

October, 2013

Sunday, October 27 Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

The Holy Martyr Nestor; and the Holy Martyrs Capitolina and her handmaid Eroteis.
Bright vestments. Tone 6. Matins Gospel XI.
Resurrection Service in Tone 6.
Scripture readings of the Twenty-third Sunday:
Epistle: Ephesians §220 [2:4-10].
Gospel: Luke §38 [8:26-39].

Monday, October 28

The Holy Martyr Paraskevia of Ikonium and the Holy Martyrs Terence and Neonilia; and Our Venerable Father Stephen the Sabbaiter, Composer of the Canons.
Dark vestments. Weekday service for Monday.
Scripture readings of the Twenty-fourth Monday:
Epistle: 1 Thessalonians §267 [2:20-3:8].
Gospel: Luke §59 [11:29-33].

Tuesday, October 29

The Holy Venerable Martyr Anastasia the Roman, and the Passing of Our Venerable Father Archimandrite Abraham, Wonderworker of Rostov.
Dark vestments. Weekday service for Tuesday.
Scripture readings of the Twenty-fourth Tuesday:
Epistle: 1 Thessalonians §268 [3:9-13].
Gospel: Luke §60 [11:34-41].

Wednesday, October 30

The Holy Martyrs Zenobius and Zenobia, his sister.
Dark vestments. Weekday service for Wednesday.
Scripture readings of the Twenty-fourth Wednesday:
Epistle: 1 Thessalonians §269 [4:1-12].
Gospel: Luke §61 [11:42-46].

Thursday, October 31

The Holy Apostles Stachys, Amplius and those with them; the Holy Martyr Epimachus.
Bright vestments. Weekday service for Thursday.
Scripture readings of the Twentieth-fourth Thursday:
Epistle: 1 Thessalonians §271 [5:1-8].
Gospel: Luke §62 [11:47-12:1].

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Friday, November 1

The Holy Wonderworking Unmercenary Cosmas and Damian; and the Servant of God Theodore Romzha, Bishop of Mukachevo Eparchy.
Bright vestments. Service for Holy Healers.
Scripture readings for the Holy Healers:
Epistle: 1 Corinthians §153 [12:27-13:8].
Gospel: Matthew §Mid-34 [10:1-8].

Saturday, November 2

The Holy Martyrs Acindrus, Pegasius, Aphthonius, Elpidephorus, and Anempodictus.
Dark vestments. Weekday service for Saturday.
Scripture readings of the Twenty-fourth Saturday:
Epistle: 2 Corinthians §191 [11:1-6].
Gospel: Luke §40 [9:1-6].

Sunday, November 3 Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

The Holy Martyrs Acepshimas, Bishop, and Joseph, Priest, and Aithalas, Deacon.
Bright vestments. Tone 7. Matins Gospel I.
Resurrection Service in Tone 7.
Scripture readings of the Twentieth-fourth Sunday:
Epistle: Ephesians §221 [2:14-22].
Gospel: Luke §39 [8:41-56].

Monday, November 4

Our Venerable Father Joannicus the Great, and the Holy Martyr Nicander, Bishop of Myra; and Hermaeus, Priest.
Bright vestments. Weekday service for Monday.
Scripture readings of the Twenty-fifth Tuesday:
Epistle: 2 Thessalonians §274 [1:1-10].
Gospel: Luke §65 [12:13-15; 22-31].
Tuesday, November 5
The Holy Martyrs Galaction and Epistema.
Dark vestments. Weekday service for Tuesday.
Scripture readings of the Twenty-fifth Tuesday:
Epistle: 2 Thessalonians §Mid-274 [1:10:2-2].
Gospel: Luke §68 [12:42-48].

Wednesday, November 6

Our Venerable Father Among the Saints Paul, archbishop of Constantinople, confessor.
Bright vestments. Weekday service for Wednesday.
Scripture readings of the Twenty-fifth Wednesday:
Epistle: 2 Thessalonians §275 [2:1-12].
Gospel: Luke §69 [12:48-59].

Thursday, November 7

The Holy Thirty-three Martyrs of Melitene, and Our Venerable Father Wonderworker Lazarus, Hermit of Mount Galesius.
Dark vestments. Weekday service for Thursday.
Scripture readings of the Twenty-fifth Thursday:
Epistle: 2 Thessalonians §276 [2:13-3:5].
Gospel: Luke §70 [13:1-9].

Friday, November 8

Synaxis of the Archangel Michael and the Other Incorporeal Powers.
Bright vestments. Service for November 8.
Scripture readings for November 8:
Epistle: Hebrews §305 [2:2-10].
Gospel: Luke §51 [10:16-21].

Saturday, November 9

The Holy Martyrs Onesiphorus and Porphyry, and Our Venerable Mother Matrona; and the Venerable Theotista of Lesbos.
Dark vestments. Weekday Service for Saturday.
Scripture readings of the Twenty-fifth Saturday:
Epistle: Galatians §199 [1:3-10].
Gospel: Luke §46 [9:37-43].

Sunday, November 10 Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

The Holy Apostles Erastus, Olympas, Herodion, and those with them.
Bright vestments. Tone 8. Matins Gospel II.
Resurrection Service in Tone 8.
Scripture readings of the Twenty-fifth Sunday:
Epistle: Ephesians §224 [4:1-6].
Gospel: Luke §53 [10:25-37].

