

October, 2015

Sunday, October 25

22nd Sunday after Pentecost

The Holy Martyrs and Notaries Marcan and Martyrius (351).
Bright vestments.
Tone 5. Matins Gospel XI.
Resurrection Service in Tone 5.
Scripture readings of the 22nd Sunday:
Epistle: Galatians §215 [6:11-18].
Gospel: Luke §83 [16:19-31].

Monday, October 26

The Holy and Glorious Great-Martyr Demetrius, from whose tomb myrrh streams forth (285-310); and commemoration of the Great and terrible Earthquake at Constantinople of 741 AD.
Dark vestments. Service for October 26.
Scripture readings from the Common for a Martyr:
Epistle: 2 Timothy §292 [2:1-10].
Gospel: John §52 [15:17-16:2].

Tuesday, October 27

The Holy Martyr Nestor; the Holy Martyrs Capitolina and Her Slave Erotheides.
Dark vestments. Weekday Service for Tuesday
Scripture readings for the Twenty-third Tuesday:
Epistle: 1 Thessalonians §263 [1:6-10].
Gospel: Luke §55 [11:1-10].

Wednesday, October 28

The Holy Martyrs Terentius and Neonila, Our Venerable Father Stephen the Sabaite, Composer of Canons (9th c.); the Holy Martyr Parasceve of Iconium.
Dark vestments. Weekday Service for Wednesday.
Scripture readings of the Twenty-third Wednesday:
Epistle: 1 Thessalonians §264 [2:1-8].
Gospel: Luke §56 [11:9-13].

Thursday, October 29

The Holy Venerable-Martyr Anastasia (249-51); the passing of Our Venerable Father Abraham, Archimandrite and Wonderworker of Rostov (11th c.).
Dark vestments. Weekday Service for Thursday.
Scripture readings of the Twenty-third Thursday:
Epistle: 1 Thessalonians §265 [2:9-14].
Gospel: Luke §57 [11:14-23].

Friday, October 30

The Holy Martyrs Zenobius and Zenobia his Sister (284-305). *Passing into eternal life (1963) of Blessed priest-martyr Oleksiy Zarytsky, pastor of Strutyn near Zolochiv, and Siberia, Martyr.*
Dark vestments. Weekday Service for Friday.
Scripture readings of the 23rd Friday:
Epistle: 1 Thessalonians §266 [2:14-19].
Gospel: Luke §58 [11:23-26].

Saturday, October 31

The Holy Apostles Stachys, Amplias and Others with them; the Holy Martyr Epimachus (250).
Bright vestments. Weekday Service for Saturday.
Scripture readings of the 23rd Saturday:
Epistle: 2 Corinthians §185 [8:1-5].
Gospel: Luke §36 [8:16-21].

November, 2015

Sunday, November 1

23rd Sunday after Pentecost

The Holy Wonderworkers Unmercenary Cosmas and Damian.
[Passing into eternal life of Metropolitan Andrei Sheptytsky, 1944].
Passing into eternal life (1947) of Blessed Theodore Romzha, Bishop of Mukachevo, Martyr.
Bright vestments.
Tone 6. Matins Gospel I.
Resurrection Service in Tone 6.
Scripture readings of the 23rd Sunday:
Epistle: Ephesians §220 [2:4-10].
Gospel: Luke §38 [8:26-39].

Monday, November 2

The Holy Martyrs Acindynus, Pegasius, Aphthonius, Elpidiphorus, and Anempodistus.
Dark vestments. Weekday Service for Monday.
Scripture readings of the Twentieth-fourth Monday:
Epistle: 1 Thessalonians §267 [2:20-3:8].
Gospel: Luke §59 [11:29-33].

Tuesday, November 3

The Holy Martyrs Acepsimasthe the Bishop (378), Joseph the Priest and Aithalis the Deacon (379).
Dark vestments. Weekday Service for Tuesday.
Scripture readings of the Twentieth-fourth Tuesday:

Epistle: 1 Thessalonians §268 [3:9-13].
Gospel: Luke §60 [11:34-41].

Wednesday, November 4

Our Venerable Father Joannicius the Great (846); the Holy Martyrs Nicander, Bishop of Myra and the Priest Hermas.
Bright 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, November 5

The Holy Martyrs Galaction and Epistemis.
Dark 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].

