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## FASTING AND THE FASTS

We turn for our understanding of fasting to the Bible itself. Christ fasted in preparation for His ministry (Matt. 4:2), and very clearly linked it with prayer in His teaching (Matt. 17:21). This pattern has come through into the Church's practice, and fasting is a strongly and fundamentally liturgical activity. As the Liturgy permeates the whole of our life, so fasting is woven into it.

The Calendar gives us the pattern of this in three cycles: the weekly (Wednesdays and Fridays), the festal (the Christmas, Apostles and Dormition fasts, together with the Eve of the Theophany, the Beheading of Saint John the Baptist and Holy Cross Day), and the Paschal (Great Lent). Of these, the Paschal - the most ancient - has a special place, as it leads up to the Feast of Feasts itself, and even has its own period of preparation from Zacchaeus Sunday to Forgiveness Sunday, during which we are drawn gently into the fullness of Great Lent. This works as follows: The week following the Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee is fast-free: everything may be eaten every day. The week following the Sunday of the Prodigal Son is a normal week, with fasting on Wednesday and Friday. The week following the Last Judgement (Cheesefare Week) is meat-free, but eggs and dairy products may be eaten every day.

The rules of fasting as laid down were drawn up in monasteries in warm countries and, for many living in England today, it is difficult or even impossible to keep them in their fullness. Also, many people are isolated in their Orthodox practice, and the injunction not to let our fasting be seen by others (Matt. 6:16-18) must be remembered. Learning to practise our fasting according to the Law of Love - for God and for our neighbour - needs discernment, and we must remember here that fasting from certain foods is one of many means of inner discipline. It is, though, important to our living in the Church's rhythm of life to observe the fasting rules as fully as possible, doing as much, not as little, as we can and observing every day and season of fasting in some way. If we can be in church, sustained by the prayer of the whole Church, the link between prayer and fasting will become the clearer, but if not, prayer at home or on the bus will feed our fasting, as will almsgiving.

The pattern of abstinence from certain foods is almost directly a reverse image of the Creation. Animals (6<sup>th</sup> day) were created just before man, and meat is the first to go, closely followed by animal products: eggs, milk, cheese etc. Then comes fish (5<sup>th</sup> day), which disappears next, leaving us with the earth's harvest (vegetables, fruit, herbs, wheat, pulses etc.: 3<sup>rd</sup> day). Oil and wine are allowed on some days in the fasts, as, on certain days, is fish. These exceptions are set out in this Calendar, and are added to the basic fast of vegetable products prepared with water.

Discipleship and discipline come from the same root. If fasting becomes a response of love and obedience, it soon becomes a natural part of our Christian life.

### A NOTE ON DATES

Following the usage of the Russian Orthodox Church, certain parishes of our Vicariate use the Old (Julian) Calendar, which, at present, is thirteen days behind the New Calendar (i.e. the civil calendar). In this Calendar & Lectionary, which follows the usage of the Archdiocese of Orthodox Parishes in Western Europe under the Ecumenical Patriarchate, for each entry the day of the month is given in the top left hand corner: the first figure is the date on the Old Calendar, the second figure is the corresponding date on the New Calendar, included here for convenience. Thus:

Feast Day	Old Calendar Date	Which on the New Calendar is:
Jan. 1/14: The Circumcision	1 <sup>st</sup> January	14 <sup>th</sup> January
Jan. 6/19: Theophany	6 <sup>th</sup> January	19 <sup>th</sup> January
Dec. 25/7: Christmas	25 <sup>th</sup> December	7 <sup>th</sup> January

## JANUARY 2008

1/14

**Monday**

[Tone 8]

*fast-free*

### †THE CIRCUMCISION OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST.

\*St Basil the Great, Archbishop of Caesarea in Cappadocia (379)

Martyr Basil of Ancyra (362), St. Maelrhys of Bardsey (6<sup>th</sup>)

**Vespers** 1. Gen 17: 1-7, 9-12, 14 2. Proverbs 8: 22-30

3. Proverbs 10: 31- 11:12

**Matins Gospel** John 10: 9-16

**Liturgy of St. Basil**

† Colossians 2: 8-12

† Luke 2: 20-21, 40-52

\* Hebrews 7:26 -8:2

\* Luke 6: 17-23

2/15

**Tuesday**

*fast-free*

### Forefeast of the Theophany.

St. Sylvester, Pope of Rome (335). \***Repose (1833) and Second**

**Uncovering of the Relics (1991) of St. Seraphim, Wonderworker of**

**Sarov.** Righteous Juliana of Lazarevsk (Murom) (1604).

**Vespers** 1. Wisdom 3: 1-9 2. Wisdom 5: 15-6.3 3. Wisdom 4: 7-15

**Matins Gospel** Matthew 11: 27-30

\* Galatians 5:22-6.2

\*Luke 6: 17-23

3/16

**Wednesday**

*fast-free*

### Forefeast of the Theophany.

Prophet Malachi (400BC). Martyr Gordius of Caesarea in Cappadocia

(4<sup>th</sup>). St Geneviève of Paris (5<sup>th</sup>)

1 Peter 4:1-11

Mark 12: 28-37

4/17

**Thursday**

*fast-free*

### Forefeast of the Theophany.

\***Synaxis of the Seventy Apostles.**

St Theoctistus, Abbot of Cuocomo in Sicily (800)

St Eustathius I, Archbishop of Serbia (1285)

\*Romans 8: 2-13

\*Luke 10: 1-15

5/18

**Friday**

*fast:*

*wine and oil*

### Eve of the Theophany.

Hieromartyr Theopemptus, Bishop of Nicomedia, and Martyr Theonas

(303). St Synclectica of Alexandria (350). Prophet Micah (9<sup>th</sup> BC)

**Royal Hours:**

**First Hour** Isaiah 35:1-10

Acts 13:25-33

Matthew 3:1-11

**Third Hour** Isaiah 1:16-20

Acts 19:1-8

Mark 1:1-8

**Sixth Hour** Isaiah 12:3-6

Romans 6:3-11

Mark 1:9-15

**Ninth Hour** Isaiah 49:8-15

Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7

Matthew 3:13-17

**Vespers** 1. Genesis 1:1-13

2. Exodus 14:15-18,21-23,27-29

3. Exodus 15:22-16: 1

4. Joshua 3:7-8,15-17

5. 4(2) Kings 2:6-14

6. 4(2) Kings 5:9-14

7. Isaiah 1:16-20

8. Genesis 32:1-10

9. Exodus 2:5-10

10. Judges 6:36-40

11. 3(1) Kings 18:30-39

12. 4(2) Kings 2:19-22

13. Isaiah 49:8-15

## JANUARY 2008

5/18  
Friday

### Liturgy of St Basil

1 Corinthians 9:19-27

Luke 3:1-18

### Great Blessing of the Waters

Isaiah 35:1-10

Isaiah 55:1-13

Isaiah 12:3-6

1 Corinthians 10:1-4

Mark 1:9-11

6/19  
Saturday  
*fast-free*

### THE HOLY THEOPHANY OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST

**Matins Gospel** Mark 1:9-11

### Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7

Matthew 3:13-17

### Second Blessing of the Waters

The Old Testament Readings, Epistle and Gospel are the same as on the Eve of the Feast.

7/20  
Sunday  
Tone 1

### 34<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST.

#### \*Sunday after the Theophany. Afterfeast of the Theophany.

\*\*Synaxis of the Holy Glorious Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist, John. St Cedd of Lavington, Bishop of the East Saxons (664).  
St Brannoc (Barnoc) of Braunton, Devon (6<sup>th</sup>)

**Matins Gospel** (i) Matthew 28: 16-20

\*Ephesians 4: 7-13

\*Matthew 4: 12-17

\*\*Acts 19:1-8

\*\*John 1:29-34

8/21  
Monday

#### Afterfeast of the Theophany.

St George the Chozebite, Abbot (7<sup>th</sup>). St Emilian the Confessor, Bishop of Cyzicus (9<sup>th</sup>). Martyr Abo of Tifilis (786)

Hebrews 8: 7-13

Mark 8: 11-21

9/22  
Tuesday

#### Afterfeast of the Theophany.

#### \*St Philip, Metropolitan of Moscow and All Russia (1569).

Martyr Polyuctus of Melitene in Armenia (259). St Peter, Bishop of Sebaste in Armenia (4<sup>th</sup>). St Eustratius the Wonderworker (9<sup>th</sup>).  
St Adrian of Canterbury, Abbot and Scholar (710).

**Matins Gospel** Luke 6: 17-23a

Hebrews 9: 8-10, 15-23

Mark 8: 22-26

\* Hebrews 13: 17-21

\* John 10: 9-16

10/23  
Wednesday  
*fast*

#### Afterfeast of the Theophany. St Gregory, Bishop of Nyssa (394).

\***St Theophan the Recluse (1894)**. Blessed Theosevia, Deaconess, sister of St Gregory of Nyssa (385). St Paul, Abbot of Obnora (Vologda) (1429).

**Matins Gospel** John 10:1-9

Hebrews 10: 1-18

Mark 8: 30-34

\* Hebrews 7:26-8:2

\* John 10:9-16

## JANUARY 2008

11/24  
**Thursday**

**Afterfeast of the Theophany.**  
**\*St Theodosius the Great, the Cenobiarch (529).**  
St Theodosius of Antioch (412).  
St Michael of Klops Monastery, Fool-for-Christ (Novgorod) (1453-1456).  
**Matins Gospel** Luke 6:17-23  
\* 2 Corinthians 4:6-15 \* Matthew 11:27-30

12/25  
**Friday**  
*fast*

**Afterfeast of the Theophany.**  
Martyr Tatiana of Rome and those with her (226-235). **\*St Sava, Archbishop of Serbia (1237).** St Eupraxia of Tabennesi (Egypt) (393).  
St Benedict Biscop, First Abbot of Wearmouth, Scholar (689-690).  
Hebrews 11: 8, 11-16 Mark 9: 33-41  
\* Hebrews 7:26-8:2 \* John 10:9-16

13/26  
**Saturday**

**Afterfeast of the Theophany. Saturday after Theophany.**  
Martyrs Hermylus and Stratonicus of Belgrade (315). St James, Bishop of Nisibis (350). St Irinarch of Rostov (1616). St Eleazar of Anzersk (1656).  
[*Services for The Holy Fathers slain at Sinai and Raithu: Isaiah, Sabbas, Moses and his disciple Moses, and others (4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>) transferred from 14<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup>*]  
Ephesians 6: 10-17 Matthew 4: 1-11

14/27  
**Sunday**  
Tone 2

**35<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST.**  
**Leavetaking of the Theophany.**  
**\*St Nina, Equal-to-the-Apostles and Enlightener of Georgia (355).**  
St Kentigern (Mungo), Bishop (Strathclyde and Cumbria) (612).  
St Stephen Mandraeli (8<sup>th</sup>).  
[*Services for The Holy Fathers slain at Sinai and Raithu: Isaiah, Sabbas, Moses and his disciple Moses, and others (4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>) transferred to 13<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup>.*]  
**Matins Gospel** (ii) Mark 16:1-8  
1 Timothy 1:15-17 Luke 18:35-43  
\* 1 Corinthians 4:9-16 \* Matthew 25:1-13

15/28  
**Monday**

St Paul of Thebes (341) and St John the Hut-dweller (5<sup>th</sup>), Monks.  
St Ita of Killeedy (Limerick), Nun (570).  
Hebrews 11: 17-23, 27-31 Mark 9: 42-10: 1

16/29  
**Tuesday**

**\*Veneration of the Precious Chains of the Holy All-glorious Apostle Peter.** Blessed Maximus the Priest, of Totma (Vologda), Fool-for-Christ (1650).  
St Fursey, Abbot of Burgh Castle (East Anglia) (650).  
Hebrews 12: 25-26, 13: 22-25 Mark 10: 2-12  
\* Acts 12:1-11 \* John 21:15-25

17/30  
**Wednesday**  
*fast*

**\*St Anthony the Great (356).** St Anthony of Dymsk (Novgorod) (1224).  
St George, the New Martyr, of Ioannina (1838).  
**Vespers** 1. Wisdom 3:1-9 2. Wisdom 5:15-6:9 3. Wisdom 4:7-15  
**Matins Gospel** Matthew 11:27-30  
James 1: 1-18 Mark 10: 11-16  
\* Hebrews 13:17-21 \* Luke 6:17-23

## JANUARY 2008

18/31

**Thursday**

**St Athanasius (373) and St Cyril (444), Archbishops of Alexandria.**

**\*St Cyril and St Maria, parents of St Sergius of Radonezh (1337).**

**Matins Gospel**

Matthew 11:27-30

James 1: 19-27

Mark 10: 17-27

\* Galatians 5:22-6:2

\* Luke 6:17-23

19/1 Feb

**Friday**

*fast*

St Macarius the Great of Egypt (390-391). St Macarius of Alexandria (394-395). Blessed Theodore of Novgorod, Fool-for-Christ (1392).

St Mark, Archbishop of Ephesus (1457). St Branwalader (Breward) of Cornwall, the Channel Islands and Brittany (6<sup>th</sup>).

James 2:1-13

Mark 10:23-32

20/2

**Saturday**

**\*St Euthymius the Great (473).**

**Vespers 1.** Wisdom 3:1-9 **2.** Wisdom 5:15-6:3 **3.** Wisdom 4:7-15

**Matins Gospel**

Matthew 11:27-30

Colossians 1:3-6

Luke 16:10-15

\* Hebrews 13:17-21

\* Luke 6:17-23

21/3

**Sunday**

Tone 3

**36<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST.**

Martyrs Eugene, Candidus, Valerian, and Aquila, at Trebizond (3<sup>rd</sup>).

**\*St Maximus the Confessor (662).** St Maxim the Greek (1556).

Virgin-Martyr Agnes at Rome (304).

Martyr Anastasius, disciple of St Maximus the Confessor (662).

**Matins Gospel**

(iii) Mark 16:9-20

2 Corinthians 6:16-7:1

Matthew 25:21-28

\* Hebrews 11: 33-40

\* Luke 12: 8-12

22/4

**Monday**

**Apostle Timothy of the Seventy (96).** Monk-Martyr Anastasius the Persian (628).

James 2:14-26

Mark 10:46-52

23/5

**Tuesday**

Hieromartyr Clement, Bishop of Ancyra, and Martyr Agathangelus (312).

St Paulinus, Bishop of Nola (431). Commemoration of the Holy Fathers of the Sixth Ecumenical Council (680-681).

James 3:1-10

Mark 11:11-23

24/6

**Wednesday**

*fast*

St Xenia of Rome (5<sup>th</sup>). **\*St Xenia of Petersburg, Fool-for-Christ (19<sup>th</sup>).**

Martyrs Babylas of Sicily, and his two disciples, Timothy and Agapius (3<sup>rd</sup>). Martyr John of Kazan (1529).

**Matins Gospel**

Matthew 11:27-30

James 3:11-4:6

Mark 11:23-26

\* Galatians 5:22-6:2

• Luke 6:17-23

## JANUARY 2008

25/7

**Thursday**

**\*St Gregory the Theologian, Archbishop of Constantinople (389).**

**\*\*Hieromartyr Vladimir, Metropolitan of Kiev (1918).**

St Moses, Archbishop of Novgorod (1362). St Eochod of Galloway (597).

**Vespers**

1. Proverbs 10:7a,6a; 3:13-16; 8:6,32,34,4,12,17,5-9; 1:23; 15:4

2. Proverbs 10:31-32; 11:4,7,19; 13:2,9; 8:17; 15:2; 14:33; 22:11;

Ecclesiastes 8:1; Wisdom 6:12-16; 7:30; 8:2-4,7-9,17-18,21; 9:1-5,10-11,14

3. Wisdom 4:7-15

**Matins Gospel**

John 10:1-9

James 4:7-5:9

Mark 11:27-33

\* 1 Corinthians 12:7-11

\* John 10:9-16

\*\* Hebrews 13:7-16

\*\* Luke 12:32-40

26/8

**Friday**

*fast*

St Joseph, Bishop of Salonica (830). Blessed David III, King of Georgia (1125). St Conan, Bishop of Sodor and Man (648).

Translation of the relics of St Theodore, Abbot of the Studion (845).

