

Virgin Martyr Julia of Carthage (July 16)

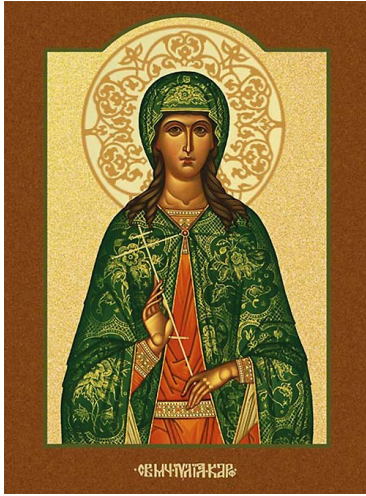
The Virgin Martyr Julia was born in Carthage into a Christian family. While still a girl she was captured by the Persians. They carried her off to Syria and sold her into slavery. Fulfilling the Christian commandments, Saint Julia faithfully served her master. She preserved herself in purity, kept the fasts and prayed much to God. No amount of urging by her pagan master could turn her to idolatry.

Once the master set off with merchandise for Gaul and took Saint Julia with him. Along the way the ship stopped over at the island of Corsica, and the master decided to take part in a pagan festival, but Julia remained on the ship. The Corsicans plied the merchant and his companions with wine, and when they had fallen into a drunken sleep, they took Julia from the ship. Saint Julia was not afraid to acknowledge that she was a Christian, and the savage pagans crucified her.

An angel of the Lord reported the death of the holy martyr to the monks of a monastery, located on a nearby island. The monks took the body of the saint and buried it in a church in their monastery.

In about the year 763 the relics of the holy Martyr Julia were transferred to a women's monastery in the city of Brescia (historians give conflicting years of the death of the saint: as either the fifth or seventh century).

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July 16, 2023

SUNDAY OF THE HOLY FATHERS
OF THE 4TH ECUMENICAL COUNCIL

COMMEMORATIONS:

ATHENOGENES THE HOLY MARTYR OF
HERACLEOPOLIS
JULIA THE VIRGIN-MARTYR OF CARTHAGE
1,015 MARTYRS IN PISIDIA
HELIER THE HERMIT, MARTYR OF JERSEY

Tone 5 - Eothion 6

Orthros Gospel: St. Luke 24:36-53

Epistle: Titus 3:8-15

Liturgy Gospel: St. Matthew 5:14-19

RESURRECTIONAL TROPARION - Tone 5 - Let us believers praise and worship the Word, coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation; for he took pleasure in ascending the cross in the flesh, to suffer death, and to raise the dead by his glorious resurrection.

APOLYTIKION OF THE HOLY FATHERS - Tone 8 - Thou, O Christ, art our God of exceeding praise Who didst establish our Holy Fathers as luminous stars upon earth, and through them didst guide us unto the true Faith, O most merciful One, glory to Thee.

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

Divine LITURGY 10 a.m.

Coffee Hour

Sunday School Teachers Meeting

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Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30am - 3:30pm

Fr Noah & Fr James are available for hospital visits. Please contact them directly or call the church office.

Weekly Ministries & Stewards:

	This Week:	Next Week (July 23):
COFFEE HOUR	Gi-I – Soup & Sandwiches	J-K - Pizza & Tom/Spinach Pie
PROSPHORA BREAD:	Gabi & Catalin T.	John Child
ALTAR CANDLES:	Chebeleu – Evan’s birthday	Tinjala – Petre’s birthday
USHERS:	Tom A. & Steve K.	Rdr Nick & Todd M.
CLEANING TEAM:	Hertzlers; Nick T.; Pam F.	Bill & Linda H.; Chris H.
COFFEE HOUR TEAM:	Chris H; Mariya S; Laura S; Eric M	Calvin; Dale; Ginny/John; Daniel

Mark Your Calendar:

VCS 2023
July 31-Aug 4

Dormition Fast - August 1-14
Daily Paraklesis

Transfiguration
August 5-6

Dormition
August 15

Nativity of the Theotokos
September 8

Elevation of the Cross
September 14

International Food Festival
September 15-16

JULY OUTREACH
COLLECTION:
Oral Care Products

CHALLENGE FOR 2023:
"You are the Salt
of the Earth"

Pray For:

Living	Departed
N.I. Christina & Aurelia	+John
Met. Onuphry and faithful of Ukraine	(July Parish Diptychs)
Pr. Andrew, family, & parishioners	+Asma
Mary	+Albert
Timothy	+Dorothea
Xenia	+Irene
Kh. Joyce	+Dorothy
George	+Stavros
Jonathan	+Ressom
Ephrem	+Iwan
Nicole	+Theresa
Raymond	+Fuad
Patrick	+Helen
Doris	+Christine
John	
John	
James	
James	
Lasha B	
Otari B	
Helen	
Wadieh	
Anesia	
Mary	
Mary	
Sophia	
Elias	
Victoria	
Alexandra	
Steve	

Catechumens

Lucretia
Ryan
Alina & Elsa
Kate
Nicholas,
Rachel, Luka,
& Leo
Michael
Evan
Tiffany
Caden
Keith, Maggie,
& Eli
Andrew
Daniel
Kassandra
Michael

Jesse, Nathan, Hannah, Elizabeth, & all Missionaries New & Expectant Mothers & their children
For the people of our land, 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

SPECIAL APPEAL for VCS

Three ways you can help as we are gearing up for another **Vacation Church School**, of growth in faith and love for God: 1) See Kate Gohl about volunteering; 2) Pray for Fr. Noah, leaders, and students; 3) Consider offering a financial gift to cover expenses.

This Week:

- Monday, July 17:** Office open
- Tues, July 18:** Matushka Olga Sewing Club, 1 p.m.
- Wed, July 19:** Office open
Compline & Patristic Reading 6:30 p.m.
- Thurs, July 20:** Twelve Baskets Full Serving night 6 p.m.
- Friday, July 21:** Office open
Paraklesis 6:30 p.m.
- Sat, July 22:** **Great VESPERS 6:30 p.m.**
Confession 7:30 p.m.
- Sunday, July 23:** **ORTHROS 8:45 a.m.**
Divine LITURGY 10 a.m.
Coffee Hour
VCS Volunteers Meeting

****45th Anniversary Committee****

We're planning commemorative and festive events for St Philip Day (Nov 14) when Bp Thomas visits. If you'd like to help, please talk with Fr Noah.

ATTENDANCE: Vespers for July 8: 61 Divine Services July 9: 201
OFFERINGS 7/9: Candles, \$326. Collections, \$379.62. Youth, \$1. Book Shelf Ministry, \$62. Food for Hungry, \$16.50. Needy Fund, \$525. Ukraine Outreach, \$100. Stewardship, \$6,027.47. Total received: \$7,437.59. Cemetery Account, \$2,200.

THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

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