Friday, November 6

Our Holy Father Paul, Archbishop of Constantinople and Confessor (c. 353-61).
Bright vestments. Weekday Service for Friday.
Scripture readings of the Twentieth-fourth Friday:
Epistle: 1 Thessalonians §272 [5:9-13; 24-28].
Gospel: Luke §63 [12:2-12].

Saturday, November 7

The 33 Holy Martyrs of Militene (284-305); Our Venerable Father and Wonderworker Lazarus, Hermit of Mount Galesius (1054).
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 8

24th Sunday after Pentecost
±Synaxis of the Archangel Michael and the Other Bodiless Powers of Heaven.
Bright vestments.
Tone 7. Matins Gospel II.
Resurrection Tropar (Tone 7); Tropar of the Feast, GLORY: Kondak of the Feast; NOW: Resurrection Kondak. Prokimen, Alleluia Verses, and Communion Hymn of Sunday and the Feast.
Scripture readings of the Twentieth-fourth Sunday:
Epistle: Ephesians §221 [2:14-22].
Gospel: Luke §39 [8:41-56].

Monday, November 9

The Holy Martyrs Onisiphorus and Porphyry (456-474); Our Venerable Mother Matrona (456-74); the Venerable Theoctista of Lesbos.
Dark vestments. Weekday Service for Monday.
Scripture readings of the Twenty-fifth Monday:
Epistle: 2 Thessalonians §274a [1:1-10].
Gospel: Luke §65 [12:13-15, 22-31].

Tuesday, November 10

The Holy Apostles Erastus, Olympus, Rodion and those with them.
Bright 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 11

The Holy Martyrs Menas, Victor and Vincent (138-61); Our Venerable Father and Confessor Theodore the Studite (826).
Dark 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 12

±The Holy Priest-Martyr Josaphat, Archbishop of Polotsk (1623). Our Holy Father John the Compassionate, Patriarch of Alexandria (619); Our Venerable Father Nilus (430).
Dark vestments. Service for Nov. 12 (St. Josaphat).
Scripture readings from Common for a Bishop:
Epistle: Hebrews §311 [4:14-5:10].
Gospel: John §36 [10:9-16].

Friday, November 13

+Our Holy Father John Chrysostom, Archbishop of Constantinople (407).
Bright vestments. Service for November 13 (St. John Chrysostom).
Scripture readings from Common for a Bishop:
Epistle: Hebrews §318a [7:26-8:2].
Gospel: John §36 [10:9-16].

Saturday, November 14

+The Holy and All-praiseworthy Apostle Philip.
Bright vestments. Service for October 14.
Scripture readings for St. Philip:
Epistle: 1 Corinthians §131 [4:9-16].
Gospel: John §5 [1:43-51].

Sunday, November 15

25th Sunday after Pentecost

The Holy Martyrs and Confessors Gurias, Samonas (284-305) and Abibus (313-24).
Bright vestments.
Tone 8. Matins Gospel III.

Note: Philip's Fast (Pylypivka), 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.

Resurrection Service in Tone 8.
Scripture readings of the 25th Sunday:
Epistle: Ephesians §224 [4:1-6].
Gospel: Luke §53 [10:25-37]

Monday, November 16

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

Tuesday, November 17

Our Holy Father Gregory the Wonderworker, Bishop of Neocaesarea (270-75).
Dark vestments. Weekday Service for Tuesday.
Scripture readings of the 26th Tuesday:
Epistle: 1 Timothy §279 [1:8-14].
Gospel: Luke §77 [14:25-35].

Wednesday, November 18

The Holy Martyrs Plato (286-305) and Roman (305).
Dark vestments. Weekday Service for Wednesday
Scripture readings of the 26th Wednesday:
Epistle: 1 Timothy §281 [1:18-20; 2:8-15].
Gospel: Luke §78 [15:1-10].

Thursday, November 19

The Holy Prophet Obadiah; the Holy Martyr Barlaam.
Dark vestments. Weekday Service for Thursday.
Scripture readings of the 26th Thursday:
Epistle: 1 Timothy §283 [3:1-16].
Gospel: Luke §80 [16:1-9].

