

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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Ninth Sunday After Pentecost



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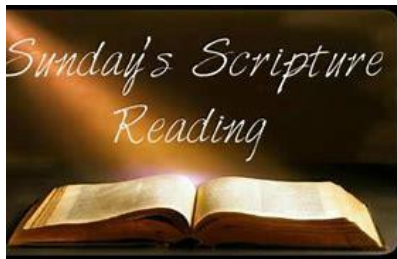
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*His Eminence Alexander, Archbishop of Toledo, Bulgarian Diocese, OCA
Very Rev. Mitred Archpriest Father Don Anthony Freude, Parish Rector
Rev. Protodeacon James M. Gresh, Attached*



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Sarah Costadinova
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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
August 16 – 7:00 pm



Sunday, August 14: Subdeacon Terrence Bilas
Anastasia Bohush
Sunday, August 21: Sue Ellen Turscak
Sunday, August 28: Bud Graham
Sunday, September 4 – Sandy Graham
Sunday, September 11 – Reader Michael Luc

SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES

DORMITION FAST

9th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 8 – Forefeast of the Dormition of the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary

Saturday, August 13

5:00 pm Great Vespers and Confession

Sunday Morning, August 14

9:10 am 3rd and 6th Hours: Subdeacon Terrence Bilas

9:30 am Divine Liturgy of Saint John

Chrysostom

Epistle Reader: Anastasia Bohush

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 3:9-17

Gospel: Matthew 14:22-34

**DORMITION OF OUR MOST HOLY LADY
THEOTOKOS AND EVER-VIRGIN MARY**

Sunday Evening, August 14

**5:00 pm Matins and Lamentations before the Shroud
of the Mother of God**

Blessing of flowers and herbs

Monday, August 15

8:00 am Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

**10th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 1 – Afterfeast
of the Dormition of the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary**

Saturday, August 20

5:00 pm Great Vespers and Confession

Sunday Morning, August 21

9:10 am 3rd and 6th Hours: Sue Ellen Turscak

9:30 am Divine Liturgy of Saint John

Chrysostom

Epistle Reader: Sue Ellen Turscak

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 4:9-16

Gospel: Matthew 17:14-23

VESPERS VERSES
FOREFEAST OF THE DORMITION OF THE
THEOTOKOS AND EVER-VIRGIN MARY

Let us pray and rejoice!

Let us sound the cymbals!
Let us shout aloud in hymns, acclaiming in
anticipation the feast of the Virgin's departure!
Let us joyfully call out at the tomb with songs,
for the Mother of God, the golden ark,
now prepares to pass over from earth to heaven,
as she is translated to the divine brightness of new
and divine life!

Today the company of Apostles
is wondrously gathered from the ends of the earth;
for the living city of Him Who is the Master of all
hastens to depart gloriously from the earth to what is
higher, and join the chorus with the King, her Son.
Sing a hymn of departure at her divine burial,
united in mind with the heavenly hosts!

Come now and gather on the Prefeast, company of
priests, kings and rulers, together with the ranks of
virgins! Assemble together, all people, sending up
funeral songs!

For tomorrow the Queen of all, bound for the
mansions of heaven, will commit her soul into the
hands of her Son.

MATINS AND LAMENTATIONS
DORMITION OF THE THEOTOKOS

On this Sunday evening, August 14, we will gather together for the Vigil Service of the Dormition of the Theotokos beginning at 5:00 pm.

St. Elia Parish Family has been gifted with a **SHROUD** depicting the Falling Sleep of the Holy Virgin Mary by Richard and Elaine Baranko of Livonia, Michigan in memory of Larissa Freude-Newman. As on Good Friday, a Grave has been prepared to receive the Shroud which will remain in the center of the Church for the eight-day Afterfeast.

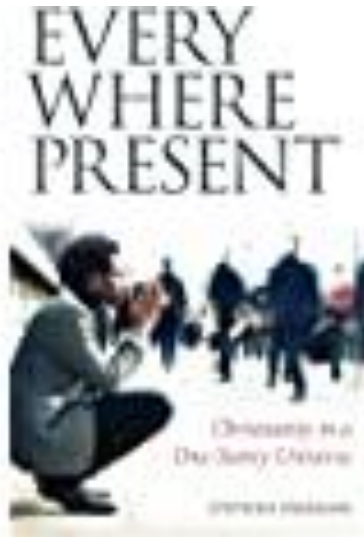
FEAST OF THE DORMITION OF THE THEOTOKOS
BLESSING OF FLOWERS AND HERBS

According to a fairly ancient tradition, which St John Damascene (among others) attests in the 8th century, when it came time for the Virgin Mary's earthly life to end, all of the Apostles, then scattered over the earth to preach the Gospel, were miraculously brought to Jerusalem to be present for Her death. St Thomas, however, was late in arriving, as he had been late to witness the Lord's Resurrection.

When the Virgin had died, they laid Her body to rest in a tomb in the garden of Gethsemane, outside the city; three days later, when Thomas arrived in Jerusalem, he wished to venerate it. The Apostles went as a group to the tomb, but on opening it, discovered that Her body was no longer there, and a sweet odor came forth, confirming that (as Damascene writes) "who after birth preserved Her virginity incorrupt, it also pleased, after Her passing, to honor Her immaculate body ... by translating (it to Heaven) before the common and universal resurrection.

At the Vigil on Sunday evening, August 14, flowers and herbs will be blessed. Please bring your flowers and herbs to be blessed at the conclusion of the Service.

SAINT ELIA FALL BOOK STUDY



Have you ever referred to God as the Man upstairs?

Most Christians living in a secular society have unwittingly relegated God and all things spiritual to the second story of the universe: a realm we cannot reach except through death. The effect of this is to banish God, along with the saints and angels, from our everyday lives.

In ***Everywhere Present***, popular blogger and podcaster Fr. Stephen Freeman makes a compelling case for becoming aware of God's living and active presence in every moment of our lives here and now. Learning to practice your Christian faith in a one-story universe will change your life and make possible the living, intimate relationship with God you always dreamed of.

Interested? Target date: September 12, 2022.

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**REMEMBERING 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

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
Florence Lambo
Martin Vronick
Rose Marie Vronick
Nicoletta (Nikki) Bober
Pani Dolores Zuder
Matushka Myra Kovalak
Mitered Archpriest Daniel Kovalak
Matushka Christine Zebren
Matushka Laryssa Hutnyan
Ted Theodore
Sarah Costadinova
Eve Tavenier
Geoffrey Michael Lubic

PANDEMIC GUIDELINES

Since the beginning of the Covid-19 Pandemic 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

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

Sunday, August 7, 2022

Candles:	\$ 41.00
Improvement Fund:	55.00
<u>Sunday Offering:</u>	<u>670.00</u>
TOTAL:	\$766.00

Tithley Offerings:	\$212.73
<u>PayPal Offerings:</u>	<u>35.00</u>
TOTAL:	\$247.73



Visit the St. Elia Bookstore etc.

If you haven't visited the little St. Elia "shop" downstairs in the parish hall lately, we are carrying several 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.

2022 DIOCESAN CONFERENCE

Saturday, October 8 and Sunday, October 9
St. George Cathedral, Rossford (Toledo)
Delegates: Father Don Freude
Reader Joshua Wherley