

Orthodox Christian Community of
St. Constantine the Great, York

Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese
of the British Isles and Ireland

Greek Orthodox Patriarchate of Antioch and all the East



Calendar for April 2025



FROM THE FATHERS

“YESTERDAY I was crucified with Him; today I am glorified with Him; yesterday I died with Him; today I am quickened with Him; yesterday I was buried with Him; today I rise with Him. But let us offer to Him Who suffered and rose again for us— you will think perhaps that I am going to say gold, or silver, or woven work or transparent and costly stones, the mere passing material of earth, that remains here below, and is for the most part always possessed by bad men, slaves of the world and of the Prince of the world. Let us offer ourselves, the possession most precious to God, and most fitting; let us give back to the Image what is made after the Image. Let us recognize our Dignity; let us honour our Archetype; let us know the power of the Mystery, and for what Christ died.”

St. Gregory the Theologian + AD 390

“LET GOD’S people then recognize that they are a new creation in Christ, and with all vigilance understand by Whom they have been adopted and Whom they have adopted. Let not the things, which have been made new, return to their ancient instability; and let not him who has 'put his hand to the plough' forsake his work, but rather attend to that which he sows than look back to that which he has left behind. Let no one fall back into that from which he has risen, but, even though from bodily weakness he still languishes under certain maladies, let him urgently desire to be healed and raised up. For this is the path of health through imitation of the Resurrection begun in Christ, whereby, notwithstanding the many accidents and falls to which in this slippery life the traveller is liable, his feet may be guided from the quagmire on to solid ground, for,

as it is written, 'the steps of a man are directed by the Lord, and He will delight in his way. When the just man falls he shall not be overthrown, because the Lord will stretch out His hand'.."

St. Leo the Great + AD 461

Fasting Guidelines:

On days designated *strict fast* we abstain from dairy products, meat, fish, oil and wine.

Some seafoods, e.g. squid, crab, roe and prawn, are permitted.

Note: Where there is more than one set of readings for the day, bold type shows the readings appointed by The Typikon to be used at the Divine Liturgy.

Tuesday 1st April 2025

Lenten Fast: strict fast

St. Mary of Egypt (522). St. Euthymius of Suzdal, monk (1404). Holy martyrs Gerontius and Basilides (3rd C).

British Isles and Ireland: SS Caidoc and Fricor (Adrian) (7th C). St. Agilbert, bishop of Dorchester-on-Thames (c.690). St. Cellach, archbishop of Armagh (9th C).

Readings: Isaiah 40:18-31; Genesis 15:1-15; Proverbs 15:7-19;

Wednesday 2nd April 2025

Lenten Fast: strict fast

St. Titus the Wonderworker (9th C). Holy martyrs Aedesios and Amphianos of Lycia (306). Virgin-martyr Theodora of Palestine. Holy martyr Polycarp of Alexandria (313).

British Isles and Ireland: St. Bronach. St. Constantine II, king of Scotland (874). St. Rufus of Glendalough.

Readings: Isaiah 41:4-14; Genesis 17:1-9; Proverbs 15:20-16:9;

Sun 4 th May	9:30am 10:30am	Parish Matins, Divine Liturgy	The Myrrh-Bearing Women
Sun 11 th May	9:30am 10:30am	Parish Matins, Divine Liturgy	The Paralysed Man
Sun 18 th May	9:30am 10:30am	Parish Matins, Divine Liturgy	The Samaritan Women
Tues 20 th May	Time TBD		Planting of flowers at YSJ with local schoolchildren for International Bee Day
Tues 20 th May	4pm approx	Planting of bee-friendly- flowers flowers, followed by Great Vespers for SS. Constantine & Helena	More House Chapel, Heslington Lane, York
Wed 21 st	9am	Divine Liturgy	Patronal festival for SS Constantine & Helena
Sun 25 th May	9:30am 10:30am	Parish Matins, Divine Liturgy	The Blind Man & St. John the Forerunner and Baptist
Thurs 29 th May	11am	Divine Liturgy	Ascension Day, Zouche Chaple, York Minster, York

The services continue to be streamed. The link is on our website.

