

Orthodox Church Digital Calendar 2020












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FEAST DAYS

- 1/19 St. Boniface who was martyred at Tarsus in Cilicia (†290).
 - 2/20 Forefeast of Holy Nativity. Hieromartyr Ignatius the God-bearer, Bishop of Antioch (†107).
 - 3/21 Virgin Martyr Juliana of Nicomedia (†299).
 - 4/22 Royal Hours of Holy Nativity. Martyrs Anastasia, Deliverer from Potions & Chrysogonus of Rome (†ca. 300).
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- 5/23 **Sunday before Nativity.** Ten Martyrs of Crete (†250).
 - 6/24 Eve of Holy Nativity. Royal Hours of Nativity.
 - 7/25 **HOLY NATIVITY ACCORDING TO THE FLESH OF OUR LORD, GOD & SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST**
- FAST-FREE DEC. 26 - JAN. 4**
- 8/26 Synaxis of Our Most Holy Lady Theotokos.
 - 9/27 Holy First Martyr & Archdeacon Stephen (†34).
 - 10/28 Holy 20,000 Martyrs burned in Nicomedia (†303). St. Simon the Myrrh-streamer, founder of Simonopetra Monastery on Mount Athos (†13th C).


11/29 The 14,000 Holy Innocents slain in & around Bethlehem by Herod. St. Marcellus, Abbot of the Monastery of the Unsleeping near Pontus (†485).

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- 12/30 **Sunday before Theophany.** The holy ancestors of God: St. Joseph the Betrothed, Righteous David the Prophet-King, & St. James the Brother of our Lord. Virgin Martyr Anyisia of Thessalonica (†298).
 - 13/31 *Apodosis of Holy Nativity.* Martyr & Presbyter Zoticus of Rome, Patron of Orphans, who was perfected in martyrdom in Const. (†4th C).
 - 14/1 **CIRCUMCISION OF OUR LORD, GOD & SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST.** St. Basil the Great, Archbishop of Caesarea in Cappadocia (†379).
 - 15/2 Forefeast of Theophany. St. Sylvester, Pope of Rome (†325). Righteous Father Seraphim, Wonderworker of Sarov (†1833).
 - 16/3 Holy Prophet Malachias (†5th C BC). Martyr Gordius of Caesarea in Cappadocia (†314). Righteous Mother Genevieve of Paris (†ca. 502).
 - 17/4 Royal Hours of Holy Theophany. Synaxis of the holy & glorious 70 Apostles. St. Theoctistus, Abbot of Cucomo in Sicily (†800).
 - 18/5 Eve of Theophany. Martyrs of Nicomedia Bishop Theopemptus & the former sorcerer Theonas (†ca. 303).



19/6 **HOLY THEOPHANY OF OUR LORD, GOD & SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST**

- 20/7 **SYNAXIS OF THE VENERABLE & GLORIOUS PROPHET, FORERUNNER & BAPTIST JOHN.**
- 21/8 St. Domnica of Const. (†ca. 474). Martyr Abo, the Perfumer of Baghdad, beheaded in Tbilisi (†786). St. George of Hozeva (†9th C).
- 22/9 Martyr Polyeuctus of Melitene in Armenia (†255).
- 23/10 St. Gregory, Bishop of Nyssa (†ca. 395), the younger brother in the flesh of St. Basil the Great.
- 24/11 St. Theodosius the Great, the Cenobiarch & founder of the Monastery of St. Theodosius near Bethlehem (†ca. 529).
- 25/12 Saturday after Theophany. Virgin Martyr & Deaconess Tatiana of Rome (†3rd C).



26/13 **Sunday after Theophany.** Martyrs Hermylus & his prison guard Stratonicus who contested in Sigidon (†314). St. Hilary, Bishop of Poitiers (†ca. 368).

- 27/14 *Apodosis of Theophany.* St. Nino, the Enlightener of Georgia & Equal to the Holy Apostles (†ca. 335). St. Sabbas, First Archbishop of Serbia & founder of Hilandar Monastery (†1235).
- 28/15 Righteous Father Paul of Thebes (†341). St. John the Hut Dweller of Const. (†ca. 450).
- 29/16 Veneration of the Holy Apostle Peter's Chains. St. Priscilla of Rome, disciple of the Holy Apostle Peter.
- 30/17 Righteous & God-bearing Father Anthony the Great of Egypt (†356). The pious Emperor Theodosius the Great of Const. (†395).
- 31/18 Ss. Athanasius (†373) & Cyril (†444), Patriarchs of Alexandria. Martyrs Theodula of Anazarbus & those with her (†3rd C).

FEBRUARY 2020

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Mother's Day in the Church is Saturday, Feb 15 / 2

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FEAST DAYS

1/19 Ss. Macarius the Great of Egypt, the Anchorite (†ca. 391), & Macarius of Alexandria (†ca. 394). St. Mark Eugenicus, Metropolitan of Ephesus (†1443).

2/20 **Fifteenth Sunday of St. Luke.** St. Euthymius the Great of Palestine (†473).

3/21 Virgin Martyr Agnes of Rome (†ca. 304). St. Maximus the Confessor of Const. (†662).

4/22 Holy Apostle of the 70 Timothy (†97), disciple of the Apostle Paul. Righteous Martyr Anastasius of Persia (†628).

5/23 Hieromartyr Clement, Bishop of Ancyra in Galatia & St. Agathangelus from Rome who were beheaded in the year 296.

6/24 Righteous Mother Xenia of Rome (†450). Righteous Mother Xenia, the Fool for Christ's Sake of St. Petersburg (†ca. 1800).

7/25 St. Gregory the Theologian, Archbishop of Const. (†391).

8/26 Ss. Xenophon of Const., his wife Mary & their sons Arcadius & John (†6th C).

9/27 **Publican & Pharisee Sunday.** Translation of the holy relics of St. John Chrysostom of Const. in the year 438. Synaxis of All the Holy New Martyrs of Russia beginning in the year 1917.

FAST-FREE WEEK

10/28 Righteous & God-bearing Fathers Ephraim (†ca. 373) & Isaac (†7th C) the Syrians.

11/29 Translation of the holy relics of St. Ignatius the God-bearer of Antioch.

12/30 Great Hierarchs & Universal Teachers, Ss. Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian & John Chrysostom.

13/31 Holy & Wonderworking Unmercenaries Ss. Cyrus & John beheaded in Syria (†292).

14/1 Prefestival of the Meeting of our Lord in the Temple. St. Trypho martyred in Nicaea (†ca. 250). Righteous Mother Brigid of Kildare (†ca. 525).

15/2 MEETING OF OUR LORD, GOD & SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE

16/3 **Sunday of the Prodigal Son.** Synaxis of the God-receiver Symeon & Anna the Prophetess.


MEATFARE WEEK

17/4 Our Righteous Fathers Isidore of Mount Pelusium (†440) & Nicholas the Studite, Confessor of Const. (†868).

18/5 Synaxis of **MO** Icon called "Searcher of the Lost." Holy Virgin Martyr Agatha of Palermo in Sicily (†251).

19/6 Ss. John the Prophet (†ca. 540) & Barsanuphius the Great (†ca. 563). St. Photius the Great, Patriarch of Const., Equal to the Apostles (†891).

20/7 St. Moses, Bishop & Enlightener of the Arabs in the Syro-Arabian Desert (†ca. 405). St. Parthenius, Bishop of Lampsacus (†4th C).

 21/8 *Apodosis of the Meeting of our Lord.* Holy Prophet Zacharias (Zechariah) (†ca. 520 BC). Great Martyr Theodore the Commander (†ca. 320).

22/9 **SATURDAY OF SOULS.** Hieromartyr Philagrius, Bishop of Cyprus (†1st C). Holy Martyr Nicephorus of Antioch (†ca. 260).

