SAINT EDWARD'S SERVICES IN APRIL, 2025

Mon 1 /14 Apr	f3	ψξ	Great Monday; MG – Matthew 21:18-43; Ezekiel 1:1-20; Exod. 1:1-20; Job 1:1-12; Matt. 24:3-35; Matins at 7 a.m; Hours with the reading of the Four Gospels, Typica, & Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts at 10 a.m; Compline 7 p.m.
Tue 2 / 15 Apr	f3	ψξ	Great Tuesday; MG-Matthew 22:15-23:39; Ezek. 1:21-2:1; Exod. 2:5-10; Job 1:13-22; Mt. 24:36-26:2; Services as on Monday
Wed 3 / 16 Apr	f3	ψξ	Great Wednesday; MG-Jn 12:17-50; Ezek. 2:3-3:3; Exod. 2:11-22; Job 2:1-10; Matt. 26:6-16; Services as on Monday EXCEPT we have Little Compline at 7 p.m., followed by the Mysterion of Holy Unction. Those who wish to be anointed should prepare by having been to confession during Lent & having a blessing.
Thu 4 / 17 Apr	f2	•;•	GREAT THURSDAY; Matins at 7 a.m. Vespers & Liturgy of Saint Basil the Great at noon; Service of the Holy & Saving Passion (the Twelve Gospels Service) at 7.30 p.m.
Fri 5 / 18 Apr	f3		GREAT (GOOD) FRIDAY; Royal Hours at 9.30 a.m. Vespers & the Bringing out of the Winding Sheet: 4 p.m; Service of Lamentations & Procession around the Church at 8 p.m.
Sat 6 / 19 Apr	f3	•••	THE GREAT SABBATH; Hours at 9.30 a.m. Vespers & Liturgy of Saint Basil the Great at 1 p.m. Reading of the Acts of the Apostles at 9 p.m. Nocturns & the Return of the Winding Sheet at 11.30 p.m.
			MIDNIGHT PROCESSION around the Church, & then
Sun 7 / 20 Apr	nf	•;•	PASCHAL MATINS, the Pascal kiss, & the DIVINE LITURGY for

The LORD'S PASCHA,

The Resurrection of Our Saviour

The Blessing of the Artos (Thomas Bread) & the Paschal Foods will **follow** the Divine Liturgy. EVERYONE IS THEN INVITED TO THE PARISH BREAKFAST AROUND THE BONFIRE.

AGAPE VESPERS SERVICE & the Reading of the Gospel in many languages at 4 p.m. (If you speak a foreign language, please bring the Gospel in that language with you to read for us)

