

# WEEKLY BULLETIN

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21<sup>st</sup> 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*

# SAINT ELIA THE PROPHET PARISH

## 2022 Parish Council

President: John Bohush

V. President: Subdeacon Terrence Bilas

Secretary: Reader Aaron Gray

Treasurer: Reader Joshua Wherley

Members: Veronica Bilas Bud Graham Sarah

Costadinova COCA Representative: Mary Marcin

Choir Director: Subdeacon Terrence A. Bilas

Assistant Directors: Anastasia Bohush

Deaconisa Heidi Gresh, Reader Michael Luc

Church School: Anastasia Bohush

## Sisterhood of St. Juliana:

President: Veronica Bilas, Vice President, Sandy Graham, Secretary: Sarah Niglio; Treasurer: Mary Magensky

## Workers of St. Elizabeth the New Martyr:

Coordinators: Reader Aaron Gray, Veronica Bilas

## Scheduled Readers:

**Sunday, November 6 – Hours: Mary Beth Gray**

**Epistle: Reader Aaron Gray**

**Sunday, November 13 - Deaconisa Heidi Gresh**

**Sunday, November 20 - Reader Joshua Wherley**

**Sunday, November 27 - Hours: Subdeacon Terrence Bilas**

**Epistle Anastasia Bohush**

# **SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES**

**21<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 4**

**St. Paul the Confessor, Archbishop of Constantinople**

**Saturday, November 5**

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

**Sunday, November 6**

**9:10 am 3<sup>rd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Hours: Marybeth Gray**

**9:30 am Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom**

**Epistle Reader: Reader Aaron Gray**

**Epistle: Galatians 2:16-20      Gospel: Luke 8:41-56**

## **SISTERHOOD OF ST. JULIANA MEETING**

*Following the Divine Liturgy*

**SYNAXIS OF THE ARCHANGEL MICHAEL and the other Bodiless Powers: Archangels Gabriel, Raphael, Uriel, Selaphiel, Jegudiel and Barachiel**

**Monday, November 7 – 6:00 pm**

**Vesperal Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom**

**22<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 5**

**Saint John Chrysostom, Archbishop of Constantinople**

**Saturday, November 12**

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

**Sunday, November 13**

**9:10 am 3<sup>rd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Hours: Deaconisa Heidi Gresh**

**9:30 am Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom**

**Epistle Reader: Deaconisa Heidi Gresh**

**Epistle: Galatians 6:11-18    Hebrews 7:26-8:2**

**Gospel: Luke 10:25-37    John 10:9-16**

## **GENERAL PARISH MEETING**

*Following the Divine Liturgy*

# THE ADVENT WREATH

On Tuesday, November 15, forty days prior to the celebration of the Feast of Christmas, the Holy Orthodox Church begins the Christmas Fast. This period of six weeks is often called *Advent* which means *The Coming* and refers to the Coming of our lord and Savior Jesus Christ in the Mystery of His Holy Nativity.

The Feast of the Nativity of our Lord together with Feast of His Baptism in the Jordan are Feasts of Light celebrating the coming and manifestation of Christ the Light of the world. Nature itself helps us to experience these Feasts of Light. With the coming of winter, the days get shorter and the nights longer, but once we reach Christmas itself the reverse begins to happen. Nature prepares for the Coming of Christ, the Light in the darkness and so do we during the Holy Season of Advent.

To help in our preparation, we will have an Advent Wreath in Church. The Wreath, made of evergreens, will have six candles on it. **This Sunday, November 13, we will light the first candle on the wreath along with our Advent Prayers**

*Prepare O Bethlehem, for Eden has been opened to all! Adorn yourself O Ephrathah, for the tree of life blossoms forth from the Virgin in the cave! Her womb is a spiritual paradise planted with the Divine Fruit: For if we eat of it, we shall live forever and not die like Adam. Christ comes to restore the image which He made in the beginning.*

# SUNDAY SCRIPTURE READINGS

## **Epistle: Galatians 2:16-20**

Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.

But if, while we seek to be justified by Christ, we ourselves also are found sinners, is therefore Christ the minister of sin? God forbid.

For if I build again the things which I destroyed, I make myself a transgressor.

For I through the law am dead to the law, that I might live unto God.

I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ lives in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.

