

WEEKLY BULLETIN

SAINT ELIA THE PROPHET ORTHODOX CHURCH

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His Eminence Alexander, Archbishop of Toledo, Bulgarian Diocese, OCA

Very Rev. Mitred Archpriest Father Don Anthony Freude, Parish Rector

Rev. Protodeacon James M. Gresh, Attached

Sunday – July 21, 2019

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SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES

5th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 4 - Prophet Ezekiel

Saturday, July 20

5:00 pm Great Vespers and Confessions

Sunday, July 21

9:15 am Hours – Joshua Wherley

9:30 am Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

Epistle Reader: Joshua Wherley

EPISTLE: Romans 10:1-10 GOSPEL: Matthew 8:28-9:1

CROSS PROCESSION AND BLESSING OF VEHICLES

6th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 5 - Holy Apostles of the Seventy: Deacons Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon and Parmenas

Saturday, July 27

5:00 pm Great Vespers and Confessions

Sunday, July 28

9:15 am Hours – Sarah Niglio

9:30 am Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

Epistle Reader: Sarah Niglio

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

REMEMBER THOSE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES

Subdeacon 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 Newman
Anastasia Haymon
Joseph Boyle, (Kathy Gray's brother)
Phyllis George, (Rose Marie Vronick's sister)
Connie Pysell
Lisa Nastoff
Sandra Dodovich
Angelo and Florence Lambo
Carl Palcheff
Gary Turner (father of Joseph Turner)
Infant Child Aria

PARISH FAMILY PICNIC: St. Elia Day Picnic at the Bilas Home
PROSPHORA: Veronica Bilas

OUR STEWARDSHIP: July 14, 2019

Sunday Offering:	\$1,520.00
Improvement Fund:	5.00
Candles:	30.00
Special Offering:	35.00
Entrance Flower Pots:	20.00
TOTAL	\$1,610.00

PARKING LOT
To Date: \$17,450
FURNACE/AC
To Date: \$8,150.00

SUPPORT ST. ELIA

Step 1: Go to: www.smile.amazon.com

Step 2: search and select "St. Elia the Prophet Eastern Orthodox Church" as your preferred charity. There are several St. Elia churches listed. We are the only one in Akron

THIS WEEK'S FEAST DAYS AND SCRIPTURE READINGS

**Monday, July 22 –Holy Myrrhbearer and Equal-to-the-Apostles,
Mary Magdalene**

Epistle: Romans 16:17-24 Gospel: Matthew 13:10-23

Tuesday, July 23 – Martyrs Trophimus, Theophilus, and 13 others

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9 Gospel: Matthew 13:24-30

Wednesday - July 24 – Martyr Christina of Tyre

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 2:9-3:8 Gospel: Matthew 13:31-36

**Thursday, July 25 – Dormition of the Righteous Anna, mother of the
Most-holy Theotokos**

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 3:18-23 Gospel: Matthew 13:35-43

**Friday, July 26 – Repose of St. Jacob, Enlightener of the Alaskan
People**

Epistle: Philippians 3:7-14 Gospel: Mark 10:29-31,42-45

**Saturday, July 27 – Holy Greatmartyr and Healer Panteleimon
Holy Equal-to-the- Apostles Clement, Bishop of Ochrid**

Epistle: 2 Timothy 2:1-10 Gospel: John 15:17-16:2



BLESSING OF NEW ST. ELIA NAMEPLATE

On Sunday, August 4, 2019, our Father and Archbishop Alexander will be with us and bless the new St. Elia Nameplate that will be installed on the front of the entrance steps of the Church. Please mark your calendar and make every effort to participate in this Parish event.

ST. ELIA PARISH MEMBERSHIP FORMS

The Parish Council asks everyone to fill out and sign a Membership Form and will be used to establish voting eligibility and quorums for Parish Meetings. Contact information will be used to maintain communications. Please take the time to pickup a Membership Form, fill it out and handed it in to Father Don or to a Parish Council Member. Thank you!!!

PARISH NAME DAY AND PICNIC

In celebration of our Parish Patronal Feast of St. Elia, following the Divine Liturgy AND Cross Procession, a **PARISH PICNIC** will be held **TODAY, JULY 21**, beginning around noon, at the home of Subdeacon Terrence and Veronica Bilas. Hot Dogs and Burgers will be provided, Please bring your favorite side dish.

"THE CHURCH TREASURER RESIGNS"

The day the Parish treasurer reigned, the Parish asked the local grain elevator manager to take the position. He agreed under two conditions.

That no treasurer's report would be given for the first year.

That no questions would be asked about finances during the year.

The people were surprised but finally agreed since most of them did business with him and he was a trusted man.

At the end of the year he gave this report:

*The church indebtedness of \$228,000 had been paid.

*The minister's salary had been increased by 8%.

*The charitable gifts had been increased by 200%.

*There were no outstanding bills.

*And there was a cash balance of \$11,252!

Immediately the shocked congregation asked, "How did you do it? Where did the money come from?"

He quietly answered: "Most of you bring your grain to my elevator. Throughout the year, I simply withheld 10% on your behalf and gave it to the church in your name. You didn't even miss it"

"Do you see what you can do for the Lord if you are willing to give at least the tithe to God, who really owns you?"

And so the new treasurer had made his point.