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FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (*Tone 3*)

The Holy Royal Martyrs of Russia

## SERVICES

### DURING THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

#### 4TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (*Tone 3*)

##### **ROYAL MARTYRS OF RUSSIA**

*Saturday, 16 July (3 July, o.s.)*

6:00 PM Vigil Service;  
Confessions

*Sunday, 17 July (4 July, o.s.)*

9:10 AM Third and Sixth Hours  
9:30 AM Divine Liturgy;  
Coffee Hour

#### ST ELIZABETH THE NEW MARTYR

*Sunday, 17 July (4 July, o.s.)*

6:00 PM Vigil Service;  
Confessions

*Monday, 18 July (5 July, o.s.)*

9:00 AM Meeting of Metropolitan Hilarion  
9:30 AM Hierarchal Divine Liturgy;  
Festal Meal

#### 5TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (*Tone 4*)

##### **Great-Martyr Euphemia; St Olga of Kiev**

*Saturday, 23 July (10 July, o.s.)*

*No Vigil Service at St Elizabeth's*

*Sunday, 24 July (20 July, o.s.)*

*No Liturgy at St Elizabeth's*

#### 6TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (*Tone 5*)

##### **Holy Father of the First Six Ecumenical Councils**

*Saturday, 30 July (17 July, o.s.)*

6:00 PM Vigil Service;  
Confessions

*Sunday, 31 July (18 July, o.s.)*

9:10 AM Third and Sixth Hours  
9:30 AM Divine Liturgy;  
Coffee Hour

## NAMEDAYS, BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

### LAST WEEK

**Namedays** – 3rd (Martyr Inna): Inna Yanovsky.

**Birthdays** – 4th: Elizabeth Maxey; 8th: Nicolas Straut, Gregory Welsh; 9th: Viktor Skuratovskiy.

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

## THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

**Namedays** – 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** – 22nd: Juliana Bibas; 24th: Julianna Yanovsky; 28th: Vladimir Yanovsky; 29th: Jennifer Mary Hotz.

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

**Ordination Anniversaries** – 18th: Dcn Seraphim Komleski (Holy Diaconate, 2011); Sbdcn Daniel Lieuwen (Subdiaconate, 2014).

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

## SCRIPTURE READINGS THIS WEEK

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>	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)
6TH WEEK after PENTECOST		
<i>M</i>	Rom. §121 (16:17-24)	Matt. §51 (13:10-23)
<i>Tu</i>	1 Cor. §122 (1:1-9)	Matt. §52 (13:24-30)
<i>W</i>	1 Cor. §127 (2:9-3:8)	Matt. §53 (13:31-36a)
<i>Th</i>	1 Cor. §129 (3:18-23)	Matt. §54 (13:36b-43)
<i>F</i>	1 Cor. §130a (4:5-8)	Matt. §55 (13:44-54a)
<i>Sa</i>	Rom. §100 (9:1-5)	Matt. §32 (9:18-26)
Su	6th Sunday after Pentecost	
	<i>6th Resurrectional Matins Gospel: Luke §114 (24:36-53)</i>	
	Rom. §110 (12:6-14)	Matt. §29 (9:1-8)

## FASTING DAYS DURING THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

Day of Week	Date	Commemoration and Type of Fast
Wednesday	20 July (7 July, o.s.)	St Thomas of Maleon; St Acacius Normal Fast Day ( <i>No oil</i> )
Friday	22 July (9 July, o.s.)	Hieromartyr Pancratius of Taormina Normal Fast Day ( <i>No oil</i> )
Wednesday	27 July (14 July, o.s.)	Ap. Aquila; MM Cyriacus & Julitta Normal Fast Day ( <i>No oil</i> )
Friday	29 July (16 July, o.s.)	Hieromartyr Athenogenes Normal Fast Day ( <i>No oil</i> )

### THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Our Parish's Patronal Feast**, honouring our heavenly Intercessor, St Elizabeth the New-Martyr, is on Monday, 18 July (5 July, o.s.). The Vigil Service will be served at 6 PM on Sunday, 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.

**Concerning Confession and Holy Communion:** Those who have been to Confession during the previous two weeks may receive Holy Communion at the Liturgy 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).

**Metropolitan Hilarion will be with us** on our Feast Day for both the Vigil Service on Sunday evening and the Divine Liturgy on Monday morning. Please make every effort to come to the services for the Feast to both honor of heavenly Patron and to support our parish during the visit of Metropolitan Hilarion, who is our Diocesan Bishop and the First Hierarch of the Russian Church Abroad.

**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.'

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

**Please remember that there will be no services** at St Elizabeth's Church on the weekend of 23-24 July

2016. Fr David will be away on his family vacation. Please mark your calendar and take this opportunity to visit another Orthodox Parish. There is no such thing as taking a vacation from God!

**There will be no services at St Elizabeth's Church** the first weekend of August, the weekend of 6-7 August. Fr David and several of our parishioners will be away at St Seraphim's Camp. Please mark your calendar and take this opportunity to visit another Orthodox Parish.

**A word on summer attire:** Although it may be warm in the summer, we should continue to observe modesty and dignity in church. Men should wear long trousers and not shorts. It is not proper to attend church services in casual attire such as tee shirts and sneakers. At all times of the years women should skirts or dresses, not pants, and the skirts should be at least at knee length. Even in summer, women should have their heads covered, and should have sleeves (even if short) and not straps over their shoulders. This is a matter of respect for the House of God, and for the clear directives of the Holy Scriptures and of Church teaching. Fashion and personal preference should be subordinate to these.

**Summertime is vacation time,** but there is no vacation from God or our Orthodox Christian Faith. The summer season brings many pleasures and opportunities to relax and enjoy ourselves. However, as Orthodox Christians we must always bear in mind the Lord's commandment to remember the Lord's Day and to keep it holy. We sin when we absent ourselves from church for no compelling reason other than our own indolence. When we travel, we are not released from the commandment to worship on Sundays. Therefore, when we are making our travel plans, we should look up in advance the Orthodox parishes in the vicinity of our destinations, and make a point of attending the Divine Services on Saturday evenings, Sunday mornings, and the Great Feasts of the Church. (Going to a non-Orthodox place of worship does not fulfill our duty to go to church on these days.) If we find ourselves in a place where there is no Orthodox Church nearby, we should still mark the time from sunset on Saturday evening to sunset on Sunday evening as a time of prayer and private worship. We should therefore bring our Bible (at least the New Testament) and our Prayer Book with us on vacation, and read the appointed prayers, Epistle and Gospel as a family. We should pray together, and out loud, at the usual times of the church services – after supper on Saturday night, and before lunch on Sunday morning.