

Prayer List — February 27, 2026

This list is distributed to the members & friends of St. John of Damascus Orthodox Church for inclusion in their personal intercessory prayers as well as for use during services. To include someone on the prayer list send contact Fr Michael with the included on the list (full Christian names, not nick names), a few words indicating why we are praying for them, and any important date(s) involved (i.e. date of surgery, anniversary of repose, celebration, etc.). People will remain on the prayer list for the week leading up to their celebration, the period of time leading up to the dates included, or 1 month unless their name is resubmitted.

Health

Immediate Concerns (Health Issues, Surgery, etc.) - Included in litanies, etc.

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| Archbishop BENJAMIN | healing - diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease |
| Archpriest Matthew Tate | faith, strength, perseverance - diagnosed with cancer. |
| Archpriest Michael Tassos | faith, strength, patience, perseverance - wife diagnosed with cancer |
| Houria Christina Tassos | faith, strength, healing — cancer - wife of Fr Michael Tassos |
| Barbara Anderson | faith, healing, perseverance- heart issues & cancer - Fr Michael's mother — sub 11/2 |
| Peter Anderson | faith, perseverance — attending St Vladimir Seminary |
| Lisa | faith, healing, perseverance - breast cancer - friend of Fr Michael - sub 05/12 |
| Gail | faith, healing - Gary Jollie's sister |
| Hue | faith, healing, strength - mother of Huen Do (Jollie) |
| Michael Lucky Francis Messy | faith, healing, strength - awaiting heart surgery - brother-in-law of Mike Wesdell 05/23 |
| Issa | faith, healing - uncle of George Rahal |
| Wadih Rahal | faith, healing, strength - brother of George Rahal |
| Anne & Daniel Rutz | faith, healing, strength - both battling cancer - friends of Carole Shumaik |
| Barbara | faith, healing, strength — spinal surgery — cousin of Carole Shumaik |
| William & Margie (Marie) Hicks | faith, strength, healing - husband of Margie Hicks 5/12 |
| Janet | faith, healing, strength - recovering from back surgery - friend of Mat Vickie F - 5/17 |
| Joan Ediss-Loos | faith, healing, strength - friend of Barbara Karleen - sub 6/21 |
| Douglas Kraetsch | faith, healing — father of Katie Jones sub 11/02/24 |
| Paul | healing, wisdom - friend of Katie Jones sub 11/02/24 |
| Amanda | faith, healing, strength - friend of Katie Jones sub 1/2/25 |
| Anna Jones | faith, healing, strength - ongoing illness |
| Ana Fontes | healing, strength - child of friends of Andersons sub 12/13/24 |
| Kristen Ringas | faith, healing, strength - breast cancer - cousin of Bill Stafford sub 2/11 |
| Jose Pina | faith, strength, healing - cancer - father of Melissa Palumbo - sub 8/5 |
| Dennis (Dionysius) Stavrou | faith, strength, healing — heart issues |
| Joseph Temnick | faith, strength, healing - infection - recovering from surgery on 10/28 |
| Amy Cutting | faith, healing, perseverance — Ruaridh Cutting's mother |
| Ineza | faith, healing, strength — in hospital for pneumonia- mother of Nino Kiria |
| Dale Michael Franchak | faith, healing, strength - surgery for prostate cancer 1/21 |
| Barbara Karleen | faith, healing, strength — recovering from surgery |
| Judith Francello | |
| Emmelia Budde and the child to be born of her | |
| Alexis Wenson and the child to be born of her | |
| Irene Blumenstock and the child to be born of her | |

Those suffering from the acts of violence in Gaza, Israel & on the people of Ukraine, especially...

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| Ludmilla | faith, protection, strength - mother of Iryna Thayer |
| Vitaliy & Tamara | faith, protection, strength - friends in Ukraine of Dmitriy Panasenko |
| Oksana, Ivan, Maria, Arkady, Andrey, Maryana, Anna, Taras, Darina, Yarina | - cousins of Elena Sullivan in Ukraine |

The persecuted Christians in Egypt, India, Pakistan, China, Ethiopia, Eritrea, Gaza, Syria and throughout the world

Celebrations (Name Days, Birthdays, Wedding Anniversaries, etc.) - Included in litanies, etc.

