Blessed John “the Hairy” and Fool-For-Christ at Rostov

Blessed John the Merciful of Rostov (also known as “the Hairy”) struggled at Rostov in the exploit of holy foolishness, enduring much deprivation and sorrow. He did not have a permanent shelter, and at times took his rest at the house of his spiritual Father, a priest at the church of Saint Blaise beyond the altar. As the Father has sent me, so I send you. (Jn 20:21)

He had “hair upon his head abundantly,” therefore he was called “Hairy.” The title “Merciful” was given to Blessed John because of the many healings that occurred at his grave, and also in connection with the memory of the holy Patriarch John the Merciful (November 12), whose name he shared.

Have you posted a Festival flyer in a local business?

Take one from the narthex today to post where you get your hair done, where you get your morning coffee, or wherever you can!

Everyday Evangelist

"As the Father has sent me, so I send you." (Jn 20:21)

Teach English as a Second Language classes.

The disciples were called Christians first in Antioch (Acts 11:26)
Mark Your Calendar:

Elevation of the Cross
Wednesday, September 13 - Vespers & Artoklasia 6 pm, Matins 7 pm
Thurs, September 14 - STRICT FAST DAY - Divine Liturgy 10 am

Sunday School begins Sept 10

International Food Festival
Sept 15 & 16 - Mark your Calendar!
Pray, work, invite, & rejoice!

Intro to Orthodoxy - Fall Series
Saturdays at 4:30, Sept 23 - Nov 18 (exc. Nov 4)

Village at Home
Saturday, November 11
Flyer and registration form on the bulletin board.

Advent Retreat
Saturday, December 9
Drs. David & Mary Ford: When the Foundations Are Shaken:
Biblical & Patristic Wisdom for Living through Spiritual Upheaval

Bp Thomas visit
December 15-17

This Week:

Monday, Sep 4: 6th HOUR, 12 p.m.
Labor Day Family Picnic, 4 - 12-7 p.m.
At Spring Hollow, home of Jonathan & Mary Lynne Black; find directions in the great room.
Please bring a side dish to share.

Tuesday, Sep 5: Matreshka Olga Sewing Club, 11 a.m.
6th HOUR, 12 p.m.

Wednesday, Sep 6: 6th HOUR, 12 p.m.
COMPLINE, 7 p.m.
Chanting workshop, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, Sep 7: 6th HOUR, 12 p.m.
VESPERS & ARTOKLASIA 6 p.m., MATINS 7 p.m.
for Nativity of the Theotokos

Friday, Sep 8: Nativity of the Theotokos
DIVINE LITURGY 10 a.m.; potluck luncheon

Saturday, Sep 9: Intro to Orthodoxy, 4:30 p.m.
VESPERS, 6 p.m. - Confessions

Sunday, Sep 10: MATINS 8:45 a.m., LITURGY 10 a.m.
Coffee Hour & Teens after Liturgy.

OUTREACH COLLECTION: Cleaning Products

WISDOM FROM FATHER B.: I guess you didn’t want a blessing.

ATTENDANCE: At Vespers on Aug 26: 30 Divine Services on Aug 27: 169
Vespers for Beheading: 11 Liturgy for Beheading: 37 OFFERINGS:
Cemetery bench, $25. Stewardship, $3,433. Total received: $3,861.20
THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

FR NOAH, FR JAMES, & FR HERMAN are available for hospital visits. If you or anyone you know is in the hospital or homebound and would like a visit, please call the church office.