23/10 **Meatfare Sunday of the Last Judgment.** Hieromartyr Haralampus of Magnesia (†ca. 202). **[LAST DAY TO EAT MEAT & MEAT PRODUCTS UNTIL PASCHA]**

CHEESEFARE WEEK

 24/11 Synaxis of **MO** of Corfu. Hieromartyr Blaise of Sebastia & those with him (†316). St. Theodora, Empress of Const. & restorer of icons (†867).

 25/12 St. Meletius, Archbishop of Antioch the Great (†381).





 26/13 St. Martinian of Palestine (†ca. 422). St. Symeon the Myrrh-streamer & founder of the Serbian Hilandar Monastery of Mount Athos (†ca. 1199).

 27/14 Righteous Auxentius of Bithynia (†ca. 470).

 28/15 Holy Apostle Onesimus from Colossae (†ca. 90), disciple of the Holy Apostle Paul.

 29/16 Martyrs Pamphilus & those with him who contested in Palestine (†290).

MARCH 2020

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FEAST DAYS

 **1/17** *Cheesefare Sunday. Forgiveness Sunday.* Commemoration of Adam & Eve's exile from paradise. [LAST DAY TO EAT CHEESE & DAIRY PRODUCTS UNTIL PASCHA]

1ST WEEK OF GREAT LENT

2/18 Clean Monday: Great Compline & Part I of the Great Penitential Canon of St. Andrew, Archbishop of Crete.

3/19 Great Compline & Part I of the Great Penitential Canon.

4/20 Great Compline & Part III of the Great Penitential Canon.

5/21 Great Compline & Part IV of the Great Penitential Canon.

6/22 SMALL COMPLINE & FIRST STASIS OF THE AKATHIST HYMN.

 7/23 First Saturday of Great Lent. Commemoration of the miracle of the Kollyva in Const. wrought by St. Theodore the Tyro in the year 362.

 **8/24** *First Sunday of Great Lent: Sunday of the Triumph of Orthodoxy - Restoration of the Holy & Venerable Icons in 843.* Vespers of Orthodoxy & procession of the icons.

2ND WEEK OF GREAT LENT

9/25 St. Tarasius the Confessor, Archbishop of Const. (✠806).
10/26 St. Photine, the Samaritan woman, who was martyred in Rome with her two sons & five sisters under the Emperor Nero (37-68AD). St. Porphyrius, Bishop of Gaza (✠450).

11/27 St. Procopius of Decapolis, the Confessor (✠ca. 750).

12/28 St. Basil the Confessor of Decapolis (✠ca. 747).

13/29 SMALL COMPLINE & SECOND STASIS OF THE AKATHIST HYMN. St. John Cassian the Confessor who reposed in Gaul (✠433).

 14/1 Righteous Martyr Eudocia the Samaritan of Heliopolis (✠ca. 107).

 **15/2** *Second Sunday of Great Lent: St. Gregory Palamas, Archbishop of Thessalonica.* Martyr Hesychius the Senator who contested in Lower Syria (✠302).

3RD WEEK OF GREAT LENT

16/3 Holy Martyrs Eutropius, Cleonicus & Basiliscus of Cappadocia (✠308).

17/4 Ss. Paul & his sister in the flesh Juliana of Ptolemais in Palestine with their executioners (✠273). St. Gerasimus who founded the Great Lavra by the Jordan River (✠475).

18/5 St. Mark the Ascetic & Wonderworker of the Nitrian Desert (✠5th C).

19/6 Holy Forty-two Martyrs of Amorion beheaded by Moslem Arabs (✠845).

20/7 SMALL COMPLINE & THIRD STASIS OF THE AKATHIST HYMN. Seven Holy martyred Bishops of Cherson (✠4th C).

 21/8 St. Theophylact the Confessor, Bishop of Nicomedia (✠845).

 **22/9** *Third Sunday of Great Lent: Adoration of the Precious & Life giving Cross.* Holy Great 40 Martyrs of Sebastia (✠320).

4TH WEEK OF GREAT LENT


23/10 Holy Martyr Quadratus of Corinth & those with him (✠ca. 256).

24/11 Righteous Father Sophronius, Archbishop of Jerusalem (✠638).

25/12 St. Gregory the Great, Pope of Rome (✠604). St. Symeon the new Theologian, Abbot of the monastery of St. Mamas in Const. who reposed in 1022.

26/13 Translation of the holy relics of St. Nicephorus, Patriarch of Const. in the year 846.

27/14 SMALL COMPLINE & FOURTH STASIS OF THE AKATHIST HYMN. Synaxis of **MO** Feodorovskaya Icon. St. Benedict of Nursia (✠547).

 28/15 Holy Apostle of the 70 Aristobulus, Bishop of Britain (✠1st C), ordained by the Apostle Paul.











 **29/16** *Fourth Sunday of Great Lent: St. John Climacus (of the Ladder).* Martyr Sabine of Hermopolis in Egypt (✠ca. 163).

5TH WEEK OF GREAT LENT

30/17 St. Alexis of Rome, the Man of God (✠ca. 411). St. Patrick, Enlightener of Ireland & Equal to the Holy Apostles (✠ca. 461).

31/18 St. Cyril, Archbishop of Jerusalem (✠386). Holy Royal Martyr Edward King of England (✠979).

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FEAST DAYS

5TH WEEK OF GREAT LENT

- 1/19 Holy Martyrs Chrysanthus of Alexandria & his wife Daria of Athens (†ca. 283).
- 2/20 **The Great Penitential Canon of St. Andrew, Archbishop of Crete.** (The Canon is usually included during the Wednesday evening service.)
- 3/21 SMALL COMPLINE & THE FIFTH STASIS OF THE AKATHIST HYMN.
- 4/22 **SATURDAY OF THE AKATHIST HYMN.** New Martyr Euthymius of the Holy Mountain (†1814).

- 5/23 **Fifth Sunday of Great Lent: St. Mary of Egypt.** Martyrs Nikon & His 199 Disciples of Sicily (†ca. 251).

6TH WEEK OF GREAT LENT

- 6/24 Forefeast of the Annunciation.
- 7/25 **ANNUNCIATION OF OUR MOST HOLY LADY THEOTOKOS & EVER-VIRGIN MARY**
- 8/26 The Synaxis of the Archangel Gabriel.
- 9/27 Holy Martyr Matrona of Thessalonica (†ca. 4th C).

- 10/28 **SMALL COMPLINE & CANON TO ST. LAZARUS.** St. Hilarion the New, Abbot of the Monastery of Pelecete (†754).
- 11/29 **LAZARUS SATURDAY.**

12/30 PALM SUNDAY: THE ENTRY OF OUR LORD, GOD & SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST INTO JERUSALEM

HOLY WEEK

- 13/31 **HOLY & GREAT MONDAY:** Patriarch Joseph the All-coming.
- 14/1 **HOLY & GREAT TUESDAY:** Commemoration of the parable of the Ten Virgins.
- 15/2 **HOLY & GREAT WEDNESDAY:** Commemoration of the anointing of our Lord with myrrh by the woman who was a sinner, for this occurred shortly before the Passion of our Saviour.
- 16/3 **HOLY & GREAT THURSDAY:** Commemoration of the washing of the Holy Apostles' feet by our Saviour; the Mystical Supper; the prayer in Gethsemane, & the betrayal.
- 17/4 **HOLY & GREAT FRIDAY:** Royal Hours. Commemoration of the Holy, Saving & Awesome Passion of our Lord, God & Saviour Jesus Christ.
- 18/5 **HOLY & GREAT SATURDAY:** Commemoration of the Burial & Descent of our Saviour into Hades.

