

Great-Martyr Marina of Antioch in Pisidia (July 17)

The Holy Great Martyr Marina was born in Asia Minor, in the city of Antioch of Pisidia (southern Asia Minor), into the family of a pagan priest. In infancy she lost her mother, and her father gave her into the care of a nursemaid, who raised Marina in the Orthodox Faith. Upon learning that his daughter had become a Christian, the father angrily disowned her. During the time of the persecution against Christians under the emperor Diocletian (284-305), when she was fifteen years old, Saint Marina was arrested and locked up in prison. With firm trust in the will of God and His help, the young prisoner prepared for her impending fate.



The governor Olymbrios, charmed with the beautiful girl, tried to persuade her to renounce the Christian Faith and become his wife. But the saint, unswayed, refused his offers. The vexed governor gave the holy martyr over to torture. Having beaten her fiercely, they fastened the saint with nails to a board and tore at her body with tridents. The governor himself, unable to bear the horror of these tortures, hid his face in his hands. But the holy martyr remained unyielding. Thrown for the night into prison, she was granted heavenly aid and healed of her wounds. They stripped her and tied her to a tree, then burned the martyr with fire. Barely alive, the martyr prayed: “Lord, You have granted me to go through fire for Your Name, grant me also to go through the water of holy Baptism.”

Hearing the word “water”, the governor gave orders to drown the saint in a large cauldron. The martyr besought the Lord that this manner of execution should become for her holy Baptism. When they plunged her into the water, there suddenly shone a light, and a snow-white dove came down from Heaven, bearing in its beak a golden crown. The fetters put upon Saint Marina came apart by themselves. The martyr stood up in the fount of Baptism glorifying the Holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Saint Marina emerged from the fount completely healed, without any trace of burns. Amazed at this miracle, the people glorified the True God, and many came to believe. This brought the governor into a rage, and he gave orders to kill anyone who might confess the Name of Christ. 15,000 Christians perished there, and the holy Martyr Marina was beheaded. The sufferings of the Great Martyr Marina were described by an eyewitness of the event, named Theotimos.

Up until the taking of Constantinople by Western crusaders in the year 1204, the relics of the Great Martyr Marina were in the Panteopontea monastery. According to other sources, they were located in Antioch until the year 908 and from there transferred to Italy. Now they are in Athens, in a church dedicated to the holy Virgin Martyr. Her venerable hand was transferred to Mount Athos, to the Batopedi monastery.

(Text & Image from <https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2022/07/17/102042-greatmartyr-marina-margaret-of-antioch-in-pisidia>)



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COMMEMORATIONS:

THE HOLY GREAT MARTYR MARINA (MARGARET)
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MARTYRS OF RUSSIA
VENERABLE IRENARCHOS OF SOLOVSKY
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Tone 4 - Eothion 5

Orthros Gospel: St. Luke 24:12-35

Epistle: Titus 3:8-15

Liturgy Gospel: St. Matthew 5:14-19

RESURRECTION TROPARION - Tone 4 - Having learned the joyful message of the resurrection from the angel, the women disciples of the Lord cast from them their parental condemnation, and proudly broke the news to the disciples saying, Death hath been spoiled. Christ God is risen, granting the world great mercy!

APOLYTIKION OF ST. MARINA - Tone 4 - O Lord Jesus, unto Thee Thy lamb doth cry with a great voice: * O my Bridegroom, Thee I love; and seeking Thee, I now contest, * and with Thy baptism am crucified and buried. * I suffer for Thy sake, that I may reign with Thee; * for Thy sake I die, that I may live in Thee: * accept me offered out of longing * to Thee as a spotless sacrifice. * Lord, save our souls through her intercessions, since Thou art great in mercy.

TODAY: ORTHROS & Confessions 8:45 a.m.

July Sunday School 9 a.m.

Divine LITURGY 10 a.m.

