

# Welcome to Kirillo-Belozersky Monastery.

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Hello dear friends!

My name is Arina.

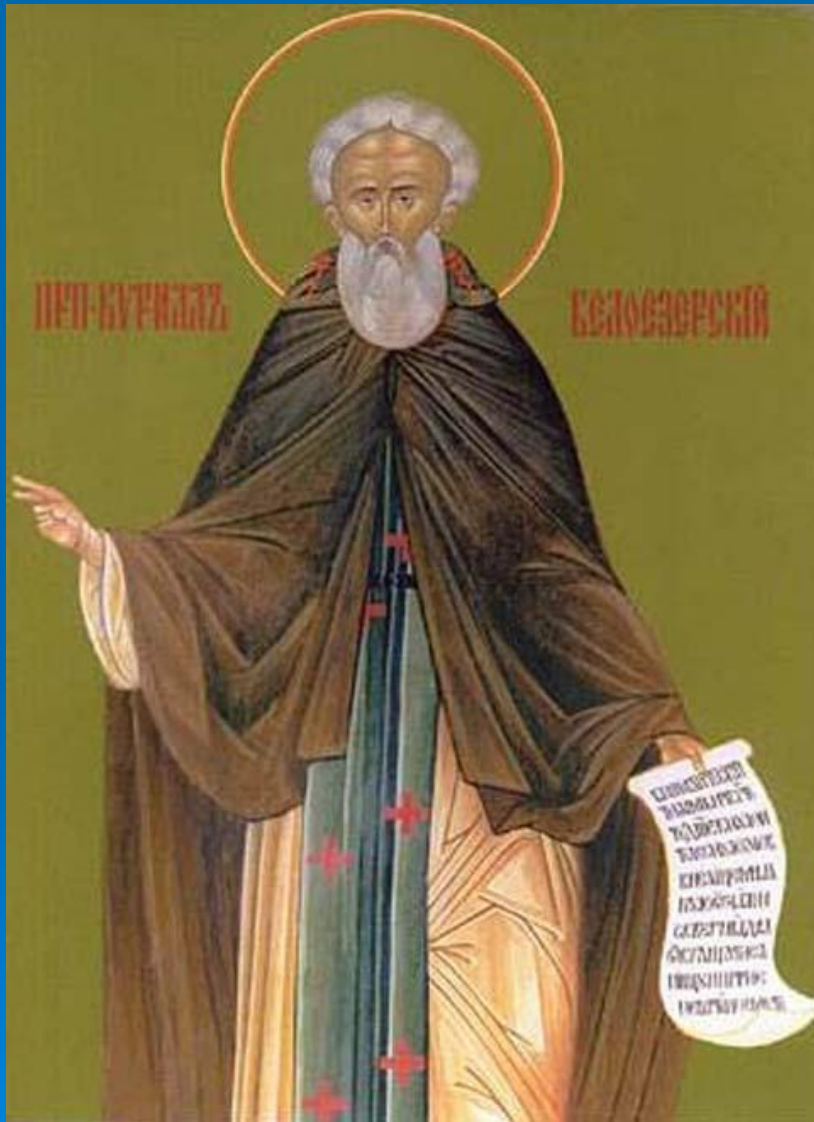
I'm from Kadui. Kadui is situated in Vologda region. In my opinion, our region is the best place in the world! It has many places of interests. I like to visit them and to learn interesting facts about its history and people.



# Kirillo-Belozersky Monastery.



One of the wonders of Vologda region is Kirillo-Belozersky Monastery. I visited it last summer. It is the largest monastery in Russia and Europe which is situated on Lake Siverskoye. This monastery was founded in 1397 as a monastery in honour of Uspenia God's Mother. The monastery walls are 7 metres wide and 11 metres high! It is one of the symbols of Old Russian Culture.



- St. Cyril of Belozersk (1337-1427) is acclaimed as the founder and first hegumen of the monastery that bears his name. Cyril was sixty at the time when he founded the Kirillo-Belozersky Monastery. He was a follower of Sergius of Radonezh.



The stone walls of this monastery were built in XV-XVI centuries. There are eleven churches on its area of twelve hectares.





Nowadays the revival of the monastery begins. Crowds of people from different countries visit Kirillo-Belozersky Monastery. You can bow low to the shrine with relics of Saint Cyril Belozersky.





During Polish-Lithuanian invasion the monastery was standing atough siege for six years. There were 500 monks there. During the siege two third of defenders died. They didn't let the enemies in the fortress.

There are a lot of mysteries in this monastery. One of them is about Ivan the Terrible birth. The other touches upon Patriarch of All Russia Nikon who was in exile in Beloozero from 1666 to 1681. I think there are another people secrets there.





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# Thank you for your attention!

