

SERVICES AT SAINT EDWARD'S IN APRIL, 2017

Fri 1 / 14 April	f3	§	GREAT (GOOD) FRIDAY; <i>Royal Hours at 9.30 a.m. Vespers & the Bringing out of the Winding Sheet: 4 p.m. Service of Lamentations & Procession round the Church at 8 p.m.</i>
Sat 2 / 15 April	f3	✙	THE GREAT SABBATH; <i>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 & return of the Winding Sheet at 11.30 p.m. MIDNIGHT PROCESSION around the Church followed by.....</i>
Sun 3 / 16 April	nf	✙	PASCHAL MATINS, the Paschal Kiss, & the DIVINE LITURGY for

The Lord's Pascha,

THE RESURRECTION OF CHRIST

The Blessing of the Artos (Thomas Bread) & of the Paschal Foods will follow the Divine Liturgy.

Everyone is invited to the Parish Paschal 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 bring the Gospel in that language with you to help)

Mon 4 / 17 Apr	nf	✙	Bright Monday; Acts 1:12-17, 21-26; John 1:18-28; <i>Matins at 8.30 a.m; Liturgy at 9.15 a.m; Vespers at 6 p.m.</i>
Tue 5 / 18 Apr	nf	✙	Bright Tuesday; Portaitissa Icon of the MΘ; New Mm. Raphael, Nicolas & Eirene of Lesbos; Acts 2:14-21; Luke 24:12-35; <i>Matins at 8.30 a.m; Liturgy at 9.15 a.m; Vespers at 6 p.m.</i>
Wed 6 / 19 Apr	nf	✙	Bright Wednesday; Acts 2:22-38; John 1:35-51; <i>Matins at 8.30 a.m; Liturgy at 9.15 a.m; Vespers at 6 p.m.</i>
Thu 7 / 20 Apr	nf	✙	Bright Thursday; Acts 2:38-43; John 3:1-15; <i>Matins at 8.30 a.m; Liturgy at 9.15 a.m; Vespers at 6 p.m.</i>
Fri 8 / 21 Apr	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 <i>N. B. Liturgy at the Convent</i>
Sat 9 / 22 Apr	nf	✙	Bright Saturday; Acts 3:11-16; John 3:22-33; <i>Matins at 8.30 a.m; Liturgy at 9.15 a.m; Vespers at 6 p.m</i>
Sun 10/ 23 Apr	nf	✙	Thomas Sunday; MG 1 – Matt. 28:16-20; Acts 5:12-20; John 20:19-31; <i>Return to Normal Service Schedule: Matins 8 a.m; Divine Liturgy at 9.45 a.m; Vespers after Parish Breakfast</i>
Mon 11/ 24 Apr	nf		Appearance of the MΘ at Pochaev; Hm. Antipas of Perga- mum; Acts 3:19-26; John 2:1-11; <i>Weekday Normal schedule: Matins at 7 a.m; Vespers at 6 p.m.</i>
Tue 12 / 25 Apr	nf	μ	St Basil of Parium; Acts 4:1-10; John 3:16-21
Wed 13 / 26 Apr	f2	✙	St Martin the Confessor, Pope of Rome, & those with him; Acts 4:13-22; John 5:17-24; <i>Liturgy follows Matins at 8.30 a.m.</i>
Thu 14 / 27 Apr	nf		Holy App. Aristarchus, Pudens & Trophimus; M. Thomais of Alexandria; Acts 4:23-31; John 5:24-30
Fri 15 / 28 Apr	f2		M. Crescens of Myra in Lycia; Acts 5:1-11; John 5:30-6:2
Sat 16 / 29 Apr	nf		Mm. Agape, Eirene & Chionia; Acts 5:21-33; John 6:14-27

