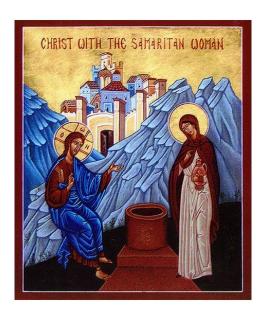
#### WEEKLY BULLETIN

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# SAINT ELIA 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

## Synaxarion for the Sunday of the Samaritan Woman.



This Samaritan woman was later called by Christ Photini (which means "illumined"), and together with her seven children she received a martyr's crown during the reign of Nero the emperor. She had five daughters, Anatolia, Phota, Photida, Paraskeva, and Kyriake, and two sons, Victor and Joseph.

## SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES PASCHAL SEASON

5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF PASCHA-Tone 4 – Samaritan Woman Saturday, May 21

5:00 pm Great Vespers

Sunday, May 22

9:10 am 3<sup>rd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Hours: Bud Graham

9:30 am Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom

**Epistle Reader: Bud Graham** 

Epistle: Acts 11:19-26,29-30 Gospel: John 4:5-42

6<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF PASCHA-Tone 5 – Man Born Blind Saturday, May 28

5:00 pm Great Vespers

Sunday, May 29

9:10 am 3<sup>rd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Hours: Sandy Graham

9:30 am Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom

**Epistle Reader: Sandy Graham** 

**Epistle: Acts 16:16-34 Gospel: John 9:1-38** 

#### MYSTERY OF HOLY MATRIMONY

3:00 pm – The Mystery of Holy Matrimony will be celebrated for Kostadin Georgiev Kostadinov and Sarah Juliana Niglio. Sponsors: Bud and Sandy Graham.

#### Christ is Risen! Indeed, He is Risen!

Christos Voskrese! Voistinnu Voskrese!

Christos Anesti! Alithos anesti! El Messieh Qam! Hakken kahm

Hristos a Inviat! Adevarat a inviat

Christus ist auferstanden! Wahrlich Er ist auferstanden!

Cristo e' risorto! Veramente e risorto!

Le Christ est ressucite! En verite il est ressucite!

#### **BANNS OF HOLY MATRIMONY**

Banns of Holy Matrimony are announced for Kostadin Georgiev Kostadinov and Sarah Juliana Niglio. The Mystery of Holy Matrimony will be celebrated on May 29. Bud and Sandy Graham are the Sponsors (Kum and Kuma)

#### The 20th All-American Council

The 20th All-American Council is scheduled to take place Monday, July 18th - Friday, July 22nd, 2022, in Baltimore, Maryland at the Hilton Baltimore Inner Harbor Hotel. Saint Elia the Prophet Orthodox Church will be represented by Mitred Archpriest Don Anthony Freude and the lay delegate, Popadia Donna Marie Freude, was elected at the Parish Meeting held on Sunday, May 15

The first plenary session of the 20th All-American Council is slated to convene at 7:00 pm on Monday, July 18.

Hierarchical Divine Liturgies will be served every day from Tuesday to Friday with the Synodal Liturgy being served, as in the past, on Thursday morning.

A Panikhida for all the departed clergy and laymen of the Orthodox Church in America since the last AAC will be served on Wednesday at 5:30 PM.

On Thursday evening, the Grand Banquet is scheduled to begin at 7 PM.

The final plenary session will convene on Friday, July 22 slated to conclude by 1 PM.

#### TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

**Epistle: Acts 11:19-26, 29-30** 

Now those who were scattered after the persecution that arose over Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia, Cyprus, and Antioch, preaching the word to no one but the Jews only. But some of them were men from Cyprus and Cyrene, who, when they had come to Antioch, spoke to the Hellenists, preaching the Lord Jesus. And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number believed and turned to the Lord. Then news of these things came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent out Barnabas to go as far as Antioch. When he came and had seen the grace of God, he was glad, and encouraged them all that with purpose of heart they should continue with the Lord. For he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a great many people were added to the Lord. Then Barnabas departed for Tarsus to seek Saul. And when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. So it was that for a whole year they assembled with the church and taught a great many people.

And the disciples were first called Christians in Antioch.

Then the disciples, each according to his ability, determined to send relief to the brethren dwelling in Judea. This they also did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul.

#### Gospel: John 4:5-42

So He came to a city of Samaria which is called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Now Jacob's well was there. Jesus therefore, being wearied from *His* journey, sat thus by the well. It was about the sixth hour. A woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give Me a drink." For His disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.

Then the woman of Samaria said to Him, "How is it that You, being a Jew, ask a drink from me, a Samaritan woman?" For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans. Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water."