1 Peter 1:1, 2, 10-12, 2:6-10

Mark 12:1-12

27/9

**Saturday**

**\*Translation of the Relics of St John Chrysostom, Archbishop of Constantinople (438).**

**The Holy Hieromartyr Dimitri (Klépinine) (1944), and the Reader Georges (Skobstov) (1944), and Élie (Fondaminsky) (1942), Martyrs.**

**Vespers** 1. Proverbs 10:7a,6a; 3:13-16; 8:6,32,34,4,12,17,5-9; 1:23; 15:4

2. Proverbs 10:11; Wisdom 6:12-16; 7:30; 8:2-4,7-9,21; 9:1-4,10,11,14

3. Wisdom 4:7-15

**Matins Gospel**

John 10:1-9

1 Thessalonians 5:14-23

Luke 17:3-10

\* Hebrews 7:26-8:2

\* John 10:9-16

28/10

**Sunday**

Tone 4

**37<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST,**

St Ephraim the Syrian (373). St Palladius the Hermit of Antioch (4<sup>th</sup>).

St Isaac the Syrian, Bishop of Nineveh (7<sup>th</sup>).

St Theodosius, Abbot of Totma (Vologda) (1568).

**\* Synaxis of the Newly-Canonised Martyrs and Confessors of Russia, those whose names have been revealed and those known to God alone, among them:**

Patriarch Tikhon of All Russia (1925), Metropolitan Peter of Krutitsk (1937), Metropolitan Vladimir of Kiev (1918), Metropolitan Benjamin of Petrograd and with him, Archimandrite Sergii, and Georgii and Ioann (1922), Metropolitan Seraphim (1937), Archbishop Faddei (1937), Archpriest Ioann (1917) and Protospesbyter Alexander (1937), Grand Princess Elizabeth and Nun Barbara (1918).

**Matins Gospel**

(iv) Luke 24:1-12

1 Timothy 4:9-15

Luke 19:1-10

\* Romans 8: 28-39

\* Luke 21: 12-19

29/11

**Monday**

**Translation of the relics of Hieromartyr Ignatius the Godbearer (107).**

St Aphrahat, monk (Persia) (4<sup>th</sup>). St Gildas the Wise, Abbot (Llanilltud and Brittany) (570).

1 Peter 2:21-3:9

Mark 12: 13-17

## JANUARY 2008

30/12  
Tuesday

**\*Synaxis of the Great Hierarchs: Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian, and John Chrysostom.**

Hieromartyr Hippolytus, Pope of Rome (3<sup>rd</sup>), St Zeno, Hermit at Antioch (5<sup>th</sup>). Martyr Theophilus the New (Cyprus) (784). Blessed Peter, King of Bulgaria (967). New Martyr Chatzi-Theodore (Mytilene) (1784).

**Vespers** 1. Deuteronomy 1:8-11,15-17 2. Deuteronomy 10:14-21  
3. Wisdom 3:1-9

**Matins Gospel** John 10: 9-16

1 Peter 3:10-22

Mark 12: 18-27

\* Hebrews 13:7-16

\* Matthew 5:14-19

31/13  
Wednesday  
*fast*

Holy Wonderworkers and Unmercenaries Cyrus and John (311). St Aidan (Maedoc) of Ferns, Bishop (626). **St Nicetas of the Kiev Caves, Bishop of Novgorod (1108).** Holy New Martyr Elias Ardiunes at Kalamata (1686).

1 Peter 4:1-11

Mark 12: 28-37

## FEBRUARY 2008

1/14  
Thursday

**Forefeast of the Meeting.** Martyr Tryphon of Campsada near Apamea in Syria (250). Martyrs Perpetua of Carthage, and Catechumens Saturus, Revocatus, Saturninus, Secundulus and Felicitas (202-203).

St Bridget, Abbess of Kildare (525).

St Seiriol, Abbot of Penmon and Ynys Seiriol (Puffin Island) (6<sup>th</sup>).

1 Peter 4:12-5:5

Mark 12: 38-44

(Friday) 2 Peter 1: 1-10

Mark 13: 1-8

2/15  
Friday  
*fast: fish, wine  
& oil*

**THE MEETING OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE.**

New Martyr Iordanes at Galata (1650).

**Vespers** 1. Exodus 12:51; 13:1-3,10-12,14-16; 22:29;  
Leviticus 12:1-4,6,8; Numbers 8:16-17

2. Isaiah 6:1-12 3. Isaiah 19:1,3-5,12,16,19-21

**Matins Gospel** Luke 2:25-32

Hebrews 7:7-17

Luke 2:22-40

3/16  
Saturday

**Afterfeast of the Meeting.**

Holy and Righteous Simeon, and Anna the Prophetess. **St Nicholas, Archbishop of Japan (1912).** St Simeon, First Bishop of Tver (1289).

Blessed Romanus, Prince of Uglich (1285). Prophet Azariah (10<sup>th</sup> BC). St Lawrence of Canterbury, Bishop (619). St Werburga, Abbess of Hanbury (700). Martyr Ia (Ives) of St Ives and Armorica (540). New Martyrs Nikolaos, Anezo and Stamatios and those with them at Cesme (1822).

2 Timothy 2:11-19

Luke 18:2-8

4/17  
Sunday  
Tone 5

**SUNDAY OF THE PUBLICAN AND THE PHARISEE**

**(Beginning of the Lenten Triodion)**

**Afterfeast of the Meeting.** St Isidore of Pelusium (436-440). St Nicholas the Confessor, Abbot of the Studion (868). Hieromartyr Aldate (577).

**Matins Gospel** (v) Luke 24:12-35

2 Timothy 3: 10-15

Luke 18: 10-14

## FEBRUARY 2008

5/18

**Monday**

*fast-free*

**Afterfeast of the Meeting.**

Holy Martyr Agatha of Palermo (251).

St Theodosius, Archbishop of Chernigov (1696).

2 Peter 1: 20 - 2:9

Mark 13: 9-13

6/19

**Tuesday**

*fast-free*

**Afterfeast of the Meeting.**

St Barsanuphius the Great and St John the Prophet, Monks (6<sup>th</sup>).

St Photius, Patriarch of Constantinople (891).

St Mel, associate of St Patrick, Bishop of Ardagh (488)

2 Peter 2:9-22

Mark 13: 14-23

7/20

**Wednesday**

*fast-free*

**Afterfeast of the Meeting.**

St Luke of Hellas (946). The 1003 Martyrs of Nicomedia (303).

2 Peter 3: 1-18

Mark 13: 24-31

8/21

**Thursday**

*fast-free*

**Afterfeast of the Meeting.**

The Great Martyr Theodore Stratelates (319). Prophet Zechariah (520

B.C.). St Kew, Virgin, Cornwall (5<sup>th</sup>). St Cuthman, hermit, (Steyning, Sussex) (9<sup>th</sup>). St Sava II, Archbishop of Serbia (1268-1269).

1 John 1: 8 - 2:6

Mark 13:31 - 14: 2

9/22

**Friday**

*fast-free*

**Leavetaking of the Meeting.**

Uncovering of the relics of St Innocent, Bishop of Irkutsk (1805). Martyr

Nicephorus of Antioch (257). St Pancratius, Bishop of Taormina (1<sup>st</sup>).

St Teilo, Bishop (Llandeilo Fawr) (6<sup>th</sup>).

1 John 2: 7-17

Mark 14: 3-9

10/23

**Saturday**

*fast-free*

Hieromartyr Charalampus, Bishop of Magnesia (202). Blessed Princess

Anna of Novgorod (1056). St Prochorus of the Kiev Caves (1107).

2 Timothy 3: 1-9

Luke 20: 45 - 21: 4

11/24

**Sunday**

Tone 6

**SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON**

Hieromartyr Blaise, Bishop of Sebaste (316). Righteous Theodora, wife of

Emperor Theophilus the Iconoclast (867). St Demetrius, Wonderworker

of Priluk (Vologda) (1392). St Caedmon, Monk of Whitby (680).

**Matins Gospel** (vi) Luke 24: 36-53

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

Luke 15:11-32

12/25

**Monday**

St Procopius the Confessor of Decapolis (750).

St Titus, Presbyter of the Kiev Caves (1190). \***The Repose of St. Alexis,**

**Metropolitan of Moscow (1378)**

1 John 2:18 - 3:10

Mark 11: 1-11

\* Hebrews 13: 17-21

\* Luke 6: 17-23

13/26

**Tuesday**

St Martinian of Caesarea in Palestine (5<sup>th</sup>). The Holy Woman Zoe and the

Virgin Photinia (5<sup>th</sup>). St Stephen (Simeon), Prince of Serbia (1200).

1 John 3: 10b-20

Mark 14: 10-42

14/27

**Wednesday**

*fast*

**Repose of St Cyril, Equal-to-the Apostles and Teacher of the Slavs**

(869). St Maron, Hermit of Syria (4<sup>th</sup>). St Abraham, Bishop in Mesopotamia (5<sup>th</sup>). St Isaac, Recluse, of the Kiev Caves (1090).

1 John 3: 21 - 4: 6

Mark 14: 43 - 15: 1



## FEBRUARY 2008

24/8  
**Saturday**  
*cheesefare*

**Saturday of Cheesefare. \*Commemoration of the Holy Ascetics. Commemoration of All Departed Monastics**  
St Ethelbert of Kent (616). St Cumine, Abbot of Iona (669).  
**\*\*First (4<sup>th</sup>) and Second (452) Finding of the Honourable Head of the Holy Glorious Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist John**  
Romans 14:19-23; 16:25-27      Matthew 6:1-13  
\* Galatians 5:22-6:2      \* Matthew 11:27-30  
\*\* 2 Corinthians 4:6-15      \*\* Luk4 17: 17-30

25/9  
**Sunday**  
**Tone 8**  
*cheesefare*

**FORGIVENESS SUNDAY. THE EXPULSION OF ADAM FROM PARADISE. SUNDAY OF CHEESEFARE.**  
St Tarasius, Patriarch of Constantinople (806).  
St Walburga, Abbess of Heidenheim (779).  
**Matins Gospel** (viii) John 20:11-18  
Romans 13:11-14:4      Matthew 6:14-21

## BEGINNING OF GREAT LENT

### First Week of Great Lent.

26/10  
**Monday**  
*fast*

Martyr Sebastian (66). St Porphyrius, Bishop of Gaza (420).  
**Sixth Hour** Isaiah 1:1-20      **No Liturgy**  
**Vespers** Genesis 1:1-13      Proverbs 1:1-20  
**Great Canon of St Andrew of Crete**

27/11  
**Tuesday**  
*fast*

St Procopius the Confessor of Decapolis (750).  
St Titus, Presbyter of the Kiev Caves (1190).  
**Sixth Hour** Isaiah 1:19-2:3      **No Liturgy**  
**Vespers** Genesis 1:14-23      Proverbs 1:20-33  
**Great Canon of St Andrew of Crete**

28/12  
**Wednesday**  
*fast*

St Basil the Confessor (750). Blessed Nicholas of Pskov, Fool-for-Christ (1576). St Romanus, Abbot (463). St Oswald, Bishop of Worcester (992).  
**Sixth Hour** Isaiah 2:3-11      **Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts**  
**Vespers** Genesis 1:24-2:3      Proverbs 2:1-22  
**Great Canon of St Andrew of Crete**

29/13  
**Thursday**  
*fast*

St John Cassian the Roman (435).  
**Sixth Hour** Isaiah 2:11-21      **No Liturgy**  
**Vespers** Genesis 2:4-19      Proverbs 3:1-18  
**Great Canon of St Andrew of Crete**

## MARCH 2008

1/14  
**Friday**  
*fast*

Martyr Eudoxia of Heliopolis (160-170). St David of Wales (601).  
**Sixth Hour** Isaiah 3:1-14      **Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts**  
**Vespers** Genesis 2:20-3:20      Proverbs 3:19-34

## MARCH 2008

2/15

**Saturday**

*fast:*  
*wine & oil*

**First Saturday of Great Lent.**

**\*Commemoration of St Theodore the Recruit (306).**

Hieromartyr Theodotus, Bishop of Cyrenia (326). **St Arsenius, Bishop of Tver (1409).** Virgin-Martyr Euthalia of Sicily (257). St Chad, Bishop of Lichfield (672).

**Matins Gospel**

Luke 7:17-30

Hebrews 1:1-12

Mark 2:23-3:5

\* 2 Timothy 2:1-10

\* John 15:17-16:2

3/16

**Sunday**

Tone 1

*fast: wine & oil*

**FIRST SUNDAY OF GREAT LENT. Sunday of Orthodoxy.**

Martyr Eutropius of Amasea (308). St Calupanus, Recluse in Auverge (576). St Non, mother of St David of Wales.

**Matins Gospel** (ix) John 20:19-31

**Liturgy of St Basil**

Hebrews 11:24-26,32-12:2

John 1:43-51

### Second Week of Great Lent.

4/17

**Monday**

*fast*

St Gerasimos of the Jordan (475). Blessed Prince Basil of Rostov (1238).

**Blessed Prince Daniel of Moscow (1303).**

St Gregory, Bishop of Constantia in Cyprus.

**Sixth Hour** Isaiah 4:2-5:7

**No Liturgy**

**Vespers** Genesis 3:21-4:7

Proverbs 3:34-4:22

5/18

**Tuesday**

*fast*

Martyr Conon of Isauria (1<sup>st</sup>).

Martyr Conon the Gardener, of Pamphylia (3<sup>rd</sup>).

St Mark the Faster of Egypt (5<sup>th</sup>). St Ciaran of Saighir (Ossory) (5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>).

**Sixth Hour** Isaiah 5:7-16

**No Liturgy**

**Vespers** Genesis 4:8-15

Proverbs 5:1-15

6/19

**Wednesday**

*fast*

The 42 Martyrs of Amorium (845). Discovery of the Precious Cross and Nails by the Empress St Helena in Jerusalem (326).

**Sixth Hour** Isaiah 5:16-25

**Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts**

**Vespers** Genesis 4:16-26

Proverbs 5:15-6:3

7/20

**Thursday**

*fast*

The Holy Hieromartyrs of Cherson (4<sup>th</sup>).

St Paul the Simple, disciple of St Anthony the Great (4<sup>th</sup>).

**Sixth Hour** Isaiah 6:1-12

**No Liturgy**

**Vespers** Genesis 5:1-24

Proverbs 6:3-20

8/21

**Friday**

*fast*

St Theophylact, Bishop of Nicomedia (842). St Felix of Burgundy, Bishop of Dunwich and Enlightener of the East Angles (648).

St Senan, Abbot of Scatterry (544).

**Sixth Hour** Isaiah 7:1-14

**Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts**

**Vespers** Genesis 5:32-6:8

Proverbs 6:20-7:1

9/22

**Saturday**

*fast:*

*wine & oil*

**Second Saturday of Great Lent. \*Commemoration of the Dead.**

†**The Holy Forty Martyrs of Sebaste (320).** St Caesarius, brother of St Gregory the Theologian (369). St Bosa, Bishop of York (705).