Donation Coffee Hour for Camp Scholarship Fund

Parish Council

Benefit Concert by Caleb Gohl 2 p.m.

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Office Hours: Monday through Thursday 10:00 - 3:00

Fr Noah & Fr James are available for hospital visits. If you or anyone you know is in the hospital or homebound and would like a visit, please call the church office.

Weekly Ministries & Stewards:

	This Week:	Next Week (July 24):
PROSPHORA BREAD:	Sdn Justin G.	Gabi & Catalin T.
ALTAR CANDLES:	The Gambles – Jordan’s Birthday	The Sidorochevs – Elizabeth’s Birthday
USHERS:	Steve K. & Todd Moody	Sdn John & Bill H.
ALTAR BOYS:	“Archangel Gabriel”	“Archangel Michael”
CLEANING TEAM:	Todd & Kristi Moore; Kim B.	The Gohls & Olena M.
COFFEE HOUR TEAM:	Chris H; Mariya S; Abraham	Calvin; Angie; Dale

Mark Your Calendar:

Special Sunday School Program

Sundays during July
9-9:45am during Orthros
Age 4 thru Grade 8

Dormition Fast - August 1-14

Daily Paraklesis

Transfiguration

Friday, Aug 5

Vespers & Artoklasia 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, Aug 6

Orthros 9am & Liturgy 10am
Blessing of fruit & garden produce
Fish/wine/oil potluck

Vacation Church School

“Treasures in Earthen Vessels”

August 8-12

9am-12 noon

International Food Festival

September 16-17

Pray For:

Living	Departed
Met. Onuphry and faithful of Ukraine Eugene & Family Nicole Raymond Patrick Doris John John James James Lasha B Otari B Helen Wadieh Anna Anesia Mary Mary Claudia Gregory Alexei Barbara	(July Parish Diptychs) +Asma +Albert +Dorothea +Irene +Dorothy +Stavros +Ressom +Iwan +Theresa +Fuad +Helen +Christine
	<u>Catechumens</u>
	Christian, Taylor, Christina, Peter, Sarah, Alina, William, & Elsa Kate, Tyson, Joseph & Alana, Ryan, Zachary, Brandy, Nora, Gavinn, Lorelei, & Otto, Taylor & Bethany, Joanne, Denis, Michael

●Priest Thomas, Jesse, Nathan and their families & all Missionaries

●New & Expectant Mothers & their children

●For the people of our land, our world, and their repentance, healing & unity

●The 12 Baskets Full team asks for prayers for our homeless Philly friends – George, Bill, Jim, Jalil, Mark, Joel, Eric

**JULY OUTREACH
COLLECTION:**
**Oral Care Products
CHALLENGE FOR 2022:**
“You are the Light of the
World”

Giving Opportunities at St. Philip

Please consider making a special offering to the **Camp Scholarship Fund, Pastoral Discretionary Fund, and St. Justin Academy.**

Thank you and may God bless your generosity!

This Week:

Mon, July 18:	Church open
Tues, July 19:	6th Hour 12 noon Matushka Olga Sewing Club, 1 p.m.
Wed, July 20:	Compline & Patristic Reading 6:30 p.m.
Thurs, July 21:	Church open
Friday, July 22:	Paraklesis 6:30 p.m.
Sat, July 23:	VESPERS 6:30 p.m. Confessions 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, July 24:	ORTHROS & Confessions 8:45 a.m. July Sunday School 9 a.m. Divine LITURGY 10 a.m. Coffee Hour after Liturgy

ATTENDANCE: Vespers July 9: 58 Divine services on July 10: 225
OFFERINGS 7/10: Candles, \$226. Collections, \$368.46. Youth, \$1.
Book Shelf Ministry, \$79. Camping Fund, \$1,850. Food for Hungry, \$1.43. Mission Chapel, \$63.06. Stewardship, \$2,180.52. Total received: \$4,769.47.

THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

The disciples were called Christians first in Antioch (Acts II:26)