



**CHURCH OF THE PROTECTION OF THE THEOTOKOS**  
**AND SAINT SERGIUS OF RADONEZH**

A PARISH OF THE RUSSIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH OUTSIDE OF RUSSIA  
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**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES – NOVEMBER-DECEMBER, 2020**

*All dates according to the civil calendar.*

Sat. Oct. 31 5 pm All-night Vigil.  
Sun. Nov. 1 9:30 am Hours and Divine Liturgy. **21<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost:**  
**St. John of Kronstadt.**

*Please note: Standard Time begins this weekend; move clocks back one hour Saturday night.*

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Sat. Nov. 7 *Please note: There will be no Vigil on this date*  
Sun. Nov. 8 9:30 am Hours and Divine Liturgy. **22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost:**  
**Great-martyr Demetrius of Thessalonika; Commemoration of**  
**the Great Earthquake in Constantinople (AD 740).**

*Note: On this day the Church also commemorates St. Theophilus, Archbishop of Novgorod, whose relics lie in the Far Caves of the Kiev-Caves Lavra; we have a portion of his relics in our church.*

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Sat. Nov. 14 5 pm All-night Vigil.  
Sun. Nov. 15 9:30 am Hours and Divine Liturgy. **23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost:**  
**Martyrs Acyndinus, Pegasias, Aphthonius, Elpidephorus**  
**and Anempodistus.**

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES FOR NOVEMBER-DECEMBER– PG. 2

Mon. Nov. 16    7 pm        Moleben and Akathist to the Most Holy Theotokos before the miracle-working Kursk-Root Icon.

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Fri. Nov. 20    6:30 pm    All-night Vigil with Litia and Blessing of the Loaves.  
Sat. Nov. 21    9 am        Hours and Divine Liturgy.  
**The Archangel Michael and all of the Bodiless Powers.**

*Note: This day marks the 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the repose of Metropolitan Philaret of Eastern America and New York, 3<sup>rd</sup> First Hierarch of the Russian Church Abroad.*  
*A Pannikhida will be served after the Divine Liturgy.*

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Sat. Nov. 21    5 pm        All-night Vigil.  
Sun. Nov. 22    9:30 am    Hours and Divine Liturgy. **24<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost:**  
**Martyrs Onesiphorus and Porphyrius; St. Matrona.**

*Note: On this day the Church also commemorates St. Onisephorus, the Confessor, whose relics lie in the Near Caves of the Kiev-Caves Lavra; we have a portion of his relics in our church.*

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Thurs. Nov. 26    11 am        **Thanksgiving Day Moleben.**

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Sat. Nov. 28                    **– Beginning of the Nativity Fast –**

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Sat. Nov. 28    5 pm        All-night Vigil.  
Sun. Nov. 29    9:30 am    Hours and Divine Liturgy. **25<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost:**  
**Holy Apostle Matthew, the Evangelist.**

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Thurs. Dec. 3    6:30 pm    All-night Vigil with Litia and Blessing of the Loaves. Fri. Dec. 4    9 am        Hours, and Divine Liturgy. <b><u>ENTRY INTO THE TEMPLE OF THE MOST HOLY THEOTOKOS.</u></b>
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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES FOR NOVEMBER-DECEMBER– PG. 3

Sat. Dec. 5            5 pm            All-night Vigil.  
Sun. Dec. 6            9:30 am        Greeting of Archbishop Gabriel, Hours and Divine Liturgy.  
**26<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost: Afterfeast of the Entry of the  
Theotokos; St. Mitrofan, first Bishop of Voronezh**

*We have the skufya (skull-cap) of St. Mitrofan in our church.*

*Archbishop Gabriel of Montreal and Canada will serve in our parish this weekend.*

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Thurs. Dec. 10      Commemoration of the “Kursk-Root” Icon of the Theotokos of the Sign – the  
patronal feast of the Synodal Cathedral.  
This year marks the 725<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the appearance of the Kursk-Root Icon.  
*On Wednesday, the 9<sup>th</sup>, the All-Night Vigil at the Synodal Cathedral will begin  
at 6:30 pm. On Thursday, the 10<sup>th</sup>, the Greeting of the Metropolitan, Hours and  
Divine Liturgy will begin at 9:30 am. The miracle-working Kursk-Root Icon  
will be at the Synod for these services.*  
*Attendance at these services may be limited due to the ongoing COVID pandemic;  
those wishing to attend should call the cathedral in advance at 212.534.1601 to  
confirm the protocol.*

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Sat. Dec. 12            5 pm            All-night Vigil.  
Sun. Dec. 13            9:30 am        Hours and Divine Liturgy. **27<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost:  
Apostle Andrew the First-called.**

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Fri. Dec. 18            6:30 pm        All-night Vigil with Litia and Blessing of the Loaves.  
Sat. Dec. 19            9 am            Hours and Divine Liturgy.  
**St. Nicholas the Wonderworker, Archbishop of Myra in Lycia.**

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Sat. Dec. 19            5 pm            All-night Vigil.  
Sun. Dec. 20            9:30 am        Hours and Divine Liturgy. **28<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost:  
St. Ambrose, Archbishop of Milan.**

*Note: On this day the Church also commemorates St. John the Faster, whose relics lie in the Near Caves of  
the Kiev-Caves Lavra; we have a portion of his relics in our church.*

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES FOR NOVEMBER-DECEMBER-JANUARY– PG. 4

Thurs. Dec. 24 6:30 pm Vespers and Matins.  
Fri. Dec. 25 9 am Hours and Divine Liturgy.  
**St. Spyridon, Bishop of Tremithus.**

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Sat. Dec. 26 5 pm All-night Vigil.  
Sun. Dec. 27 9:30 am Hours and Divine Liturgy. **29<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost:  
Sunday of the Holy Forefathers.**

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Sat. Jan. 2 5 pm All-night Vigil.  
Sun. Jan 3 9:30 am Hours and Divine Liturgy. **30<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost:  
Sunday of the Holy Fathers; Forefeast of Nativity.**

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Tues. Jan. 5 6:30 pm Vespers and Matins.  
Wed. Jan 6 9 am Royal Hours, Festal Vespers, and Divine Liturgy  
**Eve of Nativity; Nun-Martyr Eugenia of Rome.**

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Wed. Jan. 6	6 pm	All-night Vigil with Litia and Blessing of the Loaves.
Thurs. Jan. 7	9:30 am	Hours and Divine Liturgy. <b><u>NATIVITY OF OUR LORD.</u></b>

Come ye all, let us faithfully celebrate the annual commemoration of Abraham and those who are with him, the fathers that lived before the Law [*i.e., before Moses received the Ten Commandments on Mt. Sinai*]. Let us honor the tribe of Judah as is meet; let us praise the youths in Babylon, who, as an image of the Trinity, quenched the flame of the furnace, together with Daniel; and holding fast to the prophecies of the prophets, let us cry aloud with Isaiah: Behold, a Virgin shall conceive in her womb, and shall bear a Son, Emmanuel – God with us!

-- *Sticheron at Praises at Matins from the service to the Holy Forefathers.*