

# THE ORTHODOX CHURCH OF SAINT ELIZABETH THE NEW-MARTYR

## WEEKLY BULLETIN

Volume XV

Number 11

11 / 24 November 2013

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (*Tone 5*)

Martyrs Minas, Victor, Vincent & Martyr Stephanida; St. Theodore the Studite

### THIS WEEK AT ST ELIZABETH'S

**22nd SUNDAY after PENTECOST** (*Tone 5*)  
**Martyr Menas & Companions; St Theodore**  
**Saturday, 23 November (10 November o.s.)**

6:00 PM Vigil Service;  
 Confessions

**Sunday, 24 November (11 November o.s.)**

9:10 AM Third and Sixth Hours  
 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy  
 12:00 PM Teenagers' 'Lunch with Father'

**Holy Apostle Philip; St Gregory Palamas**  
**Tuesday, 26 November (13 November o.s.)**

6:00 PM Vigil Service;  
 Confessions

**Wednesday, 27 November (14 November o.s.)**

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

### THANKSGIVING DAY

**Martyrs Gurias, Samonas, and Abibas**  
**Thursday, 28 November (15 November o.s.)**

10:00 AM Moleben of Thanksgiving

**23rd SUNDAY after PENTECOST** (*Tone 6*)  
**Martyr Platon; Hieromartyr Romanus**  
**Saturday, 30 November (17 November o.s.)**

6:00 PM Vigil Service;  
 Confessions

**Sunday, 1 December (18 November o.s.)**

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

### NAMEDAYS, BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

#### LAST WEEK

**Namedays** – 19th (Martyr Claudia): Claudia Maxey;  
 21st (Archangel Michael): Michael Carey.

**Birthdays** – 18th: Taisia Seneko; 20th: Anya Fitzgerald.

### THIS WEEK

**Namedays** – 27th (Apostle Philip): Rdr Philip Hotz, Philip Schidlovsky; 27th (St Gregory Palamas): Reader Gregory Maxey.

**Birthdays** – 24th: Philip Schidlovsky; 30th: John Morrow.

### DECEMBER

**Namedays** – 7th (Great-Martyr Katherine): Katya Darenkov, Katharine Markevich; 13th (Apostle Andrew): Andrew O'Brien, Andrew Kostadis, Reader Andrew Welsh; 19th (St Nicholas): Nikolai Darenkov, Reader Nicolas Schidlovsky, Nicolas Straut; 22nd (Conception of St Anna): Anna Straut; 22nd (Righteous Hannah): Mat. Nancy Hannah Barker; 24th-30th (Holy Forefathers): Sarah Brangwynne; 30th (Prophet Daniel): Reader Daniel Lieuwen, Daniel Palko.

**Birthdays** – 1st: Jack (John) Welsh; 3rd: Sofia Fitzgerald; 6th: (Mrs.) Nina Fitzgerald; 15th: Xenia Whitacre; 22nd: Anna Straut; 29th: Elizabeth Lieuwen; 30th: Rdr Philip Hotz.

**Fallen Asleep in the Lord** – 18th: Archimandrite Joasaph (McLellan) (+2009); 20th: Serge Kropov (+2009).

### SCRIPTURE READINGS THIS WEEK

<b>22nd Sunday after Pentecost</b>	
<i>Su</i>	<i>11th Resurrectional Matins Gospel: John §67 (21:15-25)</i>
	Gal. §215 (6:11-18)   Luke §53 (10:25-37)
<b>23RD WEEK after PENTECOST</b>	
<i>M</i>	1 Thess. §262 (1:1-5)   Luke §75 (14:12-15)
<i>Tu</i>	1 Thess. §263 (1:6-10)   Luke §77 (14:25-35)
<i>W</i>	1 Thess. §264 (2:1-8)   Luke §78 (15:1-10)
<i>Th</i>	1 Thess. §265 (2:9-14a)   Luke §80 (16:1-9)
<i>F</i>	1 Thess. §266 (2:14-19)   Luke §82 (16:15-18; 17:1-4)
<i>Sa</i>	2 Cor. §185 (8:1-5)   Luke §49 (9:57-62)
<b>23rd Sunday after Pentecost</b>	
<i>Su</i>	<i>1st Resurrectional Matins Gospel: Matt. §116 [28:16-20]</i>
	Eph. §220 (2:4-10)   Luke §66 (12:16-21)