19/6 – HOLY PASCHA – THE JOYOUS RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD, GOD & SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST

[PENTECOSTARION PERIOD BEGINS]

RENEWAL (BRIGHT) WEEK

- 20/7 **BRIGHT MONDAY:** In celebration of our Saviour's Joyous Resurrection.
- 21/8 **BRIGHT TUESDAY:** In celebration of our Saviour's Joyous Resurrection. Martyrs Raphael, Nicholas, Virgin Irene of Lesbos & those with them.
- 22/9 **BRIGHT WEDNESDAY:** In celebration of our Saviour's Joyous Resurrection.
- 23/10 **BRIGHT THURSDAY:** In celebration of our Saviour's Joyous Resurrection.
- 24/11 **BRIGHT FRIDAY:** In celebration of our Saviour's Joyous Resurrection. Feast of the Life-giving Spring of our Most Holy Lady Theotokos.
- 25/12 **BRIGHT SATURDAY:** In celebration of our Saviour's Joyous Resurrection.

- 26/13 **Second Sunday of Pascha: St. Thomas Sunday, also called Antipascha.** Synaxis of the Holy Apostle Thomas. Holy Apostle Nathanael.
- 27/14 Holy Apostles of the 70 Aristarchus, Pudens & Trophimus (†ca. 67). Holy Martyrs Anthony, John & Eustathius of Vilna in Lithuania (†1342).
- 28/15 Holy Martyrs Basilissa & Anastasia of Rome (†92), who buried the holy relics of the Holy Apostles Peter & Paul. St. Leonidas Bishop of Athens (†ca. 6th C).
- 29/16 Virgin Martyrs & sisters Agape, Irene & Chionia of Thessalonica (†92).
- 30/17 Hieromartyr Symeon, Bishop of Seleucia & Cttesiphon in Persia & those with him: Abdechallas the Presbyter, Gothazat, Fusik & another 1,150 (†ca. 343). St. Macarius, Archbishop of Corinth (†1805).

MAY 2020

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FEAST DAYS

1/18 Righteous Father John, a disciple of St. Gregory of Decapolis, who reposed at the Monastery of St. Chariton in the Judean Desert (✠mid 9th C).

2/19 St. Symeon, Abbot of Philotheou Monastery on Mount Athos (✠1594).

3/20 **Third Sunday of Pascha: Sunday of the Myrrh-bearing Women.** MΘ; Mary Magdalene; Martha & Mary, sisters of the Righteous Lazarus; Mary, wife of Cleopas; Joanna, wife of Chouza; Salome, mother of the sons of Zebedee, & Susanna. Also Ss. Joseph of Arimathea & Nicodemus.

4/21 Empress Alexandra of Nicomedia (✠296) who was martyred after believing in Christ through St. George the Trophy-bearer.

- 5/22 Righteous Father Theodore of Sykeon (✠613).
- 6/23 Glorious Great Martyr George the Trophy-bearer who was tortured & beheaded in Nicomedia (✠296).
- 7/24 The Righteous Mother Elizabeth the Wonderworker who reposed in Const. (✠mid 5th C).
- 8/25 Holy Apostle & Evangelist Mark who wrote his Gospel in Rome; then established the Church in Alexandria where He was martyred (✠ca. 68).
- 9/26 St. Glaphyra & Hieromartyr Basileus, Bishop of Amasia in Pontus (✠322).

10/27 **Fourth Sunday of Pascha: Sunday of the Paralytic.** Hieromartyr Symeon, Kinsman of our Lord & second Bishop of Jerusalem (✠107).

11/28 Nine Martyrs of Cyzicus: Theognis, Rufis, Antipater, Theostichus, Artemas, Magnus, Theodotus, Thaumasius, & Philemon (✠4th C).

12/29 Apostles of the 70 Jason & Sosipater who were the first to preach the Gospel on the island of Corfu (✠1st C).

13/30 **Mid - Pentecost.**

14/1 Holy Prophet Jeremias (✠ca. 6th C BC). Synaxis of the Three New Martyrs of the Holy Mountain: Euthymius, Ignatius, & Acacius.

15/2 Translation of the holy relics of St. Athanasius the Great, Archbishop of Alexandria.

16/3 St. Theodosius, Abbot of the Kiev Caves Larva, founder of monasticism in Russia (✠1074).

17/4 **Fifth Sunday of Pascha: Sunday of the Samaritan Woman.** Holy Martyr Pelagia from Tarsus of Cilicia (✠288).

18/5 Glorious Great Martyr Irene who reposed in Ephesus (✠4th C).

19/6 Just & much-suffering Holy Prophet Job (✠ca. 1350 BC).

20/7 **Apodosis of Mid - Pentecost.** Commemoration of the Sign of the Cross that appeared for many hours over Jerusalem on Pentecost in the year 351.

21/8 Glorious Apostle & Evangelist John the Theologian, commemorating the annual miracle that took place at his tomb in Ephesus.

22/9 Prophet Esaias (Isaiah) (✠ca. 681 BC).

23/10 Holy Apostle Simon the Canaanite (Zealot) (✠1st C).

24/11 **Sixth Sunday of Pascha: Sunday of the Blind Man.** Ss. Cyril (✠869) & his brother in the flesh Methodius (✠885) of Thessalonica, Equal to the Holy Apostles & Enlighteners of the Slavs.

25/12 St. Epiphanius, Bishop of Constantia in Cyprus (✠ca. 403).

26/13 Holy Martyr Glyceria of Trajanopolis in Thrace (✠141).

27/14 **APODOSIS OF HOLY PASCHA.** [IN SOME USAGES, A FAST-FREE DAY IS PERMITTED]



28/15 **ASCENSION OF OUR LORD, GOD & SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST**

29/16 St. Theodore the Sanctified of Egypt (✠368), disciple of St. Pachomius.

30/17 Apostles Andronicus & Junia, who were in a Roman prison with the Holy Apostle Paul (✠1st C).



31/18 **Seveneth Sunday of Pascha: Sunday of the 318 Holy Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council in the year 325 in Nicaea.**

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FEAST DAYS

- 1/19 Hieromartyr Patrick, Bishop of Prusa, & his fellow martyred Priests Acacius, Menander & Polyaeus, were beheaded most likely during the reign of Diocletian (284-305).
- 2/20 Martyr Thalleleus of Phoenicia & those with him (†284).
-  3/21 Holy, glorious, God-crowned & great Sovereigns of Const. Constantine (†337) & his mother Helen (†327), the Equals to the Holy Apostles.
- 4/22 Holy 150 Fathers of the Second Ecumenical Council in the year 381.
-  5/23 *Apodosis of Ascension*. St. Michael the Confessor, Bishop of Synnada (†826).
- 6/24 SATURDAY OF SOULS.

7/25 HOLY PENTECOST *Kneeling Vespers*





FAST-FREE WEEK

8/26 **Monday of the Holy Spirit.**






- 9/27 St. John the Russian of Prokopion, the New Confessor (†1730).
- 10/28 Holy Martyr Heliconis of Thessalonica (†ca. 244). St. Andrew of Const., the fool for Christ's Sake (†10th C).
- 11/29 Virgin Martyr Theodosia of Tyre (†307).
- 12/30 Righteous Father Isaacius the Confessor, Abbot of the Monastery of Dalmatus in Const. (†396).
- 13/31 *Apodosis of Holy Pentecost*. Martyrs Hermias of Comana in Cappadocia & the magician who gave him a virulent potion with no effect & believed in Christ through him (†2nd C).