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Services:

Wed 2 nd April	6:30pm	Little Compline & Gt. Canon of St. Andrew of Crete	Complete Canon of St. Andrew of Crete
Sun 6 th April	9:30am 10:30am	Adult baptism, Divine Liturgy (St. Basil)	5 th Sunday of Gt. Lent (St. Mary of Egypt)
Sun 13 th April	9:30am 10:30am	Parish Matins, Divine Liturgy (St. John Chrysostom) & Blessing of Palms	The Lord's Entrance into Jerusalem - Palm Sunday
Tues 15 th April	6:30pm	Bridegroom Matins	Holy Week
Wed 16 th April	6:30pm	Sacrament of Holy Unction (Evchelaeo)	Holy Week
Fri 18 th April	1:00- 3:30pm	Great Vespers & Lamentations	Holy Week
Sat 19 th April	10:30pm- 2:30am	The Lord's Pascha (Anastasis)	c.10 pm Reading of the Acts of the Apostles & Midnight Office c. Midnight Resurrection "Rush" Service, Procession & Mattins. c. 1am Paschal Liturgy, Blessing of Paschal Foods
Sun 27 th April	9:30am 10:30am	Parish Matins, Divine Liturgy	Thomas Sunday

Thursday 3rd April 2025

Lenten Fast: strict fast

Thursday of the Great Canon of St. Andrew St. Nicetas the Confessor, abbot of Medikion (824). St. Joseph the Hymnographer (883). Virgin-martyr Theodosia of Tyre, and Holy martyr Irene (308). New martyr Paul the Russian and John at Constantinople (1683).

British Isles and Ireland: St. Comman (c.7th C).

Readings: Isaiah 42:5-16; Genesis 18:20-33; Proverbs 16:17-17:17;

Friday 4th April 2025

Lenten Fast: strict fast

St. George of Mt. Maleon in the Peloponnesus (9th C). St. Plato the Confessor, abbot of the Studion (814). St. Zosimas, of Palestine (4th C). Holy martyrs Agathopodes the deacon, Theodulus the reader, and those with them, at Thessalonica (c.303). St. Isidore, bishop of Seville (636). St. Theonas, metropolitan of Thessalonica (1541). Hieromartyr Nicetas, struggler of Serrai (1808). Translation of the relics (1652) of St. Job, patriarch of Moscow (1607).

British Isles and Ireland: St. Tigernach, abbot of Clones (549). St.

Gwerir, hermit of Liskeard.

Readings: Isaiah 45:11-17; Genesis 22:1-18; Proverbs 17:17-18:5;

Saturday 5th April 2025

Lenten Fast: wine and oil allowed

Monk-Martyrs Claudius, Diodore, Victor, Victorin, and those with them (3rd C). Holy martyrs Theodora and Didymus of Alexandria (305). Righteous Theodora, nun, of Thessalonica (892). New martyr George of New Ephesus (1801).

British Isles and Ireland: St. Began, abbot of Kill-Beggan (6th C). St.

Derfel-Gadarn, hermit of Llanderfel (6th C). SS. Probus and Grace. St.

Ethelburga (Æthelburh) abbess of Lyminge (c.647).

Readings: Hebrews 9:24-28; Mark 8:27-31

Sunday 6th April 2025

Lenten Fast: wine and oil allowed

Tone 8 : Eothinon 8 : Liturgy of St Basil

5th of Great Lent, Sunday of our Holy Mother, Mary of Egypt
St. Eutychius, patriarch of Constantinople (582). St. Methodius, Equal-to-the-Apostles, archbishop of Moravia and Enlightener of the Slavs (885). Venerable Platonida of Nisibis (308). St. Gregory of St. Athanasius' Monastery on Mt. Athos, Instructor of St. Gregory Palamas (1308). 120 Martyrs of Persia (345). St. Gregory the Sinaite (1346). New monk-martyr Gennadius of Dionysiou, Mt. Athos, who suffered at Constantinople (1818). New martyrs Manuel, Theodore, George, Michael, and another George, of Samothrace (1835).

British Isles and Ireland: St. Elfstan of Abingdon (981). St. Berthanc of Iona (c.840). St. Ulched of Llechulched.

Readings: Hebrews 9:11-14; Mark 10:32-45

Monday 7th April 2025

Lenten Fast: strict fast

Holy martyr Calliopos at Pompeiopolis in Cilicia (304). Holy martyrs Rufinus the deacon, Aquilina, and 200 soldiers with them at Sinope (c.310). St. George the Confessor, bishop of Mitylene (c.820). New Hieromartyr Tikhon, patriarch of Moscow and All Russia (25th March O.C.) (1925). St. Savas the New of Kalymnos (1948).

