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SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (*Tone 6*)

Commemoration of the Fathers of the First Six Ecumenical Councils

SERVICES AT ST ELIZABETH'S

7th SUNDAY after PENTECOST (*Tone 6*)

Holy Fathers of the 1st 6 Ecumenical Councils

Saturday, 26 July (13 July o.s.)

6:00 PM Vigil Service;
Confessions

Sunday, 27 July (14 July o.s.)

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

8th SUNDAY after PENTECOST (*Tone 7*)

Ss Symeon & John; Holy Prophet Ezekiel

Saturday, 2 August (20 July o.s.)

6:00 PM Great Vespers
[Mother of God Parish at St Elizabeth's]

Sunday, 3 August (21 July o.s.)

9:40 AM Third and Sixth Hours
10:00 AM Divine Liturgy
[Mother of God Parish at St Elizabeth's]

9th SUNDAY after PENTECOST (*Tone 8*)

Smolensk Icon of the Mother of God

Saturday, 9 August (27 July o.s.)

No Vespers Service: Fr John away
[Mother of God Parish at St Elizabeth's]

Sunday, 10 August (28 July o.s.)

9:40 AM Third and Sixth Hours
10:00 AM Divine Liturgy
[Mother of God Parish at St Elizabeth's]

PROCESSION OF THE HOLY CROSS

Wednesday, 13 August (31 July o.s.)

6:00 PM Vespers & Matins;
Confessions

Thursday, 14 August (1 August o.s.)

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

10th SUNDAY after PENTECOST (*Tone 1*)

Seven Youths (Sleepers) of Ephesus

Saturday, 16 August (3 August o.s.)

6:00 PM Vigil Service;
Confessions

Sunday, 17 August (4 August o.s.)

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

UPCOMING FASTING DAYS

Wednesday	30 July (17 July, o.s.)	Great Martyrs Marina Normal Fast Day (<i>No oil</i>)
Friday	1 August (19 July, o.s.)	St Seraphim of Sarov Fast: wine, & oil permitted
Wednesday	6 August (24 July, o.s.)	M. Christina; Ss Boris & Gleb Wine & Oil permitted
Friday	8 August (26 July, o.s.)	Martyr Hermolaus & Companions Normal Fast Day (<i>No oil</i>)
Wednesday	13 August (31 July, o.s.)	St Eudocimus of Cappadocia Normal Fast Day (<i>No oil</i>)
Thursday	14 August (1 Aug, o.s.)	Procession of the Cross Normal Fast Day (<i>No oil</i>)
Friday	15 August (2 Aug, o.s.)	Protomartyr Stephen Normal Fast Day (<i>No oil</i>)
Saturday	16 August (3 Aug, o.s.)	St Isaac, Dalmatus, & Faustus Fast: wine, & oil permitted
Sunday	17 August (4 Aug, o.s.)	Holy Seven Sleepers of Ephesus Fast: wine, & oil permitted

NAMEDAYS, BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

LAST WEEK

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

Birthdays – 22nd: Juliana Bibas.

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

THIS WEEK

Namedays – July 29th (Martyr Valentina): Valentina Babitsch; Aug. 1st (St Seraphim of Sarov): Seraphima Morrow.

Birthdays – July 29th: Jennifer Mary Hotz.

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Birthdays – 3rd: Alexei Darenkov, Andrew Welsh; 13th: Mat. Anna Gail Komleski; 19th: John Whitacre; 27th: William Patrick Brien; 28th: Andrew O'Brien.

Wedding Anniversaries – 29th: Daniel & Nadezhda Sexton (2010).

Baptism Anniversaries – 9th: Dcn Seraphim Komleski (1976); 19th: Nicolas Straut (1995).

