

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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Fifteenth 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

His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon Calls for Prayer for Those Facing Hurricanes Ian and Fiona

To the clergy, monastics, and faithful of the Orthodox Church in America,

As Hurricane Ian approaches Florida and as we see the extensive damage to the Atlantic Provinces from Hurricane Fiona, I am calling on all of the faithful of the Orthodox Church in America to intensify their prayer for the affected and suffering of both these regions.

Hurricane Ian is predicted to make landfall shortly. Its strength is considered extremely dangerous, and millions of people are under mandatory evacuation orders. Likewise, a few days ago, Hurricane Fiona devastated Atlantic Canada, killed three people, swept entire homes out to sea, and leaves thousands without power. I ask that you intensify your prayers for everyone in the midst of these natural disasters. In particular, for those facing Hurricane Ian, please pray for the safety of the people and parishes of the Orthodox Church in America in addition to all Floridians. Likewise, pray for those suffering and struggling to rebuild in the aftermath of Hurricane Fiona. For those who have already lost their lives in this disaster we ask that the Lord grant them a place of rest “where there is neither sickness, nor sorrow, nor sighing, but life everlasting”. May Christ our true God, who “rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, ‘Peace! Be still!’” (Mk. 4:39), protect all facing the coming storm and bring comfort and hope to those now suffering.

I remain sincerely yours in Christ, +Tikhon
Archbishop of Washington
Metropolitan of All America and Canad



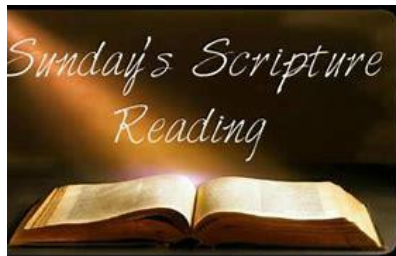
President: John Bohush
Vice President: Subdeacon Terrence Bilas
Secretary: Reader Aaron Gray
Treasurer: Reader Joshua Wherley
Members: Veronica Bilas Bud Graham
Sarah Costadinova
COCA Representative: Mary Marcin

PARISH MEETING

Today, Sunday, September 25 following Liturgy

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, November 1 – 7:00 pm



**Sunday, October 2 - Hours - Subdeacon Terence Bilas
Epistle – Anastasia Bohush**
Sunday, October 9 - Sue Ellen Turscak
Sunday, October 16 - Bud Graham
Sunday, October 23 – Sandy Graham

SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES

**Saturday, October 1 – The Protection of our most-holy
Lady Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary**

16th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 7

**Hieromartyr Cyprian, Virgin-Martyr Justina and Martyr
Theoctist of Nicomedia**

Saturday, October 1

5:00 pm Great Vespers and Confession

Sunday, October 2

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

9:30 am Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom

Epistle Reader: Anastasia Bohush

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 6:1-10 Gospel: Luke 6:31-36

17th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 8

**Holy Apostle James, Son of Alphaeus. Glorification of St.
Tikhon, Patriarch of Moscow, Enlightener of North
America**

Saturday, October 8

5:00 pm Vespers - Protodeacon Jamees

Sunday, October 9

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

9:30 am Typica Service with Presanctified Gifts

Protodeacon James

Epistle Reader: Sue Ellen Turscak

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 6:16-7:1 Gospel 7:11-16

**The 2022 DIOCESAN CONFERENCE will be held
on Saturday, October 8 and Sunday, October 9 at
St. George Cathedral, Rossford (Toledo) St. Elia
will be represented by Father Don Freude, Parish
Priest and Reader Joshua Wherley, Lay Delegate.
Divine Services next Saturday and Sunday will be
celebrated by Protodeacon James Gresh.
Presanctified Holy Communion will be distributed.**

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 6:1-10

[1](#) We then, as workers together with Him also plead with you not to receive the grace of God in vain.

[2](#) For He says: "In an acceptable time I have heard you, And in the day of salvation I have helped you." Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.

[3](#) We give no offense in anything, that our ministry may not be blamed.