**Vespers:** 1. Isaiah 43: 9-14 2. Wisdom 3: 1-9 3. Wisdom 5: 15-24, 6: 1-3

**Matins Gospel**

Luke 21:12-19

Hebrews 3:12-16

Mark 1:35-44

\* 1 Thessalonians 4:13-17

\* John 5:24-30

† Hebrews 12:1-10

† Matthew 20:1-16

## MARCH 2008

10/23  
**Sunday**  
Tone 2  
*fast:*  
*wine & oil*

**SECOND SUNDAY OF GREAT LENT. \*St Gregory Palamas.**  
Martyr Quadratus and those with him at Corinth (c.250)  
**Matins Gospel** (x) John 21:1-14

**Liturgy of St Basil**  
Mark 2:1-12  
\* Hebrews 1:10-2:3  
\* Hebrews 7:26-8:2  
\* John 10:9-16

### Third Week of Great Lent.

11/24  
**Monday**  
*fast*

St Sophronius, Patriarch of Jerusalem (644).  
Hieromartyr Pionius and those with him at Smyrna (250).  
**Sixth Hour** Isaiah 8:13-9:7  
**No Liturgy**  
**Vespers** Genesis 6:9-22 Proverbs 8:1-21

12/25  
**Tuesday**  
*fast*

St Theophanes the Confessor, of Sigriane (818). **St Gregory the Dialogist, Pope of Rome (604).** St Symeon the New Theologian (1022). St Paulinus (Paul Aurelian), Bishop (6<sup>th</sup>). St Alphege, Bishop of Winchester (951).  
**Sixth Hour** Isaiah 9:9-10:4  
**No Liturgy**  
**Vespers** Genesis 7:1-5 Proverbs 8:32-9:11

13/26  
**Wednesday**  
*fast*

Translation of the relics of St Nicephorus, Patriarch of Constantinople (846). Martyrs Africanus, Publius, and Terence, of Carthage (3<sup>rd</sup>).  
Martyr Alexander of Macedonia (305-311).  
**Sixth Hour** Isaiah 10:12-20  
**Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts**  
**Vespers** Genesis 7:6-9 Proverbs 9:12-18

14/27  
**Thursday**  
*fast*

St Benedict of Nursia (543). St Theognostus, Metropolitan of Kiev and Moscow (1353). Blessed Rostislav (Michael), Prince of Kiev (1167).  
**Sixth Hour** Isaiah 11:10-12:2  
**No Liturgy**  
**Vespers** Genesis 7:11-8:3 Proverbs 10:1-22

15/28  
**Friday**  
*fast*

Martyr Agapius and those with him at Caesarea (303).  
**Sixth Hour** Isaiah 13:2-13  
**Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts**  
**Vespers** Genesis 8:4-21 Proverbs 10:31-11:12

16/29  
**Saturday**  
*fast:*  
*wine & oil*

**Third Saturday of Great Lent. \*Commemoration of the Dead.**  
Martyr Sabinus of Egypt (287). Hieromartyr Alexander, Pope of Rome (119). St Christodoulos of Patmos (1093).  
Hebrews 10:32-38  
Mark 2:14-17  
\* 1 Thessalonians 4:13-17 \* John 5:24-30

17/30  
**Sunday**  
Tone 3  
*fast:*  
*wine & oil*

**THIRD SUNDAY OF GREAT LENT. Veneration of the Holy Cross.**  
St Alexius the Man of God (411). St Patrick, Bishop of Armagh, Apostle to the Irish (461). St Withburga, Solitary at Holkham and East Dereham (743).  
**Matins Gospel** (xi) John 21:15-25

**Liturgy of St Basil**  
Hebrews 4:14-5:6  
Mark 8:34-9:1



## MARCH 2008

25/7 **Vespers:** 1. Genesis 13:12-18 2. Proverbs 14:27-15:4  
**Monday** (for Annunciation) 3. Exodus 3: 1-8 4. Proverbs 8: 22-30  
*continued* **Liturgy of St John Chrysostom :** Hebrews 2:11-18 Luke 1:24-38

26/8 **Leavetaking of the Annunciation. Synaxis of the Archangel Gabriel.**  
**Tuesday** Hieromartyr Irenaeus, Bishop of Sirmium (304). St Basil the New,  
*fast* Anchorite, near Constantinople (944).  
**Sixth Hour** Isaiah 40:18-31 **No Liturgy**  
**Vespers** Genesis 15:1-15 Proverbs 15:7-19

27/9 Martyr Matrona of Salonica (3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>). Martyrs Manuel and Theodosius  
(304). St John the Anchorite, of Egypt (395).  
**Wednesday** **Sixth Hour** Isaiah 41:4-14 **Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts**  
*fast: wine & oil* **Vespers** Genesis 17:1-9 Proverbs 15:20-16:9  
**At Matins this Wednesday evening, Great Canon of St Andrew of Crete**

28/10 St Theophylact, Bishop of Nicomedia (842). St Felix of Burgundy,  
**Thursday** St Hilarion the New, Abbot of Pelecete (754).  
*fast: wine & oil* St Stephen, Abbot of Tryglia (815).  
**Sixth Hour** Isaiah 42:5-16 **No Liturgy**  
**Vespers** Genesis 18:20-33 Proverbs 16:17-17:17

29/11 Hieromartyr Mark, Bishop of Arethusa, and others (364).  
**Friday** St Gladys (Gwladys) (6<sup>th</sup>).  
*fast: wine & oil* **Sixth Hour** Isaiah 45:11-17 **Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts**  
**Vespers** Genesis 22:1-18 Proverbs 17:17-18:5  
**At Matins this Friday evening,**  
**the Akathist Hymn to the Most Holy Mother of God.**

30/12 **Fifth Saturday of Great Lent.**  
**Saturday** \***Saturday of the Akathist of the Most Holy Mother of God.**  
*fast: wine & oil* The Prophet Joad (10<sup>th</sup> BC). Apostles Sosthenes, Apollos, Cephas, Caesar  
and Epaphroditus, of the Seventy (1<sup>st</sup>). St John of the Ladder, Sinai (7<sup>th</sup>).  
St Sophronius, Bishop of Irkutsk (1771).  
St Osburga, Abbess of Coventry (1018).  
Hebrews 9:24-28 Mark 8:27-31  
\* Hebrews 9:1-7 \* Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28

31/13 **FIFTH SUNDAY OF GREAT LENT. \*St Mary of Egypt.**  
**Sunday** Repose of St Jonah, Metropolitan of Moscow and All Russia (1461).  
Tone 5 St Innocent, Metropolitan of Moscow (1879).  
*fast: wine & oil* **Matins Gospel** (ii) Mark 16:1-8 **Liturgy of St Basil**  
Hebrews 9:11-14 Mark 10:32-45  
\* Galatians 3:23-29 \* Luke 7:36-50

## APRIL 2008

## Sixth Week of Great Lent

1/14 St Mary of Egypt (522). St Euthymius, Monk, of Suzdal (1404).  
**Monday** **Sixth Hour** Isaiah 48:17-49:4 **No Liturgy**  
*fast* **Vespers** Genesis 27:1-41 Proverbs 19:16-25

## APRIL 2008

- 2/15  
**Tuesday** *fast*  
St Titus the Wonderworker (9<sup>th</sup>).  
**Sixth Hour** Isaiah 49:6-10  
**Vespers** Genesis 31:3-16  
**No Liturgy**  
Proverbs 21:3-21
- 3/16  
**Wednesday**  
*fast*  
Holy Virgin-Martyr Theodosia of Tyre (307-308).  
St Nicetas the Confessor, Abbot of Medikion (824).  
**Sixth Hour** Isaiah 58:1-11  
**Vespers:** Genesis 43: 26-31; 45: 1-16  
**Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts**  
Proverbs 21:223 - 22: 4
- 4/17  
**Thursday**  
*fast*  
St Zosimas, of Palestine (560). St Joseph the Hymnographer (883).  
St George, Monk of Mt Maleon (9<sup>th</sup>).  
St Joseph the Much-Ailing, of the Kiev Caves (14<sup>th</sup>).  
**Sixth Hour** Isaiah 65:8-16  
**Vespers** Genesis 46:1-7  
**No Liturgy**  
Proverbs 23:15-24:5
- 5/18  
**Friday**  
*fast*  
**Translation of the relics of St Job, Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia (1652).** Martyrs Agathopodes the Deacon, Theodulus the Reader and those with them (303). St Theodora of Salonica (892).  
St Plato, Abbot of the Studion (814). St Mark the Anchorite (400).  
St Ethelburga, Princess of Kent, Abbess of Lyminge (647).  
**Sixth Hour** Isaiah 66:10-24  
**Vespers** Genesis 49:33-50:26  
**Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts**  
Proverbs 31:8-32
- 6/19  
**Saturday**  
*fast: fish roe, wine & oil*  
**LAZARUS SATURDAY.**  
St Eutychius, Patriarch of Constantinople (582).  
**St Methodius, Equal-to-the-Apostles, Archbishop of Moravia and Teacher of the Slavs (885).** St Elstan (Elfstan), Bishop of Ramsbury.  
Hebrews 12:28-13:8  
John 11:1-45
- 7/20  
**Sunday**  
*fast :fish, wine & oil*  
**THE ENTRY OF OUR LORD INTO JERUSALEM - PALM SUNDAY.**  
St. George, Bishop of Mytilene (820). St. Daniel, Abbot of Pereyaslavl-Zaleski (1540). St. Brynach, hermit, of Pembroke (5<sup>th</sup>)  
**Vespers** Genesis 49:1-2,8-12 Zephaniah 3:14-19 Zechariah 9:9-15  
**Matins Gospel** Matthew 21:1-11,15-17  
**Liturgy of St John Chrysostom**  
Philippians 4: 4-9  
John 12: 1-18
- Passion Week**
- 8/21  
**Monday**  
*fast*  
**Great and Holy Monday.**  
Holy Apostles of the Seventy: Herodion, Agabus, Asyncritus, Rufus, Phlegon, Hermes, and those with them.  
St Niphon, Bishop of Novgorod (1156). St Celestine, Pope of Rome (432).  
**Matins Gospel** Matthew 21:18-43  
**Sixth Hour** Ezekiel 1:1-20  
**Vespers** Exodus 1:1-20  
**Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts**  
Job 1:1-12 Matthew 24:3-35
- 9/22  
**Tuesday**  
*fast*  
**Great and Holy Tuesday.**  
Martyr Eupsychius of Caesarea in Cappadocia (362). Martyrs Desan, Bishop, and others in Persia (362-364). Monk-Martyr Bademus (Vadim) of Persia (376). St Nathy, Founder-Abbot of Achonnay (Sligo) (610).  
**Matins Gospel** Matthew 22:15-23:39  
**Sixth Hour** Ezekiel 1:21-28  
**Vespers** Exodus 2:5-10  
**Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts**  
Job 1:13-22 Matthew 24:36-26:2

**APRIL 2008**  
**Passion Week**

10/23  
**Wednesday**  
*fast*

**Great and Holy Wednesday.**  
Martyrs Terence, Pompeius, and others, beheaded at Carthage (249-251).  
Monk-Martyrs Becca and Hethor at Chertsey (870).  
Hieromartyr Gregory V, Patriarch of Constantinople (1821).

**Matins Gospel** John 12:17-50

**Sixth Hour** Ezekiel 2:3-3:3      **Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts**  
**Vespers** Exodus 2:11-22      Job 2:1-10      Matthew 26:6-16

11/24  
**Thursday**  
*fast: wine & oil*

**Great and Holy Thursday.**

Hieromartyr Antipas, Bishop of Pergamon (92). St James, Abbot of Zheleznoborov (1442) and his fellow ascetic St James (15<sup>th</sup>).  
St Guthlac, Hermit of Crowland (714).

**Matins Gospel** Luke 22:1-39

**First Hour** Jeremiah 11:18-12:5,9-11,14-15

**Vespers** 1. Exodus 19:10-19    2. Job 38:1-21; 42:1-5    3. Isaiah 50:4-11

**Liturgy of St Basil** 1 Corinthians 11:23-32

Matthew 26:1-20; John 13:3-17; Matthew 26:21-39;  
Luke 22:43-45; Matthew 26:40-27:2

**At the Washing of the Feet:** John 13:1-11

**After the Washing of the Feet:** John 13:12-17

12/25  
**Friday**  
*strict fast*

**Great and Holy Friday.**

St Basil the Confessor, Bishop of Parium (754).  
Hieromartyr Zeno, Bishop of Verona (260).

**At Matins on Thursday evening the Twelve Passion Gospels:**

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| 1. John 13:31-18:1  | 2. John 18:1-28      |
| 3. Matthew 26:57-75 | 4. John 18:28-19:16  |
| 5. Matthew 27:3-32  | 6. Mark 15:16-32     |
| 7. Matthew 27:33-54 | 8. Luke 23:32-49     |
| 9. John 19:25-37    | 10. Mark 15:43-47    |
| 11. John 19:38-42   | 12. Matthew 27:62-66 |

**Royal Hours:**

**No Liturgy**

**First Hour** Zechariah 11:10-13 Galatians 6:14-18 Matthew 27:1-56

**Third Hour** Isaiah 50:4-11 Romans 5:6-10 Mark 15:16-41

**Sixth Hour** Isaiah 52:13-54:1 Hebrews 2:11-18 Luke 23:32-49

**Ninth Hour** Jeremiah 11:18-12:5; Hebrews 10:19-31 John 18:28-19:37  
12: 9-11,14-15

**Vespers** 1. Exodus 33:11-23    2. Job 42:12-17    3. Isaiah 52:13-54:1

1 Corinthians 1:18-2:2

**Gospel** Matthew 27:1-38; Luke 23:39-43; Matthew 27:39-54;  
John 19:31-37; Matthew 27:55-61

APRIL 2008

13/26

**Saturday**

*fast: wine*

**Great and Holy Saturday.**

Martyr Artemon, Presbyter of Laodicea (303). Martyr Crescens of Myra in Lycia. Virgin-Martyr Thomais of Alexandria (476).

**At Matins on Friday evening:** Ezekiel 37:1-14

1 Corinthians 5:6-8; Galatians 3:13-14 Matthew 27:62-66

**Vespers**

1. Genesis 1:1-13	2. Isaiah 60:1-16
3. Exodus 12:1-11	4. Jonah 1:1-4:11
5. Joshua 5:10-15	6. Exodus 13:20-15:19
7. Zephaniah 3:8-15	8. 1 Kings 17:8-24
9. Isaiah 61:10-62:5	10. Genesis 22:1-18
11. Isaiah 61:1-9	12. 2 Kings 4:8-37
13. Isaiah 63:11-64:5	14. Jeremiah 31:31-34
15. Daniel 3:1-23; Song of the Three Children vv.1-66	

**Liturgy of St Basil the Great**

Romans 6:3-11

Matthew 28:1-20

Hebrews 2:11-18

**The Reading of the Acts of the Holy Apostles begins in the early evening and continues until Paschal Matins.**

14/27

**Sunday**

*fast-free*

**THE GLORIOUS RESURRECTION OF CHRIST,  
THE PASCHA OF THE LORD.**

**Beginning of the Pentecostarion.**

St Martin the Confessor, Pope of Rome (655).

Martyrs Anthony, John and Eustathius, at Vilnius (1347).

**Matins Gospel**

Mark 16:1-8

Acts 1:1-8

John 1:1-17

**Great Vespers**

John 20:19-25

**Bright Week**

15/28

**Monday**

Tone 2

*fast-free*

**Bright Monday.**

Aristarchus, Pudens and Trophimus, Apostles of the Seventy (67).

St Ruadhan, Hermit and Abbot (6<sup>th</sup>).

Acts 1:12-17, 21-26

John 1:18-28

16/29

**Tuesday**

Tone 3

*fast-free*

**Bright Tuesday.**

Virgin Martyrs Agape, Irene and Chionia, in Illyria (304).

Acts 2:14-21

Luke 24:12-35

17/30

**Wednesday**

Tone 4

*fast-free*

**Bright Wednesday.**

Martyr Adrian of Corinth (251). St Agapetus, Pope of Rome (536).

St Zosimas, Abbot of Solovki (1478). Uncovering of the relics of St Alexander of Svir (1641). Monk-Martyr Donnan of Eigg (616).