Monday, November 11

The Holy Martyrs Mennas, Victor, and Vincent, and the Holy Martyr Stephanida, and Our Venerable Father Confessor Theodore the Studite.
Dark vestments. Weekday service for Monday.
Scripture readings of the Twenty-sixth Monday:
Epistle: 1 Timothy §278 [1:1-7].
Gospel: Luke §75 [14:12-15].

Tuesday, November 12

Our Father Among the Saints John the Almsgiver, patriarch of Alexandria; and our Venerable Father Nilus; and **the Holy Hieromartyr Josaphat, Archbishop of Polotsk.**
Bright vestments. Service for November 12 (St. Josaphat).
Scripture readings from Common for a Bishop:
Epistle: Hebrews §311 [4:14-5:10].
Gospel: John §36 [10:9-16].

Wednesday, November 13

Our Father Among the Saints John Chrysostom, Archbishop of Constantinople.
Bright vestments. Service for November 13 (St. John Chrysostom).
Scripture readings from Common for a Bishop:
Epistle: Hebrews §311 [4:4-14-5:10].
Gospel: John §36 [10:9-16].

Thursday, November 14

The Holy and All-Praised Apostle Philip.

Bright vestments. Service for October 18.
Scripture readings for St. Philip:
Epistle: 1 Corinthians §131 [4:9-16].
Gospel: John §5 [1:43-51].

Friday, November 15

The Holy Martyrs and Confessors Gurias, Samonas, and Habib.
Dark vestments. Weekday Service for Friday.
Scripture readings of the Twenty-sixth Friday:
Epistle: 1 Timothy §285 [4:4-8; 16].
Gospel: Luke §82 [16:15-18; 17:1-4].

Note: Philip's Fast (Pylypvka), the pre-Christmas fast which begins today – the day after the feast of St. Philip – is a 40 days period of spiritual preparation for the celebration of the Nativity/Theophany cycle of the church year. It was once a period of strict fasting which has now been abrogated in favor of voluntary fasting and works of penance.

Dark vestments are the norm for this penitential season with exception of Saturdays, Sundays and feasts of the first class.

Saturday, November 16

The Holy Apostle and Evangelist Matthew.
Bright vestments. Service for November 16 (St. Mathews).
Scripture readings from the Common for an Apostle:
Epistle: 1 Corinthians §131 [4:9-16].
Gospel: Matthew §30 [9:9-13].

Sunday, November 17 Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Our Holy Father Among the Saints Gregory, Wonderworker, Bishop of Neocaesaria.
Bright vestments. Tone 1. Matins Gospel III.
Resurrection Service in Tone 1.
Scripture readings of the Twenty-sixth Sunday:
Epistle: Ephesians §229 [5:9-19].
Gospel: Luke §66 [12:16-21].

Monday, November 18

The Holy Martyrs Plato and Roman.
Dark vestments. Weekday service for Monday.
Scripture readings of the Twenty-seventh Monday:
Epistle: 1 Timothy §Mid-285 [5:1-10].
Gospel: Luke §86 [17:20-25].

Tuesday, November 19

The Holy Prophet Obadiah; and the Holy Martyr Barlaam.
Dark vestments. Weekday service for Tuesday.
Scripture readings of the Twenty-seventh Tuesday:
Epistle: 1 Timothy §286 [5:11-21].
Gospel: Luke §87 [17:26-37].

Wednesday, November 20

Pre-Feast of the Presentation in the Temple of the Most Holy Mother of God, and Our Venerable Father Gregory of Decapolis; and Our Father Among the Saints Procopius, archbishop of Constantinople, and Blessed Josaphata Hordashevskia.
Dark vestments. Service for the Pre-Feast the Presentation in the Temple of the Most Holy Mother of God (November 20).
Prokimen, Alleluia Verses, and Communion Hymn for Wednesday.
Scripture readings of the Twenty-seventh Wednesday:
Epistle: 1 Timothy §287 [5:22-6:11].
Gospel: Luke §90 [18:15-17; 26-30].

Thursday, November 21

THE PRESENTATION IN THE TEMPLE OF OUR MOST HOLY LADY THE MOTHER OF GOD AND EVER-VIRGIN MARY.

Blue vestments. Service for November 21.
Scripture readings for the Feast:
Epistle: Hebrew §320 [9:1-7].
Gospel: Luke §54 [10:38-42; 11:27-28].

Friday, November 22

Presentation Postfeast

The Holy Apostle Philemon and companions.
Blue vestments. Service for November 21, including proper himnos.
Scripture readings of the Twenty-seventh Friday:
Epistle: 2 Timothy §290 [2:1-2; 8-18].
Gospel: Luke §95 [19:12-28].

Saturday, November 23

Presentation Postfeast

Our Father Among the Saints Amphilochius, Bishop of Iconium; and Gregory, Bishop of Agrigentum.
Blue vestments. Service for November 21, including proper himnos.
Scripture readings of the Twenty-seventh Saturday:
Epistle: Galatians §213 [5:22-6:2].
Gospel: Luke §51 [10:19-21].

Sunday, November 24 Twenty-seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Presentation Postfeast.

The Holy Great Martyr Catherine; and the Holy Great Martyr Mercurius.
Bright vestments. Tone 2. Matins Gospel IV.
Resurrection Tropar (Tone 2); Tropar of the Feast; GLORY: Resurrection Kondak; NOW: Kondak of the Feast. Prokimen, Alleluia Verses, and Communion Hymn of Sunday and the Feast, including proper himnos.
Scripture readings of the Twenty-seventh Sunday:
Epistle: Ephesians §233 [6:10-17].
Gospel: Luke §71 [13:10-17].

