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*Commemoration of St. Edward the Martyr, King of England (978 A.D.)*

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**THIS WEEK:**

FRIDAY – Great Feast of the  
*Nativity of the Theotokos*

8:30 a.m. DIVINE LITURGY

FRIDAY – 7 p.m. Bible Study

**No Liturgy** in Jacobs Creek on Saturday.

**Board meeting** today during the social hour.

**Communion Prayers** We prepare carefully to receive Holy Communion each week by praying the “*Prayers before Holy Communion*” from our prayerbook.

Would you like additional prayers to use in your preparation? See the bulletin board for an order form for a booklet “*Manual of Communion Prayers of the Orthodox Church*”.

The booklet has been prepared by the nuns of Holy Myrrbearers Monastery in Otego, N.Y. Cost is \$8.50 each.



## Church Picnic

**Next Sunday following the  
Divine Liturgy at Tubby Hall  
Park in New Eagle**

*Bring a side dish, dessert or  
beverage to share.*

### *Dressing for Church*

The Church is our home, a place where we should feel comfortable, and at ease. It is also God's house and is a temple set aside for worship of the Holy Trinity. Although times have changed and we have become a very casual society, this attitude cannot be allowed to influence how we dress to worship God. Our way of dressing for church should reflect our desire to offer our very best to Christ. Just as we want to act in ways that demonstrate the centrality of Christ in our lives, our dress should show forth the modesty that is befitting a Christian.

Just as we take special care to dress for formal social occasions, or job interviews, how much more important it is to show our respect for God's house. If we were invited to the wedding of our boss's daughter, we'd make sure to show respect to our employer by dressing our best. Does God deserve anything less?

Both men and women should avoid wearing clothing that can be distracting to other worshipers. Just as we want to keep our focus on the divine services, so too we must not be the cause of the distraction for our fellow Christians. Christ should be the focus of our worship, not our personal outfits. Church is not the place to show off the latest fashion, nor the results of the fitness center.

*Abbot Tryphon*



**Flea Market** sponsored by the Ladies Guild will be held October 5-6. Please bring in your clean and usable donations.