Acts 2:22-36

John 1:35-51



## APRIL 2008

- 26/9 Hieromartyr Basil, Bishop of Amasea (322). **St Stephen, Bishop of Perm (1396)**. St Ioannicius of Devich in Serbia (13<sup>th</sup>).  
**Friday** Acts 5:1-11 John 5:30-6:2  
*fast : wine & oil*
- 27/10 \***Hieromartyr Simeon, the kinsman of the Lord (107)**.  
**Saturday** St Ascius, Bishop of Elphin (490).  
Acts 5:21-33 John 6:14-27  
\* 1 Corinthians 4:9-16 \* Matthew 13:54-58
- 28/11 **3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY OF PASCHA. Sunday of the Myrrh-bearing Women:**  
**Sunday** Mary Magdalen, Mary, wife of Cleopas, Salome, mother of the sons of Zebedee, Joanna, Susanna, and Mary and Martha, the sisters of Lazarus. Righteous Joseph of Arimathea, and Nicodemus. Apostles Jason and Sospater of the Seventy and their companions (1<sup>st</sup>).  
Tone 2 St Cyril, Bishop of Turov (1183). St Cronan, Abbot of Roscrea (7<sup>th</sup>).  
**Matins Gospel** (iii) Mark 16:9-20  
Acts 6:1-7 Mark 15:43-16:8
- 29/12 Nine Martyrs at Cyzicus: Theogenes and those with him (286-299).  
**Monday** St Basil, Bishop of Ostrog in Montenegro (16<sup>th</sup>).  
Acts 6:8-7:5,47-60 John 4:46-54
- 30/13 \***Holy Apostle James the son of Zebedee (44)**.  
**Tuesday** \*\***St Ignatius Brianchaninov (1867)**. St Erconwald, Bishop of London (693). New Martyr Argyre at Constantinople (1725).  
**Matins Gospel** John 20: 11-18  
Acts 8:5-17 John 6:27-33  
\* Acts 12:1-11 \* Luke 5:1-11  
\*\* Hebrews 7:26-8:2 \*\* John 10:9-16

## MAY 2008

- 1/14 Prophet Jeremiah (6<sup>th</sup> BC). Blessed Tamara, Queen of Georgia (1213). St Paphnutius, Abbot of Borovsk (1478). Hieromartyr Macarius, Metropolitan of Kiev (1497). St Asaph, Bishop of Llanelwy (7<sup>th</sup>).  
**Wednesday** Acts 8:18-25 John 6:35-39  
*fast : wine & oil*
- 2/15 St Athanasius the Great, Archbishop of Alexandria (373).  
**Thursday** **Translation of the relics of the Holy Passion-bearers Boris and Gleb (in Holy Baptism Roman and David) (1072 & 1115)**.  
St Boris (in Holy Baptism Michael), Prince of Bulgaria (907).  
Acts 8:26-39 John 6:40-44
- 3/16 Martyrs Timothy and Maura (286). \***St Theodosius, Abbot of the Kiev Caves Monastery and Founder of Coenobitic Monasticism in Russia (1074)**. New Martyr Ahmet of Constantinople (1682).  
**Friday** Acts 8:40-9:19 John 6:48-54  
*fast : wine & oil* \* Hebrews 13:7-16 \* Matthew 11:27-30
- 4/17 Virgin-Martyr Pelagia of Tarsus in Asia Minor (290).  
**Saturday** St Ethelred, King of Mercia and Monk (716).  
Acts 9:20-31 John 15:17-16:2

## MAY 2008

- 5/18  
**Sunday**  
Tone 3  
**4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF PASCHA. Sunday of the Paralysed Man.**  
Great Martyr Irene of Salonica (1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup>).  
**Matins Gospel** (iv) Luke 24:1-12  
Acts 9:32-42 John 5:1-15
- 6/19  
**Monday**  
Righteous Job the Long-suffering. St Micah, disciple of St Sergius of Radonezh (1385). St Edbert, Bishop of Lindisfarne (716).  
Acts 10:1-16 John 6:56-69
- 7/20  
**Tuesday**  
Commemoration of the Apparition of the Sign of the Precious Cross over Jerusalem (351). Martyr Acacius the Centurion at Byzantium (303). St Nilus, Abbot of Sora (1508). St John of Beverley, Bishop of York (721). New Monk-Martyr Pachomius (Mt Athos) (1730).  
Acts 10:21-33 John 7:1-13
- 8/21  
**Wednesday**  
*fast : wine & oil*  
**MID-PENTECOST.**  
**\*Holy Apostle and Evangelist John the Theologian (98-117).**  
St Arsenius the Great (449-450). St Arsenius the Lover of Labour (14<sup>th</sup>) and St Poemen the Ascetic of the Kiev Caves (12<sup>th</sup>).  
**Vespers** (for Mid-Pentecost) 1. Micah 4:2-3, 5; 6:2-5, 8; 5:4  
2. Isaiah 55: 1-13 3. Proverbs 9:1-11  
(for the Saint) 4. 1 John 3: 21- 4: 6 5. 1 John 4:11-16 6. 1 John 4:20-5:5  
**Matins Gospel** John 21: 15-25  
Acts 14:6-18 John 7:14-30  
\* 1 John 1:1-7 \* John 19:25-27; 21:24-25
- The Lesser Blessing of the Waters**  
Hebrews 2: 11-18 John 5: 1-4
- 9/22  
**Thursday**  
**\*Translation of the relics of St Nicholas the Wonderworker from Myra to Bari (1087).** Prophet Isaiah (8<sup>th</sup> BC). Martyr Christopher of Lycia (250). St Shio, Monk of Georgia (6<sup>th</sup>).  
**Matins Gospel** John 10:1-9  
Acts 10:34-43 John 8:12-20  
\* Hebrews 13:17-21 \* Luke 6:17-23
- 10/23  
**Friday**  
*fast : wine & oil*  
**\*Apostle Simeon Zelotes (1<sup>st</sup>).**  
St Isidora the Fool, of Tabennesi in Egypt (4<sup>th</sup>). St. Thais of Egypt (5<sup>th</sup>)  
St Comgail, Abbot of Bangor (601). St Conleth, Monk and Hermit (520).  
**Matins Gospel** John 21:15-25  
Acts 10:44-11:10 John 8:21-30  
\* 1 Corinthians 4:9-16 \* Matthew 13:54-58
- 11/24  
**Saturday**  
**\*Holy Equal-to-the-Apostles Cyril (869) and Methodius (885), First Teachers of the Slavs.** Commemoration of the Founding of Constantinople (325). St Sophronius, recluse of the Kiev Caves (13<sup>th</sup>). St Joseph, Metropolitan of Astrakhan (1672). St Nikodemus, Archbishop of Serbia (1325).  
Acts 12:1-11 John 8:31-42  
\* Hebrews 7:26-8:2 \* Matthew 5:14-19

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- 12/25  
**Sunday**  
Tone 4
- 5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF PASCHA. Sunday of the Samaritan Woman.**  
St Epiphanius, Bishop, of Cyprus (403).  
St Germanus, Patriarch of Constantinople (740). \***Glorification (1913) of Hieromartyr Hermogen, Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia (1612).**  
St Dionysius, Archimandrite of St Sergius' Monastery (1633).  
**Matins Gospel** (vii) John 20:1-10  
Acts 11:19-26,29-30 John 4:5-42  
\* Hebrews 13:7-16 \* Luke 12:32-40
- 13/26  
**Monday**
- Virgin Martyr Glyceria at Heraclea, and Laodicius, Keeper of the Prison (177). St Euthymius the New (1028), Founder of Iveron Monastery, and his fellow Georgian Saints of Mt Athos.  
Acts 12:12-17 John 8:42-51
- 14/27  
**Tuesday**
- Martyr Isidore of Chios (251). St Nikita, Bishop of Novgorod and Recluse, of the Kiev Caves (1109). St Leontius, Patriarch of Jerusalem (1175). St Isidore, Fool-for-Christ, Wonderworker of Rostov (1474). St Carthage the Younger, Abbot of Raham (639).  
Acts 12:25-13:12 John 8:51-59
- 15/28  
**Wednesday**  
*fast : wine & oil*
- Leavetaking of Mid-Pentecost.**  
**St Pachomius the Great, Founder of Coenobitic Monasticism (348).**  
St Isaiah, Bishop and Wonderworker of Rostov (1090). **The slain Crown Prince Dimitry of Uglich and Moscow (1591).** St Dymrna, Martyr of Antwerp and Gheel (7<sup>th</sup>).  
Acts 13:13-24 John 6:5-14
- 16/29  
**Thursday**
- St Theodore the Sanctified (368). Monk-Martyrs of the community of St Sava the Sanctified (614). St Ephraim, Abbot of Perekop (Novgorod) (1545). St Brendan the Navigator, Abbot of Clonfert (575).  
Acts 14:20-27 John 9:39-10:9
- 17/30  
**Friday**  
*fast : wine & oil*
- Apostle Andronicus and St Junia (1<sup>st</sup>). St Euphrosyne (Princess Eudoxia) of Moscow (1407). St Stephen, Patriarch of Constantinople (893).  
Acts 15:5-34 John 10:17-28
- 18/31  
**Saturday**
- Commemoration of the Holy Fathers of the Seven Ecumenical Councils.** Martyr Theodotus of Ancyra, and those with him (303).  
Acts 15:35-41 John 10:27-38
- 19/1 June  
**Sunday**  
Tone 5
- 6<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF PASCHA. Sunday of the Blind Man.**  
Hieromartyr Patrick, Bishop of Prussa, and his companions (2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>).  
**Great Prince Dimitry Donskoi of Moscow (1389).** St Dunstan, Archbishop of Canterbury (988).  
**Matins Gospel** (viii) John 20:11-18  
Acts 16:16-34 John 9:1-38
- 20/2  
**Monday**
- Martyr Thalelaeus at Aegae in Cilicia, and those with him (284).  
**\*Uncovering of the relics of St Alexis, Metropolitan of Moscow and All Russia (1431).**  
Acts 17:1-15 John 11:47-57  
\* Hebrews 13:17-21 \* Luke 6:17-23

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- 21/3  
**Tuesday**  
\*Holy Equal-to-the-Apostles Emperor Constantine and his mother Helena. St Hospicius, Hermit of Nice (6<sup>th</sup>).  
**Vespers** 1. 3(1) Kings 8:22-23,27-30 2. Isaiah 61:10-62:5 3. Isaiah 60:1-16  
**Matins Gospel** John 10: 9-16  
Acts 17:19-28 John 12:19-36  
\* Acts 26:1-5,12-20 \* John 10:1-9
- 22/4  
**Wednesday**  
*fast : wine & oil*  
**Leavetaking of Pascha. Forefeast of the Ascension.**  
Martyr Basiliscus, Bishop of Comana (308). Commemoration of the Second Ecumenical Council (381). St John-Vladimir, Ruler of Serbia (1015).  
**Matins Gospel** Luke 6:17-23  
Acts 18:22-28 John 12:36-47
- 23/5  
**Thursday**  
**THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD.**  
St Michael the Confessor, Bishop of Synnada (821). **Uncovering of the relics of St Leontius, Bishop and Wonderworker of Rostov (1164).**  
Synaxis of the Saints of Rostov-Yaroslavl.  
**St Euphrosyne, Princess and Abbess of Polotsk (1173).**  
**Vespers** 1. Isaiah 2:2-3 2. Isaiah 62:10-63:3,7-9  
3. Zechariah 14:1,4,8-11  
**Matins Gospel** Mark 16:9-20  
Acts 1:1-12 Luke 24:36-53
- 24/6  
**Friday**  
*fast : wine & oil*  
**Afterfeast of the Ascension.**  
St Simeon Stylites the Younger (596). Martyr Meletius Stratelates and those with him in Galatia (138-161). St Nikita Stylites, Wonderworker of Pereyaslavl-Zalesski (1186). St Vincent of Lerins (5<sup>th</sup>).  
Acts 19:1-8 John 14:1-11
- 25/7  
**Saturday**  
**Afterfeast of the Ascension.**  
**\*Third Finding of the Honourable Head of the Holy Glorious Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist John (850).** Hieromartyr Therapon, Bishop of Cyprus (4<sup>th</sup>). St Aldhelm, Bishop of Sherborne (709).  
**Matins Gospel** Luke 7:17-30  
Acts 20:7-12 John 14:10-21  
\* 2 Corinthians 4:6-15 \* Matthew 11:2-15
- 26/8  
**Sunday**  
Tone 6  
**7<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF PASCHA. Afterfeast of the Ascension.**  
**Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council (325).**  
Apostles Carpūs and Alphaeus of the Seventy (1<sup>st</sup>). Great Martyr George the New at Sofia (Bulgaria) (1515). St Augustine, First Archbishop of Canterbury (604).  
**Vespers** 1. Genesis 14:14-20 2. Deuteronomy 1:8-11,15-17  
3. Deuteronomy 10:14-21  
**Matins Gospel** (x) John 21:1-14  
Acts 20:16-18,28-36 John 17:1-13
- 27/9  
**Monday**  
**Afterfeast of the Ascension.**  
Hieromartyr Therapon, Bishop of Sardis (3<sup>rd</sup>).  
**St John the Russian (1730).** St Melangell, Abbess, Powys (7<sup>th</sup> c.)  
St Bede the Venerable (735)  
Acts 21:8-14 John 14:27-15:7



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5/18

**Wednesday**

*fast-free*

**Afterfeast of Pentecost.**

Hieromartyr Dorotheus, Bishop of Tyre (362). Abba Dorotheus of Palestine (6<sup>th</sup>). Blessed Constantine, Metropolitan of Kiev (1159). Hieromartyr Boniface (Winfrith), Archbishop of Mainz (750).

Romans 1:18-27

Matthew 5:20-26

6/19

**Thursday**

*fast-free*

**Afterfeast of Pentecost.**

St Bessarion the Wonderworker, of Egypt (4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>). St Hilarion the New, Abbot of the Dalmatian Monastery (845). St Jonah, Bishop of Perm (1470). St Jarlath, Bishop of Tuam (550).

Romans 1:28-2:9

Matthew 5:27-32

7/20

**Friday**

*fast-free*

**Afterfeast of Pentecost.**

Hieromartyr Theodotus, Bishop of Ancyra (303). Hieromartyr Marcellinus, Pope of Rome, and those with him (304). St Colman, Bishop of Dromore (6<sup>th</sup>).

Romans 2:14-29

Matthew 5:33-41

8/21

**Saturday**

*fast-free*

**Leavetaking of Pentecost.**

Translation of the relics of the Great Martyr Theodore Stratelates (319). St Ephraim, Patriarch of Antioch (545). St Theodore, Bishop of Rostov and Suzdal (1023).

Romans 1:7-12

Matthew 5:42-48

9/22

**Sunday**

Tone 8

**1<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. Sunday of All Saints.**

**St Cyril, Archbishop of Alexandria (444).** St Cyril of the White Lake (1427). St Columba (Columcille), Founder of the Monastery of Iona (597).

**Vespers 1.** Isaiah 43:9-14 **2.** Wisdom 3:1-9 **3.** Wisdom 5:15-6:3

**Matins Gospel** (i) Matthew 28:16-20

Hebrews 11:33-12:2

Matthew 10:32-33,37-38; 19:27-30

**Beginning of the Fast of the Holy Apostles Peter and Paul**

10/23

**Monday**

*fast*

Hieromartyr Timothy, Bishop of Prussa (361-363).

**St John Maximovitch, Metropolitan of Tobolsk (1715).**

Romans 2:28-3:18

Matthew 6:31-34; 7:9-11

11/24

**Tuesday**

*fast*

**\*Holy Apostles Bartholomew and Barnabas (1<sup>st</sup>).**

St Barnabas, Abbot of Vetluga (1445). Commemoration of the appearance of the Archangel Gabriel to a monk on Mt Athos, and the revelation of the hymn 'It is truly meet' (10<sup>th</sup>).

Romans 4:4-12

Matthew 7:15-21

\* Acts 11:19-26,29-30

\* Luke 10:16-21

12/25

**Wednesday**

*fast*

St Onuphrius the Great (4<sup>th</sup>) and St Peter of Mt Athos (734). St Arsenius, Abbot of Konevits (1447). St Ternan, Abbot, Bishop of Culross (5<sup>th</sup>).

Romans 4:13-25

Matthew 7:21-23

13/26

**Thursday**

*fast*

Martyr Aquilina of Byblos in Syria (293).

St Triphyllius, Bishop of Leucosia in Cyprus (370).

Romans 5:10-16

Matthew 8:23-27



## JUNE 2008

23/6

**Sunday**

Tone 2

*fast: fish, wine*

*& oil*

**3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST.**

**Sunday of All Saints of Britain and of the New Martyrs of Greece.**

Martyr Agrippina of Rome (253-260). St Mark, Archbishop of Ephesus (1445). Translation of the relics of St German, Archbishop of Kazan (1567). St Etheldreda (Audrey), Queen, Foundress of Ely Abbey (679).

**Vespers 1.** Isaiah 43:9-14 **2.** Wisdom 3:1-9 **3.** Wisdom 5:15-6:3

**Matins Gospel** (iii) Mark 16:9-20

Romans 5:1-10

Matthew 6:22-33

24/7

**Monday**

*fast: fish, wine*

*& oil*

**THE NATIVITY OF THE HOLY GLORIOUS PROPHET, FORERUNNER AND BAPTIST JOHN.**

St Anthony, Abbot of Dymsk (Novgorod) (1224).

**Vespers 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

**Matins Gospel** Luke 1:24-25,57-68,76,80

Romans 13:12-14:4

Luke 1:5-25,57-68,76,80

25/8

**Tuesday**

*fast*

Virgin-Martyr Febronia of Nisibis (304).

Pious Prince Peter and Princess Febronia of Murom (1228)

(Monday) Romans 9:18-33

Matthew 11:2-15

Romans 10:11-11:2

Matthew 11:16-20

26/9

**Wednesday**

*fast*

St David of Salonica (540). St John, Bishop of the Goths in the Crimea (8<sup>th</sup>).

St Dionysius, Archbishop of Suzdal (1385).

Romans 11:2-12

Matthew 11:20-26

27/10

**Thursday**

*fast*

St Joanna the Myrrhbearer (1<sup>st</sup>). St Sampson the Hospitable of

Constantinople (530). **Uncovering of the Relics of St Ambrose of Optina (1998).** Blessed Martin of Turov (1146). St Austol, Monk (6<sup>th</sup>).

Romans 11:13-24

Matthew 11:27-30

28/11

**Friday**

*fast*

**St Sergius and St German (Herman), Wonderworkers of Valaam (1353).**

Translation of the relics of the Holy and Wonderworking Unmercenarys

Cyrus and John (412).

