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THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (*Tone 3*)

Sunday of All the Saints Who Have Shown Forth in the Russian Land

THIS WEEK AT ST ELIZABETH'S

3rd SUNDAY after PENTECOST (*Tone 3*)

All Saints of Russia

Saturday, 13 July (30 June o.s.)

6:00 PM Vigil Service; Confessions

Sunday, 14 June (1 July o.s.)

9:10 AM Third and Sixth Hours

9:30 AM Divine Liturgy;
Trapeza (Coffee Hour)

12:30 PM Parish Council Meeting

ST ELIZABETH THE NEW MARTYR

Wednesday, 17 July (4 July o.s.)

6:00 PM Vigil Service; Confessions

Thursday, 18 July (5 July o.s.)

9:10 AM Third and Sixth Hours

9:30 AM Divine Liturgy;
Festal Trapeza

4th SUNDAY after PENTECOST (*Tone 4*)

All Saints of Russia

Saturday, 20 July (7 July o.s.)

6:00 PM Vigil Service; Confessions

Sunday, 21 June (8 July o.s.)

9:10 AM Third and Sixth Hours

9:30 AM Divine Liturgy;
Trapeza (Coffee Hour)

SCRIPTURE READINGS THIS WEEK

<i>Su</i>	3rd Sunday after Pentecost: All Saints of Russia	
	<i>Vespers Paramia:</i> (1) Isaiah 43:9-14a • (2) Wisdom 3:1-9 • (3) Wisdom 5:15-6:3	
	<i>3rd Resurrectional Matins Gospel:</i> Mark §71 (16:9-20)	
	Rom. §88 (5:1-10)	Matt. §18 (6:22-33)
	Heb. §330 (11:33-12:2a)	Mt §10 (4:25-5:12a)
4TH WEEK after PENTECOST		
<i>M</i>	Rom. §102 (9:18-33)	Matt. §40 (11:2-15)
<i>Tu</i>	Rom. §104 (10:11-11:2a)	Matt. §41 (11:16-20)
<i>W</i>	Rom. §105 (11:2b-12)	Matt. §42 (11:20-26)
<i>Th</i>	Rom. §106 (11:13-24)	Matt. §43 (11:27-30)
<i>F</i>	Rom. §107 (11:25-36)	Matt. §44 (12:1-8)
<i>Sa</i>	Rom. §92 (6:11-17)	Matt. §26 (8:14-23)
<i>Su</i>	4th Sunday after Pentecost	
	<i>4th Resurrectional Matins Gospel:</i> Luke §112 (24:1-12)	
	Rom. §93 (6:18-23)	Matt. §25 (8:5-13)

FASTING DAYS THIS WEEK

Day of Week	Date	Commemoration and Type of Fast
<i>Wednesday</i>	17 July (4 July, o.s.)	ROYAL MARTYRS OF RUSSIA Fast: fish, wine, & oil permitted
<i>Friday</i>	19 July (6 July, o.s.)	St Sisoës the Great Normal Fast Day (<i>No oil</i>)

NAMEDAYS, BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

LAST WEEK

Namedays – 12th (Apostle Paul): Cliff Paul Brangwynne.

Birthdays – 8th: Nicolas Straut, Gregory Welsh; 11th: Father David Straut.

Wedding Anniversaries – 8th: Dcn Seraphim & Mat. Anna Gail Komleski (1989); 9th: Dcn Steven Barker & Mat. Nancy Hannah Barker.

Ordination Anniversaries – 13th: Father David Straut (Holy Priesthood, 1986)

THIS WEEK

Namedays – 14th (St Angelina of Serbia): Angelina Schidlovsky; 18th (St Elizabeth the New-Martyr): Elizabeth Bibas; Elizabeth Maxey.

Birthdays – 15th: Veronica Whitacre.

Ordination Anniversaries – 18th: Dcn Seraphim Komleski (Holy Diaconate, 2011).

Fallen Asleep in the Lord – 18th: Barbara Tutolo (+2005).

THE REST OF JULY

Namedays – 24th (St Olga): Olga Welsh; 25th (St Veronica): Veronica Whitacre; 26th (Archangel Gabriel): Gabriel O'Brien; 29th (Martyr Valentina): Valentina Babitsch.

Birthdays – 22nd: Juliana Bibas; 29th: Jennifer Mary Hotz.

Wedding Anniversaries – 22nd: Cliff & Sarah Brangwynne (2007).

THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sarah and Cliff Brangwynne had another baby girl on Tuesday, 2 July (a very popular day in this parish!) Mother and Baby are doing well. On the 8th day, the baby was named Audrey Elizabeth. Leana is enjoying being a big Sister! Many Years to the Brangwynne family!