Sun 17 / 30 Apr	nf	✝	Sunday of the Myrrh-bearing Women; Holy Hm. Simeon of Persia & those with him; St Macarius of Corinth; Tone 2; MG 4 – Luke 24:1-12; Acts 6:1-7; Mark 15:43-16:8
Mon 18 A / 1 May	nf		Ven. John, disciple of St Gregory of Decapolis; M. Sabbas the Goth; Acts 6:8-7:5, 47-60; John 4:46-54
Tue 19 A / 2 May	nf	μ	Hm. Paphnutius; Hm. Alphege, Abp of Canterbury; New Hm. Victor of Glazov; Acts 8:5-17; John 6:27-33
Wed 20 A / 3 May	f2		Ven. Theodore of the Hair Shirt; Holy Apostle Zacchæus, Bishop of Cæsarea in Palestine; Acts 8:18-25; John 6:35-39
Thu 21 A / 4 May	nf	✝	Hm. Januarius of Benevento; Ven. Anastasius of Sinai; Ven. Beuno of Clynnog Fawr; Acts 8:26-39; John 6:40-44
Fri 22 A / 5 May	f2		St Theodore the Sykeote, Bishop of Anastasiopolis; Two martyred sons of Arwald of the Isle of Wight; Acts 8:40-9:19; Jn 6:48-54
VIGIL FOR THE HOLY GREAT MARTYR GEORGE at 7 p.m.			
Sat 23 A / 6 May	nf	🍎	Holy Great Martyr GEORGE THE TROPHY-BEARER & those with him; Ven. Myrtidiotissa the Ascetic; Es. 43:9-14; Wis. 3:1-9; Wis. 5:15-6:3; MG – Mk 13:9-13; Acts 12:1-11; Jn 15:17-16:2
Sun 24 A / 7 May	nf	✝	Sunday of the Paralytic; Ven. Elizabeth the Wonderworker; Tone 3; MG 5 – Luke 24:12-35; Acts 9:32-42; John 5:1-15
Mon 25 A / 8 May	nf	✝	Holy Apostle & Evangelist Mark; Acts 10:1-16; 1 Peter 5:6-14; John 6:56-69; Mark 6:7-13
Tue 26 A / 9 May	nf	μ	Hm. Basileus of Amasia; Rght. Glaphira; Saint Stephen of Perm; Acts 10:21-33; John 7:1-13
Wed 27 A / 10 May	f1	✝	Mid-Pentecost; Hm. Simeon, the Kinsman of the Lord; Rght. Evlogius the Hospitable; Mic. 4:2-3, 5, 5:2-5, 8; Esaias 55:1-3, 6-13; Prov. 9:1-11; Acts 14:6-18; John 7:14-30; <i>Blessing of Waters</i>
Thu 28 A / 11 May	nf		Nine Martyrs of Cyzicus; Acts 10:34-43; John 8:12-20
Fri 29 A / 12 May	f2		Holy Apostles Jason & Sosipater; Ven. Endelienta of Cornwall; Ven. Nectarius of Optina; Acts 10:44-11:10; John 8:21-30
Sat 30 A / 13 May	nf	✝	Icon of the MΘ of the Passion; Holy Apostle James, son of Zebedee; St Erkenwald, Bishop of London; St Ignatius of the Caucasus; Acts 12:1-11; John 8:31-42; Matt. 4:18-22
Sun 1 / 14 May	nf	✝	Sunday of the Samaritan Woman; Icon of the MΘ “Unexpected Joy;” Holy Prophet Jeremias; St Asaph; Rb. Tamara, Queen of Georgia; Ven. New Mm Euthymius, Ignatius & Acacius of Athos; Ven. Nicephrous of Chios; Tone 4; MG 7 – John 20:1-10; Acts 11:19-30; John 4:5-42
Mon 2 / 15 May	nf	✝	St Athanasius the Great of Alexandria; Rb King Boris-Michael of Bulgaria; Acts 12:12-17; Heb. 13:7-16; John 8:42-51; Matt. 5:14-19; <i>Name Day of Fr Borislav (send chocolates!)</i>
Tue 3 / 16 May	nf	μ	Mm. Timothy & Maura; Ven. Theodosius of Kiev; New M. Ahmet the Calligrapher; Acts 12:25-13:12; John 8:51-59
Wed 4 / 17 May	f2		V. M. Pelagia of Tarsus; Acts 13:13-24; John 6:5-14
Thu 5 / 18 May	nf	✝	Great Martyr Eirene; Saint Hilary of Arles; Holy Hm. Ephraim the Newly-Appeared; Acts 14:20-27; John 9:39-10:9
Fri 6 / 19 May	f2		Rght. Job the Much-Suffering; Acts 15:5-34; John 10:17-28
Sat 7 / 20 May	nf	🍎	Appearance of the Cross over Jerusalem; Ven. John of Zedazeni & his 12 disciples; St John of Beverley; Ven. Nil of Sora; Acts 15:35-41; 1Cor. 1:18-24; Jn 10:27-38; Jn 19:6-11, 13-20, 25-28, 30
Sun 8 / 21 May	nf	✝	Sunday of the Blind Man; Holy Apostle John the Theologian; Ven. Arsenius the Great; Rght. Emily, mother of St Basil; Icon of the MΘ of Cassiopeia; Tone Pl. 1; 1Jn 3:21-4:6; 1Jn 4:11-16; 1Jn 4:20-5:5; MG 8 – John 20:11-18; 1Jn 1:1-7; John 9:1-38
Mon 9 / 22 May	nf		Holy Prophet Esaias; Mm. Christopher, Callinica and Aquilina; Ven. Shio; Ven. Joseph of Optina; Acts 17:1-15; John 11:47-57

