

# St. Myron the Martyr of Cyzicus

Saint Myron was born in the third century in Achaia, Greece. From his youth, he was known for his gentleness, kindness, and generous love for the poor. Yet beneath this meekness was a courage born of his deep faith in Christ. Ordained a presbyter, he labored to shepherd his flock faithfully, always ready to defend them from both spiritual and worldly danger.

In the year 250, during the reign of Emperor Decius, the governor of Achaia, Antipater, began a fierce persecution against Christians. On the Feast of the Nativity of Christ, while Saint Myron was serving the Divine Liturgy, Antipater entered the church with soldiers to arrest those gathered in worship. The saint boldly stepped forward, pleading for his people and condemning the governor's cruelty. His courage enraged Antipater, who ordered Myron's arrest.

The saint was beaten with iron rods, yet he prayed unceasingly. He was then thrown into a red-hot oven, but the Lord preserved him unharmed, while about 150 onlookers were scorched by the flames. Still unyielding, Myron was commanded to sacrifice to idols. Refusing, he endured further torment as strips of skin were cut from his body. Seizing one of these, he cast it into the face of his tormentor. In a fury, Antipater ordered him beaten again and thrown to wild beasts—but they would not touch the holy man. Defeated and shamed, Antipater took his own life.

The saint was then sent to Cyzicus in Asia Minor, where new judges pressed him to renounce Christ. Remaining steadfast, he was sentenced to beheading. Before his death, Saint Myron gave thanks to God, exhorting the faithful to hold fast to the true Faith. His soul departed joyfully to the Lord, receiving the crown of martyrdom.

The Church remembers Saint Myron not only for his fearless confession, but also for his love, humility, and miraculous preservation amid suffering. Through his prayers, may we also be granted courage to stand firm in Christ until the end.



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**August 17, 2025**

**TENTH SUNDAY AFTER**

**PENTECOST**

**AFTER-FEAST OF THE DORMITION**

### COMMEMORATIONS:

MYRON THE MARTYR OF CYZICUS, STRATON, PHILIP, EUTYCHIAN, & CYPRIAN THE MARTYRS OF NICOMEDEA, AFTERFEAST OF THE DORMITION OF OUR MOST HOLY LADY THE THEOTOKOS AND EVER VIRGIN MARY, DEMETRIOS THE NEW, RIGHTEOUS-MARTYR OF SAMARIA, EUTYCHIOS, EUTYCHIANOS AND KASSIANI THE SIBLINGS, PAUL, JULIANA, AND THOSE MARTYRED WITH THEM (THE EXECUTIONERS)

**Tone 1 - Eothinon 10**

**Orthros Gospel: St. John 21:1-14**

**Epistle: 1 Corinthians 4:9-16**

**Liturgy Gospel: St. Matthew 17:14-23**

**TROPARION OF THE RESURRECTION - Tone 1 -** While the stone was sealed by the Jews, and the soldiers were guarding thy most pure Body, thou didst arise on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. For which cause the heavenly powers cried aloud unto thee, O Giver of life: Glory to thy resurrection, O Christ! Glory to thy kingdom! Glory to thy providence, O thou who alone art the Lover of mankind!

**APOLYTIKION OF THE DORMITION - Tone 1 -** In thy birth-giving, O Theotokos, thou didst keep and preserve virginity; and in thy falling-asleep thou hast not forsaken the world; for thou wast translated into life, being the Mother of Life. Wherefore, by thine intercessions, deliver our souls from death.

### **TODAY:**

- ◆ ORTHROS, 8:15 a.m.
- ◆ Ft. Washington Mission Chapel Liturgy, 9:00 a.m.
- ◆ DIVINE LITURGY, 9:30 a.m.
- ◆ College Student Blessing, 11:15 a.m.
- ◆ Coffee Hour following Liturgy
- ◆ Choir Rehearsal, 12:30 p.m.

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Fr Noah & Fr James are available for hospital visits. Please contact them directly or call the church office.