14/1 **First Sunday of St. Matthew: Sunday of All Saints.** Martyr Justin the Philosopher & those beheaded with him in Rome (†167). [PENTECOSTARION PERIOD ENDS]



APOSTLES' FAST BEGINS

-  15/2 Righteous Hieromartyr Erasmus of Ochrid, & the 20,000 Martyrs who believed in Christ through him (†ca. 303).
-  16/3 Synaxis of MΘ the Young Icon. Martyrs Lucillian of Nicomedia, the four children with him & Paula the Virgin (†270).
- 17/4 Ss. Martha & Mary of Bethany, sisters in the flesh of St. Lazarus, the friend of Christ.
-  18/5 Hieromartyr Dorotheus, Bishop of Tyre in Phoenicia (†361). Hieromartyr Boniface, Archbishop of Mainz & Enlightener of Germany (†754).
- 19/6 St. Hilarion the New, Abbot of Dalmatus Monastery in Const. (†ca. 845).
-  20/7 Martyr Theodotus of Ancyra (†ca. 303).





 21/8 **Second Sunday of St. Matthew: Holy Fathers of Mt. Athos & All Russia.** Translation of the holy relics of the Great Martyr Theodore the Commander.

-  22/9 St. Cyril, Archbishop of Alexandria (†444). St. Columba, founder of the Monastery of Iona, offshore from Scotland (†597).
-  23/10 Hieromartyr Metrophanes, his family & others slain with them in Beijing during the Box Rebellion of China (†1900).
-  24/11 Synaxis of MΘ Icon called "It is Truly Meet." St. Barnabas, Leader of the Holy Seventy Apostles. Apostle Bartholomew.
-  25/12 St. Triphyllius, Bishop of Leucosia in Cyprus (†ca. 370). Ss. Onuphrius the Great of Egypt (†400) & Peter of Athos (†9th C).
- 26/13 Virgin Martyr Aquilina of Byblos in Syria (†289).
-  27/14 Holy Prophet Elisseus (†ca. 839 BC). St. Methodius the Confessor, Archbishop of Const. (†846). St. Niphon of Mount Athos (†1330).

 28/15 **Third Sunday of St. Matthew: New Martyrs of the Turkish Yoke.** Holy Prophet Amos (†ca. 8th BC).






-  29/16 St. Tikhon, Bishop of Amathus in Cyprus (†ca. 425). Righteous Elder Moses of Optina (†289).
-  30/17 St. Hypatius of Rufiniana (†ca. 450). St. Botolph (Patron Saint of the City of Boston), Abbot of the Monastery of Ikanhoe in Britain (†680).



JULY 2020

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FEAST DAYS

- 1/18 Synaxis of **MΘ** Icon of Bogoliubovo. Martyrs Leontius of Greece, Hypatius & Theodulus who were slain in Tripolis of Phoenicia (✠73).
-  2/19 Holy Apostle Jude (✠ca. 80). St. John (Maximovitch), Archbishop of Shanghai & San Francisco, the Wonderworker who reposed in Seattle (✠1966).
- 3/20 Synaxis of **MΘ** Directress Icon. Hieromartyr Methodius of Patara, Bishop of Olympus (✠312).
-  4/21 Martyr Julian of Tarsus (✠305). New Martyr Nicetas (Neketas) of Nisyros beheaded by the Turks at Chios (✠1732).
-  5/22 **Fourth Sunday of St. Matthew.** Hieromartyr Eusebius, Bishop of Samosata (✠ca. 380).
-  6/23 Synaxis of **MΘ** Icon of Vladimir.
-  7/24 **NATIVITY OF THE VENERABLE & GLORIOUS PROPHET, FORERUNNER & BAPTIST JOHN.** Synaxis of the Righteous Zacharias & Elizabeth.

- 8/25 Virgin Martyr Febronia of Nisibis (✠ca. 302).
-  9/26 St. David of Thessalonica (✠6th C).
- 10/27 St. Samson the Hospitable of Const. (✠ca. 530).
-  11/28 Translation of the holy relics of the Wonderworking Holy Unmercenaries Cyrus & John in the year 414. Synaxis of **MΘ** Icon called "Of Three Hands."

12/29 Fifth Sunday of St. Matthew. HOLY, GLORIOUS, & ALL-LAUDED CHIEFS OF THE APOSTLES, PETER & PAUL.

- 13/30 **SYNAXIS OF THE HOLY, GLORIOUS, & ALL-LAUDED TWELVE APOSTLES.**
-  14/1 Wonderworking Holy Unmercenaries Cosmas & Damian of Rome (✠284).
- 15/2 Deposition of **MΘ**' Precious Raiment in her holy shrine at Blachernae. Hieromartyr Juvenal, Enlightener of America slain in Alaska (✠1796).
- 16/3 Martyr Hyacinth the Chamberlain of Caesarea in Cappadocia (✠108).
- 17/4 St. Andrew the Hymnographer, Archbishop of Crete (✠ca. 720). Royal Martyrs of Russia: Tsar Nicholas II, Tsaritsa Alexandra, Crown Prince Alexis, the Grand Duchesses Olga, Tatiana, Maria, Anastasia, & their faithful servants who were martyred with them in 1918.
- 18/5 St. Athanasius, Founder of the Great Lavra of Athos (✠1003). The Grand Duchess Elizabeth, Novice Barbara & those martyred with them in 1918.


19/6 Sixth Sunday of St. Matthew. St. Sisoës the Great of Egypt (✠ca. 429).

- 20/7 Great Virgin Martyr Kyriake of Nicomedia (✠300).
- 21/8 Finding of the Icon of **MΘ** of Kazan in 1579. Great Martyr Procopius & those with him who were beheaded in Caesarea of Palestine (✠ca. 290).
- 22/9 Hieromartyr Pancratius, Bishop of Tauromenium (✠1st C).
- 23/10 Deposition of the Precious Robe of our Lord Jesus Christ in Moscow in the year 1625.
- 24/11 Great Martyr Euphemia's miracle confirming the definition of Faith at the Fourth Ecumenical Council in Chalcedon in the year 451. St. Olga, Princess of Kiev & Equal to the Holy Apostles (✠969).
- 25/12 St. Veroniki, the woman with an issue of blood, who was healed by Christ (✠1st C). Martyrs Proclus & Hilary of Ancyra (✠106).

26/13 Sunday of the Holy Fathers who assembled in the Seven Ecumenical Councils between 325 - 787. Synaxis of the Archangel Gabriel.

- 27/14 Holy Apostle of the 70 Aquila from Asia Minor. St. Joseph the Confessor, Archbishop of Thessalonica (✠833). Righteous Father Nicodemus of Mt. Athos (✠1809).
- 28/15 Martyrs Cyricus & his mother in the flesh Julitta, who were slain in Tarsus of Cilicia (✠296). St. Vladimir, Great Prince of Kiev, Equal to the Holy Apostles (✠1015).
- 29/16 Hieromartyr Athenogenes, Bishop of Pidachthoa in Cappadocia. He & his ten disciples were beheaded during the reign of Diocletian (284-304).
- 30/17 Great Virgin Martyr Marina of Antioch in Pisidia (✠270).
- 31/18 Martyr Emilian of Dorostolum in Thrace (✠363).

AUGUST 2020

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FEAST DAYS

1/19 Translation of the holy relics of St. Seraphim of Sarov in 1903. St. Macrina of Pontus (✠379), sister in the flesh of St. Basil the Great.

2/20 **Eighth Sunday of St. Matthew.** Glorious Holy Prophet Elias (Elijah) the Thesbite, whose fiery ascent as it were into the Heavens in 895 BC we celebrate.

3/21 Synaxis of MΘ Icon of Armatius. Ss. John & Symeon were strugglers in the Judean wilderness (✠570). St. Symeon reposed in Emesa of Syria as a Fool for Christ's Sake.

4/22 St. Mary Magdalene, Myrrh-bearer & Equal to the Holy Apostles.

5/23 Synaxis of MΘ Icons of Pochaev & "Joy of All That Sorrow." Holy Prophet Ezekiel (✠ca. 566 BC).

6/24 Great Virgin Martyr Christina of Tyre (✠200).

7/25 **DORMITION OF SAINT ANNA, MOTHER OF MΘ.**

8/26 Righteous Martyr Paraskeve of Rome (✠140).

