# THE ORTHODOX CHURCH OF SAINT ELIZABETH THE NEW-MARTYR

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# 5 / 18 November 2018 THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (Tone 8) Synaxis of All the Holy Unmercenary Physicians

## SERVICES THIS WEEK

25TH SUNDAY after PENTECOST (Tone 8) Synaxis of the Unmercenary Physicians Saturday, 17 November (4 November, o.s.) 6:00 PM Vigil Service; Confessions Sunday, 18 November (5 November, o.s.) 9:10 AM Third and Sixth Hours 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy; Coffee Hour 12:30 PM Adult Study

#### Synaxis of Archangel Michael & All Angels

Wednesday, 21 November (8 November, o.s.) 9:30 AM Moleben with Akathist

THANKSGIVING DAY; St Nectarius of Ægina *Thursday*, 22 November (9 November, o.s.)

10:00 AM Moleben of Thanksgiving

#### **<u>26TH SUNDAY after PENTECOST</u>** (Tone 1)

St John the Merciful; St Nilus the Faster

Saturday, 24 November (11 November, o.s.) 6:00 PM Vigil Service; Confessions Sunday, 25 November (12 November, o.s.)

9:10 AM Third and Sixth Hours

9:30 AM Divine Liturgy; Coffee Hour 12:30 PM Adult Study

## FASTING DAYS Week of 18 November

Day of Week	Date	Commemoration and Type of Fast
Wednesday	21 November	Archangel Michael & All Angels
	(8 Nov, o.s.)	Fish, Wine, & Oil permitted
Friday	23 November	Apostle Erastus & Companions
	(10 Nov, o.s.)	Normal Fast Day (No oil)

### SCRIPTURE READINGS Week of 18 November

Su	25th Sunday after Pentecost				
	SYNAXIS OF THE UNMERCENARY PHYSICIANS				
	Vespers Paramia: (1) Isaiah 43:9-14a • (2) Wisdom 3:1-9 •				
	(3) Wisdom 4:7-15				
	3rd Resurrectional Matins Gospel: Mark §71 (16:9-20)				
	Eph. §224 (4:1-6)	Luke §39 (8:41-56)			
	1 Cor. §153 (12:27-13:8a)	Matthew §34a (10:1. 5-8)			
26TH WEEK after PENTECOST					
М	1 Tim. §278 (1:1-7)	Luke §65 (12:13-15, 22b-31)			
Ти	1 Tim. §279 (1:8-14)	Luke §68 (12:42-48)			
W	1 Tim. §281 (1:18-20; 2:8-15)	) Luke §69 (12:48b-59)			
Th	1 Tim. §283 (3:1-13)	Luke §70 (13:1-9)			
F	1 Tim. §285 (4:4-8,16)	Luke §73 (13:31-35)			
Sa	Gal. §205 (3:8-12)	Luke §46 (9:37-43a)			
Su	26th Sunday after Pentecost				
	4th Resurrectional Matins Gospel: Luke §112 (24:1-12)				
	Eph. §229 (5:8b-19)	Luke §53 (10:25-37)			



## THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

As today is the Synaxis of the Unmercenaries, the annual commemoration of the Saints who cared for and healed the sick by prayer and the medical arts without accepting payment for their services, we will have a prayer for and blessing of Doctors, Nurses, and other medical care providers at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy today. May the Lord bless all the wonderful men and women who care for those who are ill in our society! We are very grateful for their service.

The Parish Council is need of a recording secretary. This position involves attending the Parish Council meetings, taking minutes of each meeting, distributing typed copies of the minutes at the following month's meeting, and making any corrections to the minutes adopted by the Parish Council for the parish's permanent record. The secretary does the same at the Annual Parish Meeting. If you are willing to serve as Parish Council Secretary, please let Fr David know.

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 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 \$15.00 to \$30.00. 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, and Individually wrapped hard candy. Please consider donating items to this worthy cause.

**St Michael's Cathedral in Patterson** is celebrating its Patronal Feast on 21 November (8 November, o.s). For those who would like to celebrate the Feast of the Archangels with our sister parish, their service schedule will be as follows: the Vigil Service will be served on the Eve of the Feast at 6 o'clock and the Holy Liturgy on the morning of the Feast at 9:30. Our parishioners should be aware that the divine services at St Michael's Cathedral are in Slavonic.

**St Michael's Russian Orthodox Cathedral** is located at 5256 Sherman Avenue in Paterson, New Jersey 07502-2106. For additional information, please call the parish at (973) 595-6674 or (973) 595-5816.

**We will observe the Feast of the Archangel Michael** at St Elizabeth's Church with a Moleben with an Akathist to St Michael to help those unable to make the trip to St Michael's Cathedral in Paterson. The Moleben will begin at 9:30 on the morning of 21 November.

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.

## LOOKING AHEAD

**Two Professors and three Seminarians** from Holy Trinity Seminary in Jordanville, New York, on Sunday, 16 December 2018, at St Elizabeth's for the Divine Liturgy and trapeza. During the meal, the Seminarians and Professors will speak about the current state of Holt Trinity Seminary and one of the professors, Fr Deacon Andrei Psarev will offer a presentation on: 'the Inter-Council Presence of the Russian Church as a Phenomenon of Conciliarity'.

We need volunteer families to provide beds for the night for two or three of the Jordanville Seminarians on Saturday, 15 December 2018. If you can put one or more Seminarian up for the night, please let Fr David know.

A Sister from St Elizabeth's Convent in Minsk, Belarus will be visiting us for the Feast of St Nicholas the Wonderworker on 18 and 19 December 2018. We have had Sisters visit us a few times in the past and it is always edifying. We hope that Sister will speak to the assembled children at the end of the Liturgy and give a little talk to all at trapeza following the Liturgy. The Sisters bring devotional items and handicrafts with them on their parish visits, so there will be an opportunity to buy some Christmas gifts as well.

We need a volunteer family to provide a bed for the night of 18 December 2018 for the Sister from Belarus. She will also need to be picked up at the train station in Princeton Junction on December 18th and brought to St Elizabeth's for the Vigil Service, If you can pick up Sister from the train station and/or put her up for the night, please let Fr David know.

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 form 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 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.