GREATMARTYR ARTEMIUS OF ANTIOCH

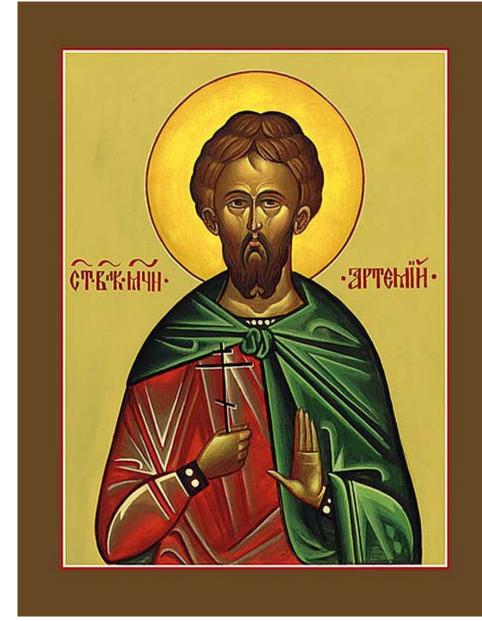
Holy Greatmartyr Artemius was a prominent military leader during the reigns of emperor Constantine the Great and his son Constantius. Artemius received many awards for distinguished service and courage. He was appointed viceroy of Egypt, and he did much for the spreading of Christianity in Egypt.

Julian the Apostate succeeded emperor Constantius, and Julian persecuted Christians in his desire to restore paganism; he sent hundreds to their deaths. At Antioch, he ordered the torture of two bishops unwilling to forsake their Faith. During this time, St. Artemius arrived in Antioch and publicly denounced Julian for his impiety. The enraged Julian had the saint tortured and imprisoned. While there, Artemius was praying, and Christ, surrounded by angels, appeared to him, saying, "Take courage, Artemius! I am with you and will preserve you from every hurt which is inflicted upon you, and I already have prepared your crown of glory. Since you have confessed Me before the people on earth, so shall I confess you before My Heavenly Father. Therefore, take courage and rejoice, you shall be with Me in My Kingdom." Hearing this, Artemius rejoiced and offered up glory and thanksgiving to Him.

The following day, Julian demanded that St. Artemius honor the pagan gods. Meeting with steadfast refusal, the emperor resorted to further tortures. The saint endured all without a single moan. He told Julian that the emperor would be justly recompensed for his persecution of Christians. Julian became furious and intensified the tortures, but they did not break the will of the saint. Finally, the Greatmartyr Artemius was beheaded. His relics were buried by Christians.

After the death of St. Artemius, his prophecy about Julian's impending death came true. Julian left Antioch to war with the Persians. He met an elderly Persian who agreed to betray his countrymen and guide Julian's army. Instead, the man led the army into the wilderness. With no food and water, the army weakened and could not battle fresh Persian forces. Julian was mortally wounded by an unseen hand and an unseen weapon. Julian groaned deeply and said, "You have conquered, Galilean!"

After the death of the apostate emperor, the relics of the Greatmartyr Artemius were transferred with honor from Antioch to Constantinople.



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Divine Liturgy on Sundays at 9:00 a.m.

Vespers on Saturdays at 5:00 p.m.

TODAY'S GOSPEL: LUKE 16:19-31

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TONE 8

OCTOBER 20, 2024

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Greatmartyr Artemius at Antioch;

Righteous Youth Artemii of Verkol'sk' Ven. Gerasimos the New Ascetic, of Cephalonia; Ven. Matrona of Chios

Your holy martyr Artemius, O Lord, through his sufferings has received an incorruptible crown from You, our God. For having Your strength, he laid low his adversaries, and shattered the powerless boldness of demons. Through his intercessions, save our souls!

Troparion, Tone IV

By the will of the Almighty, Heaven was darkened by a stormcloud, lightning flashed, and in the threatening sound of thunder, you surrendered your soul into the hand of God, O most wise Artemii. And now you stand before the Throne of the Master of all, speedily granting healing to all who come to you with faith and love, and entreating Christ God that our souls may be saved.

Troparion, Tone II

Today the island of Cephalonia with sacred songs of thanksgiving, calls upon all the Orthodox to extol the newly-appeared boast and glory of Orthodoxy, the divine Gerasimos, who is truly her deliverer and champion.

Kontakion, Tone III

TODAY'S EPISTLE: II CORINTHIANS 6:16-7:1

HOLY WORSHIP THIS WEEK:

Saturday, October 26

5:00 p.m. Great Vespers

WELCOME GUESTS!

We are very glad you have come to worship the Holy Trinity with us this morning! Please participate in the services at your comfort level. Our greeters will kindly assist you with whatever questions or needs you may have. During each Sunday service we offer Holy Communion. If you are a practicing Orthodox Christian and have come prepared to receive Christ's Body and Blood through fasting and prayer, please come forward to partake. All guests are invited to come forward at the end of the service to greet Fr. Christopher and receive the blessed bread. Please stay after the Divine Liturgy for coffee hour in the Fellowship Hall so we can get to know you better!