## **Gospel: Luke 8:41-56**

And behold, there came a man named Jairus, and he was a ruler of the synagogue. And he fell down at Jesus' feet and begged Him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter about twelve years of age, and she was dying.

But as He went, the multitudes thronged Him. Now a woman, having a flow of blood for twelve years, who had spent all her livelihood on physicians and could not be healed by any, came from behind and touched the border of His garment. And immediately her flow of blood stopped.

And Jesus said, “Who touched Me?”

When all denied it, Peter <sup>6</sup>and those with him said, “Master, the multitudes throng and press You, <sup>7</sup>and You say, ‘Who touched Me?’ ”

But Jesus said,  
“Somebody touched Me, for I perceived <sup>8</sup>power going out from Me.”

Now when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling; and falling down before Him, she declared to Him in the presence of all the people the reason she had touched Him and how she was healed immediately.

And He said to her,  
“Daughter, <sup>9</sup>be of good cheer; <sup>10</sup>your faith has made you well. Go in peace.”

### ***Jairus's Daughter is Raised***

While He was still speaking, someone came from the ruler of the synagogue's *house*, saying to him, “Your daughter is dead. Do not trouble the <sup>2</sup>Teacher.”

But when Jesus heard *it*, He answered him, saying, “Do not be afraid; <sup>1</sup>only believe, and she will be made well.”

When He came into the house, He permitted no one to go <sup>1</sup>in except Peter, James, and John, and the father and mother of the girl.

Now all wept and mourned for her;  
but He said, Do not weep; she is not dead, but sleeping.”

And they ridiculed Him, knowing that she was dead. But He <sup>3</sup>put them all outside, took her by the hand and called, saying, “Little girl, arise.” Then her spirit returned, and she arose immediately. And He commanded that she be given something to eat. And her parents were astonished, but He charged them to tell no one what had happened.

**2023 PARISH COUNCIL ELECTION**

It is that time of the year to make plans for 2023. And so, following the Divine Liturgy a Parish Meeting will be held **NEXT Sunday, November 13**, to elect the members of the 2023 Parish Council.

**Please submit your nominees to the Nominating Committee: Tony Dodovich, Sandy Graham, Ana Bohush.** No nominees will be taken at the meeting.

**SAINT NICHOLAS DAY CELEBATION**  
**DECEMBER 11, 2022**

Our Father and Archbishop Alexander will be with us for our St. Nicholas Celebration. **On this festive occasion, Reader Aaron Gray will be vested with the Sticharion and the girded with Orar of the Subdeacon. Then Archbishop Alexander, with the Laying of Hands, will ordain Reader Aaron a Subdeacon of the Church of Saint Elia.**

*Mark your calendars and keep this date!*

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*Never seek to correct each other with anger,  
but only with humility and sincere love,  
because one temptation  
does not cast out another temptation.*

St. Joseph the Hesychast

**REMEMBERING THOSE SERVING IN THE**  
**ARMED FORCES**

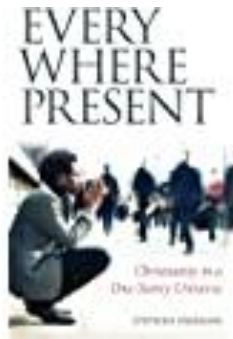
Subdeacon Anthony Freude,  
son of Fr Don and Popadia Donna Freude  
Egor Cravcenco,  
son of Serghei and Ludmila Cravcenco

**REMEMBERING OUR SICK AND SHUTINS**

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  
Kalie Obeng-Fiorg  
Marybeth Gray  
**Rose Marie Vronick** – Village of St. Edward  
at Green, 3813 Fortuna Drive 44312  
**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.

**Saint Elia Book Study Last Session:  
November 8, 2022 – 7:00 pm - Chapters 9 - 11**

Please contact Reader Joshua Wherley: (330) 714-8804 [josh.wherley@gmail.com](mailto:josh.wherley@gmail.com)



## **Visit the St. Elia Bookstore**

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 (check-out our new 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

### **STEWARDSHIP**

**Sunday, October 30, 2022**

<b>Candles:</b>	<b>\$44.00</b>
<b><u>Sunday Offering:</u></b>	<b><u>620.00</u></b>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$664.00</b>

<b>Tithley Offerings:</b>	<b>\$ 302.24</b>
<b><u>PayPal Offering:</u></b>	<b><u>45.00</u></b>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 347.24</b>