SCRIPTURE READINGS

<i>Su</i>	7th Sunday after Pentecost	
	<i>7th Resurrectional Matins Gospel: John §63 (20:1-10)</i>	
	Rom. §116 (15:1-7)	Matt. §33 (9:27-35)
8TH WEEK after PENTECOST		
<i>M</i>	1 Cor. §142 (9:13-18)	Matt. §65 (16:1-6)
<i>Tu</i>	1 Cor. §144 (10:5-12)	Matt. §66 (16:6-12)
<i>W</i>	1 Cor. §145 (10:12-22)	Matt. §68 (16:20-24)
<i>Th</i>	1 Cor. §147 (10:28-11:7)	Matt. §69 (16:24-28)
<i>F</i>	1 Cor. §148 (11:8-22)	Matt. §71 (17:10-18)
<i>Sa</i>	Rom. §111 (13:1-10)	Matt. §47 (12:30-37)
<i>Su</i>	8th Sunday after Pentecost	
	<i>8th Resurrectional Matins Gospel: John §64 (20:11-18)</i>	
	1 Cor. §124 (1:10-18)	Matt. §58 (14:14-22)
9TH WEEK after PENTECOST		
<i>M</i>	1 Cor. §150 (11:31-12:6)	Matt. §74 (18:1-11)
<i>Tu</i>	1 Cor. §152 (12:12-26)	Matt. §76 (18:18-22; 19:1-2, 13-15)
<i>W</i>	1 Cor. §154 (13:4-14:5)	Matt. §80 (20:1-16)
<i>Th</i>	1 Cor. §155 (14:6-19)	Matt. §81 (20:17-28)
<i>F</i>	1 Cor. §157 (14:26-40)	Mt §83a (21:12-14, 17-20)
<i>Sa</i>	Rom. §113 (14:6-9)	Matt. §64 (15:32-39)
<i>Su</i>	9th Sunday after Pentecost	
	<i>9th Resurrectional Matins Gospel: John §65 (20:19-31)</i>	
	1 Cor. §128 (3:9-17)	Matt. §59 (14:22-34)
10TH WEEK after PENTECOST		
<i>M</i>	1 Cor. §159 (15:12-19)	Matt. §84 (21:18-22)
<i>Tu</i>	1 Cor. §161 (15:29-38)	Matt. §85 (21:23-27)
<i>W</i>	1 Cor. §165 (16:4-12)	Matt. §86 (21:28-32)
<i>Th</i>	2 Cor. §167 (1:1-7)	Matt. §88 (21:43-46)
<i>F</i>	2 Cor. §169 (1:12-20)	Matt. §91 (22:23-33)
<i>Sa</i>	Rom. §119 (15:30-33)	Matt. §73 (17:24-18:4)
<i>Su</i>	10th Sunday after Pentecost	
	<i>10th Resurrectional Matins Gospel: John §66 (21:1-14)</i>	
	1 Cor. §131 (4:9-16)	Matt. §72 (17:14-23a)

THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fr David will be leaving today after coffee hour for St Seraphim's Camp in Northeastern Pennsylvania. He will be gone all week until next Sunday evening. After that he and Matushka Faith will be leaving for a week's vacation. So Fr David will be away from the parish for the next two weeks. Should you have a pastoral emergency during this time, you may call Fr David and he will arrange for a priest to meet your needs. His mobile telephone number is (908) 208-2367.

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 wear 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 sea-

son 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.

Many Thanks to all who helped make our Patronal Feast such a success:

- **To Fr Deacons Seraphim and Steven**, Subdeacons Stephanos and Daniel, our Readers, and Servers who assisted at the festal services;
- **To Claudia Maxey** for arranging the music and choir rehearsals for the Feastday;
- **To Reader Gregory** for directing the choir on the Feastday;
- **To the choir members** who attended rehearsals and those who sang at the festal services;
- **To the servants of God who cleaned** the church for St Elizabeth's Day;
- **To the servant of God who picked up** so many beautiful flowers for the church on the Feast;
- **To the servants of God who arranged** the flowers and decorated the church for the Feastday;
- **To Matushka Faith** who coordinated our Festal Meal after the Holy Liturgy on St Elizabeth's Day;
- **To those who made monetary donations** for food for our festal meal;
- **To the servant of God who did the shopping** for the many foods and supplies for the festal meal;
- **To the servants of God who prepared** the dishes and desserts served at the festal meal;
- **To those who set up for and cleaned up after** the Festal Meal on St Elizabeth's Day.

The Dormition Fast begins on 14 August (n.s.) and continues for fourteen days until the Feast of the Dormition of the Mother of God on 28 August (n.s.). We eat no animal products (meat, meat products, eggs, and dairy products) throughout the two weeks. The general rules for this period are as follows: weekdays, Monday through Friday are normal fast days; on Saturdays and Sundays, wine and oil are permitted. The only day on which we may eat fish, wine is the Feast of the Transfiguration, 19 August (n.s.).