9/27 **Ninth Sunday of St. Matthew.** Holy & glorious Great Martyr & Healer Panteleimon of Nicomedia (✠305).

10/28 Righteous Mother Irene of Cappadocia, Abbess of Chrysovalantou Convent (✠9th C).

11/29 Martyr Callinicus of Cilicia (✠ca. 250).

12/30 Holy Apostles of the 70 Silas, Silvan, Crescens, Epenetus & Andronicus (✠1st C). St. Angelina, Sovereign Lady of Serbia (✠16th C).

13/31 Forefast of the Procession of the Precious & Life-giving Cross.

THEOTOKOS' FAST BEGINS

14/1 Procession of the Precious & Life-giving Cross from the Royal Palace into Const. Seven Maccabee Children & those with them (✠168 BC).

15/2 Translation of the holy relics of the Proto-martyr & Archdeacon Stephen about the year 427.

16/3 **Tenth Sunday of St. Matthew.** Ss. Isaacius (✠4th C), Dalmatus & his son Faustus (✠5th C) of Const..

17/4 Seven Sleepers of Ephesus who fell asleep in the year 250 & arose in 434 only to fall asleep again later the same year.

18/5 Forefast of the Holy Transfiguration of Our Saviour.

19/6 **HOLY TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD, GOD & SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST**

20/7 Righteous Martyr Dometius the Persian & his two disciples (✠363).

21/8 Emilian the Confessor, Bishop of Cyzicus (✠ca. 815).

22/9 Holy Apostle Matthias (✠63).

23/10 **Eleventh Sunday of St. Matthew.** Martyrs Laurence, Archdeacon of Rome & those with him (✠258).

24/11 Great Martyr Euplus the Deacon of Catania in Sicily (✠304).

25/12 Martyrs Anicetus & his nephew Photius of Nicomedia (✠ca. 288).

26/13 *Apodosis of the Feast of the Holy Transfiguration.* St. Tikhon of Zadonsk, Bishop of Voronezh (✠1783).

27/14 Forefast of the Dormition of MΘ. The honoured & Life-giving Cross, whose procession back to the Royal Palace we commemorate.





28/15 **DORMITION & TRANSLATION OF OUR MOST HOLY & GLORIOUS LADY, THEOTOKOS & EVER-VIRGIN MARY**

29/16 Synaxis of MΘ Icon Feodorovskaya. Translation of the Holy Icon "Not Made By Hands" of Our Lord Jesus Christ to Const. in 944.

30/17 **Twelfth Sunday of St. Matthew.** Hieromartyr Myron the Presbyter who was beheaded in Cyzicus (✠ca. 250).

31/18 Ss. Florus & Laurus, the twin brothers who were martyred in the city of Ulpiana in Illyricum (✠2nd C).

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FEAST DAYS

- 1/19 Synaxis of **MΘ** Donskaya Icon. Great Martyr Andrew the Commander & the 2,593 others who contested with him in Cilicia (✠ca. 289).
- 2/20 Holy & Glorious Prophet Samuel (✠11th C BC). Martyr Photini, outside the gate of Blachernae (✠before 11th C).
- 3/21 Holy Apostle of the 70 Thaddeus from Edessa (✠1st C).
- 4/22 Synaxis of **MΘ** Icon of Prusa. Martyr Agathonicus of Nicomedia & his companions (✠298).
- 5/23 *Apodosis of the Dormition of our Most Holy Lady Theotokos.* Hieromartyr Irenaeus, Bishop of Lyons (✠ca. 202).

- 6/24 **Thirteenth Sunday of St. Matthew.** Synaxis of **MΘ** Icons of Holy Sion & Petrovskaya. New Hieromartyr Cosmas of Aetolia, Equal to the Holy Apostles (✠1776).
- 7/25 Translation of the holy relics of the Holy Apostle Bartholomew in the 6th Century. Holy Apostle of the 70 Titus, First Bishop of Gortynia in Crete.

- 8/26 Synaxis of **MΘ** Icon of Vladimir. Martyrs Adrian of Nicomedia, his wife Natalie & those with them (✠298).
- 9/27 St. Pimen (Poëman) the Great, Anchorite of Egypt (✠ca. 450). The Great Martyr Phanurius, the Newly Revealed of Rhodes, discovered in the year 1500.
- 10/28 Synaxis of the Righteous Fathers of the Far Kiev Caves. St. Moses the Ethiopian (✠407).
- 11/29 **BEHEADING OF THE VENERABLE PROPHET, FORERUNNER & BAPTIST JOHN.**
- 12/30 Synaxis of all the Holy Serbian Hierarchs. Synaxis of all Holy New Martyrs of Serbia, slain by the Latins during World War II.

- 13/31 **Fourteenth Sunday of St. Matthew.** Hieromartyr Cyprian of Carthage (✠258). St. Aidan, Bishop of Lindisfarne & the Enlightener of Northumbria (✠651).
- 14/1 **THE NEW INDICTION** (the beginning of the new Ecclesiastical Year). Synaxis of **MΘ** Icon of Miasenae. St. Symeon the Stylite who stood upon his pillar near Antioch in Syria (✠459).
- 15/2 Synaxis of **MΘ** Icon of Kaluga. Martyr Mamas of Cappadocia (✠275).
- 16/3 Hieromartyr Anthimus, Bishop of Nicomedia (✠ca. 303).
- 17/4 Synaxis of **MΘ** Icon of the Burning Bush. Holy Prophet Moses, Law-Giver & Seer of God (✠ca. 1451 BC) & his brother in the flesh Aaron the Priest (✠ca. 1477 BC).
- 18/5 Holy Prophet Zacharias, father of the Venerable Forerunner.
- 19/6 Archangel Michael's Miracle in Colossae (Chonae) of Phrygia.

- 20/7 **Sunday before the Exaltation of the Precious & Life-giving Cross.** Forefeast of the Nativity of our Most Holy Lady Theotokos.

21/8 NATIVITY OF OUR MOST HOLY LADY THEOTOKOS

- 22/9 Synaxis of Ss. Joachim & Anna. Holy 200 Fathers of the Third Ecumenical Council in the year 431 in Ephesus which deposed the impious Nestorius.
- 23/10 Virgin Martyrs & sisters in the flesh Menodora, Metrodora, & Nymphodora of Bithynia (✠304).
- 24/11 Martyrs Ia & 9,000 slain with her in Persia (✠363). Ss. Theodora (✠ca. 490) & Euphrosynus the Cook (✠ca. 9th C) of Alexandria.
- 25/12 *Apodosis of the Nativity of our Most Holy Lady Theotokos.*
- 26/13 Prefestival of the Precious Cross. Hieromartyr Cornelius the Centurion from Palestine (✠1st C). Royal Great Martyr Ketevan, Queen of Georgia (✠1624).

27/14 EXALTATION OF THE PRECIOUS & LIFE - GIVING CROSS

- 28/15 Great Martyr Nicetas the Goth & those with him (✠ca. 370). St. Symeon, Archbishop of Thessalonica (✠1430).
- 29/16 Great Martyr & All-Famed Euphemia of Chalcedon (✠ca. 303). St. Ninian, Equal to the Holy Apostles & Enlightener of Scotland (✠432).
- 30/17 Virgin Martyrs Pistis (Faith), Elpis (Hope), Agape (Love), & their Mother Sophia of Italy (✠ca. 126). Martyr Theodota of Pontus (✠3rd C).

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FEAST DAYS

- 1/18 St. Apfi, Hermit & Bishop of Oxyrynchus in Egypt (✠5th C).
2/19 Ss. Trophimus, Sabbatius, & Dorymedon who were martyred in Antioch (✠278).
3/20 Ss. Eustathius, his wife Theopiste & their sons Agapius & Theopistus who were martyred in Rome (✠ca. 126).