Romans 11: 25-36

Matthew 12: 1-8

(Saturday) Romans 6:11-17

Matthew 8:14-23

29/12

**Saturday**

**THE HOLY GLORIOUS AND ALL-PRAISED LEADERS OF THE**

**APOSTLES, PETER AND PAUL (c. 67)**

**Vespers 1.** 1 Peter 1:3-9 **2.** 1 Peter 1:13-19 **3.** 1 Peter 2:11-24

**Matins Gospel** John 21:15-25

2 Corinthians 11:21-12:9

Matthew 16:13-19

30/13

**Sunday**

Tone 3

**4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST.**

**\*Synaxis of the Holy, Glorious, and All-praised Twelve Apostles:**

**Peter, Andrew, James and John the sons of Zebedee, Philip, Bartholomew, Thomas, Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus, Jude the brother of James, Simon Zelotes, and Matthias.**

**Matins Gospel** (iv) Luke 24:1-12

Romans 6:18-23

Matthew 8:5-13

\* 1 Corinthians 4:9-16

\* Mark 3:13-19

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1/14  
**Monday**

**\*Holy and Wonderworking Unmercenary Cosmas and Damian, at Rome (284).** Martyrs Julius and Aaron at Caerleon (304).  
St Servan, Apostle of the Orkneys (6<sup>th</sup>).

Romans 12:4-5,15-21

Matthew 12:9-13

\* 1 Corinthians 12: 27 – 13: 8

\* Matthew 10 : 1, 5-8

2/15  
**Tuesday**

**\*The Placing of the Honourable Robe of the Most Holy Mother of God at Blachernae (458).** St Photius, Metropolitan of Moscow (1431).  
St Monegonde (Tours) (6<sup>th</sup>).

Romans 14:9-18

Matthew 12:14-16,22-30

\* Hebrews 9:1-7

\* Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28

3/16  
**Wednesday**  
*fast*

Martyr Hyacinth of Caesarea in Cappadocia (108). Blessed John of Moscow, Fool-for-Christ (1589). **\*Translation of the relics of St Philip, Metropolitan of Moscow (1652).** St Germanus, Bishop of the Isle of Man (475).

Romans 15:7-16

Matthew 12:38-45

\* Hebrews 13:17-21

\* John 10:9-16

4/17  
**Thursday**

St Andrew, Archbishop of Crete (712). **\*St Andrew Rublev, Iconographer (15<sup>th</sup>).** **\*\*The Holy Passion-bearers Emperor Nicholas II, Empress Alexandra, Crown Prince Alexis, and Grand Princesses Olga, Tatiana, Maria and Anastasia (1918).**

Burial of St Andrew, Prince of Bogoliubsk (1174).

**Matins Gospel** Matthew 11:27-30

Romans 15:17-29

Matthew 12:46-13:3

\* Hebrews 13:7-16

\* Luke 6:17-23

\*\* Romans 8: 29-39

\*\* John 15: 17- 16:2

5/18  
**Friday**  
*fast*

**\*St Athanasius, Founder of Coenobitic Monasticism on Mt Athos (1000).** **\* Uncovering of the relics of St Sergius of Radonezh (1422).** **\*\* The Holy Martyrs Grand Princess Elizabeth and Nun Barbara (1918).**  
St Morwenna, Patroness of Morwenstow (6<sup>th</sup>).

**Matins Gospel** Matthew 11:27-30

Romans 16:1-16

Matthew 13:4-9

\* Galatians 5:22-6:2

\* Luke 6:17-23

\*\* 2 Corinthians 6:1-10

\*\* Matthew 15:21-28

6/19  
**Saturday**

St Sisoës the Great (429). Virgin-Martyr Lucy and Martyr Rixius and those with them at Rome (301). **Synaxis of the Saints of Radonezh.** St Sexburga (Sexbrega), Queen, Abbess of Ely (700).  
St Monenna, Abbess, Foundress of Killeevy (518).

Romans 8:14-21

Matthew 9:9-13

7/20  
**Sunday**  
Tone 4

**5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST.**

St Thomas of Mt Maleon (10<sup>th</sup>). St Acacius of Sinai (6<sup>th</sup>). St Kyriake of Bithynia (4<sup>th</sup>). St Eudoxia (Euphrosyne), Grand Duchess of Moscow (1407). St Hedda, Bishop of Winchester (705). St Willibald, Bishop of Eichstadt (787).

**Matins Gospel** (v) Luke 24:12-35

Romans 10:1-10

Matthew 8:28-9:1

## JULY 2008

- 8/21  
**Monday**  
\* **The appearance of the Icon of the Most Holy Mother of God in the city of Kazan (1579).** Holy Great Martyr Procopius (303). Righteous Procopius, Fool-for-Christ, Wonderworker of Ustiug (Vologda) (1303). Hieromartyr Killan of Würzburg (689). St Urith of Chittlehampton (9<sup>th</sup>).  
**Matins Gospel** Luke 1:39-49,56  
Romans 16:17-24 Matthew 13:10-23  
\* Philippians 2:5-11 \* Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28
- 9/22  
**Tuesday**  
Hieromartyr Pancratius, Bishop of Taormina (1<sup>st</sup>). Hieromartyr Cyril, Bishop of Gortyna (3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>). St Theodore, Bishop of Edessa (9<sup>th</sup>). St Everild (Avril), Virgin (700).  
1 Corinthians 1:1-9 Matthew 13:24-30
- 10/23  
**Wednesday**  
*fast*  
\***The Placing of the Precious Robe of the Lord at Moscow (1625).**  
**\*\*St Anthony of the Kiev Caves, Founder of Monasticism in Russia (1073).** The Holy 45 Martyrs at Nicopolis in Armenia (319).  
1 Corinthians 2:9-3:8 Matthew 13:31-36  
\* 1 Corinthians 1:18-24 \* Mark 15:16-32  
**\*\* Galatians 5:22-6:2 \*\* Matthew 4:25-5:12**
- 11/24  
**Thursday**  
Commemoration of the Miracle (451) of the Great Martyr Euphemia the All-praised. \***Blessed Olga (in Holy Baptism Helen) Princess of Russia (969).**  
1 Corinthians 3:18-23 Matthew 13:36-43  
\* 2 Corinthians 6: 1-10 \* Luke 7:36-50
- 12/25  
**Friday**  
*fast*  
Martyrs Proclus and Hilary (2<sup>nd</sup>). St Michael, Monk of Maleinus (962).  
1 Corinthians 4:5-8 Matthew 13:44-54
- 13/26  
**Saturday**  
\***Synaxis of the Archangel Gabriel.** St Stephen of St Sava's Monastery (794). St Julian, Bishop of Cenomanus in Gaul (1<sup>st</sup>). St Justus (Cornwall) (5<sup>th</sup>). St Mildred, Abbess of Minster in Thanet (700).  
Romans 9:1-5 Matthew 9:18-26  
\* Hebrews 2:2-10 \* Luke 10:16-21
- 14/27  
**Sunday**  
Tone 5  
**6<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST.**  
**\*The Holy Fathers of the First Six Ecumenical Councils.**  
Apostle Aquila of the Seventy. Martyr Justus (1<sup>st</sup>).  
St Stephen, Abbot of Makhrishche (1406).  
**Vespers** 1. Genesis 14:14-20 2. Deuteronomy 1:8-11,15-17  
3. Deuteronomy 10:14-21  
**Matins Gospel** (vi) Luke 24:36-53  
Romans 12:6-14 Matthew 9:1-8  
\* Hebrews 13:7-16 \* John 17:1-13
- 15/28  
**Monday**  
\***Holy Equal-to-the-Apostles Great Prince Vladimir (in Holy Baptism Basil) (1015).** Martyrs Cyricus and his mother Julitta of Tarsus (305). Translation of the relics of St Swithun, Bishop of Winchester (971).  
**Vespers** 1. 3 (1) Kings 8:22-23,27-30 2. Isaiah 61:10-62:5  
3. Isaiah 60:1-16  
**Matins Gospel** John 10:9-16  
\* Galatians 1:11-19 \* John 10:1-9

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- 16/29  
**Tuesday**  
Hieromartyr Athenogenes and his disciples (311).  
Martyrs Paul and two sisters, Alevtina and Chionia (308).  
Martyr Helier of Jersey and Coutances (6<sup>th</sup>).  
(Monday) 1 Corinthians 5:9-6:11      Matthew 13:54-58  
1 Corinthians 6:20-7:12      Matthew 14:1-13
- 17/30  
**Wednesday**  
*fast*  
Great Martyr Marina (Margaret) of Antioch in Pisidia (4<sup>th</sup>). St Irenarchus,  
Abbot of Solovki (1628). St Kenelm, Prince and Martyr (821).  
1 Corinthians 7:12-24      Matthew 14:35-15:11
- 18/31  
**Thursday**  
Martyr Emilian (363) and Martyr Hyacinth of Amastri (4<sup>th</sup>).  
St Pambo, Hermit (4<sup>th</sup>). St Theneva of Glasgow (6<sup>th</sup>).  
1 Corinthians 7:24-35      Matthew 15:12-21  
(Friday) 1 Corinthians 7:35-8:7      Matthew 15:29-31
- 19/1 August  
**Friday**  
*fast : fish, wine  
& oil*  
**\*Uncovering of the relics of St Seraphim of Sarov (1903).** St Macrina,  
sister of St Basil the Great (380). Blessed Roman, Prince of Ryazan (1270).  
Blessed Stephen, King of Serbia (1427), and his mother, St Militza (1405).  
**Vespers** 1. Wisdom 3:1-9 2. Wisdom 5:15-6:3 3. Wisdom 4:7-15  
**Matins Gospel** Matthew 11:27-30  
\* Galatians 5:22-6:2      \* Matthew 4:25-5:12
- 20/2  
**Saturday**  
**\*Holy Glorious Prophet Elijah (9<sup>th</sup> BC).** **\*\*Synaxis of the newly-  
glorified (2004) Saints, the Archpriest Alexis (Medvedkov), the  
Hieromartyr Dimitri (Klépinine), and the Martyrs, the nun Maria  
(Skobtsova), the Reader Georges (Skobtsov), and Élie (Fondaminsky).**  
Repose of St Abramius of Galich (1375).  
**Vespers** 1. 3(1) Kings 17:1-24      2. 3(1) Kings 18:1,17-46; 19:1-16  
3. 3(1) Kings 19:19-21; 4(2) Kings 2:1,6-14  
**Matins Gospel** \* Luke 4:22-30      \*\* Matthew 10 : 16-22  
Romans 12:1-3      Matthew 10:37-11:1  
\* James 5:10-20      \* Luke 4:22-30  
\*\* Ephesians 6:10-17      \*\* Luke 21: 12-19
- 21/3  
**Sunday**  
Tone 6  
**7<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST.**  
Prophet Ezekiel (6<sup>th</sup> BC). St Simeon of Emessa, Fool-for-Christ, and his  
fellow ascetic, St John (590).  
**Matins Gospel** (vii) John 20:1-10  
Romans 15:1-7      Matthew 9:27-35
- 22/4  
**Monday**  
**\*Holy Myrrh-bearer and Equal-to-the-Apostles Mary Magdalene (1<sup>st</sup>).**  
1 Corinthians 9:13-18      Matthew 16:1-6  
\* 1 Corinthians 9:2-12      \* Luke 8:1-3
- 23/5  
**Tuesday**  
Hieromartyr Apollinaris, Bishop of Ravenna (75).  
Martyrs Trophimus, Theophilus and those with them (284-305).  
1 Corinthians 10:5-12      Matthew 16:6-12
- 24/6  
**Wednesday**  
*fast*  
Martyr Christina of Tyre (300). **\*Holy Martyrs and Passion-bearers  
Boris and Gleb, in Holy Baptism Romanus and David (1015).**  
St Declan, Bishop of Ardmore (5<sup>th</sup>).  
1 Corinthians 10:12-22      Matthew 16:20-24  
\* Romans 8:28-39      \* John 15:17-16:2

## JULY 2008

25/7

**Thursday**

**\*Dormition of the Righteous Anna, Mother of the Most Holy Mother of God.** The Holy Women Olympias the Deaconess (409) and the Virgin Eupraxia (413). The Holy Fathers of the Fifth Ecumenical Council (553).

1 Corinthians 10:28-11:7

Matthew 16:24-28

\* Galatians 4:22-31

\* Luke 8:16-21

26/8

**Friday**

*fast*

Hieromartyr Hermolaus and Martyrs Hermippus and Hermocrates (305).  
Martyr Parasceve at Rome (138-161).

1 Corinthians 11:8-22

Matthew 17:10-18

27/9

**Saturday**

**\*Holy Great Martyr and Healer Panteleimon (305).** St Clement of Ochrid, Bishop (916). Sts Angelar, Sabbas, Nahum and Gorazzd (disciples of St Cyril and St Methodius) (9<sup>th</sup>). St German of Alaska (1837).

**Matins Gospel** Luke 21:12-19

Romans 13:1-10

Matthew 12:30-37

\* 2 Timothy 2:1-10

\* John 15:17-16:2

28/10

**Sunday**

Tone 7

**8<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST.**

Holy Apostles of the Seventy and Deacons: Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, and Parmenas. Martyrs Julian (2<sup>nd</sup>), Eustathius (316) and Acacius (321).  
St Samson, Bishop of Dol (565). New Martyr Christodoulos (1777).

**Matins Gospel** (viii) John 20:11-18

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Matthew 14:14-22

29/11

**Monday**

Martyr Callinicus at Gangra (3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>). Virgin-Martyr Seraphima of Antioch (117-138). Martyr Theodota and her three sons in Bithynia (304).  
1 Corinthians 11:31-12:6

Matthew 18:1-11

30/12

**Tuesday**

Apostles Silas and Silvanus of the Seventy and those with them (1<sup>st</sup>).  
Martyr John the Soldier (4<sup>th</sup>). Hieromartyr Valentine, Bishop of Terni in Italy (273).

1 Corinthians 12:12-26

Matthew 18:18-22; 19:1-2,13-15

31/13

**Wednesday**

*fast*

**Forefeast of the Procession of the Precious Wood of the Lifegiving Cross of the Lord.** St Germanus, Bishop of Auxerre (448). Righteous Eudocimus of Cappadocia (9<sup>th</sup>). **\*Hieromartyr Benjamin, Metropolitan of Petrograd, and with him, Hieromartyr Archimandrite Sergii, and Martyrs Georgii and Ioann (1922).** Martyr Julitta at Caesarea (304-305).  
St Neot, Monk and Hermit in Cornwall (877).