[4](#) But in all things we commend ourselves as ministers of God: in much patience, in tribulations, in needs, in distresses,

[5](#) in stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labors, in sleeplessness, in fastings;

[6](#) by purity, by knowledge, by longsuffering, by kindness, by the Holy Spirit, by sincere love,

[7](#) by the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armor of righteousness on the right hand and on the left,

[8](#) by honor and dishonor, by evil report and good report; as deceivers, and yet true;

[9](#) as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold we live; as chastened, and yet not killed;

[10](#) as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things.

Gospel: Luke 6:31-36

³¹ And just as you want men to do to you, you also do to them likewise.

³² "But if you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. ³³ And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. ³⁴ And if you lend to *those* from whom you hope to receive back, what credit is that to you? For even sinners lend to sinners to receive as much back. ³⁵ But love your enemies, do good, and lend, ^[a]hoping for nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High. For He is kind to the unthankful and evil. ³⁶ Therefore be merciful, just as your Father also is merciful.

HAY RIDE AND OUTING – Sunday October 23

3:30 pm - at Kingsway Farms in Hartville.

General Admission and Activities:

\$10/per person; \$8/Seniors; 3/under free.

Please sign the list in the hall.

Questions: ask Veronica Bilas

IN THE ARMED FORCES

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

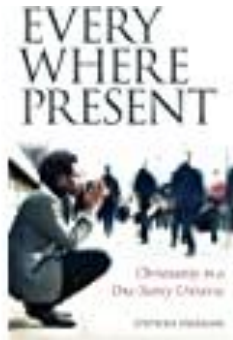
REMEMBERING OUR SICK AND SHUTINS

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
Geoffrey Michael Lubic

Rose Marie Vronick is in Windsor Medical
Center, 1454 East Maple Street, NW, Canton,
Ohio, 44720-2634

Angelo Lambo is at Timberland Ridge, 3558
Ridgewood Road, Fairlawn, Ohio, 44333

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.

St. Elia Book Study dates:

October 11, 2022 – 7:00 pm - Chapters 4 and 5

October 25, 2022 – 7:00 pm - Chapters 6 and 7

November 8, 2022 – 7:00 pm - Chapters 8 - 11

Please contact Reader Joshua Wherley: (330) 714-8804

josh.wherley@gmail.com

This year, 2022, Archbishop Alexander will be with us for our Saint Nicholas Celebration on December 11. Mark your calendars and keep this date.



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.

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

Sunday, September 25, 2022

Candles:	\$ 51.00
Bookstore:	20.00
<u>Sunday Offering:</u>	<u>214.00</u>
TOTAL:	\$285.00

Tithley Offerings: \$ 133.61

Bills come and must be paid on a regular basis. Our weekly offerings are very important, either through Sunday Offerings or by Tithely or PayPal

ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN
WOMEN

Annual Welcome and
Fellowship Tea

Sunday, October 9, 2022 2 pm
St. Thomas Eastern Orthodox Church
555 South Cleveland-Massillon Rd.
Fairlawn

*Please join us for an afternoon of faith
and friendship. All are welcome!*

MY SPIRITUAL JOURNEY

Presented by
Very Rev.Fr. Vladimir Bakurdzhiev

Fr. Vlado shares his experiences in the secular
and spiritual worlds from his beginnings in
Bulgaria to his life in America as a long -
distance truck driver and a priest. He currently
serves the Parish of St. Thomas Eastern
Orthodox Church

*Orthodox Woman of the Year Award
will be presented to Rose Marie
Vronick of our St. Elia Parish!*

ORTHODOX MISSION WALK

October 15 9am - 1 pm_Where?
Akron Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 7
2610 Ley Drive, Akron, OH 443319

FREE WILL OFFERINGS ACCEPTED

*Proceeds go to
OCMC, IOCC, & Shelter Care*

*LUNCH INCLUDED!
FAMILY & PET FIRENDLY*

Register and Donate \$10 or more by
Sept. 18
And you will get the highly collectible
T-shirt!

QUESTIONS? CONTACT MARY
O'CONNOR KITS AO@AOL.COM

