

The Uncovering of the relics of St Sergius

The relics of the Saint Sergius were uncovered on July 5, 1422 when Saint Nikon was igumen. In the year 1408, when Moscow and its environs was invaded by the Tatar horde of Edigei, the Trinity monastery was devastated and burned, and the monks led by Saint Nikon hid themselves in the forests. They saved the icons, sacred vessels, books and other holy things. In a vision on the eve of the attack, Saint Sergius informed Igumen Nikon about the coming tribulations. He also said that the vexation would not be prolonged but that the monastery, arising from the ashes, would flourish and grow even more. During the construction of the cathedral, when they dug the ditches for the foundations, the incorrupt relics of Saint Sergius were uncovered and brought up. All were astonished that not only his body, but also his clothing was undamaged, although there was water around the grave. Amidst a large throng of the devout and the clergy, in the presence of the prince of Zvenigorod, Yurii Dimitrievich, the holy relics were removed from the ground and placed temporarily in the wooden Trinity church. With the consecration of the stone Trinity cathedral in 1426, the relics were transferred into it, where they remain.

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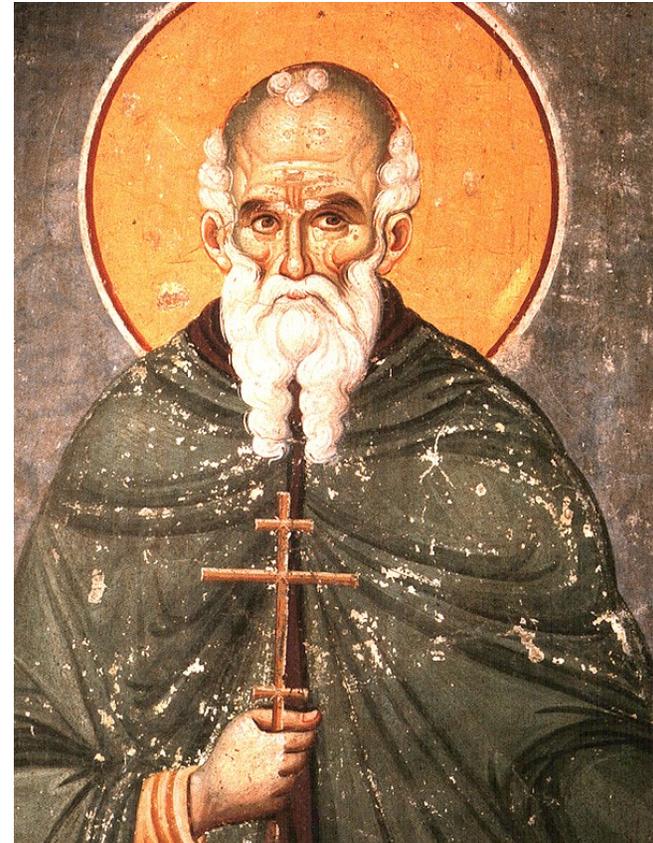
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Sunday, July 5th, 2020

Ven Athanasius of Athos; Uncovering of the Relics of St. Sergius of Radonezh
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Readings

Epistle Romans 6:18-23; Galatians 5:22-6:2

Gospel Luke 6:17-23; Matthew 8:5

Tone 3 Troparion (Resurrection)

Let the heavens rejoice! Let the earth be glad! For the Lord has shown strength with His arm. He has trampled down death by death. He has become the first born of the dead. He has delivered us from the depths of hell, and has granted to the world//great mercy.

Tone 8 Troparion (Ven. Sergius)

From thy youth thou didst receive Christ into thy soul, O ven'erable one, and above all didst desire to leave behind the turmoil of the world. With courage thou didst settle in the wilderness, where thou didst raise Children in obedience, the fruits of humility. Thus, as an abode of the Trinity, thou didst enlighten all who approached in faith, granting healing to all.//O our Father Sergius, pray to Christ God that our souls may be saved!

Tone 3 Kontakion (Resurrection)

On this day Thou didst rise from the tomb, O Merciful One, leading us from the gates of death. On this day Adam exults as Eve rejoices; with the Prophets and Patriarchs// they unceasingly praise the divine majesty of Thy power.

Tone 8 Kontakion (Ven. Sergius)

Having risen from the earth today and shining like the sun, thy precious and incorrupt relics are as fragrant flowers, scented with miracles, granting healing to all the faithful, and making glad thy flock which thou didst wisely gather and tend. Now as thou standest before the throne of the Trinity, entreat God's help and grace for them and for all Orthodox Christians, so that we may sing: Rejoice, O divinely-wise Sergius!



This Week at St. Herman's

Sunday, July 5th - *Uncovering of the Relics of St. Sergius*

- 9:30 AM - Divine Liturgy outdoors

Tuesday, July 7th - *Ven. Thomas of Mt. Maleon*

- 6:30 PM - Daily Vespers

Wednesday, July 8th - *Greatmartyr Procopious*

- 8:00 AM - Divine Liturgy

Thursday, July 9th - *Hieromartyr Pancratius*

- 6:30 PM - Great Vespers

Friday, July 10th - *Venerable Anthony of the Kiev Caves*

- 6:30 AM - Divine Liturgy

Saturday, July 11th - *Greatmartyr Euphemia*

- 6:30 PM - Great Vespers & Confessions