

Let them praise the
Name of the LORD!
For His Name alone is exalted!

FEBRUARY 2018



Saints Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church

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Services on Saturday morning

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Start of Triodion Fast Free Week				1 Meeting (Presentation) of Our Lord Great Vespers 7:00 PM	2	3 Matins Divine Liturgy 8:30/9:30 AM
4 17 TH Sunday of Luke Prodigal Son Luke 15:11-32 No service	5	6	7	8	9	10 Sat of Souls Matins Divine Liturgy 8:30/9:30 AM Meatfare Luncheon
11 Sunday of the Final Judgment [Meatfare] Matt 25:31-46 No service	12 Cheesefare Monday	13	14	15	16	17 Matins Divine Liturgy 8:30/9:30 AM Cheesefare Luncheon Parish Council
18 Forgiveness Sunday [Cheesefare] Matt 6:14-21 Forgiveness Vespers 5PM	19 Clean Monday Great Forty-Day Fast (Lent) Begins	20	21	22	23 1st Salutations to the Theotokos 7:00 PM	24 Matins Divine Liturgy 8:30/9:30 AM
25 1 st Sunday Triumph of Orthodoxy John 1:43-51 No service	26	27	28			

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY 2018¹

Thu	1	St. Tryphon (†251), Martyr and Healer. Forefeast of the Meeting of our Lord Jesus Christ New-martyr Anastasios of Nafplion. St. Bridget of Ireland
Fri	2	MEETING OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE [rest from labor]
Sat	3	Synaxis of St. Simeon the God-Receiver & Prophetess Anna; New Martyrs Stamatios & John the Brothers, and Nicolas of Spetsai (†1822). Martyrs Paul and Simon
Sun	4	St. Isidore of Mt. Pelusium (†470). St. Nicholas the Confessor, Abbot of Studion Monastery. New-martyr Joseph of Aleppo. St. Cyril of New Lake, the Wonder-worker
Mon	5	Martyr Agatha of Sicily; St. Polyeuktos, Patriarch of Constantinople St. Theodosios of Skopelos New-martyr Anthony of Athens(†1774)
Tue	6	St. Bukolas, Bishop of Smyrna (disciple of St. John the Apostle) St. Photios the Great (†891 Patriarch of CP). Sts. Barsanuphrius & John of Gaza
<i>Wed</i>	7	Righteous Parthenios, Bishop of Lampsakos; St. Luke of Mt. Stirion (healer †846) New-martyr George of Crete
Thu	8	Great-martyr Theodore the Commander. Prophet Zacharias. St. Savvas of Serbia
<i>Fri</i>	9	✦ Martyr Nikephoros(†259). Apodosis of the Meeting of our Lord in the Temple Bishop Markellos. St. Philagrius, Bishop of Cyprus, martyr
Sat	10	1st Saturday of the Souls. Hieromartyr Haralambos the Wonder Worker (†192) [rest from labor]. St. Anastasios, Archbishop of Jerusalem. St. Anna Princess, Novgorod
Sun	11	Sunday of the Final Judgment (Meatfare). Hieromartyr Vlassios of Sebasteia St. Theodora, Empress of Constantinople
<i>Mon</i>	12	✦ St. Meletios, Patriarch of Antioch (†382); St. Anthony, Patriarch of Constantinople Martyr Christos the Gardener (†1752). St. Alexis, Metropolitan of Moscow, Wonder-worker.
<i>Tue</i>	13	✦ Righteous Martinianos (†392); Apostle Martyrs Aquila and Priscilla (disciples of St. Paul)
<i>Wed</i>	14	✦ Righteous Auxentios on the mountain; St. Abrahamios (missionary †422) Righteous Maron of Syria. St. Cyril, Apostle to the Slavs
<i>Thu</i>	15	✦ Apostle Onesimus of the 70, (a disciple of St. Paul). Martyr Maerus
<i>Fri</i>	16	✦ St. Flavianos the hermit, Patriarch of Constantinople; Martyr Pamphilos the Priest & his 11 companions. St. Nicolas Planas, Presbyter of Athens
Sat	17	✦ 2nd Saturday of the Souls of our Holy Ascetic Fathers and Mothers Great-martyr Theodore of Tyre †306; Mariamne Equal-to-the Apostles Bp. Auxebios of Cyprus. New-martyr Theodore †1795
Sun	18	✦ Sunday of Forgiveness - Exile of Adam from Paradise (Cheesefare) St. Leo, Pope of Rome(†461). Bp Agapetos of Rome, Confessor
GREAT AND HOLY FORTY DAY FAST (LENT) BEGINS		
<i>Mon</i>	19	Clean Monday. Apostles Archipus, Philemon & Apphias of the 70. New Hieromartyr Niketas, the Hagiorite. Righteous Martyr Philothea of Athens (†1589)
<i>Tue</i>	20	St. Bessarion the Great of Egypt; Bishop Agathon of Rome, Bishop Leo of Catania (†875)
<i>Wed</i>	21	St. Eustathios, Archbp. of Antioch (against Arianism) St. Zacharias, Patriarch of Jerusalem. St. Timothy of Symbola in Bithynia
<i>Thu</i>	22	St. Bardatos the Syrian (†460, Synod of Chalcedon); Sts. Thallasios and Limnaios Discovery of Relics of Holy Martyrs at Eugene's gate, Constantinople
<i>Fri</i>	23	1st Salutations to the Theotokos. Holy Hieromartyr Polycarp, Bishop of Smyrna (disciple of St. John); St. Gorgonia. New-martyr Damian at Larissa
Sat	24	✦ 3rd Saturday of the Souls - Miracle of the Kollyva by St. Theodore of Tyre First and Second finding of head of St. John the Baptist. St. Erasmus of Kievan Caves
Sun	25	✦ 1st Sunday of the Fast – Triumph of Orthodoxy over heresy – Restoration of the Holy Icons St. Tarasios, Patriarch of Constantinople (†806); Reginos of Skopelos
<i>Mon</i>	26	St. Photini, the Samaritan Woman, her sisters and sons; St. Porphyrios Bishop of Gaza
<i>Tue</i>	27	St. Prokopios of Decapolis, the Confessor. St. Stephanos Gerontologist
<i>Wed</i>	28	St. Basil, Confessor. New-Martyr Kyranna of Thessalonike (†1751); St. John Cassian

¹**Fasting key:** Plain font Mon xx = no fasting. *Bold Font Mon xx*= fast day: no meat, eggs, dairy products, fish, oil or wine {alcohol}.
Exceptions: ✦ = oil, shellfish, wine permitted. ➤ = fish, oil and wine (alcohol) permitted. ☪ = Dairy, eggs, fish, oil, wine permitted.
Please see Fr. John if you have any questions regarding the fasting discipline of the Holy Orthodox Church