1 Corinthians 13:4-14:5

Matthew 20:1-16

\* Romans 8:28-39

\* Luke 21:12-19

## AUGUST 2008

### Beginning of the Dormition Fast

1/14

**Thursday**

*fast*

**\*Procession of the Precious Wood of the Lifegiving Cross of the Lord.**  
**\*\*Holy Seven Maccabees:** Martyrs Abimus, Antoninus, Gurias, Eleazar, Eusebonus, Alimus, and Marcellus, their mother Solomonia, and their teacher, Eleazar (166 BC). St Ethelwold, Bishop of Winchester (984).  
1 Corinthians 14:6-19

Matthew 20:17-28

\* 1 Corinthians 1:18-24

\* John 19:6-11,13-20,25-28,30-35

\*\* Hebrews 11:33-12:2

\*\* Matthew 10:32-36; 11:1

**At the Lesser Blessing of Waters** Hebrews 2:11-18 John 5:1-4



## AUGUST 2008

- 9/22  
**Friday**  
*fast*
- Afterfeast of the Transfiguration. \*The Apostle Matthias (63).**  
**\*\*St Alexis Medvedkov, archpriest, of Ugine in Savoy, France (1934)**  
Martyr Anthony of Alexandria (4<sup>th</sup>). St Psoi of Egypt (4<sup>th</sup>). St Felim (6<sup>th</sup>).  
**Vespers** 1. Acts 1:15-26 2. 1 John 3:21-4:6 3. 1 John 4:11-16  
**Matins Gospel** John 21:15-25  
2 Corinthians 1:12-20 Matthew 22:23-33  
\* Acts 1:12-17,21-26 \* Luke 9:1-6  
\*\* Hebrews 4: 14 - 5: 10 \*\* Matthew 5 : 14-19
- 10/23  
**Saturday**  
*fast: wine & oil*
- Afterfeast of the Transfiguration.** Holy Martyr and Archdeacon Lawrence of Rome, Hieromartyr Sixtus, Pope of Rome, Martyrs Felicissimus and Agapetus, Deacons (258). Blessed Lawrence, Fool-for-Christ (Kaluga) (1515).  
St Gerontius (Geraint) of Gerrans (Cornwall) and Magor (Gwent).  
Romans 15:30-33 Matthew 17:24-18:4
- 11/24  
**Sunday**  
Tone 1  
*fast: wine & oil*
- 10<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST.**  
**Afterfeast of the Transfiguration.**  
Holy Martyr and Archdeacon Euplus of Catania (304). Virgin Martyr Susanna and with her, Martyrs Gaius, Pope of Rome, Presbyter Gabinus (his brother, and father of Susanna), and those with them (295-296).  
St Blane, Bishop of Bute (Dunblane). St Attracta of Killaraght (5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>).  
St Niphon, Patriarch of Constantinople (Mt Athos) (1515).  
**Matins Gospel** (x) John 21:1-14  
1 Corinthians 4:9-16 Matthew 17:14-23
- 12/25  
**Monday**  
*fast*
- Afterfeast of the Transfiguration.**  
Martyrs Anicetus and Photius and those with them (305-306).  
Hieromartyr Alexander, Bishop of Comana (3<sup>rd</sup>). St Muredach (Murtagh), First Bishop of Killala and Founder of Innismurray (6<sup>th</sup>).  
2 Corinthians 2:4-15 Matthew 23:13-22
- 13/26  
**Tuesday**  
*fast*
- Leavetaking of the Transfiguration.** St Maximus the Confessor (662).  
**\*St Tikhon, Bishop of Voronezh, Wonderworker of Zadonsk and All Russia (1783).** Martyr Hippolytus of Rome and those with him (258).  
Uncovering of the relics of St Maxim of Moscow, Fool-for-Christ (1547).  
2 Corinthians 2:14-3:3 Matthew 23:23-28  
\* Hebrews 7:26-8:2 \* Matthew 5:14-19
- 14/27  
**Wednesday**  
*fast*
- Forefeast of the Dormition.** Prophet Micah (8<sup>th</sup> BC).  
**Translation of the relics of St Theodosius of the Kiev Caves (1091).**  
St Fachanan, Abbot of Ross Carbery (600).  
2 Corinthians 3:4-11 Matthew 23:29-39  
(Thursday) 2 Corinthians 4:1-6 Matthew 24:13-28
- 15/28  
**Thursday**
- THE DORMITION OF OUR MOST HOLY LADY,  
THE MOTHER OF GOD AND EVER-VIRGIN MARY.**  
**Vespers** 1. Genesis 28:10-17 2. Ezekiel 43:27-44:4a 3. Proverbs 9:1-11  
**Matins Gospel** Luke 1:39-49,56  
Philippians 2:5-11 Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28

## AUGUST 2008

- 16/29  
**Friday**  
*fast: wine & oil*
- Afterfeast of the Dormition.** \*Translation of the Icon 'Not made with hands' of Our Lord Jesus Christ from Edessa to Constantinople (944).  
Martyr Diomedes the Physician (298). The 33 Martyrs of Palestine.  
Martyr Cherimon of Egypt (4<sup>th</sup>). Holy Martyrs Prince Constantine of Wallachia, his four sons and his counsellor (1714).  
**Matins Gospel** Luke 9:51-56; 10:22-24  
2 Corinthians 4:13-18 Matthew 24:27-33,42-51  
\* Colossians 1:12-18 \* Luke 9:51-56; 10:22-24
- 17/30  
**Saturday**
- Afterfeast of the Dormition.** Martyr Myron, Presbyter, of Cyzicus (250).  
St Alypius, Iconographer, of the Kiev Caves (1114).  
1 Corinthians 1:3-9 Matthew 19:3-12
- 18/31  
**Sunday**  
Tone 2
- 11<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST.**  
**Afterfeast of the Dormition.** Martyrs Florus and Laurus of Illyria (2<sup>nd</sup>).  
Repose of St John, Abbot of Rila (946).  
Martyrs Hermes, Serapion and Polyaeus of Rome (300).  
**Matins Gospel** (xi) John 21:15-25  
1 Corinthians 9:2-12 Matthew 18:23-35
- 19/1 Sept  
**Monday**
- Afterfeast of the Dormition.** Martyr Andrew Stratelates and 2593 soldiers with him in Cilicia (284-305). Martyrs Timothy, Agapius and Thecla, of Palestine (304). St Pitirim, Bishop of Perm (1456).  
2 Corinthians 5:10-15 Mark 1:9-15
- 20/2  
**Tuesday**
- Afterfeast of the Dormition.** The Prophet Samuel (11<sup>th</sup> BC). Hieromartyr Philip, Bishop of Heracleius, and with him, Martyrs Severus, Memnon and 37 soldiers with them (304). St Oswin, King of Deira, Martyr (651).  
2 Corinthians 5:15-21 Mark 1:16-22
- 21/3  
**Wednesday**  
*fast: wine & oil*
- Afterfeast of the Dormition.** Apostle Thaddeus of the Seventy (44).  
Martyr Bassa of Edessa and her sons Theognius, Agapius, and Pistus (305-311). St Abramius of Smolensk (13<sup>th</sup>).  
2 Corinthians 6:11-16 Mark 1:23-28
- 22/4  
**Thursday**
- Afterfeast of the Dormition.** Martyr Agathonicus and his companions in Nicomedia (305-311). Hieromartyr Athanasius, Bishop of Tarsus (270-275). St Anthusa (298). Virgin-Martyr Eulalia of Barcelona (303).  
2 Corinthians 7:1-10 Mark 1:29-35
- 23/5  
**Friday**  
*fast*
- \***Leavetaking of the Dormition.** St Irenaeus, Bishop of Lyons (202).  
St Eutychius (540) and St Florentius (547) of Nursia.  
St Callinicus, Patriarch of Constantinople (705). St Eugene (618).  
Martyr Lupus (306).  
2 Corinthians 7:10-16 Mark 2:18-22  
\* Philippians 2:5-11 \* Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28
- 24/6  
**Saturday**
- Hieromartyr Eutyches, disciple of St John the Theologian (1<sup>st</sup>).  
\***Translation of the relics of St Peter, Metropolitan of Moscow and All Russia (1479).** St Arsenius, Abbot of Kome (1550).  
Martyr Tatian at Claudiopolis (305). Virgin-Martyr Cyra of Persia (558).  
St Yrchar of Scotland (5<sup>th</sup>). New Hieromartyr Cosmas of Aetolia (1779).  
1 Corinthians 1:26-29 Matthew 20:29-34  
\* Hebrews 7:26-8:2 \* Luke 6:17-23

## AUGUST 2008

- 25/7  
**Sunday**  
Tone 3  
**12<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST.**  
Return of the relics of the Apostle Bartholomew from Anastasiopolis to Lipari (6<sup>th</sup>). **Holy Apostle Titus of the Seventy, Bishop of Crete (1<sup>st</sup>).** St Ebba, Abbess of Coldingham (683).  
**Matins Gospel** (i) Matthew 28:16-20  
1 Corinthians 15:1-11  
Matthew 19:16-26
- 26/8  
**Monday**  
Martyrs Adrian and Natalia and those with them (305-311).  
St Adrian, Abbot of Ondrusov (Valaam) (1549).  
2 Corinthians 8:7-15  
Mark 3:6-12
- 27/9  
**Tuesday**  
**\*St Poemen the Great (450).** St Hosius the Confessor, Bishop of Cordova (359). St Liberius, Pope of Rome (366). St Caesarius, Bishop of Arles (543).  
2 Corinthians 8:16-9:5  
Mark 3:13-19  
\* Galatians 5:22-6:2  
\* Matthew 4:25-5:12
- 28/10  
**Wednesday**  
*fast*  
St Moses the Black of Scete (400). **Uncovering of the relics of St Job of Pochaev (1659).** Righteous Anna the Prophetess (1<sup>st</sup>). Synaxis of the Saints of the Kiev Caves whose relics repose in the Far Caves of St Theodosius. Martyr Susanna (Shushanik) of Georgia (5<sup>th</sup>).  
2 Corinthians 9:12-10:7  
Mark 3:20-27  
(Thursday) 2 Corinthians 10:7-18  
Mark 3:28-35
- 29/11  
**Thursday**  
*fast: wine & oil*  
**THE BEHEADING OF THE HOLY GLORIOUS PROPHET, FORERUNNER AND BAPTIST JOHN.**  
**Vespers** 1. Isaiah 40: 1-3, 9; 41: 17-18; 45: 8; 48: 20-21; 54: 1  
2. Malachi 3: 1-3, 5-7, 12, 17-18; 4: 4-6  
3. Wisdom 4: 7, 16-17, 19-20; 5: 1-7  
**Matins Gospel** Matthew 14:1-13  
Acts 13:25-33a  
Mark 6:14-30
- 30/12  
**Friday**  
*fast*  
Sts Alexander (340), John (595), and Paul the New (784), Patriarchs of Constantinople. Repose of St Alexander, Abbot of Svir (1533).  
**\*Translation of the relics of St Alexander Nevsky (1724).** Synaxis of the Serbian Hierarchs: Sts Sava I (1237), Arsenius I (1266), Sava II (1269), Eustathius I (1285), James (1292), Nicodemus (1325), and Daniel (1338), Archbishops; Ioannicius II (1354), Spyridon (1388), Ephraim II (1395), Macarius (1574), Gabriel I (1659), Patriarchs; and Gregory, Bishop.  
**Uncovering of the relics of St Daniel, Prince of Moscow (1652).**  
**Matins Gospel** Matthew 11:27-30  
2 Corinthians 11:5-21  
Mark 4:1-9  
\* Galatians 5:22-6:2  
\* Luke 6:17-23
- 31/13  
**Saturday**  
**\*The Placing of the Cincture (Sash) of the Most Holy Mother of God (395-408).** Hieromartyr Cyprian, Bishop of Carthage (258). St Gennadius, Patriarch of Constantinople (471). St Eanswythe, Virgin, of Folkestone (640). St Aidan, Abbot of Lindisfarne (651).  
1 Corinthians 2:6-9  
Matthew 22:15-22  
\* Hebrews 9:1-7  
\* Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28

SEPTEMBER 2008

**\*Beginning of Church Year (Indiction)**

1/14  
**Sunday**  
Tone 4

**13<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST.**

**\*\*St Simeon Stylites (the elder) (459)** and his mother, St Martha (428). Martyr Aithalas the Persian (380). Holy Forty Women Martyrs and Martyr Ammon the Deacon their teacher, at Heraclea (4<sup>th</sup>). Righteous Joshua the Son of Nun (16<sup>th</sup> BC). St Fiacre, Hermit of Meaux (670).

**Day of Prayer for the Protection of the Environment.**

**Vespers** (Indiction) **1.** Isaiah 61:1-9 **2.** Leviticus 26:3-12,14-17,19-24 (Saint) **3.** Wisdom 4:7-15

**Matins Gospel** (ii) Mark 16:1-8

\* 1 Timothy 2:1-7  
1 Corinthians 16:13-24

\*\* Colossians 3:12-16

\* Luke 4:16-22

Matthew 21:33-42

\*\* Matthew 11:27-30

2/15  
**Monday**

Martyr Mamas of Caesarea in Cappadocia (275), and his parents Martyrs Theodotus and Rufina (3<sup>rd</sup>). St John the Faster, Patriarch of Constantinople (595). St Hieu, Abbess of Tadcaster (657).

2 Corinthians 12:10-19

Mark 4:10-23

3/16  
**Tuesday**

Hieromartyr Anthimus, Bishop of Nicomedia, and those with him (302). St Theocistus, fellow ascetic with St Euthymius the Great (467).

Blessed John the Hairy, Fool-for-Christ, at Rostov (1580). St Phoebe, Deaconess at Cencreae near Corinth (1<sup>st</sup>). St Ioannicius, Archbishop of Serbia (1354). St MacNis, Abbot of Kells (514).

2 Corinthians 12:20-13:2

Mark 4:24-34

4/17  
**Wednesday**  
*fast*

Holy Prophet and God-seer Moses (1531 BC). Babylas, Bishop of Antioch and those with him (251). Martyr Hermione, daughter of St Philip the Deacon (117). Martyr Babylas of Nicomedia and 84 children with him (4<sup>th</sup>). St Ultan of Ardbraccan (657). **\*Uncovering of the relics of St Joasaph, Bishop of Belgorod (1911).** The Holy Hieromartyr Gorazd (Prague) (1942).

2 Corinthians 13:3-13

Mark 4:35-41

\* Hebrews 13:17-21

\* John 10:9-16

5/18  
**Thursday**

**\*Holy Prophet Zachariah and Righteous Elizabeth, parents of St John the Forerunner (1<sup>st</sup>).** Martyrdom of St Athanasius, Abbot, of Brest (1648). Martyrdom of the Holy Passionbearer Gleb (in Holy Baptism, David) (1015). Virgin-Martyr Raisa of Alexandria (308).

Galatians 1:1-10,20-2:5

Mark 5:1-20

\* Hebrews 6:13-20

\* Matthew 23:29-39

6/19  
**Friday**  
*fast*

**\*Commemoration of the Miracle of the Archangel Michael at Chonae (4<sup>th</sup>).** Martyrs Eudoxius, Zeno and Macarius (311-312). Hieromartyr Cyril, Bishop of Gortyna (3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>). St Bega of Copeland (Cumbria) (7<sup>th</sup>).

Galatians 2:6-10

Mark 5:22-24,35-6:1

\* Hebrews 2:2-10

\* Luke 10:16-21



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14/27

**Saturday**

*fast: wine & oil*

**THE UNIVERSAL EXALTATION (ELEVATION)  
OF THE PRECIOUS AND LIFEGIVING CROSS.**

Rest of St John Chrysostom (407).

**Vespers** 1. Exodus 15:22-16:1 2. Proverbs 3:11-18 3. Isaiah 60:11-16

**Matins Gospel** John 12:28-36

1 Corinthians 1:18-24

John 19:6-11,13-20,25-28,30-35

15/28

**Sunday**

Tone 6

**15<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST.**

**\*Sunday after the Exaltation of the Cross.**

**Afterfeast of the Exaltation of the Cross.**

Great Martyr Nicetas the Goth (372). Uncovering of the relics of St Acacius, Bishop of Melitene (3<sup>rd</sup>). Uncovering of the relics of the Holy Protomartyr and Archdeacon Stephen (415). St Symeon, Archbishop of Salonica (1429).

**Matins Gospel** (iv) Luke 24:1-12

2 Corinthians 4:6-15

\* Galatians 2:16-20

Matthew 22:35-46

\* Mark 8:34-9:1

16/29

**Monday**

Great Martyr Euphemia the All-praised (304). Rest of St Cyprian, Metropolitan of Moscow and All Russia (1406). Martyr Sebastiana (86-96). St Ninian, Bishop of Whithorn (Candida Casa) (Galloway) (5<sup>th</sup>).

Martyrs Victor and Sosthenes at Chalcedon (304). Martyr Ludmilla, grandmother of St Wenceslaus (927). St Edith of Wilton (984).

Galatians 4:28-5:10

Mark 6:54-7:8

17/30

**Tuesday**

**Afterfeast of the Exaltation of the Cross.**

Martyr Sophia, and her three daughters, Faith, Hope and Love (Vera, Nadezhda and Lyubov), at Rome (137). Martyr Theodota at Nicaea (230). Martyr Agathocleia.

Galatians 5:11-21

Mark 7:5-16

18/1 Oct

**Wednesday**

*fast*

**Afterfeast of the Exaltation of the Cross.**

St Eumenios, Bishop of Gortyna (7<sup>th</sup>). Martyr Ariadne of Phrygia (2<sup>nd</sup>).

Galatians 6:2-10

Mark 7:14-24

19/2

**Thursday**

**Afterfeast of the Exaltation of the Cross.** Martyrs Trophimus, Sabbatius, and Dorymedon of Synnada (276). **St Theodore, Prince of Smolensk (1299) and his children David and Constantine.** Hieromartyr Januarius, Bishop of Benevento (305). St Theodore of Tarsus, Archbishop of Canterbury (690).

Ephesians 1:1-9

Mark 7:24-30

20/3

**Friday**

*fast*

**Afterfeast of Exaltation of the Cross.** Great Martyr Eustathius (Eustace), his wife, Martyr Theopiste, and their children, Martyrs Agapius and Theopistus, of Rome (118). **Holy Martyr Michael, Prince of Chernigov, and his Councillor Theodore (1245).**

Ephesians 1:7-17

Mark 8:1-10

SEPTEMBER 2008

21/4  
**Saturday**

**Leavetaking of the Exaltation of the Cross. \*Saturday after the Exaltation of the Cross.**

Apostle Quadratus of the Seventy (130). \*\***Uncovering of the relics of St Demetrius, Metropolitan of Rostov (1752).** Hieromartyr Hypatius, Bishop of Ephesus, and his Presbyter Andrew (730-735).

