Vladimir's parishioners, will donate 10% of your dental fees in their practice to the St. Vladimir's building fund. And the dentist speaks English and Russian!

You have teeth. You need those teeth taken care of. And the quality of care is absolutely top notch! Call Prime Dental now and make an appointment (and talk to them about PPO insurance and other such details). Care for your teeth and help us to build our new church!

Prime Dental: 248-987-2879 ~ www.primedentaloffice.com

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How to Support St. Vladimir's

People often ask us how they can make donations to St. Vladimir's other than by making a donation at church. We work continuously to make this as easy for our parish family and friends as we can and we appreciate your feedback in this regard.

Please read here a short piece about the best way to support St. Vladimir's – by making a planned recurring gift to our parish:

<http://stvladimiraami.org/flyers/plannedstewardship.pdf>

How to make such a recurring gift? If it is favorable or more convenient for you to use a credit card, please visit our Network for Good giving page:

<https://stvladimiraami.networkforgood.com/projects/36049-stewardship-tithes-general-fund>

If you prefer PayPal:

<https://www.paypal.com/donate/?token=kRuJoZJOYPD1jGZ14E9mOHYAmXsvCmpAaKkgCpUOi1Tj8QDaHNIpW3EKAVp2u1nh1NST10&country.x=US&locale.x=US>

If you would prefer to make a recurring gift by making an electronic transfer from your bank to ours, you will need some or all of the information below. If you need more information than what is found here, please email us at treasurer@stvladimiraami.org.

You need the name of the church bank: Chase Bank

You need the name on the account: St. Vladimir Russian Orthodox Church

You may need the address: 9900 Jackson Rd. Dexter, MI 48130-9426

You'll need the American Banking Association Routing Number: 07 2000326

You'll need the account number: email us at info@stvladimiraami.org

We welcome and encourage you to remember the parish in your will or in other estate planning.

Thank you for your support of our parish!

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Reading the Sunday Life of the Saint

Young people who can read clearly and loudly are welcome and urged to participate! THIS IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUNG PEOPLE TO BE ENGAGED IN PARISH LIFE!

Research shows that it is very important for young people to be engaged now so they persist in the Church into adulthood.

The sign up sheet can be found at the link below. PARENTS: please contact Karl Meyer or Alexandra Pyrozhenko with questions!

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/18AHfYesuK3-z4HZ8-ysdAne4RIKaiFEdpPNz6oueoU4/edit?usp=sharing>

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Feedback Sought!

We want to know what you think! We want your ideas about how we can do things better! We want your ideas about what we need to do but we are not! And ESPECIALLY we want your ideas about how we can attract more faithful to St. Vladimir's! Give us your feedback here:

<https://goo.gl/forms/cPFIs9XgfdiLBmOn2>

Thank you!

See you soon at St. Vladimir's!

Fr. Gregory