British Isles and Ireland: St. Brynach, hermit of Pembroke (5th C). SS Gwrnerth and Llewellyn (6th C). St. Finan Cam, disciple of St. Brendan the Voyager (6th C).

Readings: Isaiah 48:17-49:4; Genesis 27:1-41; Proverbs 19:16-25;

Tuesday 8th April 2025

Lenten Fast: strict fast

Holy Apostle-martyrs of the Seventy: Herodion, Agabus, Asyncritus, Rufus, Phlegon, Hermes, and those with them (1st C). St. Celestine, pope of Rome (432). St. Rufus the Obedient of the Kievan Caves (14th

Monday 28th April 2025

Nine Martyrs of Cyzicus: Theognes, Rufus, Antipater, Theostichus, Artemas, Magnus, Theodotus, Thaumasius, and Philemon (3rd C). St. Memnon the Wonderworker of Corfu. Holy martyr John of Romania. *British Isles and Ireland:* St. Cronan, abbot of Roscrea (7th C). St. Gerard the Pilgrim (639). SS. Probe and Germaine (4th C).

Readings: Acts 3:19-26; John 2:1-11

Tuesday 29th April 2025

Apostles Jason and Sosipater of the Seventy, the Virgin Cercyra, and those with them, at Corfu (1st C). St. John, metropolitan of Thebes, the New Merciful One (12th C). Holy new martyr Theodore of Byzantium, who died at Mytilene (1784). St. Basil, bishop of Ostrog in Montenegro (16th C). New Martyr Nectarius of Optina (1928).

British Isles and Ireland: St. Dictinus the Swineherd, of Ulster (5th C). St. Endellion, Virgin recluse in Cornwall (6th C). St. Fiachan of Munster (7th C). St. Senan, hermit of North Wales (7th C). St. Swithbert the Younger, bishop and missionary (807). St. Wilfrid the Younger, archbishop of York (744).

Readings: Acts 4:1-10; John 3:16-21

Wednesday 30th April 2025

The Paschal season is fast free

Holy Apostle James the son of Zebedee, brother of Saint John the Theologian (44)

New Martyr Argyri at Constantinople (1725). St. Clement the Hymnographer, abbot of the Studion (9th C). St. Donatus, bishop of Euroea in Epirus (c.387). St. Ignatii Brianchaninov (1867).

British Isles and Ireland: St. Erconwald, bishop of London (c.693). St. Cynwl, hermit (6th C). St. Forannan (982).

Readings: Acts 4:13-22; John 5:17-24

For the Commemoration: Acts 12:1-11; Luke 9:1-6

Friday 25th April 2025

The Paschal season is fast free

Bright Friday

Holy Apostle and Evangelist Mark (1st C)

St. Macedonius, patriarch of Constantinople (516). New martyrs Emmanuel, Theodore, Gregory, Michael and the other Gregory at Macre of Alexandropoulos.

British Isles and Ireland: St. Macaille, bishop of Croghan (489). St. Mella, abbess of Doire-Melle (c.780). St. Keby of Cornwall (4th C).

Readings: Acts 3:1-8; John 2:12-22

For the Commemoration: 1 Peter 5:6-14; Luke 10:16-21

Saturday 26th April 2025

Bright Saturday

Hieromartyr Basil, bishop of Amasea (c.322). Righteous virgin Glaphyra (322). St. Stephen, bishop of Perm (1396). St. George of Cyprus (1091). St. Joannicius of Devich in Serbia (13th C).

British Isles and Ireland: St. Trudpert of Muenstethal (644).

Readings: Acts 3:11-16; John 3:22-33

Sunday 27th April 2025

Tone of the feast : Eothinon 1

2nd of Pascha, Thomas Sunday

Hieromartyr Simeon, the kinsman of the Lord (107). St. Eulogius the Hospitable, of Constantinople (6th C). St. Stephen, abbot of the Kievan Caves and bishop of Vladimir in Volhynia (1094). Burning of the relics of St. Sava I of Serbia by the Turks (1595).

British Isles and Ireland: St. Asic, bishop of Elphin (490). Holy martyr Newlyna of Cornwall, (5th C). St. Enoder (Cynider) (6th C). St. Winewald, abbot of Beverley (751).

Readings: Acts 5:12-20; John 20:19-31

C). New martyr John Naukliros ('the Skipper') in Thessaly (1699).