**Matins Gospel** John 10:1-9

\* 1 Corinthians 1:26-29  
1 Corinthians 10:23-28

\* John 8:21-30  
Matthew 24:34-44

\*\* Hebrews 7:26-8:2

\*\* John 10:9-16

22/5  
**Sunday**  
Tone 7

**16<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST.**

Prophet Jonah (8<sup>th</sup> BC). Hieromartyr Phocas, Bishop of Sinope (117). St Jonah the Presbyter, father of St Theophanes the Hymnographer and St Theodore Graptus (9<sup>th</sup>). Martyr Phocas the Gardener of Sinope (320).

**Matins Gospel** (v) Luke 24:12-35

2 Corinthians 6:1-10

Matthew 25:14-30

23/6  
**Monday**

**\*The Conception of the Holy Glorious Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist John.** St Xanthippe and St Polyxene, disciples of the Apostles, who died in Spain (109). Virgin-Martyr Irais of Alexandria (308). St Adamnan (Eunan), Abbot of Iona (704).

**Glorification of St Innocent, Metropolitan of Moscow (1977).**

Ephesians 1:22-2:3

Mark 10: 46-52

\* Galatians 4:22-31

\* Luke 1: 5-25

24/7  
**Tuesday**

Holy Protomartyr Thecla (1<sup>st</sup>). St Nicander, Hermit of Pskov (1581). Martyr Galacteon, Monk of Vologda (1612). St Vladislav of Serbia (1239).  
Ephesians 2:19-3:7 Mark 11: 11-23

25/8  
**Wednesday**  
*fast*

**\*Repose of St Sergius, Abbot of Radonezh (1392).** St Euphrosyne of Alexandria (5<sup>th</sup>). St Finbarr (Barry), Bishop of Cork (633). St Ceolfrid (716).

**Matins Gospel** Matthew 11: 27-30

Ephesians 3: 8-21

Mark 11: 23-26

\* Galatians 5:22-6:2

\* Luke 6: 17-23

26/9  
**Thursday**

**\*Repose of the Holy Apostle and Evangelist John the Theologian (2<sup>nd</sup>).** \*\***St Tikhon, Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia (1925).** St Nilus of Rossano (1004). St Ephraim, Abbot of Perekop, Wonderworker of Novgorod (1492).

**Vespers** 1. 1 John 3:21-4:6 2. 1 John 4:11-16 3. 1 John 4:20-5:5

**Matins Gospel** John 21:15-25

\* 1 John 4:12-19

\* John 19:25-27; 21:24-25

\*\* Hebrews 7:26-8:2

\*\* John 10:9-16

27/10  
**Friday**  
*fast*

Apostles Mark, Aristarchus, and Zenas, of the Seventy (1<sup>st</sup>). Martyr Callistratus and his company (304). St Sabbatius of Solovki (1435).  
**Hieromartyr Peter, Metropolitan of Krutitsk (1937).** St Epicharis of Rome (284-305). St Ignatius, Abbot in Asia Minor (963-975). New Martyr Aquilina at Salonica (1764).

(Thursday) Ephesians 4:14-19

Mark 11: 27-33

Ephesians 4:17-25

Mark 12: 1-12

SEPTEMBER 2008

28/11  
**Saturday**

St Chariton the Confessor (350). \***St Cyril and St Maria, Parents of St Sergius of Radonezh (1337)**. The Prophet Baruch (6<sup>th</sup> BC). Martyrdom of St Wenceslaus, Prince of the Czechs (935).

**Matins Gospel** Matthew 4:25-5:12

\* 2 Corinthians 4:6-15  
1 Corinthians 14:20-25

\* Luke 6:17-23  
Matthew 25: 1-13

29/12  
**Sunday**  
Tone 8

**17<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST.**

St Cyriacus the Hermit, of Palestine (556). Martyrs Dada, Gabdelas and Casdoe of Persia (4<sup>th</sup>). St Theophanes the Merciful of Gaza.

**Matins Gospel** (vi) Luke 24:36-53

2 Corinthians 6:16-7:1

Matthew 25:21-28

30/13  
**Monday**

Hieromartyr Gregory, Bishop of Greater Armenia (332). **St Michael, First Metropolitan of Kiev (992)**. Martyrs Rhipsime and Gaiana of Armenia and 35 Virgins with them (4<sup>th</sup>). St Honorius, Archbishop of Canterbury (653).

Ephesians 4: 25-32  
(Tuesday) Ephesians 5:20-26

Luke 3: 19-22  
Luke 3: 23 - 4: 1

OCTOBER 2008

1/14  
**Tuesday**

\***THE PROTECTION OF OUR MOST HOLY LADY, THE MOTHER OF GOD AND EVER-VIRGIN MARY.**

Apostle Ananias of the Seventy (1<sup>st</sup>). St Romanus the Melodist (556). St John Kukuzelis the Hymnographer of Mt Athos (12<sup>th</sup>). Commemoration of the Apparition of the Pillar with the Robe of the Lord under it at Mtskhet in Georgia.

**Matins Gospel** Luke 1: 39-49, 56

**Vespers** Genesis 28:10-17 Ezekiel 43:27-44:4 Proverbs 9:1-11  
\* Hebrews 9:1-7 \* Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28

2/15  
**Wednesday**  
*fast*

Hieromartyr Cyprian, Virgin-Martyr Justina, and Martyr Theoctistus, of Nicomedia (304). Blessed Andrew, Fool-for-Christ at Constantinople (936). St Anna of Kashin (1338). New Martyr Chatzi-George at Karacasu (1794).

Ephesians 5:25-33

Luke 4:1-15

3/16  
**Thursday**

\***Hieromartyr Dionysius the Areopagite, Bishop of Athens**, and with him, Martyrs Rusticus the Presbyter and Eleutherius the Deacon (96). St John the Chozebite, Bishop of Caesarea in Palestine (6<sup>th</sup>).

Ephesians 5: 33-6:9  
\* Acts 17:16-34

Luke 4:16-22  
\* Matthew 13:44-54

4/17  
**Friday**  
*fast*

Hieromartyr Hierotheus, Bishop of Athens (1<sup>st</sup>). Uncovering of the relics of St Gurias, First Archbishop of Kazan, and St Barsanuphius, Bishop of Tver (1595). Synaxis of the Hierarchs of Kazan (1976). St Ammon (350) and St Paul the Simple of Egypt (4<sup>th</sup>).

Ephesians 6:18-24

Luke 4:22-30

## OCTOBER 2008

- 5/18  
**Saturday**  
Martyr Charitina of Amisus (304). \***Sts Peter, Alexis, Jonah, Philip, and Hermogen, Metropolitans of Moscow and All Russia.**  
Hieromartyr Dionysius, Bishop of Alexandria (264-265).  
St Gregory of Chandzoe in Georgia (861).  
**Vespers** 1. Proverbs 10:7a,6a; 3:13-16; 8:6,32,34,4,12,17,5-9; 1:23; 15:4  
2. Proverbs 10:31-32; 11:1-10 3. Wisdom 4:7-15  
**Matins Gospel** John 10:9-16  
1 Corinthians 15: 39-45 Luke 4: 31-36  
\* Hebrews 13:17-21 \* Matthew 5:14-19
- 6/19  
**Sunday**  
Tone 1  
**18<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST.**  
\***Holy and Glorious Apostle Thomas (1<sup>st</sup>).**  
**Matins Gospel** (vii) John 20:1-10  
2 Corinthians 9: 6-11 Luke 5:1-11  
\* 1 Corinthians 4:9-16 \* John 20:19-31
- 7/20  
**Monday**  
Martyrs Sergius and Bacchus in Syria (290-303).  
Virgin-Martyr Pelagia of Tarsus (290). St Osyth, Princess, of Crich (700).  
St Dubtach, Bishop of Armagh (513).  
Philippians 1:1-7 Luke 4: 37-44
- 8/21  
**Tuesday**  
St Pelagia the Penitent (457). St Thais of Egypt (4<sup>th</sup>). Virgin-Martyr Pelagia of Antioch (303). St Philotheus, Patriarch of Constantinople (1379).  
Philippians 1: 8-14 Luke 5: 12-16
- 9/22  
**Wednesday**  
*fast*  
\***Holy Apostle James, the son of Alphaeus (1<sup>st</sup>).** St Andronicus and his wife, St Athanasia, of Egypt (5<sup>th</sup>). Righteous Abraham, and his nephew, Lot (2000 BC). Martyrs Juventus and Maximus at Antioch (361-363). St Publia the Confessor, Deaconess, at Antioch (4<sup>th</sup>).  
Philippians 1: 12-20 Luke 5: 33-39  
\* Philippians 3: 8-19 \* Luke 7:31-35
- 10/23  
**Thursday**  
Martyrs Eulampius and Eulampia, at Nicomedia (303-311).  
\* **St Ambrose of Optina, Starets (1891).** St Amphilochius, Bishop of Vladimir in Volhynia (1122). Blessed Andrew of Totma, Fool-for-Christ (1673). St Paulinus, Bishop of York (644).  
**Matins Gospel** Matthew 11:27-30  
Philippians 1: 20-27 Luke 6:12-19  
\* Hebrews 13:7-16 \* Luke 6:17-23
- 11/24  
**Friday**  
*fast*  
\***Holy Apostle Philip of the Seventy, one of the Seven Deacons (1<sup>st</sup>).**  
St Theophanes the Confessor and Hymnographer, Bishop of Nicaea (850).  
St Ethelburga, Abbess of Barking (675). St Canice (Cainnech, Kenneth), Abbot of Aghaboe (600).  
Philippians 1: 27- 2: 4 Luke 6:17-23  
\* Acts 8:26-39 \* Luke 10:1-21
- 12/25  
**Saturday**  
Martyrs Probus, Tarachus, and Andronicus, at Tarsus in Cilicia (304).  
St Cosmas the Hymnographer, Bishop of Maiuma (787). St Martin the Merciful, Bishop of Tours (400). St Edwin, King of Northumbria and Martyr (633). Commemoration of St. Symeon the New Theologian (1022)  
1 Corinthians 15:58-16:3 Luke 5:17-26









## NOVEMBER 2008

### Beginning of the Nativity Fast

15/28

**Friday**

*fast*

Holy Martyrs and Confessors Gurias, Samonas, and Abibus, of Edessa (299-322). \***St Paisius Velichkovsky (1794)**. Martyrs Elpidius, Marcellus, and Eustochius, who suffered under Julian the Apostate (363).

**Matins Gospel** Matthew 11:27-30

1 Thessalonians 5: 9-13, 24-28 Luke 12: 2-12  
\* Hebrews 13:7-16 \* Luke 6: 17-23

16/29

**Saturday**

*fast: fish,  
wine & oil*

\***Holy Apostle and Evangelist Matthew (60)**.

St Fulvianus, Prince of Ethiopia, in Holy Baptism Matthew (1<sup>st</sup>).

**Vespers** 1. 1 Peter 1:1-2:6 2. 1 Peter 2:21-3:9 3. 1 Peter 4:1-11

**Matins Gospel** John 21:15-25

2 Corinthians 11: 1-6 Luke 9: 1-6  
\* 1 Corinthians 4:9-16 \* Matthew 9:9-13

17/30

**Sunday**

Tone 7

*fast: fish,  
wine & oil*

**24<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST.**

St Gregory the Wonderworker of Neo-Caesarea (266-270).

St Nikon, Abbot of Radonezh, disciple of St Sergius (1426).

St Lazarus the Iconographer of Constantinople (857).

St Gregory, Bishop of Tours (594). St Hilda, Abbess of Whitby (680).

**Matins Gospel** (ii) Mark 16:1-8

Ephesians 2: 14-22 Luke 8: 41-56

18/1 Dec

**Monday**

*fast*

Martyr Platon of Ancyra (306). Martyr Romanus the Deacon, of Caesarea, and the youth Barulas, of Antioch (303). St Mawes, Bishop in Cornwall and Brittany (5<sup>th</sup>).

2 Thessalonians 1: 1-10 Luke 12: 13-15, 22-31

19/2

**Tuesday**

*fast: wine & oil*

\***St Philaret, Metropolitan of Moscow (1867)**. Prophet Obadiah (9th-

10th BC). Martyr Barlaam of Caesarea in Cappadocia (304). St

Hilarion the Georgian (875).

2 Thessalonians 1: 10-2: 2 Luke 12: 42-48

\* Hebrews 7: 26-8: 2 \* John 10: 9-16

20/3

**Wednesday**

*fast*

**Forefeast of the Entry of the Most Holy Mother of God into the Temple.**

St Gregory Decapolites (816). St Proclus, Archbishop of Constantinople

(446-447). St Edmund, King and Martyr (869).

2 Thessalonians 2: 1-12 Luke 12: 48-59

(Thursday) 2 Thessalonians 2: 13-3: 5 Luke 13: 1-9

21/4

**Thursday**

*fast: fish,  
wine & oil*

**THE ENTRY OF THE MOST HOLY MOTHER OF GOD INTO THE TEMPLE.**

**Protopresbyter Alexander of Moscow (1937)**. St Columbanus of Ireland, Missionary, first abbot of Luxeuil in France (615).

**Vespers** 1. Exodus 40:1-5,9-10,16,34-35 2. 3(1) Kings 7:51; 8:1,3-7,9-11

3. Ezekiel 43:27-44:4

**Matins Gospel** Luke 1:39-49,56

Hebrews 9:1-7 Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28

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- 22/5  
**Friday**  
*fast*
- Afterfeast of the Entry into the Temple. \*Apostles of the Seventy Philemon and Archippus, Martyr Apphia, wife of Philemon, and St Onesimus, disciple of St Paul (1<sup>st</sup>).** St Michael, Prince of Tver (1318). Martyrs Cecilia, Valerian, Tiburtius, and Maximus, at Rome (230). St Kallistos Xanthopoulos, Patriarch of Constantinople (Mt Athos) (1397).  
2 Thessalonians 3: 6-18 Luke 13: 31-35  
\* Philemon 1:1-25 \* Luke 10:1-15
- 23/6  
**Saturday**  
*fast: fish, wine & oil*
- Afterfeast of the Entry into the Temple.** St Amphilochius, Bishop of Iconium (394). St Gregory, Bishop of Agrigentum (6<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>).  
**\*Repose of St Alexander Nevsky (1263).** St Metrophanes (in Schema Macarius), Bishop of Voronezh (1703). St Deiniol the Younger (615).  
**Matins Gospel** Matthew 11:27-30  
Galatians 1: 3-10 Luke 9: 37-43  
\* Galatians 5:22-6:2 \* Luke 6: 17-23
- 24/7  
**Sunday**  
Tone 8  
*fast: fish, wine & oil*
- 25<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST.**  
**Afterfeast of the Entry into the Temple. \*Great Martyr Catherine of Alexandria (305-313).** Great Martyr Mercurius (3<sup>rd</sup>). St Colman of Cloyne (604).  
**Matins Gospel** (iii) Mark 16:9-20  
Ephesians 4: 1-6 Luke 10: 25-37  
\* Ephesians 6:10-17 \* Luke 21:12-19
- 25/8  
**Monday**  
*fast*
- \*Leavetaking of the Entry into the Temple.** Hieromartyr Clement, Pope of Rome (101). St Clement, Bishop of Ochrid (916). Hieromartyr Peter, Archbishop of Alexandria (311).  
1 Timothy 1: 1-7 Luke 14: 12-15  
\* Hebrews 9:1-7 \* Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28
- 26/9  
**Tuesday**  
*fast: wine & oil*
- St Alypius the Stylite of Adrianopolis (640). St Innocent, Bishop of Irkutsk (1731). St James the Solitary of Syria (457). The New Martyr George, at Chios (1807).  
1 Timothy 1: 8-14 Luke 14:25-35
- 27/10  
**Wednesday**  
*fast*
- Great Martyr James the Persian (421). St James, Bishop of Rostov (1392). St Gregory of Sinai and Mt Athos (1346). St Fergal (Virgil), Bishop of Salzburg (784).  
1 Timothy 1: 18-20, 2: 8-15 Luke 15: 1-10
- 28/11  
**Thursday**  
*fast: wine & oil*
- Martyr Stephen the New of Mount St Auxentius (767). Martyr Irenarchus and Seven Women Martyrs at Sebaste (303).  
1 Timothy 3: 1-13 Luke 16: 1-9
- 29/12  
**Friday**  
*fast*
- Martyr Paramon and 370 with him in Bithynia (250). Martyr Philumenus of Ancyra, and Martyrs Valerian and Phaedruss with him (274). St Acacius of Sinai (who is mentioned in 'The Ladder') (6<sup>th</sup>). St Brendan of Birr (573).  
1 Timothy 4: 4-8, 16 Luke 16: 15-18, 17: 1-4
- 30/13  
**Saturday**  
*fast: fish, wine & oil*
- \*Holy Apostle Andrew the First-called (62).** St Frumentius, Archbishop of Ethiopia (380). St Tudwal, Bishop in Wales and Brittany (6<sup>th</sup>).  
**Vespers** 1. 1 Peter 1:1-2:6 2. 1 Peter 2:21-3:9 3. 1 Peter 4:1-11  
**Matins Gospel** Matthew 4:18-23  
Galatians 3: 8-12 Luke 9: 57-62  
\* 1 Corinthians 4:9-16 \* John 1:35-51

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1/14

**Sunday**

Tone 1

*fast: fish,  
wine & oil*

**26<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST.**

Prophet Nahum (7<sup>th</sup> BC).