nf	•;•	Bright Monday; Acts 1:12-17, 21-26; John 1:18-28;
		Matins at 8.30 a.m. Liturgy at 9.15 a.m; Vespers at 6 p.m.
nf	•;•	Bright Tuesday, Portaitissa Icon of the MΘ; New Mm.
		Raphael, Nicolas & Eirene of Lesbos; Acts 2:14-21; Luke 24:12-35
		Matins at 8.30 a.m. Liturgy at 9.15 a.m; Vespers at 6 p.m.
nf	•‡•	Bright Wednesday; Acts 2:22-36; John 1:35-51;
		Matins at 8.30 a.m. Liturgy at 9.15 a.m; Vespers at 6 p.m.
nf	•‡•	Bright Thursday; Acts 2:38-43; John 3:1-15;
		Matins at 8.30 a.m. Liturgy at 9.15 a.m; Vespers at 6 p.m.
nf	•‡•	Bright Friday ; Feast of the MΘ, the Life-Giving Spring;
		Acts 3:1-8; Phil. 2:5-11; John 2:12-22; Luke 10:38-42, 11:27-28
		Matins at 8.30 a.m. Liturgy at 9.15 a.m; Vespers at 6 p.m.
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Sat 13 / 26 Apr	nf	•	Bright Saturday; Acts 3:11-16; John 3:22-33; Matins at 8.30 a.m. Liturgy at 9.15 a.m; Vespers at 6 p.m.			
Sun 14 / 27 Apr	nf	•••	Thomas Sunday; MG 1 – Matt. 28:16-20; Acts 5:12-20; John 20:19-31; Return to Normal Service Schedule: Matins 8 a.m; Divine Liturgy at 9.45 a.m; Vespers after the Parish Breakfast			
Mon 15 / 28 Apr	nf		Holy M. Crescens of Myra in Lycia; Saint Nidger of Augsburg; Acts 3:19-26; John 2:1-11			
Tue 16 / 29 Apr	nf	μ	Holy Mm. Agape, Eirene & Chionia; Ven. Theodora of Nizhni- Novgorod; Acts 4:1-10; John 3:16-21			
Wed 17 / 30 Apr	f2	•‡•	Holy Hm. Symeon of Selevcia & Ctesiphon <i>et al</i> ; St Macarius of Corinth; Ven. Zosimas of Solovki; Acts 4:13-22; John 5:17-24			
Thu 18 A / 1 May	nf		Ven. John, the disciple of St Gregory of Decapolis; Holy Hm. Perfectus of Cordova; Acts 4:23-31; John 5:24-30			
Fri 19 A / 2 May	f2	÷	Holy Hm. Paphnutius; Holy Hm. Alphege, Archbishop of Canterbury; New Hm. Victor of Glazov; Acts 5:1-11; John 5:30-6:2			
Sat 20 A / 3 May	nf		Ven. Theodore of the Hair-Shirt; Holy Ap. Zacchæus, Bishop of Cæsarea in Palestine; Rb King Caedwalla-Peter of Wessex; Acts 5: 21-32; John 6:14-27			
Sun 21 A / 4 May	nf	•••	Sunday of the Myrrh-bearing Women; Holy Hm. Januarius of Benevento; Ven. Anastasius of Sinai; Tone 2; MG4 - Luke 24:1-12; Acts 6:1-7; Mark 15:43-16:8			
Mon 22 A / 5 May	nf		St Theodore of Sykeon, Bishop of Anastasioupolis; Holy Ap. Nathaniel; Two martyred sons of Arwald of the Isle of Wight; Acts 6:8-7:5, 47-60; John 4:46-54			
VIGIL FOR THE GREAT MARTYR GEORGE at 7 p.m.						
Tue 23 A / 6 May	nf	•••	Holy and Glorious Great Martyr GEORGE THE TROPHY-BEARER, M. Alexandra the Queen, et al; Ven. Myrrtidiotissa the Ascetic; Esaias 43:9-14; Wis. 3:1-9; Wis. 5:15-6:3; MG-Mk13:9-13; Acts 12:1-11; Jn 15:17-16-2; <i>Divine Liturgy: 9.30 a.m</i>			
Wed 24 A / 7 May	f2		Ven. Elizabeth the Wonderworker of C'ple; Holy M. Sabbas the Goth & the 70 with him; St Mellitus, Abp of Canterbury; Ven. Bova & Doda of Rheims; Acts 8:18-25; John 6:35-39			
Thu 25 A / 8 May Fri 26 A / 9 May	nf f2	•‡•	Holy Apostle & Evangelist Mark; 1 Ptr.5:6-14; Mk 6:7-13 Hm. Basileus of Amasia; St Stephen of Perm; V. Esperance of Troyes; Acts 8:40-9:18; John 6:48-54			
Sat 27 A / 10 May	nf		Hm. Simeon, the kinsman of the Lord; Ven. Winewald of Beverley; New M. Elias Ardunis of Athos; Acts 9:19-31; Jn 15:17-16:2			
Sun 28 A / 11 May	nf	•;•	Sunday of the Paralytic; Nine Mm. of Cyzicus; Tone 3; MG 5 - Luke 24:12-35; Acts 9:32-42; John 5:1-15			
Mon 29 A / 12 May	nf		Holy Apostles Jason & Sosipater <i>et al</i> ; St Basil of Ostrog; Ven. Nectarius of Optina; Acts 10:1-16; John 6:56-69			
Tue 30 A / 13 May	nf	↔ μ	Icon of the M⊕ of the Passion; Holy Apostle James, the son of Zebedee; St Erkenwald, Bp of London; Saint Ignatius			
Wed 1 / 14 May	f1	•}•	(Brianchaninov) of the Caucasus; Acts 12:1-11; Luke 9:1-6 Mid-Pentecost; Icon of the M⊕ Unexpected Joy; Holy Prophet Jeremias; Bl. Isidora the Fool-for-Christ of Egypt; Ven. New Mm. Evthymius, Ignatius & Acacius of Athos; Rb. Tamara, Queen of Geor-			
Thu 2 / 15 May	nf	•‡•	gia; Mic. 4:2-3, 5, 6:2-5, 8, 5:4; Es. 55:1-2, 12:3-4, 55:2-3, 6-13; Prov. 9:1-11; Acts 14:6-18; John 7:14-30; Lesser Blessing of Waters St Athanasius the Great of Alexandria; Holy Mm. Hesperus and Zoë et al; Rb. King Boris-Michael of Bulgaria; Ven. M.			
Fri 3 / 16 May	f2		Wilborada; Heb.13:7-16; Matt. 5:14-19 Mm. Timothy & Maura; St Juvenal of Narni in Umbria; New M. Ahmet the Calligrapher; Acts 10:44-11:10; John 8:21-30			