Readings: Isaiah 49:6-10; Genesis 31:3-16; Proverbs 21:3-21;

Wednesday 9th April 2025

Lenten Fast: strict fast

Martyr Euppsychius of Caesarea in Cappadocia (362). Monk-martyr Bademus (Vadim) of Persia and his seven disciples (376). Newly-revealed martyrs Raphael, Nicholas, and Irene of Lesbos (1463). Venerable Simeon The New Theologian (1032).

British Isles and Ireland: St. Madrun (5th C). St. Dotto of Orkney (6th C).

Holy Martyr Hedda, abbot of Peterborough and those monks with him (869). Holy Martyr Theodore, abbot of Crowland and those monks with him including SS. Askega and Swethin, Elfgete, a deacon, Sabinus, a subdeacon, Egdred and Ulric, and Grimkeld and Agamund (869).

Readings: Isaiah 58:1-11; Genesis 43:26-31,45:1-16; Proverbs 21:23-22:4;

Thursday 10th April 2025

Lenten Fast: strict fast

Holy martyrs Terence, Pompeius, Africanus, Maximus, Zeno, Alexander, Theodore, Macarius, and 33 others, beheaded at Carthage (3rd C). New hieromartyr Gregory V, patriarch of Constantinople (1821). The holy nun-martyrs of the Kvabtakhevi Convent, Georgia, who suffered during the invasion of Tamerlane (c.1400). New martyr Demas of Smyrna (1763). Holy Father Theona, archbishop of Thessolonica.

British Isles and Ireland: Monk-martyrs Beocca and Hethor at Chertsey, martyred by the Danes (869).

Readings: Isaiah 65:8-16; Genesis 46:1-7; Proverbs 23:15-24:5;

Friday 11th April 2025

Lenten Fast: strict fast

Hieromartyr Antipas, bishop of Pergamon, disciple of St. John the Theologian (92). St. Pharmuthius the Anchorite (5th C). St. Callinicus of Cernica, bishop of Rimnicului in Romania (1868).

British Isles and Ireland: St. Machai, disciple of St. Patrick (5th C). St. Maedhog, abbot of Clonmore (6th C). St. Guthlac, Hermit and Wonderworker of Crowland (714).

Readings: Isaiah 66:10-24; Genesis 49:33-50:26; Proverbs 31:8-31;

Saturday 12th April 2025

Lenten Fast: wine and oil allowed

Saturday of Holy and Righteous Lazarus

St. Basil the Confessor, bishop of Parium (8th C). Mother Anthousa the Righteous of Constantinople (801). Venerable Acacius the Younger of Kafsokalyvia Skete (1730).

British Isles and Ireland: St. Wigbert, Monk and Missionary (690).

Readings: Hebrews 12:28-13:8; John 11:1-45

Sunday 13th April 2025

Lenten Fast: fish, wine and oil allowed

Tone of the feast : Eothinon of the feast

Palm Sunday

St. Martin the Confessor, pope of Rome (655). Hieromartyr Artemon, presbyter, of Laodicea in Syria (303). Holy martyr Zoilus of Rome (4th C). Holy martyr Eleutherius of Persia (4th C).

British Isles and Ireland: St. Guinoc, Scottish bishop (c.838).

Readings: Philippians 4:4-9; John 12:1-18

Monday 14th April 2025

Lenten Fast: strict fast

Holy and Great Monday

Holy Apostles of the Seventy: Aristarchus, Pudens and Trophimus (c.67). Holy Martyr Ardalion the Actor, who suffered under Maximian (3rd C). Holy Martyr Thomais of Alexandria (5th C). Monk-martyr Christopher of Mar Sabbas (797). New martyr Demetrius of the Peloponnesus, who suffered at Tripoli (1803).

British Isles and Ireland: St. Tassach, 1st bishop of Raholp and disciple of St. Patrick (c.497).

martyr Nearchos.

Readings: Acts 2:14-21; Luke 24:12-35

Wednesday 23rd April 2025

The Paschal season is fast free

Bright Wednesday

Holy Glorious Great Martyr, Trophybearer and Wonderworker George (303)

Holy martyr Alexandra the Empress, wife of Diocletian (303). Holy Martyrs Glycerius, Athanasius the Magician, Valerius, Donatus, and Therinus at Nicomedia (303). New martyr George of Ptolomais (1752). New martyr Lazarus of Bulgaria who suffered at Pergamus (1802).

British Isles and Ireland: St. Ibar of Leinster (5th C).

