

# THE ORTHODOX CHURCH OF SAINT ELIZABETH THE NEW-MARTYR

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**THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (Tone 3)  
ST JOHN OF SHANGHAI AND SAN FRANCISCO**

## SERVICES THIS WEEK

### 4TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**Holy Apostle Jude; St John of San Francisco**

*Saturday, 1 July (18 June, o.s.)*

6:00 PM Vigil Service;  
Confessions

*Sunday, 2 July (19 June, o.s.)*

9:10 AM Third and Sixth Hours  
9:30 AM Divine Liturgy;  
Trapeza (coffee hour)  
12:30 PM Adult Study

### **NATIVITY OF ST JOHN THE FORERUNNER**

*Thursday, 6 July (23 June, o.s.)*

6:00 PM Vigil Service;  
Confessions

*Friday, 7 July (24 June, o.s.)*

9:10 AM Third and Sixth Hours  
9:30 AM Divine Liturgy

### 5TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**Tikhvin Icon of the Most Holy Theotokos**

*Saturday, 8 July (25 June, o.s.)*

6:00 PM Vigil Service;  
Confessions

*Sunday, 9 July (26 June, o.s.)*

9:10 AM Third and Sixth Hours  
9:30 AM Divine Liturgy;  
Trapeza (coffee hour)  
12:30 PM Parish Council Meeting

## NAMEDAYS, BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

### Week of 25 June

**Namedays** – 25th: (St Anna of Kashin): Anna Morin-Szydlowski.

### Week of 2 July

**Namedays** – 2nd (St John of San Francisco): Joanna Kostin, Johan Mladineo, John Morrow; 3rd (Martyr Inna): Inna Yanovsky.

**Birthdays** – 2nd: Deacon Stephanos Bibas, Audrey Elizabeth Brangwynne; Matushka Faith Straut; 4th: Elizabeth Maxey; 7th: Alex Gregory Titus; 8th: Nicolas Straut, Gregory Welsh.

**Wedding Anniversaries** – 8th: Dcn Seraphim & Mat. Anna Gail Komleski (1989).

## FASTING DAYS THIS WEEK

### Week of 2 July

| Day of Week      | Date                      | Commemoration and Type of Fast   |
|------------------|---------------------------|--|
| <i>Sunday</i>    | 2 July<br>(19 June, o.s.) | Apostle Jude; St John of Shanghai<br>Fast: fish, wine, & oil permitted |
| <i>Monday</i>    | 3 July<br>(20 June, o.s.) | Hieromartyr Methodius<br>Normal Fast Day ( <i>No oil</i> )             |
| <i>Tuesday</i>   | 4 July<br>(21 June, o.s.) | Martyr Julian of Tarsus<br>Fast: wine, & oil permitted                 |
| <i>Wednesday</i> | 5 July<br>(22 June, o.s.) | Hieromartyr Eusebius of Samosata<br>Normal Fast Day ( <i>No oil</i> )  |
| <i>Thursday</i>  | 6 July<br>(23 June, o.s.) | 'Vladimir' Icon of the Theotokos<br>Fast: wine, & oil permitted        |
| <i>Friday</i>    | 7 July<br>(24 June, o.s.) | Nativity of St John the Baptist<br>Fast: fish, wine, & oil permitted   |
| <i>Saturday</i>  | 8 July<br>(25 June, o.s.) | Martyr Febronia<br>Fast: fish, wine, & oil permitted                   |
| <i>Sunday</i>    | 9 July<br>(26 June, o.s.) | 'Tikhvin' Icon of the Theotokos<br>Fast: fish, wine, & oil permitted   |

## SCRIPTURE READINGS THIS WEEK

### Week of 2 July

| Su                       | 4th Sunday after Pentecost   |                                  |
|--------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
|                          | <i>4th Resurrectional Matins Gospel: Luke §112 (24:1-12)</i>   |                                  |
|                          | Rom. §93 (6:18-23)   | Matt. §25 (8:5-13)               |
| 5TH WEEK after PENTECOST |  |                                  |
| <i>M</i>                 | Rom. §109 (12:4-5, 15-21)  | Matt. §45 (12:9-13)              |
| <i>Tu</i>                | Rom. §114 (14:9-18)  | Mt §46 (12:14-16, 22-30)         |
| <i>W</i>                 | Rom. §117 (15:7-16)  | Matt. §48 (12:38-45)             |
| <i>Th</i>                | Rom. §118 (15:17-29)   | Matt. §49 (12:46-13:3a)          |
| <i>F</i>                 | Nativity of St John the Baptist  |                                  |
|                          | <i>Vespers Paramia:</i> (1) Genesis 17:15-17, 19; 18:11-14; 21:1-8<br>• (2) Judges 13:2-8, 13-14, 17-18, 21 • (3) Isaiah 40:1-3, 9; 41:17-18, 45:8; 48:20-21; 54:1 |                                  |
|                          | <i>Matins Gospel: Luke §3 (1:24-25, 57-68, 76, 80)</i>   |                                  |
|                          | Rom. §112 (13:11b-14:4)  | Luke § 1 (1:1-25, 57-68, 76, 80) |
| <i>F</i>                 | Rom. §120 (16:1-16)  | Matt. §50 (13:3b-9)              |
| <i>Sa</i>                | Rom. §97 (8:14-21)   | Matt. §30 (9:9-13)               |
| Su                       | 5th Sunday after Pentecost   |                                  |
|                          | <i>5th Resurrectional Matins Gospel: Luke §113 (24:12-35)</i>  |                                  |
|                          | Rom. §103 (10:1-10)  | Matt. §28 (8:28-9:1)             |