Sat 4 / 17 May	nf		V. M. Pelagia of Tarsus; Rght. Monica, mother of St Augustine; Holy Martyrs of Batak; Acts 12:1-11; John 8:31-42				
Sun 5 / 18 May	nf	•••	Sunday of the Samaritan Woman; Icon of the M⊖ the Inexhaustible Chalice; Great Martyr Eirene; St Hilary of Arles; Ven. M. Ephraim the Newly-Appeared of Nea Makri; Tone 4; MG 7 - John 20:1-10; Acts 11:19-30; John 4:5-42				
Mon 6 / 19 May	nf		Holy Rght. Job the Much-Suffering; St Edbert of Lindisfarne; Acts 12:12-17; John 8:42-51				
Tue 7 / 20 May	nf	∵ μ					
Wed 8 / 21 May	f2	•••					
Thu 9 / 22 May	nf		Holy Prophet Esaias; Holy. M. Christopher; Ven. Shio of Mghvime; Ven. Joseph of Optina; 1 Thess. 2:14-20; Luke 4:22-30				
Fri 10 / 23 May	f2	•‡•	Holy Apostle Simon the Zealot; Ven. Mm of Prevlaka; New Martyr Eugene the soldier; Acts 15:5-34; 1 Cor. 4:9-16; John 10: 17-28; Matt. 13:54-58				
Sat 11 / 24 May	nf		Hm. Mocius; Holy Peers of the Apostles Methodius & Cyril; Acts 15:35-41; John 10:27-38				
Sun 12 / 25 May	nf	•‡•	Sunday of the Blind Man; Sts Epiphanius of Cyprus & Germanus of C'ple; Hm. Hermogenes, Patriarch of Moscow; Saint Aethelheard, Abp of Canterbury; Tone Pl. 1; MG 8 - John 20:11-18; Acts 16:16-34; John 9:1-38				
Mon 13 / 26 May	nf		Mm. Glyceria and Laodicius, her gaoler; Ven. Merwenna of Rumsey; Acts 17:1-9; John 11:47-54				
Tue 14 / 27 May	nf	μ	Yaroslav Icon of the M Θ ; Holy M. Isidore of Chios; Acts 17:19-28; John 12:19-36				
Wed 15 / 28 May	f1	•	Leavetaking of Pascha; Ven. Pachomius the Greats Martyr Dymphna of Gheel; Slain prince Dimitri of Moscow; Acts 18:22-28; John 12:36-47				
	VIGIL FOR THE GREAT FEAST OF THE ASCENSION at 7 p.m.						
Thu 16 / 29 May	nf	•••	Great Feast of the ASCENSION OF OUR SAVIOUR; Es. 2:2-3; Es. 62:10-63:3, 7-9; Zach. 14:1, 4, 8-11; MG - Mark 16:9- 20; Acts 1:1-12; Luke 24:36-53; <i>Divine Liturgy at 9.30 a.m.</i>				
Fri 17 / 30 May	f2		Holy Apostles Andronicus & Junia; Ven. Maildulf of Malmesbury; Rom. 16:1-16; John 14:1-11; Repose in 2013 of Metropolitan Cyprian I - memorial service				
Sat 18 / 31 May	nf		Mm. Peter, Dionysius, Andrew <i>et al</i> ; Saint Theodore, Pope of Rome; Ven. Ælgifu of Shaftesbury; Acts 20:7-12; John14:10-21				
Sun 19 M / 1 Jn	nf	•;•	Sunday of the 318 Fathers of the First Œcumenical Council; Saint Dunstan, Abp of Canterbury; Hm. Patrick of Prusa <i>et al</i> ; Rb Prince John of Uglich, named Ignatius in the schema; Tone Pl.2; MG 10 - John 21:1-14; Acts 20:16-18, 28-36; John 17:1-13				
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No Symbol – usual weekday schedule: Matins at 7 a.m., & Vespers at 6 p.m.

- Mondays to Saturdays: the Divine Liturgy also follows Matins at 8.30 a.m; Vespers at 6 p.m.
 Sundays: Matins is at 8.00 a.m. and the Divine Liturgy begins at 9.45 a.m: Vespers at 2 p.m

 Weekday Lenten Schedule: Matins 7 a.m; Compline 7 p.m.

Fasting Guidelines

f3 - Strict vegan diet, no animal products, no oil or alcohol; (other than fish itself, sea foods are permitted on f3 days); f2 - as f3, but wine (alcohol) & oil also permitted; f1 - as f2, but fish also permitted; nf - all food products permitted.

The Prayers of the Faithful are asked for:-

Newly Departed: Nun Nektaria, Rdr Constantin, Rade, Tamara, Radion - O; Hazel, Georgi - non O; **The Sick:** Abbess Taxiarchia, Priestmonk Charalampus, Presbytera Helena, Olena, Ludmilla, Leonora, Olga, Stephanie, Demetrios - O; Catherine, Karen, John, Rose - non O;

Expectant Mothers: Marina, Taisia, Xenia, Elena - O; Rosie, Lauren, Rebecca, Emily - non O; **Special Needs:** Natalia, Martha, Xristovante-Paraskeva, Philip, Alla - O; James - non O

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"No one can have God for his Father, who has not the Church for his mother."