Other

Newly-illuminated Elizabeth Hagerman

Name Day

Kyra Toth (Federoff) 2/28

Birthday

Oliver George Cooper 2/23

Joseph Temnick 2/24

Emily Shumaik Lorelli 2/28

Wedding Anniversary

Joseph & Cora Temnick 2/22

Catechumen

Justin Goelden

Deangelo Raza

Patrick Roberts

Ruaridh Cutting

Rachel Palm

Brayden Mendiola

Wyle Gladman

Departed

Newly Departed

Those departed who were killed due to the wars in Gaza, Israel & Lebanon and in Ukraine

Miguel +1/2 — 40 days February 10— family of John Thayer

Anniversary of Repose

Presbytera Kantiana 2/8 - sister of Presbyteral Mary Velonis

Tobey Wilbert 2/13

Personal of the Faithful Prayers & Proskomedia

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PRAYERS FOR THE FAITHFUL

Prayer OF a Sick Person

Jesus Christ, my Lord and Savior, You became man and died on the cross for our salvation. You healed people of sickness and affliction through Your love and compassion. Visit me, Lord and grant me strength to bear this sickness with which I am afflicted, with patience, submission to Your will and trust in Your loving care. I pray that You will bless the means used for my recovery and those who administer them. Grant that my sickness may be to my spiritual benefit and that I may live the rest of my life more faithfully according to Your will. For You are the source of life and healing and to You I give praise and glory, now and forever. Amen.

Prayers FOR a Sick Person

Heavenly Father, physician of our souls and bodies, Who have sent Your only-begotten Son and our Lord Jesus Christ to heal every sickness and infirmity, visit and heal also Your servant (name) from all physical and spiritual ailments through the grace of Your Christ. Grant him (her) patience in this sickness, strength of body and spirit, and recovery of health. Lord, You have taught us through Your word to pray for each other that we may be healed. I pray, heal Your servant (name) and grant to him (her) the gift of complete health. For You are the source of healing and to You I give glory, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

O Lord our God, Who by a word alone did heal all diseases, Who did cure the kinswoman of Peter, You Who chastise with pity and heal according to Your goodness; Who are able to put aside every sickness and infirmity, do You Yourself, the same Lord, grant aid to Your servant (name) and cure him (her) of every sickness of which he (she) is grieved; and send down upon him (her) Your great mercy, and if it be Your will, give to him (her) health and a complete recovery; for You are the Physician of our souls and bodies, and to You do we send up Glory: to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, Both now and forever, and to the ages of ages. Amen.

Prayers in Time of Need

Almighty God, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, come to my help and deliver me from this difficulty that besets me. I believe Lord, that all trials of life are under Your care and that all things work for the good of those who love You. Take away from me fear, anxiety and distress. Help me to face and endure my difficulty with faith, courage and wisdom. Grant that this trial may bring me closer to You for You are my rock and refuge, my comfort and hope, my delight and joy. I trust in Your love and compassion. Blessed is Your name, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

O God, our help in time of need, Who are just and merciful, and Who inclines to the supplications of His people. Look down upon me and have mercy on me and deliver me from the trouble that now besets me. Deal with us not according to our iniquities, but according to Your manifold mercies, for we are the works of Your hands, and You know our weaknesses. I pray to you to grant me Your divine helping grace, and endow me with patience and strength to endure my hardships with complete submission to Your Will. Only You know our misery and sufferings, and to You, our only hope and refuge, I flee for relief and comfort, trusting in Your infinite love and compassion, that in due time, when You know best, You will deliver me from this trouble, and turn my distress into comfort. We then shall rejoice in Your mercy, and exalt and praise Your Holy Name, O Father, Son and Holy Spirit, both now and forever and to the ages of ages. Amen