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SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sunday of All the Saints Who Have Shown Forth in the Russian Land

THIS WEEK AT ST ELIZABETH'S

2nd SUNDAY after PENTECOST

All Saints of Russia

Saturday, 21 June (8 June o.s.)

6:00 PM Vigil Service;
Confessions

Sunday, 22 June (9 June o.s.)

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

3rd SUNDAY after PENTECOST

All Saints of North America

Saturday, 28 June (15 June o.s.)

6:00 PM Vigil Service;
Confessions

Sunday, 29 June (16 June o.s.)

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

SCRIPTURE READINGS THIS WEEK

<i>Su</i>	2nd Sunday after Pentecost: All Saints of Russia	
	<i>Vespers Paramia:</i> (1) Isaiah 43:9-14a • (2) Wisdom 3:1-9 • (3) Wisdom 5:15-6:3	
	<i>2nd Resurrectional Matins Gospel:</i> Mark §70 (16:1-8)	
	Rom. §81a (2:10-16)	Matt. §9 (4:18-23)
	Heb §330 (11:33-12:2a)	Mt §10 (4:25-5:12a)
	3RD WEEK after PENTECOST	
<i>M</i>	Rom. §94 (7:1-13)	Matt. §34 (9:36-10:8)
<i>Tu</i>	Rom. §95 (7:14-8:2)	Matt. §35 (10:9-15)
<i>W</i>	Rom. §96 (8:2-13)	Matt. §36 (10:16-22)
<i>Th</i>	Rom. §98 (8:22-27)	Matt. §37 (10:23-31)
<i>F</i>	Rom. §101 (9:6-19)	Mt §38 (10:32-36; 11:1)
<i>Sa</i>	Rom. §85 (3:28-4:3)	Matt. §24 (7:24-8:4)
<i>Su</i>	3rd Sunday after Pentecost: All Saints of N. America	
	<i>Vespers Paramia:</i> (1) Isaiah 43:9-14a • (2) Wisdom 3:1-9 • (3) Wisdom 5:15-6:3	
	<i>3rd Resurrectional Matins Gospel:</i> Mark §71 (16:9-20)	
	Rom. §88 (5:1-10)	Matt. §18 (6:22-33)
	Heb. §330 (11:33-12:2a)	Mt §10 (4:25-5:12a)

NAMEDAYS, BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

LAST TWO WEEKS

Namedays – 14th: (St Justin Martyr): Justin Whitacre; 18th: (St Igor of Chernigov): Igor Artemov.

Birthdays – 10th: Gabriel O'Brien; 17th: Timothy Morrow; 18th: James Whitacre; 20th: Reader Nicolas Schidlovsky, Katharine Markevich.

Baptism Anniversaries – 16th: Cliff Paul Brangwynne (2007).

Wedding Anniversaries – 17th: Rdr Philip & Jennifer Mary Hotz (1989).

THIS WEEK

Birthdays – 23rd: Joanna Kostin; 24th: Gabrielle Komleski.

FASTING DAYS THIS WEEK

<i>Sunday</i>	22 June (9 June, o.s.)	St Cyril of Alexandria Fast: fish, wine, & oil permitted
<i>Monday</i>	23 June (10 June, o.s.)	Hieromartyr Timothy of Prusa Normal Fast Day (<i>No oil</i>)
<i>Tuesday</i>	24 June (11 June, o.s.)	Apostles Bartholomew & Barnabas Fast: fish, wine, & oil permitted
<i>Wednesday</i>	25 June (12 June, o.s.)	St Onuphrius; St Peter of Athos Normal Fast Day (<i>No oil</i>)
<i>Thursday</i>	26 June (13 June, o.s.)	St Aquilina; St Triphyllius Fast: wine, & oil permitted
<i>Friday</i>	27 June (14 June, o.s.)	Prophet Elisha; St Methodius Normal Fast Day (<i>No oil</i>)
<i>Saturday</i>	28 June (15 June, o.s.)	St Jonah of Moscow Fast: fish, wine, & oil permitted
<i>Sunday</i>	29 June (16 June, o.s.)	St Tychon of Amathus Fast: fish, wine, & oil permitted

THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

A Special Collection for Holy Trinity Monastery will be taken at the services for Pentecost (Trinity Sunday) through the end of June at the direction of Metropolitan Hilarion. The financial needs of the Monastery are great. We have a \$1000 matching

donation offered through an anonymous family, so ever dollar donated to this special collection will be matched up to the first thousand dollars collected. So please give generously.