Tue 10 / 23 May	nf	✠	Holy Apostle Simon the Zealot; Ven. Mm. of Prevlaka; Ven. Comgall of Bangor; New M. Eugene the Soldier; Acts 17:19-28; 1 Cor. 4:9-16; John 12:19-36; John 2:1-11
Wed 11 / 24 May	f2	✠	Leavetaking of Pascha; Hm. Mocius; Holy Peers of the Apostles Methodius & Cyril; Acts 18:22-28; John 12:36-47; <i>Matins at 8.30 today & Liturgy at 9.15 a.m., as in Bright Week</i>
VIGIL FOR ASCENSION DAY at 7 p.m.			
Thu 12 / 25 May	nf	✠	Great Feast of the ASCENSION OF OUR SAVIOUR; Esaias 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; Divine Liturgy at 9.30 a.m.
Fri 13 / 26 May	f2		M. Glycheria; Ven. Merwenna of Rumsey; Ven. Martyrs of Iveron, Athos, slain by the Latins; Acts 19:1-8; John 14:1-11
Sat 14 / 27 May	nf		M. Isidore of Chios; Acts 20:7-12; John 14:10-21
Sun 15 / 28 May	nf	✠	Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the First Œcumenical Council; Ven. Pachomius the Great; Tone Pl. 2; Gen. 14:14-20; Deut. 1:8-11, 15-17; Deut. 10:14-21; MG 10 – John 21:1-14; Acts 20: 16-18, 28-36; John 17:1-13

Key to Symbols

No symbol - outside lent daily schedule: Matins at 7 a.m. & Vespers at 6 p.m.

✠ - Divine Liturgy after Matins (check in case of cancellation)

μ - Supplicatory Canon to the Mother of God on Tuesdays after Vespers

🍏 - Divine Liturgy at the Convent, but NOT at Brookwood

FASTING GUIDELINES: (See references in calendar on pages 1 - 3):

f3 - Strict vegan diet, no animal products, oil or alcohol (other than fish itself, sea foods are permitted on f3 days);

f2 - as f3, but wine (alcohol) & oil permitted;

f1 - as f2, but fish also permitted;

nf - no fasting enjoined

Convent Services: In addition to the weekday Liturgies at the Convent, which we have marked with the Apple Sign 🍏 in the calendar above (on these days there is no Liturgy at Brookwood, only Matins), the agreed dates for Sunday Liturgies at the Convent are: 16th April, 30th April, 14th May, 4th June, 18th June & 2nd July - all new style dates. The sisters will also have reader services daily – ask them for their service list.

BISHOP AMBROSE'S PASCHAL VISIT

His Grace, **Bishop Ambrose** hopes to be with us for the **Unction Service at St Edward's on Great Wednesday evening**, and then will return to London to assist the Sisters at the Convent through the last days of the Great Week. He will celebrate the Paschal Midnight Service at the Convent, and hopes to join us again at Brookwood for the **Agape Vespers Service** at 4 p.m on the day of Pascha. He will be leaving the United Kingdom on Bright Tuesday to fly to Moscow. Pray that the Saviour strengthen him.