## Weekly Ministries & Stewards:

	This Week:	Next Week (Aug. 24)
COFFEE HOUR:	Potluck	Popescu & Tinjala
PROSPHORA BREAD:	Macrina Layton	John Child
ALTAR CANDLES:	- - -	Gamble-Jordan & Natalie Feast Days
USHERS:	Steve Kulp & Radu Chebeleu	Nick Muzekari & Bill Henry
CLEANING TEAM:	Catechumens	Todd & Kristi & Kim B.
COFFE HOUR TEAM:	Calvin, Mary T., Gaberiel M.	Morgan T., Mark Z., Rose N., Simon K.

### Mark Your Calendar

**Beheading of the Forerunner**  
Strict Fast Day  
August 29

**Ecclesiastical New Year**  
September 1

**Parish Labor Day Picnic**  
September 1  
12:00 pm to 6:00 pm  
621 Hildebrandt Rd,  
Perkiomenville, PA 18074

**Nativity of the Theotokos**  
September 8

**International Food Festival**  
September 19-20  
*Flyers & Sponsorship Packets*  
*available on the Narthex*  
*information table*



**AUGUST OUTREACH**  
**COLLECTION:**  
**Paper Products**

### Pray For:

Living	Departed
Our Patriarch John and Faithful of Syria, Palestine, and all the holy land Met. Onuphy and faithful of Ukraine Fathers of St Catherine Monastery on Mt Sinai  Tatiana Bethlehem and her family Ludmilla Antonios Serge and Linea Maria John Doris James Steven Paraskevi Alexandra Doru and Christiana Alexander  Jesse, Nathan, Hannah, Elizabeth, Mary, Michael, Xenia, & all Missionaries Dn Nathan, Jacob, John, Samuel, Darius & all seminarians and their families  Those searching for houses, spouses, and jobs Courting, Engaged, & Newly-Crowned Couples Families struggling to conceive Expectant mothers New mothers and their babies  Those in mourning The people of our land, and for their repentance, healing & unity	(August Parish Diptychs)  +Mary +Augustine +Iwan +Victor +Archpriest Michael +Myron +Archpriest Boniface and Kh Joyce +John +Michael  <u>Catechumens</u> Ryan Kassandra Jasper Matthew Mary Martin Photini John Steven Robert Liara Asher Sarah Andrew Carolyn Martin & Gabriella James Anthony Slavek Nevada Josiah, Casie & Ray John And our inquirers

## This Week:

<b>Mon, Aug 18:</b>	Daily Vespers, 6:30 p.m. PC Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
<b>Tues, Aug 19:</b>	Matushka Olga Sewing Club, 1:00 p.m. Daily Vespers, 6:30 p.m.
<b>Wed, Aug 20:</b>	Confessions, 6:00 p.m. Little Compline, 6:30 p.m. FOCUS Norristown, 7:00 p.m. Patristic Discussion, 7:30 p.m.
<b>Thurs, Aug 21:</b>	Daily Vespers, 6:30 p.m. FOCUS: Aviator Park, 8:00 p.m.
<b>Fri, Aug 22:</b>	Confessions, 6:00 p.m. Paraklesis, 6:30 p.m.
<b>Sat, Aug 23:</b>	Divine Liturgy, 8:00 a.m. Q&A w/ Fr. Noah, 4:00 p.m. Great Vespers, 5:00 p.m. Mortgage Burning BBQ, 6:00 p.m.
<b>Sun, Aug 24:</b>	Orthros, 8:15 a.m. Ft. Washington Mission Chapel, 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy, 9:30 a.m. Coffee Hour, 11:15 a.m.

<b>ATTENDANCE:</b> Vespers (8/9): 74	Divine Liturgy (8/10): 229
Festal Vespers (8/14): 82	Dormition Liturgy (8/15): 176
<b>OFFERINGS (8/10):</b> Candles, \$610.05. Collections, \$706.51. Book Shelf Ministry, \$95. St. Justin Academy, \$2,000. Hades Embittered, \$7,000. Stewardship, \$5,773.07. Seminarian Fund, \$150. Teen Fund, \$68. Pastoral Discretion: \$150. Building Fund: \$25,000. Total received: \$41,552.63.	

**THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!**