4/21 **Sunday after & Apodosis of the Exaltation of the Precious & Life-giving Cross.** Holy Prophet Jonas (✠8th C BC).

5/22 Hieromartyr Phocas, Bishop & Wonderworker of Sinope (✠102).

6/23 Conception of the Forerunner & Prophet John the Baptist.

7/24 Synaxis of MΘ Icon called "the Myrtle Tree." St. Thecla of Iconium, First Woman Martyr & Equal to the Holy Apostles (✠ca. 106).

8/25 Ss. Euphrosyne & her father in the flesh Paphnutius of Egypt (✠5th C). St. Sergius, Abbot & Wonderworker of Radonezh (✠1392).

 9/26 Translation of the Holy Apostle & Evangelist John, the Theologian in the year 100.

10/27 Synaxis of the Righteous Fathers of the Near Kiev Caves.

11/28 **First Sunday of St. Luke.** Holy Prophet Baruch (✠6th C BC). St. Chariton the Confessor of Palestine (✠4th C). Martyr Wenceslaus, Prince of Bohemia (✠929).

12/29 Righteous Father Cyriacus the Anchorite of Palestine (✠555).

13/30 Hieromartyr Gregory the Illuminator, Bishop & Evangelist of Greater Armenia (✠ca. 325).

 14/1 **HOLY PROTECTION OF OUR MOST HOLY LADY THEOTOKOS.** Synaxis of MΘ Icon called "Quick to Hear." Holy Apostle of the 70 Ananias, who baptized the Holy Apostle Paul. St. Romanus the Melodist of Syria, the Composer of the Kontakia (†ca. 556).

15/2 Bishop Cyprian, the former sorcerer, & Virgin Justina both martyred in Nicomedia (✠ca. 304).

16/3 Hieromartyr Dionysius the Areopagite (✠ca. 96). Repose of St. Ieronymos of Aegina (✠1966).

17/4 Saint Hierotheus, Bishop of Athens (†1st C), a disciple of the Apostle Paul.

18/5 **Second Sunday of St. Luke.** Synaxis of the Hierarchs of Moscow: Peter, Alexis, Jonas, Philip, Hermogenes, & Tikhon. Martyr Charitina of Amisus (✠290).

19/6 Synaxis of MΘ Icon called "O All-hymned Mother." Holy & Glorious Apostle Thomas.

20/7 Ss. Julian the Presbyter, Caesarius the Deacon & those with them martyred in Campania (✠1st C). Ss. Sergius & Bacchus martyred in Syria (✠ca. 296).

21/8 Martyr Pelagia of Antioch (✠3rd C). St. Thaïs of Egypt, the former harlot (✠4th C). St. Pelagia, the former courtesan of Antioch (✠5th C).

22/9 Holy Apostle James, the son of Alphaeus.

23/10 Synaxis of the Righteous & God-bearing Fathers of Optina. Martyrs Eulampius & his sister in the flesh Eulampia from Nicomedia & the 200 Martyrs with them (✠296).

24/11 Holy Apostle of the 70 Philip from Palestine, one of the seven Deacons. Ss. Zenaïs (Zeniada) & her sister in the flesh Philonilla of Tarsus (✠1st C).

25/12 **Sunday of the 350 Holy Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council in Nicaea in the year 787.** Synaxis of MΘ Jerusalem Icon. St. Symeon the new Theologian of Const. (✠1022).

26/13 Synaxis of MΘ Icon called "Keeper of the Portal (Portaitissa)."

27/14 Martyrs Nazarius, Celsus, Gervasius & Protasius who contested in Milan (✠1st C).






28/15 Hieromartyr Lucian, Presbyter of Antioch the Great who contested in Nicomedia (✠ca. 311).

29/16 Martyrs Longinus the Centurion & his fellow Roman soldiers Isaurus & Aphrodisius (✠1st C).

30/17 Synaxis of the Twenty Holy & wonderworking Unmercenary Saints. Martyr Shushanik, Queen of Georgia (✠475).

31/18 Holy Apostle & Evangelist Luke. St. Gwen of Cornwall (✠ca. 5th C).

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CIV./LIT.

FEAST DAYS

- 1/19 **Third Sunday of St. Luke.** Holy Prophet Joel (✠9th C BC). St. John the Wonderworker of Kronstadt (✠1908).
- 2/20 Great Martyr Artemius, Governor of Alexandria & later Patrician who was beheaded by Julian the Apostate (✠361).
- 3/21 Translation of the holy relics of St. Christodulos of Patmos. St. Hilarion the Great of Palestine (✠372).
- 4/22 Synaxis of **MΘ** Icon of Kazan. St. Abercius the Wonderworker, Bishop of Hieropolis & Equal to the Holy Apostles (✠ca. 167).
- 5/23 Holy Apostle James, the Brother of God & First Bishop of Jerusalem (✠ca. 62).
- 6/24 Synaxis of **MΘ** Icon called "Joy of All that Sorrow." Great Martyr Al-Harith (Arethas) & his fellow Martyrs in Najran (✠524).
- 7/25 St. Tabitha of Joppa whom St. Peter raised from the dead (✠1st C).

8/26 **Sixth Sunday of St. Luke.** Holy & glorious Great Martyr Demetrius, the Wonderworker & Myrrh-streamer of Thessalonica (✠290).

- 9/27 St. Prokla, wife of Pontius Pilate. Martyr Nestor of Thessalonica (✠290).
- 10/28 Commemoration of the revealing of the holy incorrupt relics of our Blessed St. Philaret, Metropolitan of New York, the New Confessor in 1998.
- 11/29 Martyr Anastasia of Rome (✠256).
- 12/30 Martyrs Zenobius, Bishop of Aegea in Cilicia, & his sister in the flesh Zenobia (✠ca. 290).
- 13/31 Holy Apostles of the 70 Stachys, Apelles, Amplias, Urban, Narcissus & Aristobulus. Holy 100,000 Martyrs of Tbilisi, Georgia (✠1227).
- 14/1 Holy Wonderworking Unmercenaries & brothers in the flesh Cosmas & Damian of Asia Minor & their Righteous Mother Theodota (✠3rd C).

- 15/2 **Fifth Sunday of St. Luke.** Martyrs Acindynus, Pegasius, Aphthonius, Elpidaphorus, & Anempodistus of Persia (✠ca. 330).
- 16/3 The desposition of the body of the Great Martyr George in Lydda of Palestine during the reign of Saint Constantine the Great.
- 17/4 St. Joannicius the Great of Mount Olympus (✠834).
- 18/5 Martyrs Galaction & his bride Episteme born & raised in Emesa (✠ca. 250). St. Gregory the Confessor, Archbishop of Alexandria (✠ca. 820).
- 19/6 St. Paul the Confessor, Archbishop of Const. (✠350).
- 20/7 Thirty-three Martyrs of Melitene in Armenia (✠290). St. Lazarus, the Wonderworker & Stylite of Mt. Galesion (✠1053).
- 21/8 **SYNAXIS OF THE HOLY ARCHANGELS MICHAEL, GABRIEL, & RAPHAEL, & ALL OF THE OTHER BODILESS POWERS.**

- 22/9 **Seventh Sunday of St. Luke.** Martyrs Onesiphorus & Porphyrius whose relics are buried at Pentapolis in Egypt (✠ca. 290). St. Nectarius, the Wonderworker of Aegina & Metropolitan of Pentapolis in Egypt (✠1920).
- 23/10 Holy Apostles of the 70: Olympas, Rodion, Sosipater, Quartus, Tertius & Erastus.
- 24/11 Great Martyr Menas of Egypt (✠296). St. Vincent of Spain (✠304). St. Theodore the Studite & Confessor of Const. (✠826).
- 25/12 St. Martin the Wonderworker, Bishop of Tours in Gaul (✠397). St. John the Almsgiver, Archbishop of Alexandria (✠619). St. Nilus, the Myrrh-streamer of Mount Athos (✠1651).
- 26/13 St. John Chrysostom, Archbishop of Const. (✠407). Blessed Irene Myrtidiotissa of Oinousses (✠1960).
- 27/14 Holy & Glorious Apostle Philip. St. Gregory Palamas the Wonderworker, Archbishop of Thessalonica (✠1360).









