

Talks in English

With the blessing of
His Eminence, Archbishop Hilarion of Sydney,
Australia and New Zealand,
Russian Orthodox Church Outside Russia,
You are invited to a talk by Priestmonk Kosmas entitled:

Saint Xenia, the Fool for Christ's Sake

Saint Xenia was happily married to an army colonel who died suddenly, without Confession and Holy Communion, while drinking with his friends. In order to repent for his sin, Saint Xenia began to wear her late husband's clothes and insist that she be called by his name. Taking up a life of homeless wandering and foolishness for Christ's sake in St. Petersburg (Russia), she endured mockery and abuse, even from those Orthodox Christians who did not understand her.

Saint Xenia is especially called upon for help with everyday problems, such as finding employment, housing, a spouse, or missing children. In addition to this, she also helps those suffering from alcoholism, marital problems, childlessness, and depression.

Venue: Saint George Russian Orthodox Church

15 Garfield St Carlton NSW 2218

Date: Sunday, 9 December 2007

At 6.30pm the Service of the Small Supplicatory Canon to Saint Xenia (Paraklesis) will be sung in English using the Byzantine chant.

At 7.30pm the talk will be given in the hall at the rear of the church.

After the talk, there will be coffee, tea, and sweets for those who wish to stay. People are welcome to come to the service, the talk, or both. A bookstall with Orthodox books in English will also be available.

Talks in 2008 will be on a monthly basis on Sunday evenings

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