

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

The first thing that I want to do is remind those of you who live in our Bay Area that we have a pilgrimage scheduled this Saturday, Nov.15 to the Mare Island Cemetery where eight Russian sailors who were stranded on Mare Island and died far away from their home and loved ones are buried. A group of these sailors were heroes who volunteered to help fight the terrible fires that engulfed parts of San Francisco after the great earthquake at the beginning of the 20th century. Our Church stresses how spiritually important it is to pray for those who have passed into the other world. This pilgrimage will be headed by Bishop Peter and assisted by our clergy. I urge all who are able to make this sacrifice to come for the service which will begin at 12:00 noon. Directions to the cemetery can be found on Google maps if you enter the destination of Mare Island Cemetery, Vallejo 94592. [\(continue\)](#)