Righteous Philaret the Merciful of Amnia in Asia Minor (792).

**Matins Gospel** (iv) Luke 24:1-12

Ephesians 5: 9-19

Luke 12: 16-21

2/15

**Monday**

*fast*

Prophet Habakkuk (Abbacum) (7<sup>th</sup> BC). St Athanasius 'the Resurrected' of the Kiev Caves (1176). St Stephen Urosh, King of Serbia (1367).

1 Timothy 5: 1-10

Luke 17: 20-25

3/16

**Tuesday**

*fast: wine & oil*

Prophet Zephaniah (Sophonias) (635-605 BC). St Sava, Abbot of Zvenigorod (1406). St John the Silent of St Sava's Monastery (558). St Birinus, Bishop of Dorchester (650).

1 Timothy 5: 11-21

Luke 17: 26-37

4/17

**Wednesday**

*fast*

\***Great Martyr Barbara** and Martyr Juliana, at Heliopolis in Syria (306). St John Damascene (780). New Martyr Seraphim at Phanarion (1601). St Gennadius, Archbishop of Novgorod (1504).

1 Timothy 5: 22-6: 11

Luke 18: 15-17, 26-30

\* Galatians 3:23-29

\* Mark 5:24-34

5/18

**Thursday**

*fast: wine & oil*

\***St Sava the Sanctified (532).** St Gurias, Archbishop of Kazan (1563).

**Vespers 1.** Wisdom 3:1-9 **2.** Wisdom 5:15-6:3 **3.** Wisdom 4:7-15

**Matins Gospel**

Luke 6:17-23

1 Timothy 6: 17-21

Luke 18: 31-34

(Friday) 2 Timothy 1: 1-2, 8-18

Luke 19: 12-28

\* Galatians 5:22-6:2

\* Matthew 11:27-30

6/19

**Friday**

*fast: fish,  
wine & oil*

\***St Nicholas the Wonderworker, Archbishop of Myra in Lycia (345).**

**Vespers**

**1.** Proverbs 10: 7a, 6a; 3: 13-16; 8: 6, 32, 34-35, 4, 12, 4, 17, 5-9; 1: 23; 15: 4

**2.** Proverbs 10:31-11:12 **3.** Wisdom 4:7-15

**Matins Gospel**

John 10:9-16

\* Hebrews 13:17-21

\* Luke 6:17-23

7/20

**Saturday**

*fast: fish,  
wine & oil*

St Ambrose, Bishop of Milan (397). St Nilus, Monk of Stolobensk Lake (1554). St Anthony, Abbot of Siya (1556). St John, FASTER of the Kiev Caves (12<sup>th</sup>).

Galatians 5:22-6:2

Luke 10: 19-21

8/21

**Sunday**

Tone 2

*fast: fish,  
wine & oil*

**27<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST.**

St Patapius of Thebes (7<sup>th</sup>). St Cyril, Abbot of Chelmogorsk (1367).

Holy Apostles of the Seventy: Sosthenes, Apollos, Cephas, Tychicus, Epaphroditus, Caesar and Onesiphorus (1<sup>st</sup>).

**Matins Gospel** (v) Luke 24:12-35

Ephesians 6: 10-17

Luke 13: 10-17

9/22

**Monday**

*fast*

\***The Conception by the Righteous Anna of the Most Holy Mother of God.** Prophetess Anna (Hannah), mother of the Prophet Samuel (1100 BC). St Sophronius, Archbishop of Cyprus (6<sup>th</sup>). St Stephen the New of Constantinople (912).

2 Timothy 2: 20-26

Luke 19: 37-44

\* Galatians 4:22-31

\* Luke 8:16-21

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10/23  
**Tuesday**  
*fast: wine & oil*  
 Martyrs Menas, Hermogenes, and Eucraphus of Alexandria (313).  
 St Joasaph, Bishop of Belgorod (1754). Martyr Gemellus of Paphlagonia  
 (361).  
 2 Timothy 3: 16-4: 4 Luke 19: 45-48

11/24  
**Wednesday**  
*fast*  
 St Daniel the Stylite of Constantinople (489-490). St Nikon the Dry of the  
 Kiev Caves (12<sup>th</sup>). St Luke the New Stylite (970-980).  
 2 Timothy 4: 9-22 Luke 20: 1-8

12/25  
**Thursday**  
*fast: wine & oil*  
**\*St Spyridon the Wonderworker, Bishop of Tremithus (348).**  
 St Therapontes, Abbot of Monza (1597). Hieromartyr Alexander, Bishop  
 of Jerusalem (251). Martyr Synesius of Rome (270-275). St Finian, Bishop  
 of Clonard (549).  
 Titus 1: 5-11 Luke 20: 9-18  
 \* Hebrews 13:17-21 \* Luke 6:17-23

13/26  
**Friday**  
*fast*  
**\*Martyrs Eustratius, Auxentius, Eugene, Mardarius, and Orestes,**  
**at Sebaste (284-305).** Virgin Martyr Lucy at Syracuse (304). St Arsenios  
 of Latros (9<sup>th</sup>). Hieromartyr Gabriel I, Patriarch, at Bursa (1659).  
 Titus 1: 15 - 2: 10 Luke 20: 9-18  
 \* Ephesians 6:10-17 \* Luke 21:12-19

14/27  
**Saturday**  
*fast: fish,*  
*wine & oil*  
 Martyrs Thyrsus, Leucis and Callinicus of Apollonia (249-251).  
 St Venantius Fortunatus, Bishop of Poitiers (7<sup>th</sup>).  
 St Hybald of Lindsey (7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>)  
 Ephesians 1: 16-23 Luke 12: 32-40

15/28  
**Sunday**  
 Tone 3  
*fast: fish,*  
*wine & oil*  
**28<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST.**  
**Sunday of the Holy Ancestors of Christ.**  
 Hieromartyr Eleutherius, Bishop of Illyria, and his mother,  
 Martyr Anthia (2<sup>nd</sup>). St Paul of Latros (955). **St Stephen the Confessor,**  
**Archbishop of Sourozh in the Crimea (8<sup>th</sup>).** **Synaxis of the Crimean**  
**Saints.**  
**Matins Gospel** (vi) Luke 24:36-53  
 Colossians 3: 4-11 Luke 14: 16-24

16/29  
**Monday**  
*fast*  
 Prophet Haggai (500 BC). Martyr Marinus of Rome (3<sup>rd</sup>).  
 Blessed Empress Theophano (893-894).  
 Hebrews 3: 5-11, 17-19 Luke 20: 27-44

17/30  
**Tuesday**  
*fast: wine & oil*  
**\*Holy Prophet Daniel** and the Three Holy Children: Ananias, Azarias,  
 and Misael (600 BC). St Daniel the Confessor (in Schema Stephen) (10<sup>th</sup>).  
 Hebrews 4: 1-13 Luke 21: 12-19  
 \* Hebrews 11:33-12:2 \* Luke 11:47-12:1

18/31  
**Wednesday**  
*fast*  
 Martyr Sebastian at Rome and his companions (287).  
 St Modestus, Archbishop of Jerusalem (633-634).  
 St Winnibald, Abbot and Missionary (761).  
 Hebrews 5: 11-6: 8 Luke 21: 5-7, 10-11, 20-24

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19/1 Jan 2009 Martyr Boniface at Tarsus in Cilicia (290). St Boniface the Merciful, Bishop of Florence (6<sup>th</sup>). St Elias of Murom, of the Kiev Caves (1188).  
**Thursday** Hebrews 7: 1-6 Luke 21: 28-33  
*fast: wine & oil*

20/2 **Forefeast of the Nativity of Christ. \* Hieromartyr Ignatius the God-bearer, Bishop of Antioch (107). \*\* Repose of St John of Kronstadt (1908).** St Daniel II, Archbishop of Serbia (1338).  
**Matins Gospel** \*\* Matthew 6:1-13  
\* Hebrews 7: 18-25 Luke 21: 37-22: 8  
\* Hebrews 4:14-5:6 \* Mark 9:33-41  
\*\* Hebrews 4:14-5:10 \*\* Matthew 5:14-19

21/3 **Forefeast of the Nativity of Christ. \*Saturday before the Nativity of Christ.**  
**Saturday** Virgin Martyr Juliana of Nicomedia, and with her 500 men and 130 women (304). \*\***Repose of St Peter, Metropolitan of Moscow and All Russia (1326).** St Juliana, Princess of Vyazma (1406). Blessed Procopius of Vyatka, Fool-for-Christ (1627).  
*fast: fish, wine & oil*  
\* Galatians 3:8-12 \* Luke 13:18-29  
\*\* Hebrews 7:26-8:2 \*\* Luke 6:17-23

22/4 **29<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. Sunday before the Nativity of Christ. \*Sunday of the Holy Forefathers. Forefeast of the Nativity of Christ. Great Martyr Anastasia, 'Deliverer From Bonds', and her teacher, Martyr Chrysogonus; with them, Martyrs Theodota, Evodias, Eutychianus (304)**  
**Vespers** 1 Gen 14:14-20 2 Deut 1: 8-11 3 Deut 10: 14-21  
**Matins Gospel** (vii) John 20: 1-10  
*fast: fish, wine & oil*  
\* Hebrews 11: 9-10, 17-23. 32-40 \* Matthew 1: 1-25

23/5 **Forefeast of the Nativity of Christ.**  
**Monday** Holy Ten Martyrs of Crete: Theodulus, Saturninus, Euporus, Gelasius, Eunician, Zoticus, Pompeius, Agathopus, Basilides, and Evaristus (3<sup>rd</sup>).  
*fast* Repose of St Theocistus, Archbishop of Novgorod (1310). St Niphon, Bishop of Cyprus (4<sup>th</sup>).  
Dedication of the Church of the Holy Wisdom, Constantinople.  
Hebrews 8: 7-13 Mark 8: 11-21

24/6 **Eve of the Nativity of Christ.**  
**Tuesday** Virgin-Martyr Eugenia of Rome, and with her Martyrs Philip, her father, Protus, Hyacinth, Basilla, and Claudia (262).  
*fast: wine & oil*

**Vespers of the Eve of the Nativity of Christ**  
1 Genesis 14: 14-20 2. Deut. 1: 8-11, 15-17 3. Deut. 10: 14-21

**Royal Hours :**

**First Hour** Micah 5:2-4 Hebrews 1:1-12 Matthew 1:18-25  
**Third Hour** Baruch 3:35-4:4 Galatians 3:23-29 Luke 2:1-20  
**Sixth Hour** ( Isaiah 7:10-16; Hebrews 1:10-2:3 Matthew 2:1-12  
( 8: 1-4, 9-10  
**Ninth Hour** Isaiah 9:6-7 Hebrews 2:11-18 Matthew 2:13-23

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24/6

**Tuesday**

*fast: wine & oil*

**Vespers of the Feast of the Nativity of Christ**

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| 1. Genesis 1:1-13     | 2. Numbers 24:2-3,5-9,17-18   |
| 3. Micah 4:6,7; 5:2-4 | 4. Isaiah 11:1-10             |
| 5. Baruch 3:35-4:4    | 6. Daniel 2:31-36,44-45       |
| 7. Isaiah 9:6,7       | 8. Isaiah 7:10-16; 8:1-4,9-10 |

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**Liturgy of St Basil**

Hebrews 1:1-12

Luke 2:1-20

25/7

**Wednesday**

*fast-free*

**THE NATIVITY ACCORDING TO THE FLESH OF OUR LORD GOD AND SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST.**

The Adoration of the Magi: Melchior, Caspar, and Balthasar. Commemoration of the Shepherds in Bethlehem who were watching their flocks and came to see the Lord.

**Matins Gospel** Matthew 1:18-25

**Liturgy of St John Chrysostom**

Galatians 4:4-7

Matthew 2:1-12

26/8

**Thursday**

*fast-free*

**SECOND DAY OF THE FEAST OF THE NATIVITY.**

- **SYNAXIS OF THE MOST HOLY MOTHER OF GOD.**

Holy Martyr Euthymius, Bishop of Sardis (840). St Evaristus of the Studion Monastery (825). St Constantine the convert from Judaism (9<sup>th</sup>)

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| Hebrews 10: 35-11: 7 | Mark 9: 10-16     |
| * Hebrews 2:11-18    | * Matthew 2:13-23 |

27/9

**Friday**

*fast-free*

**THIRD DAY OF THE FEAST OF THE NATIVITY.**

\***Holy Protomartyr and Archdeacon Stephen (34).**

St Theodore Graptus, Confessor, brother of St Theophanes the Hymnographer (840). St Theodore, Archbishop of Constantinople (686).

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| Hebrews 11: 8, 11-16      | Mark 9: 33-41      |
| * Acts 6:8-15;7:1-5,47-60 | * Matthew 21:33-42 |

28/10

**Saturday**

*fast-free*

**Afterfeast of the Nativity of Christ. † Saturday after the Nativity.**

\***The 20,000 Martyrs of Nicomedia (302).** Apostle Nicanor the Deacon (1<sup>st</sup>). St Ignatius, Monk of Lomsk (Vologda) (1591).

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| † 1 Timothy 6:11-16 | † Matthew 12:15-21 |
| Ephesians 5: 1-8    | Luke 14: 1-11      |
| * Romans 8:3-9      | * Luke 10:19-21    |

29/11

**Sunday**

Tone 5

*fast-free*

**30<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST.**

† **Sunday after the Nativity. Afterfeast of the Nativity of Christ.**

\***The Infants (Holy Innocents) slain by Herod at Bethlehem.**

St Marcellus, Abbot of the Monastery of the Unsleeping Ones (485).

**Matins Gospel** (viii) John 20:11-18

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| Colossians 3 :12-16     | Luke 18:18-27               |
| † Gal 1: 11-19          | Matt 2:13-23 (Sunday after) |
| * 2 Corinthians 5:15-21 | * Matthew 2:13-23           |

30/12

**Monday**

*fast-free*

- **St Macarius, Metropolitan of Moscow (1563).**

Timon the Deacon, Apostle of the Seventy (1<sup>st</sup>). St Melania the Younger of Rome (439). Virgin-Martyr Anysia at Thessalonica (285-305).

St Egwin, Bishop of Worcester and Founder of Evesham Abbey (717).

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| Hebrews 11: 17-23, 27-31 | Mark 9: 42-10: 1 |
| * Hebrews 7:26-8:2       | * John 10:9-16   |

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31/13  
**Tuesday**  
*fast-free*

- **Leavetaking of the Nativity of Christ. St Joseph the Betrothed, David the Prophet and King, and James the Brother of the Lord.**  
Martyr Zoticus, Keeper of Orphans (4<sup>th</sup>).  
Hebrews 12: 25-26, 13: 22-25      Mark 10: 2-12
- \* Galatians 1: 11-19      \* Matthew 2: 13-23

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1/14  
**Tuesday**  
*fast-free*

†**THE CIRCUMCISION OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST.**

\*St Basil the Great, Archbishop of Caesarea in Cappadocia (379)

Martyr Basil of Ancyra (362), St. Maelrhys of Bardsey (6<sup>th</sup>)

**Vespers** 1. Gen 17: 1-7, 9-12, 14      2. Proverbs 8: 22-30

3. Proverbs 10: 31- 11:12

**Matins Gospel**      John 10: 9-16

**Liturgy of St. Basil**

† Colossians 2: 8-12

\* Hebrews 7:26 -8:2

† Luke 2: 20-21, 40-52

\* Luke 6: 17-23

At the prayers of Thy most pure Mother and of all Thy Saints,  
Lord Jesus Christ, our God,  
have mercy upon us and save us.

Amen.