Readings: Acts 2:22-36; John 1:35-51

For the Commemoration: Acts 12:1-11; John 15:17-16:2

Thursday 24th April 2025

Bright Thursday

Holy Martyr Sabbas Stratelates ('the General') of Rome, and 70 soldiers with him (272). St. Elizabeth the Wonderworker of Constantinople (540). Holy martyr Alexander of Lyons (177). St. Thomas the Fool-for-Christ, of Syria (550). New martyr Luke the tailor of Mytilene (1564). New martyr Doukas of Mitylene (1752). New martyr Nicholas of Magnesia (1795). St. Elias (Iorest) (1678) and St. Sava (Brancovici) (1683), metropolitans of Ardeal, confessors against the Calvinists.

British Isles and Ireland: St. Mellitus, 3rd archbishop of Canterbury (624). St. Egbert of Lindisfarne (729). St. Dyfnan, son of King Brychan. St. Ivo, hermit of Huntingdonshire (1001).

Readings: Acts 2:38-43; John 3:1-15

Isaiah 61:1-9; 4 Kingdoms 4:8-37; Isaiah 63:11-64:6; Jeremiah 38:31-34; Daniel 3:1-90; Romans 6:3-11; Matthew 28:1-20

Sunday 20th April 2025

Tone of the feast : Eothinon 2

THE LORD'S PASCHA

The Glorious Resurrection of Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ – The Feast of Feasts!

St. Theodore Trichinas ('the Hairshirt Wearer'), hermit (400). Apostle Zacchaeus, bishop of Caesarea (1st C). Hieromartyr Anastasius II, patriarch of Antioch (610). SS Athanasius (1380) and Ioasaph (1423) of Meteora, abbots. SS Gregory (593) and Anastasius the Sinaite (599), patriarchs of Antioch.

British Isles and Ireland: St. Caedwalla, King of Wessex (689).

Readings: Acts 1:1-8; John 1:1-17

Monday 21st April 2025

Bright Monday

Hieromartyr Januarius, bishop of Benevento, and his companions at Pozzuoli (305). St. Maximian, patriarch of Constantinople (434).

Hieromartyr Theodore of Pergamum in Pamphylia, his mother Philippa, and Martyrs Dioscorus, Socrates, and Dionysius (2nd C).

British Isles and Ireland: St. Beuno, abbot of Clynnog Fawr (c.640). St. Maelruba of Applecross (722). St. Eingan (Eneon), Hermit of Llyn, Bangor.

Readings: Acts 1:12-17, 21-26; John 1:18-28

Tuesday 22nd April 2025

Bright Tuesday

Apostles Nathaniel, Luke, and Clement (1st C). St. Theodore the Sykeote, bishop of Anastasiopolis (613). St. Vitalis, monk of Gaza (7th C). Translation of the relics of St. Vsevolod (in Holy Baptism Gabriel), prince of Pskov (1138). Holy martyr Epipodius of Lyons (178). Holy

Readings: Matins: Matthew 21:18-43;

6th Hour: Ezekiel 1:1-20;

Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts: Exodus 1:1-20; Job 1:1-12; Matthew 24:3-35

Tuesday 15th April 2025

Lenten Fast: strict fast

Holy and Great Tuesday

Holy martyr Crescens of Myra (3rd C). Hieromartyr Leonidas, bishop of Athens (250). New martyr Michael of Smyrna. The nine monk-martyrs of Corinth.

British Isles and Ireland: St. Ruadhan, hermit and abbot of Lothra (584). St. Mundus, abbot in Argyle (c.962).

Readings: Matins: Matthew 22:15-23:39;

6th Hour: Ezekiel 1:21-28 ;

Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts: Exodus 2:5-10; Job 1:13-22; Matthew 24:36-26:2

Wednesday 16th April 2025

Lenten Fast: strict fast

Holy and Great Wednesday

Virgin-Martyrs Agape, Irene and Chionia, in Illyria (304). Holy martyrs Leonidas, Chariessa, Nice, Galina, Callista, Nunechia, Basilissa, Theodora, and Irene, of Corinth (258). New martyr Michael Burliotos of Smyrna (1772). Monk-martyr Christopher of Dionysiou, Mt. Athos, who suffered at Adrianople (1818). Hieromartyr Nikita of St. Anne Skete on Athos. St. Theodora-Bassa, princess of Novgorod (1378).

British Isles and Ireland: St. Padarn, Missionary and Wonderworker, founder of Llanbadarn Fawr (550). St. Elias of Cologne (1042).