A Special Collection for Holy Trinity Monastery is being taken at the services from Pentecost (Trinity Sunday) through the end of July. The financial needs of the Monastery are great. We have a matching donation up to \$1000. Please give generously.

Our Parish's Patronal Feast, honouring our heavenly Intercessor, St Elizabeth the New-Martyr, is this Thursday, 18 July (5 July, o.s.). The Vigil Service will be served at 6 PM on Wednesday, July 17th, and the Divine Liturgy at 9:30 AM on the Feastday itself. Please reserve these dates so you can attend services for our Parish Feastday.

Parishioners are asked to make monetary donations for food for the Festal Meal on St Elizabeth's Day. This year we are hoping that each family in the Parish will contribute a small amount of money so that we can buy ready-made food and beverages to have at our Festal Trapeza. Please put your donations marked "Feast Day" in the regular church basket.

Concerning Confession and Holy Communion: Those who have been to Confession for the Feast of Ss Peter and Paul or on this past Saturday evening may receive Holy Communion at the Liturgy on Sunday morning and at the Liturgy on St Elizabeth's Day, provided that no serious sin has been committed which would require another Confession and that the other usual preparations for Holy Communion are observed (i.e. attendance of the Vigil Service the evening before Holy Communion, reading the Pre-Communion Prayers, and the forgiveness of others).

Looking ahead: There will be no services at St Elizabeth's Church the first two weekends of August, the weekends of 3 & 4 and 10 & 11 August. The first weekend, Fr David will be away at St Seraphim's Camp. The second weekend, Fr David will be performing his daughter Juliana's Wedding in Albany. Please mark your calendar and take this opportunity to visit another Orthodox Parish.

NEW YORK: July 12, 2013

An Extraordinary Session of the Synod of Bishops is Held

On Wednesday, July 10, 2013, an extraordinary session of the Synod of Bishops of the Russian Orthodox Church Outside of Russia was held, presided over by its First Hierarchy, His Eminence Metropolitan Hilarion of Eastern America and New York. Participating in the meeting were permanent members of the Synod of Bishops: His Eminence Archbishop Mark of Berlin and Germany; His Eminence Archbishop Kyrill of San Francisco and Western America; His Eminence Archbishop Gabriel of Montreal and Canada, and His Grace Bishop Peter of Cleveland, Administrator of the Diocese of Chicago and Mid-America.

Deliberating on the matter of Bishop Jerome of Manhattan, the Synod of Bishops made a decision as follows:

"During a meeting of the Synod of Bishops on Wednesday, July 10, 2013, presided over by the First Hierarchy of the Russian Church Abroad, A DECISION WAS MADE: on the activities of Bishop Jerome of Manhattan, Vicar of the President for the Administration of Western Rite Parishes.

After exhaustive deliberation, IT WAS DECREED:

- 1) To halt the ordination of new clergymen for parishes adhering to the Western Rite.
- 2) To censure Bishop Jerome for his willfulness in administering the parishes adhering to the Western Rite, and in performing various ecclesial services not approved by the Synod of Bishops, and for criticizing his brethren in letters to clergy and laity.
- 3) To deny recognition of the ordination of a group of individuals by Bishop Jerome during a single divine service, and to regularize them following a thorough examination of the candidates.
- 4) To release Bishop Jerome from all duties, including those of Vicar of the President in administering Western Rite parishes, designating him as retired without the right to serve in the Synodal Cathedral "of the Sign" in New York, or to perform ordinations or award clergymen, and designating his place of residence at St Vladimir Memorial Church of the 1000th Anniversary of the Baptism of Russia in Jackson, NJ.
- 5) To bless Bishop Jerome to perform divine services within the confines of the Eastern American Diocese with the consent of its Ruling Bishop.
- 6) To release Monk Anthony (Bondi) from all of his administrative duties and from the spiritual ministry to the Vicariate of Western Rite Parishes.
- 7) To establish a commission to examine the means of integrating clergymen and communities of the Western Rite into the liturgical life of the Russian Orthodox Church, consisting of: Metropolitan Hilarion of Eastern America and New York, President; Bishop George of Mayfield, Vicar of the Eastern American Diocese; Protopriest David Straut of the Eastern American Diocese, and Protopriest Anthony Nelson of the Mid-American Diocese.
- 8) To address an epistle to the clergymen and communities of the Western Rite regarding the need for them to adopt the order of divine services of the Eastern Orthodox Catholic Church, while preserving, when necessary, certain particularities of the Western Rite.
- 9) To emphasize our adherence to the rules and traditions of the Eastern Orthodox Catholic Church in general and of the Russian Orthodox Church in particular.
- 10) To deem this decree immediately valid and to submit it to the members of the Council of Bishops in the form of a questionnaire for confirmation."

The meeting concluded with the singing of "It is Truly Meet."