

All-Russian family parade unites hundreds of thousands of Russians in over 150 cities



On July 8, 2025, the Day of Family, Love, and Fidelity, the All-Russian Family Parade took place in many cities across Russia. From Petropavlovsk-Kamchatsky to Kaliningrad, in regional capitals and small towns, hundreds of thousands of Russians—entire families spanning several generations—took to the streets to march in festive processions under the common slogan “Russia—a Family of Families,” reports Patriarchia.ru.

This state holiday, established by a presidential decree and dedicated to the memory of the holy patrons of family life, the right-believing Prince Peter and Princess Febronia of Murom, once again became a nationwide expression of commitment to traditional family values. The main goals of the parade—strengthening the institution of the family, cultivating respect for parents, and instilling pride in one’s family in the younger generation—resonated deeply

with participants throughout the country. According to preliminary estimates by the organizers, more than 400,000 people took part in the festive marches of the All-Russian Family Parade.

“The All-Russian Family Parade was held in more than 150 cities, with over 400,000 participants. The parade took place from Moscow to St. Petersburg, from Vladivostok to Kaliningrad, from Sochi to Murmansk, in the Urals, Siberia, and the vast majority of Russian regions. In frontline regions, the parade was held indoors—at schools, kindergartens, cultural centers—and also online,” said Andrei Kormukhin, Chairman of the nationwide public movement Family, coordinator of the parade’s organizing committee, and founder of the Forty Forties youth movement. “The success of the Family Parade proved one important truth: for our traditional society, the family is a far more important value than those that were imposed on us for many years as we borrowed ideas from the West. Russia is being reborn, our families are being reborn. We must all remember that each of us is the fruit of the love of two hearts, and we would not exist if our fathers and mothers had not once met.”

“Now, as Russia enters a new era, it is time to abandon the values of individualism and personal growth and return to traditional family values such as motherhood, childhood, large families, and strong households. As our President Vladimir Putin said on July 3, it’s time to make the family fashionable again,” Kormukhin added.

According to him, the success of this year’s parade—nearly double the attendance of the previous year and involving more cities—indicates that “our country and its family values are being revived.”

In many cities, the festivities began with a moleben (prayer service) to Saints Peter and Fevronia, followed by a colorful family procession that brought together parents with children, grandparents, and concluded with large concerts and family entertainment. The Family Parade became a true nationwide festival of family unity and joy.



The initiative received broad support from social, family, large-family, and sports organizations, government authorities at all levels, and the Russian Orthodox Church, whose blessing and active participation gave the event a special spiritual significance.

After the parades, participants were welcomed at interactive zones—spaces for family interaction and recreation—with traditional Russian circle dances and songs, refreshments, sports games, relay races, and creative workshops.



The heart of the national celebration was, as usual, in Moscow, where a grand procession and a concert with awards for large families took place at VDNKh, the country's main exhibition center. Over 7,000 people participated in the Moscow parade—large families, well-known athletes, cultural figures, politicians, representatives of civil organizations, the Church, and government officials.

Speakers included Fr. Feodor Lukyanov, Chairman of the Patriarchal Commission on Family, Motherhood, and Childhood; Anna Kuznetsova, Deputy Speaker of the State Duma of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation; and Andrei Kormukhin, Chairman of the Family movement and coordinator of the All-Russian Family Parade.

On stage, ten large families—each raising more than ten children—were honored with awards.

The All-Russian Family Parade was organized by the nationwide public movement, Family. Co-organizers included Healthy Fatherland, the Russian Boxing Federation, the Forty Forties youth movement, and the national program, In the Family Circle.