Friday, November 20

Forefeast of the Entrance of the Most Holy Mother of God into the Temple; Our Venerable Father Gregory of Decapolis (482); Our Holy Father Proclus, Archbishop of Constantinople (446).
Commemoration of Blessed Josaphata Hordashevskia, First Sister Servant of Mary Immaculate (+1919).
Dark vestments. Service for the Forefeast (Nov. 20). Prokimen, Alleluia Verses, and Communion Hymn for Thursday.
Scripture readings of the 26th Friday:
Epistle: 1 Timothy §285 [4:4-8; 16].
Gospel: Luke §82 [16:15-18; 17:1-4].

Saturday, November 21

±The Entrance into 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].

Sunday, November 22

26th Sunday after Pentecost

Post-feast of the Entrance of the Mother of God; the Holy Apostle Philemon and those with him.
Bright vestments.
Tone 1. Matins Gospel IV.
Resurrection Tropar (Tone 1); 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 26th Sunday:
Epistle: Ephesians §229 [5:9-19].
Gospel: Luke §66 [12:16-21].

Monday, November 23

Post-feast of the Entrance of the Mother of God; Our Holy Father Amphilochius, Bishop of Iconium (4th c.) and Gregory, Bishop of Agrigentum (7th c.).
Blue vestments. Service for Nov. 21, including proper himnos.
Scripture readings of the 27th Monday:
Epistle: 1 Timothy §Mid-285 [5:1-10].
Gospel: Luke §86 [17:20-25].

Tuesday, November 24

Post-feast of the Entrance of the Mother of God; The Holy Great-Martyr Catherine (310-13); the Holy Great-Martyr Mercurius (249-51).

Blue vestments. Service for Nov. 21, including proper himnos.

Scripture readings of the 27th Tuesday:

Epistle: 1 Timothy §286 [5:11-21].

Gospel: Luke §87 [17:26-37].

Wednesday, November 25

Leave-taking of the Entrance of the Mother of God; Our Holy Father and Priest-martyr Clement, Pope of Rome (101); Peter, Bishop of Alexandria (312).

Blue vestments. Service for Nov. 21, including proper himnos.

Scripture readings of the 27th Wednesday:

Epistle: 1 Timothy §287 [5:22-6:11].

Gospel: Luke §90 [18:15-17; 26-30].

Thursday, November 26**Civil Holiday: Thanksgiving Day.**

Our Venerable Father Alypius the Stylite (610); the blessing of the church of the Holy Great-Martyr George in Kiev, before the Gates of Holy Wisdom Cathedral (1019-54).

Dark vestments. Weekday Service for Thursday.

Scripture readings of the 27th Thursday:

Epistle: 1 Timothy §289 [6:17-21].

Gospel: Luke §92 [18:31-34].

(For a Thanksgiving Day Liturgy:)

Propers for Thanksgiving. Including Thanksgiving petitions in the Ektenia. The Prayer of Thanksgiving (cf. *Molytvennyk*) may be said after the Ambo Prayer.

Scripture readings for a Thanksgiving Day:

Epistle: Ephesians §229 [5:9-21].

Gospel: Luke §85 [17:12-19].

Friday, November 27

The Holy Martyr James of Persia (422); Our Venerable Father Paladius.

Dark vestments. Weekday Service for Friday.

Scripture readings of the 27th Friday:

Epistle: 2 Timothy §290 [2:1-2; 8-18].

Gospel: Luke §95 [19:12-28].

Saturday, November 28

The Venerable Martyr-Stephen the New (c. 764); The Holy Martyr Irenarchus (284-305).

Dark vestments. Weekday Service for Saturday.

Scripture readings of the 27th Saturday:

Epistle: Galatians §213 [5:22-6:2].

Gospel: Luke §51 [10:19-21].

Sunday, November 29 27th Sunday after Pentecost

The Holy Martyr Paramon (249-51), the Holy Martyr Philomenus (270-75).

Bright vestments.

Tone 2. Matins Gospel V.

Resurrection Service in Tone 2.

Scripture readings of the 27th Sunday:

Epistle: Ephesians §233 [6:10-17].

Gospel: Luke §71 [13:10-17].

