WEEKLY BULLETIN

SAINT ELIA THE PROPHET ORTHODOX CHURCH

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July 16, 2017

SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES

6th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST -Tone 5 - Commemoration of the Holy Fathers of the Reader Bill Paluch First Six Ecumenical Councils. Martyr Athenogenes Saturday, July 15 - 5:00 pm Great Vespers and Confessions Sunday, July 16

9:15 am - Hours - Reader Michael Luc

9:30 am - Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom

Epistle Reader – Reader Michael Luc

EPISTLE: Romans 12:6-14 GOSPEL: Matthew 9:1-8

Holyday - TEMPLE FEAST OF THE PROPHET ELIA

Wednesday, July 19 - 6:00 pm

Vesperal Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

6th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST –Tone 6

Saturday, July 22 -

10:00 am Baptism-Chrismation of Thomas Ritzman

5:00 pm Great Vespers and Confessions

Sunday, July 23

9:15 am - Hours - Bud Graham

9:30 am – Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom

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REMEMBER THOSE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES

Anthony Freude, son of Fr. Don and Popadia Donna Freude Egor Cravcenco, son of Serghei and Ludmila Cravcenco

REMEMBER OUR SICK AND SHUT-INS

Mickey Stokich

Leonora Evancho

Larissa Freude

Anastasia Haymon

Joseph Boyle (Kathy Gray's brother)

Joseph Boyle (Kathy Gray's father)

Vol. 33 No. Phyllis George (sister of Rose Marie Vronick)

Connie Pysell

Lisa Nastoff

Mary Drakage (sister-in-law of Fr. Don and Popadia Donna)

Elaine Pedder

Claudia Sulin

Sandra Dodovich – (mother of Tony Dodovich)

Angelo Lambo

Gary Turner (father of Joseph Turner)

COFFEE HOUR – Eve Nelson Tavenier

PROSPHORA - Veronica Bilas

OUR STEWARDSHIP: July 9, 2017

Sunday Offering: \$689.53 **PARKING L** Candles: 39.00 **To Date: \$16 Candle Desk Donation** 40.00

Bookstore: 7.00 **COMPUTER** TOTAL: \$775.53 **To Date: \$70**

We WELCOME ALL visitors to the Divine Liturgy. While Holy Com received by prepared Orthodox Christians, our non-Orthodox gues us in venerating the Cross and receiving the blessed bread at th Divine Liturgy and join us for Coffee Hour.

SAINT ELIA BOOK STUDY

THIS WEEKS' FEAST DAYS AND SCRIPTURI

Our next gathering will be on July 21st, 6:00PM, at the Bilas house. Please briMonday, July 17 - Greatmartyr Marina of Antioch in Pisidia meatless side dish or appetizer to share. Main dish (pizza?) will be provided, along Epistle: 1 Corinthians 5:9-6:11 Gospel: Matthew 13 with beverages. Questions? See Veronica or Terry Bilas. Don't forget to read chaptuesday, July 18 - Martyr Emilian of Sillistria in Bulgaria 5 and 6 of The Mountain of Silence. Epistle: 1 Corinthians 6:20-7:12 Gospel: Matthew 14 Wednesday, June 19 - Uncovering of Relics of St. Seraphim o

The book, "The Mountain of Silence: A Search for Orthodox Spirituality," by Epistle: Galatians 5:22-6:2 Gospel: Luke 16:17 Kyriacos C. Markides, can be purchased through Amazon and other booksellers. Thursday, July 20 - HOLY GLORIOUS PROPHET ELIA book combines elements of memoir, travelogue, and history as the author journeys to Epistle: James 5:10-20 Gospel: Luke 4:22-3 the island of Cyprus and makes the acquaintance of a monk named Fr. Friday, July 21 - Prophet Ezekiel - Fast Day Maximos. Traveling and talking with Fr. Maximos as he establishes churches, Epistle: 1 Corinthians 7:35-8:7 Gospel: Matthew 15 convents, and monasteries in this divided land, the author receives answers to Saturday, July 22 – Holy Myrrhbearer, Equal-to-the-Apostle questions on topics ranging from angels and demons to the role of icons in worship Epistle: Romans 12:1-3 Gospel: Matthew 10 and the place of hell in Christian belief, and is awakened anew to the spirituality of the Orthodox Church.

Future gatherings will be announced and may also take place in coffee shops or participants' homes—stay tuned! You're invited!

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GRADUATE CONGRATULATIONS

graduation celebration will be held next Sunday, July 23, 2017, 3:30 pm – 9:00 pm, mountain. The wilderness received the at the Lion's Hall (Lion's Park), 245 Northeast Avenue, Tallmadge, Ohio.

TEMPLE FEAST OF SAINT ELIA

At a most critical period in the history of the Israelite peopl leaders to call His people back to the worship of the One True G among these prophets was Elia (also called Elias or Elijah) the <u>Israelite</u> history with a dramatic suddenness (1 Kings 17). He pr God and there was no deviation from his total dedication. Ap-Elia means "the Lord is my God.".

God's words to Elia were: "You shall drink of the stream. and I have commanded ravens to feed you there." (1 Kings St. Basil the Great gives an interpretation of this Christopher Di Puccio graduated from Tallmadge High School on May 18, 2017. A hermit; but it was the soul that instituted all for this righteous man, and the provision for his life's journey

was hope in God. Yet despite this mode of life, he did not die of hunger; on the contrary, the most rapacious birds of prey brought him food. Those whose custom was to steal the food of others became servants at his table. At the command of the Lord they changed their nature and became fruitful guardians of bread and meat." This event is a prophetic prefiguration of the coming of the Kingdom of God in power. Elias the Prophet enjoys great popularity and appreciation.

> In other Icons, Elias appears as a strict ascetic full of zeal for faith in the true God, yet, afraid of the love God has for him. He is pictured as a "hairy man" holding an open scroll which reads: "I have been most zealous for the Lord the God of hosts." (1 Kings 19:10)

Elia did not die. He was carried away in a fiery chariot while yet alive. This introduced the thought that he would return to announce the Messiah. Thus, he is often mentioned in the New Testament, both in preparation for Christ and IVINE LITURGY also by Christ. In fact, Christ identifies Elia and John the Baptist (Mt 11:14) and thereby announces the end of the era of waiting. Through Elia, we see God's constant faithfulness to his people. He sends prophets in every age to lead His people in the knowledge on the One True God.

The Troparion of Saint Elia

The glorious Elia, incarnate messenger of God, pillar of prophets and second forerunner of the coming of Christ, sent grace from on high to Elisha that he might heal sickness and purify the lepers; therefore, he intercedes on behalf of those who honor him

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Patronal Feast Day of St. Elia. The Vesperal Divine Liturgy will be A PICNIC' COV celebrated this Wednesday evening, July 19, 2017 at 6:00 pm.

Blessing of Vehicles and Parish Picnic, Sunday, July 30, 2017.

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Sign-up Sheet in the Hall