# NAMEDAYS, BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

## THE REST OF JULY

**Namedays** – 12th (Apostle Peter): Peter Macko; 12th (Apostle Paul): Cliff Paul Brangwynne, Paul Schidlovsky; 14th (St Angelina of Serbia): Angelina Schidlovsky; 17th: (New Martyr Olga): Olga Chemodakov; 18th (St Elizabeth the New-Martyr): Elizabeth Bibas; Elizabeth Maxey; 19th (St Julianna of Olshansk): Julianna Yanovsky; 24th (St Olga): Olga Welsh; 25th (St Veronica): Veronica Whitacre; 26th (Archangel Gabriel): Gabriel O'Brien; 28th (St Vladimir): Vladimir Yanovsky; 29th (Martyr Valentina): Valentina Babitsch, Valentina Golikova; 30th (Great-Martyr Marina): Marina Kamensky (Golikova).

**Birthdays** – 9th: Viktor Skuratovskiy; 11th: Father David Straut; 15th: Veronica Whitacre; 22nd: Juliana Bibas; 24th: Julianna Yanovsky; 28th: Vladimir Yanovsky; 29th: Jennifer Mary Hotz.

**Wedding Anniversaries** – 9th: Dcn Steven Barker & Mat. Nancy Hannah Barker; 22nd: Cliff & Sarah Brangwynne (2007); Alex Gregory & Nina Titus.

**Ordination Anniversaries** – 13th: Father David Straut (Holy Priesthood, 1986); 18th: Dcn Seraphim Komleski (Holy Diaconate, 2011); Sbdcn Daniel Lieuwen (Subdiaconate, 2014).

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

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## THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

**We are in the midst of the Apostles Fast**, which began on the Monday after All Saints' Sunday and continues until the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul on 12 July (n.s). We eat no animal products (meat, meat products, eggs, and dairy products) throughout the forty days. The general rules for this period are as follows: Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays are normal fast days; on Tuesdays and Thursdays, wine and oil are permitted; and on Saturdays and Sundays we may eat fish, wine, and oil. But since greater Saints' Days frequently brings a further mitigation of the fast from the general rules, it is important to consult an annual Orthodox calendar to find the correct fasting regimen for a particular weekday.

**The Feast of the Nativity of St John the Baptist** (24 June / 7 July), though not one of the Twelve Great Feasts, is nonetheless a very important Holy Day in the Church Calendar. Nearly every Orthodox parish has services on this Feast Day. It commemorates the birth of the Saviour's Forerunner, of whom our Lord said, 'Verily I say unto you, among them that are born of women, there hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist....' (St Matthew 11:11) St John the Baptist's holy birth was miraculous. His parents, Ss Zacharias and Elisabeth, were advanced in age when the Archangel Gabriel announced that Elisabeth would bear a son, though she had been barren. And this came to pass as the Archangel had foretold.

**Concerning Confession and Holy Communion:** Those who have been to Confession during the past two weeks may receive Holy Communion at the Liturgy on the Feast of the Nativity of St John the Baptist, 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). Likewise, those who have been to Confession for the Feast of the Nativity of St John the Baptist may receive Holy Communion at the Liturgies on the following two Sunday mornings and on the Feasts of Ss Peter and Paul and St Elizabeth under the same conditions.

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

**We will have a Festal Meal on St Elizabeth's Day.** We are hoping that each family in the Parish will contribute by donating funds and/or providing dishes that the Sisterhood has planned to serve at the meal. Monetary donations may be placed in the collection basket, marked 'Feast Day Meal.' If you are able to help with providing a dish that feeds up to 100 people, please speak to Matushka Faith.

**The Ladies of the Parish** (and others who are interested) will have a brief meeting at coffee hour this Sunday and next to plan the particulars for our festal meal following the Divine Liturgy on St Elizabeth's Day.

**St Seraphim's Orthodox Summer Camp**, will have its 21st annual camp during the week of 30 July – 6 August 2017. The camp, located in Pennsylvania's Pocono Mountains, is open to children from the third grade until 18 years old. The camp was begun with the blessing and encouragement of Metropolitan Laurus of blessed memory and continues to be one of the major activities for youth in the Russian Church Abroad. Children attend from all over America, Canada and other countries. Each day is filled with activities. The day begins with Morning Prayers and The Law of God. A number of priests (including our own Fr David) volunteer their week to be with the children and make themselves available for spiritual needs. Each day sees a wide variety of sporting activities, arts and crafts, hiking, swimming and water sports. The evenings are filled with activities and bonfires. Lastly, Evening Prayers are said together. Abundant adult supervision is drawn from parents and church representatives. The cost of the camp is \$300 until 16 June, after which it increases to \$325. Scholarships are available as well. All information is to be found on the camp website. Registration is available only online at [www.stseraphimcamp.org](http://www.stseraphimcamp.org). If you have questions, please email the Camp Director, Archpriest Alexis Duncan, at [info@stseraphimcamp.com](mailto:info@stseraphimcamp.com), or call (518) 925-9165 or (518) 577-5432.