Families with children: we encourage children of all ages to be present and participate as they are able during worship. We know sometimes kids need a break, so please take good advantage of our Rest and Refocus Room located on the south side of the lobby/narthex when coming in the main entrance. If you have pre-school and school age children, we invite you to send them to Church School directly after the Divine Liturgy throughout the academic year. May God bless you!

Daily Scripture Readings can be found in the St. Tikhon's Wall Calendar or at www.oca.org/readings.

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COMING EVENTS

OCTOBER.

OCTOBER:	
20, TODAY	11:15 a.m. Parish Council meeting
21, Monday	6:00 p.m. IOCC Winetasting at St. Michael's Woodside
24, Thursday	7:00 p.m. Choir rehearsal
26, Saturday	9:00 a.m—3:00 p.m. Craft Fair at Woodside Event Center
27, Sunday	Annual HTOC Parish meeting
28, Monday	Cooking for St. Herman's House
30, Wednesday	Serving dinner at St. Herman's House

PARISH MEETING:

Our annual meeting will be October 27, following the Divine Liturgy. Plan to attend; you are an important member of our parish!

SEEKING AUDITORS AND PROCESSORS:

We are in need of helpers for our financial auditing and donation processing. See Treasurer Nick Wislocki or Fr. Christopher to volunteer.

PROSKOMIDE PRAYERS:

On Sunday, Nov. 3, the church school children will attend as Fr. Chris as prepares the Proskomide before the Divine Liturgy. All are welcome; 8:40 a.m.

ST. HERMAN'S MEATLOAF LUNCHEON/ **BASKET RAFFLE:**

Join us on Sunday, Nov. 3, at noon. See Judy Howe for tickets (216-741-1448). Adults: \$17; Children ages 7-13: \$8; Children 6 & under: Free

We still asking for basket raffle items. Gift cardsany store, any amount-are always appreciated. Baskets will be displayed Oct. 27; tickets will be available Oct. 27 and Nov. 3. Winners need not be present. Contact: Matushka Dianna Kall at 216-741-2888.

HTOC DIRECTORIES:

Our new directories are now available in the narthex. Free-will offerings are being accepted.

MEMORIAL PRAYERS:

There will be a 40th Day Memorial Service for Jewelann Stefanar next Sunday, October 27, following the Parish Meeting.

GAME NIGHT:

Plan to join in the fun at HTOC Game Night on Saturday, November 9, 6:00 p.m., following Vespers.

UNCTION SERVICE:

The Greater Cleveland Council of Orthodox Clergy invites all to worship together at a Pan-Orthodox service of Holy Unction. The parish of St. Innocent Church, 8526 Usher Rd, Olmsted Twp, will host the service on Thursday, November 14, at 6:00 p.m.

FELLOWSHIP GROUPS:

There is a sign-up sheet in the Hall for those interested in joining a Fellowship Group for the 2024-2025 season!

ST. HERMAN'S HOUSE FUNDRAISER:

On Monday, Nov. 4, 6:30 p.m. there is a Speaker Event Fundraiser for St. Herman's House at St. Vladimir Cathedral, 5913 State Rd, Parma. The panel will discuss growing homelessness and ways the Church can aid.

COFFEE HOUR:

Our refreshments today are provided by Eric and Marjorie Evanoff.

Last Sunday's Coffee Hour was hosted by Oksana and Sasha.

Groups are being formed to share Coffee Hour responsibilities. Please see the information sheet on the table in the Fellowship Hall.

CRAFT FAIR:

There will be a Food and Craft Fair on Sat., Oct. 26, at Woodside Event Center, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., featuring holiday gifts, handmade items and ethnic foods.

THE GIFTS WE OFFER TO THE LORD WE LOVE

REGULAR COLLECTION, 10/13/2024	\$ 2761.00
CAPITAL CAMPAIGNS	847.00
CANDLES	184.00
UGANDA SELF SUFFICIENCY PROJECT	972.00
LOCAL CHARITIES	25.00
ST. HERMANS HOUSE	50.00
ST. THEODOSIUS	50.00
VETERANS' MEMORIAL	250.00
COFFEE HOUR	52.00

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Annual Meeting October 27, 2024 ***Pending final review by Parish Council on 10/20/24***

Holy Trinity Orthodox Church Parma, OH

AGENDA

- 1. Opening Prayer
- 2. Determination of a Quorum
- 3. Minutes of Previous Meeting
- 4. Reports
 - a. Pastor's Report
 - b. Parish Council President's Report
 - c. Report on Diocesan Assembly
 - d. Parish Ministries & Committees Reports
 - i. Church Choir
 - ii. Church School
 - iii. Communications
 - iv. Grounds & Maintenance
 - v. Greeters
 - vi. La Coupole
 - vii. Library
 - viii. Rummage Sale
 - ix. Other Ministries
- 5. Auditor's Report
- 6. Treasurer's Report & Financial Statements
- 7. Adoption of Parish Budget
- 8. Old Business
- 9. New Business
- 10. Election of Parish Council, Auditing Committee
- 11. Adjournment & Closing Prayer