HOLY NATIVITY FAST BEGINS

- 28/15 Martyrs & Confessors of Edessa in Syria: Guria & Shamuna (✠288) & Habib (✠316). St. Paisius Velichkovsky who reposed in Moldo-Walachia (✠1794).

- 29/16 **Eighth Sunday of St. Luke.** Holy & Glorious Apostle & Evangelist Matthew.
- 30/17 St. Gregory the Wonderworker, Bishop of Neocaesarea (✠266). St. Hilda, Abbess of Whitby (✠680).









DECEMBER 2020




















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FEAST DAYS

-  1/18 Martyrs Plato of Ancyra (†266) & Romanus of Antioch (†305).
-  2/19 Holy Prophet Abdias (Obadiah) (†9th C BC). Martyr Barlaam of Antioch who contested during the reign of Diocletian (284-305).
-  3/20 Forefeast of the Entry of MΘ into the Temple.
-  **4/21 ENTRY OF OUR MOST HOLY LADY THEOTOKOS INTO THE TEMPLE**
-  5/22 Holy Apostles of the 70: Philemon & his wife Apphia, Archippus, & Onesimus - all from Phrygia.
-  **6/23 Ninth Sunday of St. Luke.** St. Amphilochius, Bishop of Iconium (†ca. 395).
-  7/24 Hieromartyrs Clement, Bishop of Rome (†ca. 100) & Peter, Bishop of Alexandria (†312).
-  8/25 *Apodosis of the Entry of MΘ into the Temple.* Great Martyr Catherine of Alexandria (†305).
- 9/26 St. Alypius the Stylite in Adrianople of Bithynia (†607). St. Innocent, the Wonderworker & First Bishop of Irkutsk (†1731).

-  10/27 Synaxis of MΘ Kursk-Root Icon "of the Sign." Great Martyr James the Persian (†421). Righteous Father Gregory of Sinai (†1346).
 - 11/28 Righteous Martyr Stephen the New of Const. (†767) & the others who suffered martyrdom for the sake of the holy icons.
 -  12/29 Martyr Paramonus of Bithynia & the 370 who contested with him (†250).
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-  **13/30 Thirteenth Sunday: Saint Andrew the Apostle.** Holy, Glorious & All-lauded Apostle Andrew, the First Called (†62).
 -  14/1 Holy Prophet Nahum (†7th C BC). Righteous Father Philaret the Merciful, Almsgiver from Amneia (†792).
 -  15/2 Holy Prophet Abbacum (Habakkuk) (†7th C BC). Martyr Myrope of Chios (†ca. 250).
 - 16/3 Holy Prophet (Zephaniah) Sophonias (†7th C BC).
 -  17/4 Great Martyr Barbara & her fellow Martyr Juliana in Heliopolis (†290). St. John of Damascus, Monk & Presbyter of Mar Sabbas Monastery (†760).
 -  18/5 Righteous & God-bearing Mar Sabbas the Sanctified of Palestine (†533). St. Guria, First Archbishop of Kazan (†1563).
 -  19/6 St. Nicholas the Wonderworker, Archbishop of Myra in Lycia (†330).
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-  **20/7 Tenth Sunday of St. Luke** St. Ambrose, Bishop of Milan (†397).
 -  21/8 Holy Apostles of the 70: Crispus, Sosthenes, Apollo, Cephas, Tychicus, Epaphroditus, Caesar, & Onesiphorus. Righteous Father Patapius from the Thebaïd of Egypt (†ca. 463). Righteous Father Parthenios of Chios (†1883).
 -  22/9 **RIGHTEOUS ANNA'S CONCEPTION OF OUR MOST HOLY LADY THEOTOKOS.** Synaxis of MΘ Icon called "Unexpected Joy."
 - 23/10 Martyrs Menas, the Most Eloquent, Eugraphus, & Hermogenes, officials of the Roman Emperor Maximinus (†235).
 -  24/11 St. Daniel the Stylite of Const. (†490). St. Luke the new Stylite of Chalcedon (†ca. 980).
 -  25/12 St. Spyridon the Wonderworker, Bishop of Trimythus in Cyprus (†348). New Martyr Peter the Aleut slain by the Latins in San Francisco (†1815). St. Herman of Alaska, Enlightener of the Aleuts (†1836).
 -  26/13 Martyrs Eustratius, Eugene, Auxentius, Mardarius & Orestes of Greater Armenia (†296). Virgin Martyr Lucia of Syracuse in Sicily (†304).
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-  **27/14 Eleventh Sunday of St. Luke: Sunday of the Holy Forefathers.** Martyrs Thyrsus & Callinicus at Apollonia in the Hellespont, & Leucius of Asia Minor (†250).
 -  28/15 Hieromartyr Eleutherius, Bishop of Illyricum & those beheaded with him: Anthia his mother; Coremmon the Eparch; & two Executioners converted through St. Eleutherius (†126).
 - 29/16 Holy Prophet (Haggai) Aggeus (†ca. 6th C BC). St. Theophano, Empress & Wonderworker of Const. & wife of Emperor Leo the Most Wise (†ca. 895).
 -  30/17 Holy Prophet Daniel (†ca. 532 BC). Holy Three Children in Babylon: Ananias, Azarias, & Misael (†6th C BC).
 - 31/18 Martyrs Sebastian, Zoë & others contesting with them in Rome (†288).

SUNDAY EPISTLE & GOSPEL READINGS 2020
(According to the Greek Typikon)