Readings: Matins: John 12:17-50;

6th Hour: Ezekiel 2:3-3:3;

Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts: Exodus 2:11-22; Job 2:1-10; Matthew 26:6-16

Office of Holy Unction: James 5:10-16; Luke 10:25-37; Romans 15:1-7; Luke 19:1-10; 1 Corinthians 12:27-31,13:1-8; Matthew 10:1,5-8; 2 Corinthians 6:16-7:1; Matthew 8:14-23; 2 Corinthians 8:1-11; Matthew 25:1-13; Galatians 5:22-6:1-2; Matthew 15:21-28; 1 Thessalonians 5:14-23; Matthew 9:9-13

Thursday 17th April 2025

Lenten Fast: strict fast, wine allowed

Liturgy of St Basil

Holy and Great Thursday

Hieromartyr Simeon, bishop in Persia, and those with him (344).

Repose of St. Macarius of Corinth (1805). St. Agapitus, pope of Rome (536). St. Zosimas, abbot of Solovki (1478). Uncovering the relics of St. Alexander, abbot of Svir (1641). Holy martyr Adrian of Corinth (251).

British Isles and Ireland: Hieromartyr Donnan of Eigg and fifty-two monks with him (c.616).

Readings: Matins: Luke 22:1-39;

1st Hour: Jeremiah 11:18-12:5,9-11,14-15;

Vesperal Divine Liturgy: Exodus 19:10-19; Job 38:1-23,42:1-5; Isaiah 50:4-11; 1 Corinthians 11:23-32; Matthew 26:2-20; John 13:3-17; Matthew 26:21-39; Luke 22:43-45; Matthew 26:40-27:2

Friday 18th April 2025

Lenten Fast: strict fast

Holy and Great Friday

St. John the Righteous, disciple of St. Gregory of Decapolis (9th C). St. Euthymius the Enlightener of Karelia (1435), and SS Anthony and Felix of St. Nicholas monastery in Karelia. St. Cosmas, bishop of Chalcedon, and his fellow-ascetic St. Auxentius (820). New martyr John the New of Epirus (1526).

British Isles and Ireland: St. Laserian of Innismurray and Arran (639). St. Deicola, abbot of Bosham (7th C). St. Cogitosus of Kildare (8th C). SS. Bitheus and Genocus (6th C).

Readings: The Twelve Passion Gospels of Matins: John 13:31-18:1; John 18:1-28; Matthew 26:57-75; John 18:28-19:16; Matthew 27:3-32; Mark 15:16-32; Matthew 27:33-54; Luke 23:32-49; John 19:25-37; Mark 15:43-47; John 19:38-42; Matthew 27:62-66;

The Royal Hours

1st Hour: Zechariah 11:10-13; Galatians 6:14-18; Matthew 27:1-56;

3rd Hour: Isaiah 50:4-11; Romans 5:6-11; Mark 15:16-41;

6th Hour: Isaiah 52:13-53:12; Hebrews 2:11-18; Luke 23:32-49;

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

Great Vespers: Exodus 33:11-23; Job 42:12-17; Isaiah 52:13-54:1; 1 Corinthians 1:18-2:2; Matthew 27:1-38; Luke 23:39-43; Matthew 27:39-54; John 19:31-37; Matthew 27:55-61

Saturday 19th April 2025

Lenten Fast: strict fast, wine allowed

Liturgy of St Basil

Holy and Great Saturday

Hieromartyr Paphnutios of Jerusalem. Hieromartyr Theodore of Perge in Pamphylia, his mother Philippa, and Martyrs Dioscorus, Socrates, and Dionysius (2nd C). St. Tryphon, patriarch of Constantinople (933). New martyr Agathangelus of Esphigmenou Monastery, Mt. Athos (1819). Venerable Symeon the Barefoot of Philotheou Monastery, Mt. Athos. Venerable John of the Old Lavra in Palestine (8th C). St. George the Confessor, bishop of Antioch in Pisidia (820).

British Isles and Ireland: Hieromartyr Alphege, 29th archbishop of Canterbury (1012).

Readings: Matins: Ezekiel 37:1-14; 1 Corinthians 5:6-8; Galatians 3:13-14; Matthew 27:62-66;

Vesperal Divine Liturgy: Genesis 1:1-13; Isaiah 60:1-16; Exodus 12:1-11; Jonah 1:1-4:11; Joshua 5:10-15; Exodus 13:20-15:19; Zephaniah 3:8-15; 3 Kingdoms 17:8-24; Isaiah 61:10-62:5; Genesis 22:1-18;