The woman said to Him, "Sir, You have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep. Where then do You get that living water? Are You greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, as well as his sons and his livestock?"

Jesus answered and said to her, "Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again, <sup>14</sup> but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life."The woman said to Him, "Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw."

Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." The woman answered and said, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You have well said, 'I have no husband,' for you have had five husbands, and the one whom you now have is not your husband; in that you spoke truly." The woman said to Him, "Sir, I perceive that You are a prophet. Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, and you *Jews* say that in Jerusalem is the place where one ought to worship."

Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe Me, the hour is coming when you will neither on this mountain, nor in Jerusalem, worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we know what we worship, for salvation is of the Jews. But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. God *is* Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to Him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When He comes, He will tell us all things. "Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am *He*."

#### The Whitened Harvest

And at this *point* His disciples came, and they marveled that He talked with a woman; yet no one said, "What do You seek?" or, "Why are You talking with her?"

The woman then left her waterpot, went her way into the city, and said to the men, "Come, see a Man who told me all things that I ever did. Could this be the Christ?" Then they went out of the city and came to Him.

In the meantime His disciples urged Him, saying, "Rabbi, eat." But He said to them, "I have food to eat of which you do not know. "Therefore the disciples said to one another, "Has anyone brought Him *anything* to eat?"

Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me, and to finish His work. Do you not say, 'There are still four months and *then* comes the harvest'? Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look at the fields, for they are already white for harvest! And he who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, that both he who sows and he who reaps may rejoice together. For in this the saying is true: 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that for which you have not labored; others have labored, and you have entered into their labors."

#### The Savior of the World

And many of the Samaritans of that city believed in Him because of the word of the woman who testified, "He told me all that I *ever* did." So when the Samaritans had come to Him, they urged Him to stay with them; and He stayed there two days. And many more believed because of His own word. Then they said to the woman, "Now we believe, not because of what you said, for we ourselves have heard *Him* and we know that this is indeed the Christ, the Savior of the world."

## 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 SHUTINS

Metropolitan Herman

Archbishop Benjamin

Archbishop Nathaniel

Joseph Boyle (brother of Kathy Gray)

Phyllis (sister of Rose Marie Vronick)

Angelo Lambo and Florence Lambo

Martin Vronick and Rose Marie Vronick

Pani Dolores Zuder

Matushka Myra Kovalak

Mitred Archpriest Daniel Kovalak

Matushka Christine Zebren

Matushka Laryssa Huntyan

Sarah Niglio

Gregory Sugden

**Eve Tavenier** 

Sue Ellen Turscak

#### Christ is Risen! Indeed, He is risen!

Christus resurrexit! Vere resurrexit!
Hristos vaskrse! Vaistunu vaskrse!
Krishti U Ngjail! Vertet U Ngjall!
Krisztus feltamadt! Valoban feltmadt!

### CHRISTIAN ORTHODOX COUNCIL OF AKRON

Congratulations to the newly elected officers of (COCA) the Christian Orthodox Council of Akron. President -Judge Kathryn Michaels (St. George Church); Vice President – Michele Lambo (St. Elia Church); Secretary – Mary Marcin (St. Elia Church); Treasurer = Lou Poplos (Annunciation Church) The Installation will be held on Monday, June 13, at St. Nicholas Church, at the COCA Picnic.

OUR STEWARDHIP -	May	15, 2022
Candles:	\$	38.00
<b>Sunday Offering:</b>	1	,145.00
TOTAL:	\$1	,183.00
<b>Tithely Donations:</b>	\$	157.47
PayPal donations:		65.00
TOTAL:	\$	222.47

#### Visit the St. Elia Shop

If you haven't visited the little St. Elia "shop" downstairs in the parish hall lately, we are carrying a number of new items including coffee mugs with quotes from the saints, and St. Elia T-shirts and baseball caps. If you are interested in a piece of St. Elia "spirit wear" in a certain size or style that's not currently available, please see Aaron Gray about a special order. All proceeds go toward the life and ministry of our parish. Thank you for your support.

#### **PANDEMIC GUIDELINES**

Since the beginning of the <u>Covid-19 Pandemic</u> we have been taking every PRECAUTION to protect the health and well-being of our people. St. Elia Parish will follow these directives:

- 1) If you are sick and/or exhibit coronavirus symptoms, you must refrain from attending services.
- 2)The CDC recommends masking while indoors if you are unvaccinated, sanitizing your hands and to maintain social distancing.
- 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

Christ is Risen! Indeed, He is risen!

Kristos voskres! Voistinu voskres!

Christos vstal zmrtvych! Vpravde vstal z mrtvych!

Cristo ha resucitado! En verdad ha resucitado!

Christos t'ensah em' muhtam! Exai' ab-her eokala!