The Parish Council meets today during coffee hour. All parish council members are asked to attend. We had difficulties scheduling the June meeting because the usual Sunday fell on Pentecost and Fr David needed to be away from St Elizabeth's last Sunday. Because the Parish Council Meeting is so late in June, there will be no July meeting.

St Seraphim's Orthodox Summer Camp, will have its 19th annual camp during the week of 27 July - 3 August 2014. The camp, located in Pennsylvania's Pocono Mountains, is open to children from the third grade until 18 years old. 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 \$275 until 1 July, after which it increases to \$300. Scholarships are available as well. All information is to be found on the camp website. Registration online at www.stseraphimcamp.com. If you have questions, please email the Camp Director, Archpriest Alexis Duncan, at info@stseraphimcamp.com, or call (518) 925-9165 or (518) 577-5432.

St John of Shanghai and San Francisco reposed on the Feast of the Holy Apostle Jude on 2 July (19 June, o.s.) 1966. We all know St John Maximovitch to be a great Wonderworker of our time. There is great love for him throughout the Orthodox world. In many places in the Russian Church Abroad, the Church that St John served as a Hierarch during his earthly life, his feast day is celebrated on the Saturday nearest the date of his repose (this year 5 July), so as not to eclipse the Feast of the Apostle Jude each year, and doubtless also to enable a greater number of the faithful to attend the Liturgy for St John on non-work day. In other places, the Feast of St John is not transferred, but kept on the actual date of his repose, which is certainly the more usual Orthodox practice when it comes to liturgical observances. In our parish, we do not transfer the Feast. The Vigil Service will be served at St Elizabeth's Church at 6 o'clock on the evening of Tuesday, 1 July and the Divine Liturgy at 9:30 on the morning of Wednesday, 2 July.

THE APOSTLES' FAST

The Apostles' Fast begins on the Monday after Sunday of All Saints and lasts until the Feast of the holy Apostles Peter and Paul (29 June / 12 July). The Fast varies in length according to the date of Holy Pascha. By increased prayer, fasting, and almsgiving we prepare ourselves during the Fast to celebrate with joy the Feast of the holy Apostles. This Lent also enables us to restore somewhat the spiritual sobriety that perhaps diminished during the feasting of Paschaltide and Pentecost Week.

Russian and Greek practice differ slightly in the mitigation of fasting on certain days during the Nativity and Apostles' Fasts. We give here the usual Russian Rules of fasting during the Fast of the Holy Apostles:

We fast on *Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays* during the Saints Peter and Paul Lent as we should on other Wednesdays and Fridays of the year. We reduce the quantity of food we eat by taking small portions at meals and abstaining from all food between meals. The practice of the early Christians was to eat only one meal on a fast day and we would do well to imitate them. When we do eat, we reduce the quality of the food eaten by abstaining from meat, meat products, eggs, dairy products, fish, wine, and oil.

On the *Tuesdays and Thursdays* during this Lenten period, our fasting is less strenuous. We abstain from meat and other animal products, but wine and oil are permitted.

Because the occurrence of greater Saints' Days frequently brings a further mitigation of the fast from the general rules specified above, it is important to consult an annual Orthodox calendar to find the correct fasting regimen for a particular weekday.

On *Saturdays and Sundays* of the Apostles' Fast, fasting is further relaxed. Orthodox Christians eat no meat or other animal products on these days, but fish, wine, and oil are allowed.