CIV DATE	LIT DATE	TONE	MATINS GOSPEL	LITURGY EPISTLE	LITURGY GOSPEL	SUNDAY
JANUARY						
Jan 5	Dec 23	4 TH	7	Heb 11:9-10, 32-40 (M)	Matt 1:1-25 (M)	Sunday before Nativity
Jan 12	Dec 30	PL. 1 ST	8	II Tim 4:5-8 (M)	Mark 1:1-8 (M)	Sunday before Theophany
Jan 19	Jan 6	PL. 2 ND	-	Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7 (M)	Mark 3:13-17 (M)	Holy Theophany
Jan 26	Jan 13	GRAVE	10	Eph 4:7-13 (M)	Matt 4:12-17 (M)	Sunday after Theophany
FEBRUARY						
Feb 2	Jan 20	PL. 4 TH	11	II Cor 4:6-15 (M) & I Tim 4:9-15 (P32)	Luke 6:17-23 (M) & Luke 19:1-10 (L15)	Fifteenth Sunday of St. Luke
Feb 9	Jan 27	1 ST	1	Rom 8:28-39 (M) & II Tim 3:10-15 (P33)	Luke 21:12-19 (M) & Luke 18:10-14 (L16)	Publican & Pharisee Sunday & Synaxis - New Martyrs of Russia
Feb 16	Feb 3	2 ND	2	I Cor 6:12-20 (P34)	Luke 15:11-32 (L17)	Sunday of the Prodigal Son
Feb 23	Feb 10	3 RD	3	II Tim 2:1-10 (M) & I Cor 8:8-9:2 (P35)	Matt 25:31-46	Meatfare Sunday
MARCH						
Mar 1	Feb 17	4 TH	4	Rom 13:11-14:4 (P36)	Matt 6:14-21	Cheesefare Sunday
Mar 8	Feb 24	PL. 1 ST	5	II Cor 4:6-15 (M) & Heb 11:24-26, 32-40	John 1:43-51	Sunday of Orthodoxy
Mar 15	Mar 2	PL. 2 ND	6	Heb 1:10-2:3	Mark 2:1-12	Sunday of St. Gregory Palamas
Mar 22	Mar 9	GRAVE	7	Heb 12:1-10 (M) & Heb 4:14-5:6	Mark 8:34-9:1	Sunday Adoration of the Cross
Mar 29	Mar 16	PL. 4 TH	8	Heb 6:13-20	Mark 9:17-31	Sunday St. John Climacus
APRIL						
Apr 5	Mar 23	1 ST	9	Heb 9:11-14	Mark 10:32-45	Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt
Apr 12	Mar 30	-	-	Phil 4:4-9	John 12:1-18	PALM SUNDAY
Apr 19	Apr 6	-	-	Acts 1:1-8	John 1:1-17	— HOLY PASCHA —
Apr 26	Apr 13	-	1	Acts 5:12-20	John 20:19-31	St. Thomas Sunday
MAY						
May 3	Apr 20	2 ND	4	Acts 6:1-7	Mark 15:43-16:8	The Myrrh-bearing Women
May 10	Apr 27	3 RD	5	Acts 9:32-42	John 5:1-15	The Paralytic
May 17	May 4	4 TH	7	Acts 11:19-30	John 4:5-42	The Samaritan Woman
May 24	May 11	PL. 1 ST	8	Acts 16:16-34	John 9:1-38	The Blind Man
May 31	May 18	PL. 2 ND	10	Acts 20:16-18, 28-36	John 17:1-13	The Holy Fathers
JUNE						
Jun 7	May 25	-	-	Acts 2:1-11	John 7:37-52; 8:12	HOLY PENTECOST
Jun 14	Jun 1	PL. 4 TH	1	Heb 11:33-12:2 (P1)	Matt 10:32-33, 37-38, & 19:27-30 (P1)	1 ST Matthew—All Saints
Jun 21	Jun 8	1 ST	2	Rom 2:10-16 (P2)	Matt 4:18-23 (P2)	Ss. of Mt. Athos & All of Russia
Jun 28	Jun 15	2 ND	3	Rom 5:1-10 (P3)	Matt 6:22-33 (P3)	New Martyrs of Turkish Yoke

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JULY						
Jul 5	Jun 22	3 RD	4	Rom 6:18-23 (P4)	Matt 8:5-13 (P4)	4 TH Matthew
Jul 12	Jun 29	4 TH	5	II Cor 11:21-12:9 (M)	Matt 16:13-19 (M)	Holy Apostles Peter & Paul
Jul 19	Jul 6	PL. 1 ST	6	Rom 12:6-14 (P6)	Matt 9:1-8 (P6)	6 TH Matthew
Jul 26	Jul 13	PL. 2 ND	7	Tit 3:8-15 (M)	Matt 5:14-19 (M)	Holy Fathers
AUGUST						
Aug 2	Jul 20	GRAVE	8	James 5:10-20 (M) & I Cor 1:10-17 (P8)	Matt 14:14-22 (P8)	8 TH Matthew
Aug 9	Jul 27	PL. 4 TH	9	II Tim 2:1-10 (M) & I Cor 3:9-17 (P9)	Matt 14:22-34 (P9)	9 TH Matthew
Aug 16	Aug 3	1 ST	10	I Cor 4:9-16 (P10)	Matt 17:14-23 (P10)	10 TH Matthew
Aug 23	Aug 10	2 ND	11	I Cor 9:2-12 (P11)	Matt 18:23-35 (P11)	11 TH Matthew
Aug 30	Aug 17	3 RD	1	I Cor 15:1-11 (P12)	Matt 19:16-26 (P12)	12 TH Matthew
SEPTEMBER						
Sep 6	Aug 24	4 TH	2	I Cor 16:13-24 (P13)	Matt 21:33-42 (P13)	13 TH Matthew
Sep 13	Aug 31	PL. 1 ST	3	Heb 9:1-7 (M)	Matt 22:2-14 (P14)	14 TH Matthew
Sep 20	Sep 7	PL. 2 ND	4	Gal 6:11-18 (M) (P22)	John 3:13-17 (M)	Sunday before the Exaltation
Sep 27	Sep 14	-	-	I Cor 1:18-24 (M)	John 19:6-11, 13-20, & 25-28, 30 (M)	Exaltation of the Precious & Life-giving Cross
OCTOBER						
Oct 4	Sep 21	PL. 4 TH	6	Gal 2:16-20 (M) (P21)	Mark 8:34-9:1 (M)	Sunday after the Exaltation
Oct 11	Sep 28	1 ST	7	II Cor 9:6-11 (P18)	Luke 5:1-11 (L1)	1 ST Luke
Oct 18	Oct 5	2 ND	8	II Cor 11:31-12:9 (P17)	Luke 6:31-36 (L2)	2 ND Luke
Oct 25	Oct 12	3 RD	9	Tit 3:8-15 (M)	Luke 8:5-15 (L4) (M)	4 TH Luke—Holy Fathers
NOVEMBER						
Nov 1	Oct 19	4 TH	10	I John 4:7-11 (M)	Luke 7:11-16 (L6)	3 RD Luke
Nov 8	Oct 26	PL. 1 ST	11	II Tim 2:1-10 (M)	Luke 8:27-39 (L6)	6 TH Luke
Nov 15	Nov 2	PL. 2 ND	1	Eph 2:4-10 (P23)	Luke 16:19-31 (L5)	5 TH Luke
Nov 22	Nov 9	GRAVE	2	Eph 5:8-19 (M)	Luke 8:41-56 (L7)	7 TH Luke
Nov 29	Nov 16	PL. 4 TH	3	I Cor 4:9-16 (M)	Matt 9:9-13 (M)	St. Matthew the Evangelist
DECEMBER						
Dec 6	Nov 23	1 ST	4	Eph 5:8-19 (P26)	Luke 12:16-21 (L9)	9 TH Luke
Dec 13	Nov 30	2 ND	5	I Cor 4:9-16 (M)	John 1:35-51 (M)	St. Andrew the Apostle
Dec 20	Dec 7	3 RD	6	Col 1:12-18 (P28)	Luke 13:10-17 (L10)	10 TH Luke
Dec 27	Dec 14	4 TH	7	Col 3:4-11 (P29)	Luke 14:16-24 (L11) (M)	11 TH Luke—Holy Forefathers

Orthodox Christian Fasting Guidelines

The following is a general statement concerning fasting guidelines used in Orthodox Christianity.

As in the first millennium, so also today, there are a variety of guidelines for Orthodox fasting. There are a number of reasons for the variety: the availability of local foods, climate and bodily health considerations, just to mention a few. Therefore certain fasting days or weeks noted in this calendar may differ from local practice. Please consult with your parish priest concerning any fasting differences.

The message of fasting found in the Holy Scriptures and in the writings of the saints can simply be stated: "Fasting is the beginning and foundation of every spiritual activity...If you remove this foundation and substitute for it a full stomach and improper desires, they will be undermined like sand by evil thoughts, and the whole structure of virtues will be destroyed (*cf.* Matt 7:26; Luke 6:49). To prevent this from happening...let us stand gladly on the solid foundation of fasting. Let us stand firmly, let us stand willingly!" *Saint Symeon the New Theologian - The Discourses*

PASCHALION FOR THE YEARS 2021 TO 2030

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>CIVIL</u>	<u>LITURGICAL</u>
2021	May 2	April 19
2022	April 24	April 11
2023	April 16	April 3
2024	May 5	April 22
2025	April 20	April 7



GLORY BE TO GOD FOR ALL THINGS

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>CIVIL</u>	<u>LITURGICAL</u>
2026	April 12	March 30
2027	May 2	April 19
2028	April 16	April 3
2029	April 8	March 26
2030	April 28	April 15

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