In commemoration of the 20-years blessed end of **Metropolitan Leonty**

Orthodox Orenburg in the ABC's



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Aristoclius

In Moscow the Athonite elder Aristoclius was glorified among the saints.

In 2004 during his life, he had the gift of healing the sick and vision.

The monk Aristoclyius was born





Bishop

The first bishop appeared in Orenburg in 1799. His name was **Ambrose** Kelembet. Now there is the Orenburg and Saraktash diocese. It is headed by Metropolitan

Vaniamin Zaritelay



Bishop Choir

There is a bishop's choir in the Orenburg Theological Seminary. Students of the Seminary sing in it.



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Alexander Dutov

Alexander Dutov is a Russian military, who defended the honor of the tsar in the Civil War of 1917-1923.

He was a member of the White movement and the ataman of the Orenburg Cossacks.



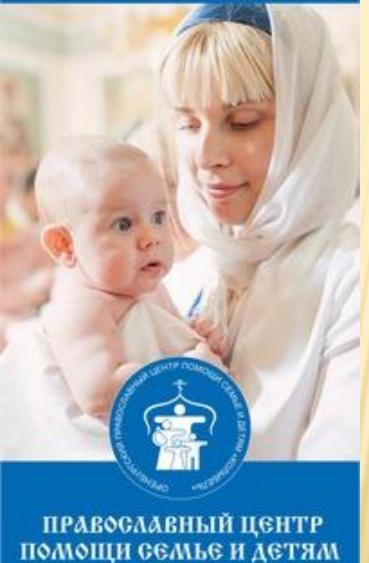


Ecclesiastic

There are about 130 ecclesiastic in the staff In the Orenburg diocese. Among them: an archimandrite, hegumen, archpriests, priests, hieromonks, an protodeacon, deacons.







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Charitable Fund "Cradle" The Charitable Fund "Cradle" helps people in difficult situation. They are given free food, clothes, prayer assistance.



Orthodox Gymnasium

There is an Orthodox gymnasium in Orenburg. Students study here from the 1st to the 11th grade. In addition to the basic school subjects, they study "Law of God", "Liturgy", "Dogmatics", etc.



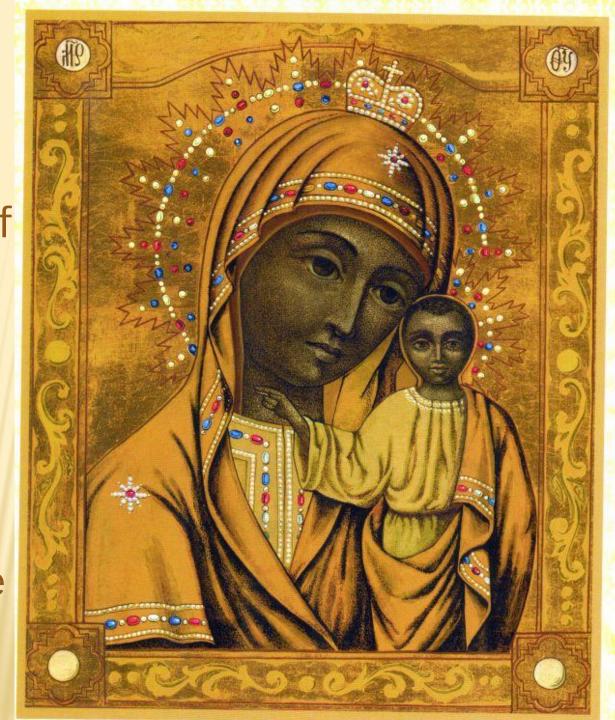


Bishop's Hospital

This building was built in 1868 as a house of a bishop. Now it is the City Clinical Hospital.

Tabyn Icon of Theotokos

The Tabyn icon of the Mother of God is very revered in the Orenburg region. It is an exact copy of the Kazan Icon of the Mother of God, but with a dark



John the Theologian's church

The church was built in 1902. It is famous for the fact that its fence was taken from the Kazan Cathedral destroyed by the bolsheviks.





Kazan Cathedral

At the beginning of the 20th century. The Kazan Cathedral was the second largest temple in Russia. It was destroyed by the bolsheviks in the 1930s.



Оренбургъ. Orenburg. Казанскій кафедральный соборъ.

Leonty

Vladyko Leonty (Bondar) was the metropolitan of Orenburg and Buzuluk from 1963 to 1999.

He is buried in one of the chapels of St. Nicholas Cathedral.





Monastery

There are two monasteries in Orenburg. The male monastery, in honor of Dmitry Solunsky, was founded in 2016. The convent was founded in honor of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary in 1854.







St. Nicolas Cathedral

In 1883, Cossacks founded a small church in honor of St. Nikolas in Orenburg. Today it is the cathedral.





Orenburg Theological Seminary

The Orenburg Theological Seminary was founded in 1884. It was restored in Orenburg in 2009. Today, the seminary is training specialists in the field of theology.





Religious Processing

- Every year on June 8, on the feast of the Tabyn icon of the Mother of God, a Religious processing
- takes place. About 2,000 people take part in it. Believers sneak the icon throughout the city of Orenburg.







Theotokos Reading

Every year educational Theotokos readings are held in Orenburg. State authorities, society and the Church are discussing the issues of educating the younger generation.





Sunday Schools

Almost every temple in Orenburg has a Sunday school, where children are inculcated with the love of God, they are taught the basics of the Orthodox faith, they are explained the meaning of divine liturgies.





Bishop's Christmas Tree

Every year, the Orenburg Diocese holds a bishop's Christmas tree to celebrate the Nativity of Christ in Orenburg. The metropolitan gives gifts to children and receives greetings from them.





«Union of Orthodox Women»

The International Public Organization was established with the blessing of His Holiness Patriarch Kirill. It helps to strengthen the role of the Russian Orthodox Church in society. It supports and protects the rights of large families, single women, single mothers, and low-income citizens.





The Church of the Protection of the Holy Virgin

The Church of the Protection of the Holy Virgin was consecrated on November 22, 1853 by His Eminence Anthony, Bishop of Orenburg and Ufa. It was closed by the Soviet authorities in 1922. It was re-consecrated on December 5, 2013 by His Eminence Valentin, Metropolitan of Orenburg and Saraktash.





First Week of Lent

In the first week of Lent from Monday to Thursday, Metropolitan of Orenburg and Saraktash, Benjamin reads the penitential canon of St. Andrew of Crete. This canon is called the Great by the multitude of thoughts and memories in it of the prisoners.





Xmas

One of the favorite feasts of Orenburg citizen is the Nativity of Christ that in western traditional is called Christmas, or Xmas for short. During the yule festivities take place in Orenburg, children go from house to house and sing carols.





Orthodox Club "Pokrov Conversation"

The Orthodox Club unites students, priests and cultural figures. It involves young people in Orthodoxy and promotes the spiritual and moral development of youth.



Zosima

Reverend Zosima of Ufa is honored in the Orenburg region. She strengthened the **Orenburg Christians** with prayer to God during the difficult years of the revolution.



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