MORTUARY UPDATE

SINCE typing up the main magazine, Marshels have completed the ridge tiling, and the deficient part in the stove has been replaced. This last was done on the initiative of the engineer himself. We asked the Romanians, who are going to complete the turret restoration, to hold off until after Pascha, so that access to the mortuary and to the lavatories is not hindered during Great Week and on the feast day itself. We are hoping the scaffolders will start work shortly after the feast.

Our Thanks to: Abbess Taxiarchia & sisterhood - Lenten treats from Greece; Anun, NW6 – Forty Martyrs’ larks, New Testament, provisions, candle stubs; Priest Borislav & Presbytera Marina Popov, Deacon Nicolas & Diaconissa Kalina Petrova, Plamen Monovsky & Dimitrinka Russell – cassocks, jackets & dork hats for each of us, & Diaconissa for a hand-painted icon of the Saviour; Angela Pieri – prosphoras, meals, provisions; Eleni Kyriakou – prosphoras, flowers for the Akathist service; Valentina Merritt – the paschal artos, silver polish cloth & dusters; Rima Lewis - mending vestments, church cleaning; Benjamin & Elaine Waterhouse – mending vestments, communion wine, provisions; Mary Labarge – icon of St Gertrude, sent by the sisters in Sweden; the Grigoras family – triptych icon; Marina Fedorova – cross, icon, provisions, dead stamps; Aquilina Steel – vestment mending, provisions; Melanie Swan – church laundering; Antony Bell – proofreading, helping with reading in daily services; Roxana-Ioanna Amarie, Ionella & Clara – thoroughly spring-cleaning the mortuary kitchen; Michael & Margaret Woodrow – floral essence for paschal pot pourri, communion wine, dry cleaning fluid; Nick Kalnakov – bonfire building; George Giannopoulos – candle from the Holy Fire, provisions; Vanya from Bulgaria – beeswax candles; Madeline Antoniazzi – palm crosses; Elizabeth Castle – communion wine, old newspapers; Nikolas Taratuchin – communion wine; Andrew & Ekaterina Lahiff – church flowers, provisions; Andrea Alexa, Anon – church flowers; Barbara Woodford – candle holders; Petronella Tabus – church cushions; family of Valentina Smith-Palser – rhododendron; Anne van der Lee – luminous green brushes, provisions; Joseph Shavila – meal, Sainsbury vouchers; South East Tree Surgeons – firewood; Archondoulla Cleovoulou – meals, provisions; Elena Stanbridge, Svitlana Selman, Ludmila Belokopytova, Ekaterina Spiroglou, Vasileos Calcanteras, Georgia Chelebi, Alexandra Militaru – meals; Natalia Jewel – delivering meals; Jim & Carole Gibbons – panetone from Italy; Tanya James – provisions, egg boxes; Chrysanthy Lemos, Anon Romanians, family of Emilia Malic, Roxana Amarie, Elena Golitsyna, friends of Veronica Souslova, Christina Kudzin, Martin Smith – provisions; John Suschenko, Nicholas Labarge, Anon – dead stamps; John Reynolds – magazines; James Harrin – egg boxes; and to all who gave us St Edward Day and name day presents, and to all who have supported us by their prayers and their almsgiving. May our Saviour truly bless you all this Pascha.

THE PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL ARE ASKED FOR:

The Newly Departed: Priestmonk Ghermano, Vasile (O)

The Sick: Bishop Johannes, Archimandrite Daniel, Priest Christian, Nun Ioanna, Rasophore Monk Thomas; Presbytera Helena, Maria, Eleni, Andreas, Theodosia, Marina, Hristo, Tatyana, Androulla (O); Sasha, Mavis (non O)

Expectant Mothers: Cristina, Catherine, Maria (O)

Special Needs: Anna & family, Samuil & Jordanka, Theodora, Vanya (O)

“FOR THE WELFARE of the body various entertainments and pleasures are required; it often brings whole families to ruin; for it men are often prepared for all sorts of labours, but the poor soul has hardly one hour on Sunday to attend the Divine Liturgy, hardly a few minutes for morning and evening prayers. With difficulty it manages to collect one copper coin as alms, and it is satisfied when it expresses the remembrance of death with a cold sigh.”

VEN. AMBROSE OF OPTINA, + 1891 A.D.

