

# THE ORTHODOX CHURCH OF SAINT ELIZABETH THE NEW-MARTYR

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## THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (*Tone 6*) Commemoration of the Kazan Icon of the Most Holy Theotokos

### SERVICES THIS WEEK

#### 23RD SUNDAY after PENTECOST (*Tone 6*)

**'Kazan' Icon of the Most Holy Theotokos**

*Saturday, 3 November (21 October, o.s.)*

6:00 PM Vigil Service;  
Confessions

*Sunday, 4 November (22 October, o.s.)*

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

**Martyrs Terence and Neonilla with their Children**

*Saturday, 10 November (28 October, o.s.)*

10:00 AM Baptism of Joseph Reitano

#### 24TH SUNDAY after PENTECOST (*Tone 7*)

**Nun-Martyr Anastasia & St Abramius the Recluse**

*Saturday, 10 November (28 October, o.s.)*

6:00 PM Vigil Service;  
Confessions

*Sunday, 11 November (29 October, o.s.)*

9:10 AM Third and Sixth Hours  
9:30 AM Divine Liturgy;  
Coffee Hour  
12:30 PM Parish Council Meeting

### SCRIPTURE READINGS Week of 4 November

<i>Su</i>	<b>23rd Sunday after Pentecost</b>	
	<i>1st Resurrectional Matins Gospel: Matt. §116 [28:16-20]</i>	
	Eph. §220 (2:4-10)	Luke §83 (16:19-31)
<b>24TH WEEK after PENTECOST</b>		
<i>M</i>	1 Thess. §267 (2:20-3:8)	Luke §52 (10:22-24)
<i>Tu</i>	1 Thess. §268 (3:9-13)	Luke §55 (11:1-10)
<i>W</i>	1 Thess. §269 (4:1-12)	Luke §56 (11:9-13)
<i>Th</i>	1 Thess. §271 (5:1-8)	Luke §57 (11:14-23)
<i>F</i>	1 Thess. §272 (5:9-13, 24-28)	Luke §58 (11:23-26)
<i>Sa</i>	2 Cor. §191 (11:1-6)	Luke §36 (8:16-21)
<i>Su</i>	<b>24th Sunday after Pentecost</b>	
	<i>2nd Resurrectional Matins Gospel: Mark §70 (16:1-8)</i>	
	Eph. §221 (2:14-22)	Luke §38 (8:26-39)

### FASTING DAYS Week of 4 November

Day of Week	Date	Commemoration and Type of Fast
<i>Wednesday</i>	7 November (25 Oct, o.s.)	Martyrs Marcian & Martyrius Normal Fast Day ( <i>No oil</i> )
<i>Friday</i>	9 November (27 Oct, o.s.)	Martyr Nestor of Thessalonica Normal Fast Day ( <i>No oil</i> )

### THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Welcome back to Eastern Standard Time!** We can all agree that it was nice to get a bit more sleep this morning.

**Many Thanks** to all who helped make the Feast of St Elizabeth this past week 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 prior to the Feast 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 the Feast Day;
- **To those who made monetary donations** for the catering and the table and chair 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 in our new pavilion on the Feast Day.

- **To those who stayed to clean up** after the meal.

**We have a new tonsured Reader at St Elizabeth's!**

Patrick Hinds was tonsured a Taper Bearer and Reader by Bishop Nicholas of Manhattan here at St Elizabeth's Church on 1 November 2018, n.s., on the Feast of the Glorification of the Venerable Martyr Grand Duchess Elizabeth Axios! Many Years to Reader Patrick!

**All Parishes of the Eastern American Diocese** have been directed at Thanksgiving by the Metropolitan to take a special collection to be given to the Fund for Assistance to the Russian Orthodox Church Outside of Russia. The Fund for Assistance has three aims: (a) the moral-spiritual education of youth, (b) the financial assistance of the needy clergy of our Church, and (c) the care for those in dire need throughout the world through an Emergency Relief Fund. At St Elizabeth's, we will be asking for special donations for this worthy cause on the Sundays of November. Please give generously.

**We will be 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 will also be 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. In this way we can show Christ's love to those who Jesus charged us to visit (St Matthew 25:31-46). The Jail Chaplaincy needs the following items for the Inmates:

- Shampoo (*not* Conditioner),
- Bars of Deodorant Soap (*no* Ivory soap, please),
- Solid Underarm Deodorant (*no* aerosol cans),
- Toothpaste.

Please consider donating items to this worthy cause.

**Our Lady, Joy of All Who Sorrow Church** in Philadelphia is celebrating its Patronal Feast on 6 November (24 October, o.s). We will be joining our sister parish for this Feast of one the Mother of God's beautiful Icon. The service schedule is as follows: on the evening of 5 November: the Vigil Service at 6:30; and on the morning of 6 November: the Greeting of the Bishop and the Hours at 9:30, and the Hierarchal Divine Liturgy at 10:00. A Festal Luncheon will be

served afterwards (\$10 donation). *There will be no services at St Elizabeth's for this Feast.*

**The Church of Our Lady, Joy of All Who Sorrow** is located at 560 North 20th Street in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19130. For additional information, the parish's website is: <http://www.churchofourlady.net>

**Joseph Blackwell Reitano** will be received into the Orthodox through the Mysteries of Holy Baptism and Chrismation on Saturday, 10 November 2018, at 10:00 a.m. here at St Elizabeth's Church. All parishioners are welcome to attend the Baptism. There will be a coffee hour after the Baptism to celebrate with the Newly-illuminated Joseph and his family.

## LOOKING AHEAD

**The annual St Herman of Alaska Youth Conference** will take place in Albany, New York at *the Nativity of the Mother of God Church*, from Sunday, 23 December through Thursday, 27 December 2018, 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 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 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 \$300 prior to the November 30th deadline and includes lodging, meals, and local transportation. Limited scholarships are available. After 30 November, the price will increase to \$350. Please register early, as space is limited. For further information and registration, please visit the website at [www.StHermanConference.com](http://www.StHermanConference.com) This is a wonderful opportunity to meet and socialize with other Orthodox Christian youth and clergy from the United States, Canada, Russia, and elsewhere. We would love to see all our youth from St Elizabeth's in Rocky Hill participate in this event.

