

Our God works wonders!



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"Let the little children come to me, and do not forbid them, for to such is the Kingdom of Heaven." Mark 10:14

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Just another miracle

If you ever go to Europe, you will probably visit dozens of churches. The most beautiful buildings—in Greece, Germany, France, and other places—are churches! The first one you visit, you say, "Wow! Amazing!" The second one, you say, "Pretty cool!" But the tenth one, you might just say, "Oh. Another big church."



The beautiful Saint Gregory Palamas Church in Thessaloniki, Greece

But each one is a masterpiece. And each one probably took years and years to build!

Today, we hear about yet *another* miracle that our Lord did for a person. Once again, He heard about a person who was paralyzed—he couldn't walk. Jesus wanted to help the man. So He did. He healed him, and changed his life forever.

In the Bible, we read about so many miracles that Jesus did. Even in the Gospel of John, we hear, "But there are also many other things which Jesus did; were every one of them to be written, I suppose that the world itself could not contain the books that would be written." You might still hear about other miracles that God still does for us! Remember: Each one is a miracle. Each one is something that only God can do. Always be amazed! Let's not treat it like when we see the tenth church on our tour in Europe: "Oh just another miracle." Our God works wonders!

WORD SEARCH

Can you find these words in the jumble?

- BEAUTY
- CENTURION
- DUCHESS
- ELIZABETH
- MARTYR
- MIRACLE
- RUSSIA
- THANK GOD
- WONDERS

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SAINT ELIZABETH THE GRAND DUCHESS BEAUTY—INSIDE AND OUT



When Elizabeth, the Grand Duchess of Russia, was married, the world called her the most beautiful woman in the world. But she became even *more* beautiful with what she did in her life.



Elizabeth lived in Russia in a time when people did *not* have much freedom, and life was dangerous, especially for the royal family. A rebel killed her own husband right in front of her eyes. But Elizabeth showed Christian love, and she visited the man in prison and forgave him. She asked him to become a Christian.

After her husband's sad death, Elizabeth gave away all of her wealth. But she used part of her money to start a convent where she was a nun. Russia was now a very scary and hard place to live. She helped many poor and sick people and many orphans in her convent.

The Communists, who were now in charge in Russia, hated Christians, and they did everything to keep Christians from believing in Jesus Christ. Elizabeth was killed by these people in 1918.

Now St. Elizabeth is a beautiful saint of our Church, and we all know about her, and we celebrate her beautiful soul!

We celebrate Saint Elizabeth today, Sun. July 5th (OC: July 18).

What's in an icon?

Here is an icon of Saint Elizabeth, the Grand Duchess with her servants.

They were with her until the end, and now they are with her in heaven!

