

# WEEKLY BULLETIN

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NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



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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*

# **SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES**

**TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 1  
THE BEHEADING OF THE HOLY, GLORIOUS,  
PROPHET, FORERUNNER, AND BAPTIST JOHN-  
*Strict Fast Day***

**Saturday, August 28**

**5:00 pm Great Vespers and Confessions**

**Sunday, August 29**

**9:10 am 3<sup>rd</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Hours: Reader Michael Luc**

**9:30 am Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom**

**Epistle Reader: Reader Michael Luc**

**Epistle: Acts 13:25-33**

**Gospel: Mark 6:14-30**

**ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 2  
Holy Prophet Zachariah and Righteous  
Elizabeth, parents of Saint John the Baptist**

**Saturday, September 4**

**5:00 pm Great Vespers**

**Sunday, September 5**

**9:30 am Greeting of the Archbishop**

**3<sup>rd</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Hours: Reader Aaron Gray**

**TONSURING of Joshua Herman Wherley**

**Pontifical Divine Liturgy of Saint John  
Chrysostom – Archbishop Alexander**

**Epistle: 1 Corinthians 9:2-12**

**Gospel: Matthew 18:23-35**

## **Today's Epistle - Acts 13:25-33**

***The Apostle Paul preaches about the ministry of John the Baptist and about Christ's death in fulfillment of prophecy.***

**As John was completing his work, he said: 'Who do you suppose I am? I am not the one you are looking for. But there is one coming after me whose sandals I am not worthy to untie.' "Fellow children of Abraham and you God-fearing Gentiles, it is to us that this message of salvation has been sent. The people of Jerusalem and their rulers did not recognize Jesus, yet in condemning him they fulfilled the words of the prophets that are read every Sabbath. Though they found no proper ground for a death sentence, they asked Pilate to have him executed. When they had carried out all that was written about him, they took him down from the cross and laid him in a tomb. But God raised him from the dead, and for many days he was seen by those who had traveled with him from Galilee to Jerusalem. They are now his witnesses to our people. "We tell you the good news: What God promised our ancestors he has fulfilled for us, their children, by raising up Jesus. As it is written in the second Psalm: "You are my son; today I have become your father.'**

## **Today's Gospel - Mark 6:14-30**

***The Forerunner John is martyred for standing up for his convictions***

**And king Herod heard of him; (for his name was spread abroad:) and he said, That John the Baptist was risen from the dead, and therefore mighty works do shew forth themselves in him. Others said, That it is Elias. And others said, That it is a prophet, or as one of the prophets.**

**But when Herod heard thereof, he said, It is John, whom I beheaded: he is risen from the dead. For Herod himself had sent forth and laid hold upon John, and bound him in prison for Herodias' sake, his brother Philip's wife: for he had married her. For John had said unto Herod, It is not lawful for thee to have thy brother's wife. Therefore Herodias had a quarrel against him, and would have killed him; but she could not: For Herod feared John, knowing that he was a just man and an holy, and observed him; and when he heard him, he did many things, and heard him gladly.**

**And when a convenient day was come, that Herod on his birthday made a supper to his lords, high captains, and chief estates of Galilee; And when the daughter of the said Herodias came in, and danced, and pleased Herod and them that sat with him, the king said unto the damsel, Ask of me whatsoever thou wilt, and I will give it thee. And he sware unto her, Whatsoever thou shalt ask of me, I will give it thee, unto the half of my kingdom And she went forth, and said unto her**

**mother, What shall I ask? And she said, The head of John the Baptist. And she came in straightway with haste unto the king, and asked, saying, I will that thou give me by and by in a charger the head of John the Baptist. And the king was exceeding sorry; yet for his oath's sake, and for their sakes which sat with him, he would not reject her. And immediately the king sent an executioner, and commanded his head to be brought: and he went and beheaded him in the prison, And brought his head in a charger, and gave it to the damsel: and the damsel gave it to her mother.**

**And when his disciples heard of it, they came and took up his corpse, and laid it in a tomb. And the apostles gathered themselves together unto Jesus, and told him all things, both what they had done, and what they had taught.**



# HOW TO GREET AN ORTHODOX PRIEST OR BISHOP

Here we explain how to greet a priest or bishop in the Orthodox Church.