## FASTING DAYS THIS WEEK

Day of Week	Date	Commemoration and Type of Fast
Wednesday	27 October (14 Nov, o.s.)	Apostle Philip; St Gregory Palamas
		Wine, & Oil permitted
Thursday	28 November (15 Nov, o.s.)	Thanksgiving Day. M Gurias <i>et al</i>
		Fast: fish, wine, & oil permitted
Friday	29 November (16 Nov, o.s.)	Apostle & Evangelist Matthew
		Fast: fish, wine, & oil permitted
Saturday	30 November (17 Nov, o.s.)	St Gregory of Neo-Caesarea
		Fast: fish, wine, & oil permitted
Sunday	1 December (18 Nov, o.s.)	M Platon; M Romanus the Deacon
		Fast: fish, wine, & oil permitted

---

## THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

A special collection for the Fund for Assistance to the Russian Orthodox Church Outside of Russia will be taken at St Elizabeth's during the Sundays of November. Your donations help the Fund for Assistance with its mission to assist Youth Programming, Clergy in need, and those in dire need throughout the world. Please give generously.

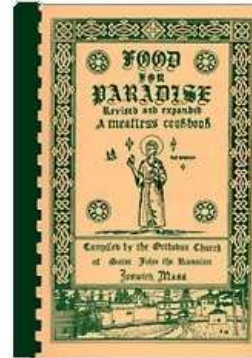
We are collecting toys for the Jail Chaplaincy of Somerset County's "Christmas Care" Program during the month of November. These toys will be given at Christmas to children whose father or mother is incarcerated at the Somerset County Jail. The Jail Chaplaincy asks that the toys be new, of a non-violent nature, and within the price range of \$10.00 to \$25.00. Please help make Christmas brighter for some child who is separated from their parent at Christmas.

We are also collecting personal care items during the month of November for the Jail Chaplaincy of Somerset County's "Christmas Care" Program. These items will be given to each Inmate incarcerated at the Jail at Christmas. The Jail Chaplaincy needs the following items for the Inmates: Shampoo, Bars of Deodorant Soap, Solid Underarm Deodorant, Toothpaste, Small Non-Spiral Lined Writing Pads, and Individually wrapped hard candy. Please consider donating items to this worthy cause.

The Nativity Fast begins on 28 November (n.s.) and continues for forty days until the Feast of the Nativity of the Lord on 7 January (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.

**About Thanksgiving Day and the Fast:** This year the Nativity Fast begins on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday 28 November. This happens on the average of one out of seven years. Because Wednesdays are also fast days, the Fast

effectively begins the day before Thanksgiving Day on Wednesday, 27 November. As Orthodox Christians, we do not break the fast for the sake of secular holidays – and Thanksgiving Day is not a Church holiday – and so we should keep the fast on this day.



**Need some more Lenten recipes?** We have an excellent Lenten Cookbook available in our kiosk, entitled *Food for Paradise: A Meatless Cookbook* put out by St John the Russian Parish in Ipswich, Massachusetts. This book is available to us through the kindness of the Brangwynne family.

**A Thanksgiving Moleben will be served** on the morning of Thanksgiving Day at 10:00. It is most appropriate that we begin this day, which is set aside by our Country as a Day of National Thanksgiving, in Church offering grateful thanks to Almighty God for all the blessings He bestows upon us individually and as a People. In the process of preparing and enjoying our Thanksgiving Feast, let us not allow ourselves to forget the One to Whom we are supposed to be giving thanks on this day.

**The annual St Herman of Alaska Youth Conference** will take place in Long Island, New York, at *St Seraphim's Church in Sea Cliff* and *Holy Protection Church in Glen Cove*, from Sunday, 22 through Thursday, 27 December 2013, with the blessing of His Eminence Metropolitan Hilarion, First Hierarch of the Russian Orthodox Church Outside of Russia and of His Grace, Archbishop Gabriel of Montreal and All Canada. The featured speaker will be *Fr Anastasy Yatreli* of Ss Cyril and Methodius Church in Somerville, South Carolina, who will speak on Youth and Mission. The program includes spiritual lectures and discussion groups, church services, the chance to meet other Orthodox youth, and social outings. Youth from age 16 through young adult are invited. The Registration fee of \$300 includes all lectures, activities, meals and lodging (quad occupancy). Transportation will be provided from the hotel to all activities and services. The cost for the conference will be a discounted rate of \$275 prior to the December 3 deadline and includes lodging, meals, and local transportation. Limited scholarships are available. After December 3, the price will increase to \$300. Please register early as space is limited. For further information and registration, please visit the website at [www.StHermanConference.com](http://www.StHermanConference.com)