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EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (Tone 7) HOLY FATHERS OF THE FIRST SIX ECUMENICAL COUNCILS

SERVICES DURING THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

8TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (Tone 7)
Holy Fathers of the First Six Ecumenical Councils
Saturday, 29 July (16 July, o.s.)

6:00 PM Vigil Service;
Confessions

Sunday, 30 July (17 July, o.s.)

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

9TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (Tone 8)

Martyr Christina; Saints Boris & Gleb

Saturday, 5 August (23 July, o.s.)

No Vigil Service at St Elizabeth's

Sunday, 6 August (24 July, o.s.)

No Liturgy at St Elizabeth's

10TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (Tone 1)

Forefeast of the Procession of the Cross; St Eudocimus

Saturday, 12 August (30 July, o.s.)

6:00 PM Vigil Service;
Confessions

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

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

FASTING DAYS Week of 30 July

Day of Week	Date	Commemoration and Type of Fast
<i>Wednesday</i>	2 August (20 July, o.s.)	Holy Prophet Elias Fast: fish, wine, & oil permitted
<i>Friday</i>	St Mary Magdalene	St Mary Magdalene Fast: wine, & oil permitted

Week of 6 August

<i>Wednesday</i>	9 August (27 July, o.s.)	Great-martyr Panteleimon Fast: fish, wine, & oil permitted
<i>Friday</i>	11 August (29 July, o.s.)	Martyr Callinicus of Cilicia Normal Fast Day (<i>No oil</i>)

SCRIPTURE READINGS Week of 30 July

Su	8th Sunday after Pentecost	
	Sunday of the Fathers of the 6 Ecumenical Councils	
	Vespers Paramia: (1) Genesis 17:15-17, 19; 18:11-14; 21:1-8 • (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	
	8th Resurrectional Matins Gospel: John §64 (20:11-18)	
	1 Cor. §124 (1:10-18)	Matt. §58 (14:14-22)
	Heb. §334 (13:7-16)	John §56 (17:1-13)
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)
Su	9th Sunday after Pentecost	
	9th Resurrectional Matins Gospel: John §65 (20:19-31)	
	1 Cor. §128 (3:9-17)	Matt. §59 (14:22-34)

Week of 6 August

Su	9th Sunday after Pentecost	
	9th Resurrectional Matins Gospel: John §65 (20:19-31)	
	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)
Su	10th Sunday after Pentecost	
	10th Resurrectional Matins Gospel: John §66 (21:1-14)	
	1 Cor. §131 (4:9-16)	Matt. §72 (17:14-23a)

NAMEDAYS, BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Week of 23 July

Namedays – 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.

Birthdays –24th: Julianna Yanovsky; 28th: Vladimir Yanovsky; 29th: Jennifer Mary Hotz.

NAMEDAYS, BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Week of 30 July

Namedays – July 30th (Great-Martyr Marina): Marina Kamensky (Golikova). Aug. 1st (St Seraphim of Sarov): Seraphima Morrow; 4th (St Mary Magdalene): Maria Vishnyakova.

Birthdays – Aug. 3rd: Alexei Darenkov, Andrew Welsh.

Week of 6 August

Baptism Anniversaries – 9th: Dcn Seraphim Komleski (1976)

THE REST OF AUGUST

Birthdays – 13th: Mat. Anna Gail Komleski; 19th: John Whitacre, Elena Golikova; 20th: Vassili Golikov; 27th: Elizabeth Bibas; 28th: Andrew O'Brien.

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

Baptism Anniversaries –19th: Nicolas Straut (1995).

THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

- **To Fr Deacons Seraphim and Stephanos**, Subdeacons Daniel and Philip, our Readers, and Servers who assisted at the festal services;
- **To Claudia Maxey** for arranging the music and choir rehearsals for the Feast Day;
- **To Reader Gregory** for directing the choir on the Feast Day;
- **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 Feast Day;
- **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 and the tent rental for our festal meal;
- **To the servants 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 the Festal Meal on St Elizabeth's Day.
- **To those who stayed to clean up** after the meal.
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There will be no services at St Elizabeth's Church the first weekend of August, the weekend of 5-6 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.

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. 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 year 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 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.

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.).