## 1. Cup your hands in front of you.

Place your right hand over your left, and turn your palms to face upward.



## 2. Bow slightly at the waist and say, “Father/Master bless.”

Asking for a blessing lets the priest or bishop know that you wish to greet him, and he will bless you with the **sign of the cross**, extend his hand to you, and place it in your cupped palms.

## 3. Kiss the back of the priest or bishop’s hand.

This kiss serves as both a greeting and an acceptance of the blessing the priest/bishop has given you.



# St. ELIA

ORTHODOX  CHURCH

**‘FOR NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE WITH GOD’ 1 Cor. 16:13**

Dear Faithful and Friends of St. Elia,

This coming Labor Day weekend, September 4-5, 2021, we at St. Elia will be celebrating 75 years of witnessing to Jesus Christ as a Parish community. Our Father and Archbishop Alexander will be with us for the Anniversary weekend.

## 75th CELEBRATION SCHEDULE:

### Saturday, September 4:

5:00 PM Great Vespers followed by Hor d’oeuvres/ Wine Reception in the parish hall.

### Sunday, September 5:

9:30 AM . Tonsuring of Joshua Herman Wherley as Reader  
Pontifical Divine Liturgy with Archbishop and Clergy

12 Noon BBQ ‘Family -Style’ luncheon catered by Waterloo  
Restaurant

Adults (16 yr. and up) \$15.00

Youth (7-15 yr.) \$10.00

Children (6 yr. and under- free

**Luncheon tickets are by Pre-Paid ONLY  
by August 31<sup>st</sup>.**

**DIOCESAN CONFERENCE**  
**Saints Cyril and Methodius Orthodox Church**  
**Lorain, Ohio - September 25 and 26, 2021**

**REMEMBERING THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES**

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

**REMEMBERING OUR SICK AND SHUT-INS**

Metropolitan Herman  
Archbishop Paul  
Archbishop Benjamin  
Joseph Boyle (brother of Kathy Gray)  
Sandra Dodovich (mother of Tony Dodovich)  
Phyllis (sister of Rose Marie Vronick)  
Angelo Lambo and Florence Lambo  
Larissa Freude Newman  
Subdeacon Martin Paluch  
Reader William Paluch  
Martin Vronick and Rose Marie Vronick  
Niki Bober (President of Orthodox Christian Women)  
Pani Dolores Zuder  
Matushka Myra Kovalak  
Mitred Archpriest Daniel Kovalak  
Matushka Christine Zebren  
Matushka Laryssa Huntyan  
Geoffrey Michael Lubic  
Sue Ellen Turscak

**OUR STEWARDSHIP – August 22, 2021**

**Candles: \$ 29.00**

**Special Donations: 500.00**

**Sunday Offering: 884.35**

**TOTAL: \$1,413.35**

**Orthodox Christian Prison Ministry**

**Diocesan Matching Fund: \$275.00**



## **PANDEMIC GUIDELINES**

**Since the beginning of the Covid-19 Pandemic we have been taking every PRECAUTION to protect the health and well-bring of all our people. In accordance with the CDC, the State of Ohio, and our Diocesan Directives, St. Elia Parish will follow these directives:**

- 1) If you are sick and/or exhibit coronavirus symptoms, you must refrain from attending services.**
  
- 2) While the CDC and the State of Ohio have lifted the mask mandate, the social distancing and capacity restrictions, the State officials recommend that unvaccinated people continue to wear the masks indoors. The Diocesan Directives stress that everyone is welcome to continued wearing face coverings if there is any level of discomfort with this new guidance.**
  
- 3) The kissing of Icons, the Cross, the Gospel Book, the Chalice and the priest's hand when receiving the blessing is permitted if you are comfortable doing so**
  
- 4) The sanitizer and masks are available in the vestibule for your convenience**