

# ST. ELIAS THE PROPHET CHURCH BULLETIN

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## Sergius & Bacchus the Great Martyrs of Syria

*October 7*

These holy Martyrs rank in the service of Maximian, to whom it did not take part in the When he called them confessed their Faith had them arrayed in paraded through the They were afterwards Saint Bacchus died.



were Romans of high the Emperor was reported that they festivals of the idols. into his presence, they in the one God. He women's clothes and streets in mockery. scourged, from which This was about the

year 296. Saint Sergius was then taken to Resapha in Syria, where he was tortured and beheaded. His tomb in Resapha became a very famous shrine, to which pilgrims came from as far away as Western Europe; Resapha was later renamed Sergiopolis in his honour.

## Epistle Reading

St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 9:6-11

BRETHREN, he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that you may always have enough of everything and may provide in abundance for every good work. As it is written, "He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever." He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your resources and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will

be enriched in every way for great generosity, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God.

## Gospel Reading

Luke 7:11-16 3rd Sunday of Luke

At that time, Jesus went to a city called Nain, and his disciples and a great crowd went with him. As he drew near to the gate of the city, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow; and a large crowd from the city was with her. And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep." And he came and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." And the dead man sat up, and began to speak. And he gave him to his mother. Fear seized them all; and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has arisen among us!" and "God has visited his people!"

## Resurrectional Apolytikion First Tone

The stone had been secured with a seal by the Judeans, and a guard of soldiers was watching Your immaculate body. You rose on the third day, O Lord and Savior, granting life unto the world. For this reason were the powers of heaven crying out to You, O Life-giver: Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ; glory to Your eternal rule; glory to Your dispensation, only One who loves mankind.

## Church Apolytikion

The incarnate Angel and the Prophets' summit and boast, the second fore-runner of the coming of Christ, Elias, the glorious, from above he has sent down his grace upon Elisha; he doth cast out sickness and also doth cleanse the lepers; and unto all that honor him, streams of cures he poureth forth.

## Kontakion

O Protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the creator most constant: O despise not the voices of those who have sinned; but be quick, O good one, to come unto our aid,

who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession and speed thou to make supplication, O thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

## PARISH NEWS

### Memorial Service

18 years memorial for Ioannis Komis offered by his wife Lemonia komis and his son Peter and his wife Dorinda and their son Ianandra Komis. May his memory be eternal. 18 years for Dymaristi Maniakopoulos mother of Frederika Vaupen and her family. May her memory be eternal.

### Best wishes!

We would like to extend of prayers and love to Frederika Vaupen you will be undergoing a surgery this week in Florida. May the Lord grant her a quick recovery.

### Christmas Baking

For our

### Annual Christmas Bake Sale

we need contributions of the following:

**Shelled Walnuts**

**Unsalted butter**

**Honey**

**Filo**

**Postage stamps**

**Envelopes**

Please see Nia Parry for details or telephone her at 424-1402

## Directory of St. Elias the Prophet

We are planning to make a new Directory (2012-2013) of our Church. Please return your paper with your correct information so that we can update our Church directory.

### 2012 St. Elias Parish Directory Information

If you would like to be included in the new parish directory, please complete the following and place in the offering tray:

#### Surname

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**First name(s)** (single or husband's and wife's first names -- please indicate H or W)

#### Names of children residing with you

#### Address

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**Phone** (please indicate if this is a cell number or land line)

#### Email address

**DEADLINE: December 2, 2012**



## SERVICES AND INFORMATION

### This Week's Liturgical Schedule

**Sunday, 7 October** prosforo Fr. Dimitri Pappas and coffee hour  
Peter Komis

Orthros 9:00am Divine Liturgy 10:00am

St. George Greek Festival, Albuquerque, NM. 11:00am - 5:00pm

**Sunday, 14 October** prosforo Mary Santikos and coffee hour  
Helen Skinas

Orthros 9:00am Divine Liturgy 10:00am

**Sunday, 21 October** prosforo Diana Tinor and coffee hour Paul  
and Susan Proestos

Orthros 9:00am Divine Liturgy 10:00am

**Sunday, 28 October** prosforo and coffee hour Niki Constantaras

Orthros 9:00am Divine Liturgy 10:00am

Sunday, 4 November

Sunday, 11 November

Sunday, 18 November

Sunday, 25 November

Sunday, 2 December

Sunday, 9 December

Sunday, 16 December

Sunday, 23 December

Tuesday, 25 December

Sunday, 30 December

### Holy Communion: Some things to be aware of:

Our entire lives must be informed and driven by our faith in Jesus Christ. Therefore, when it comes to preparing to receive Holy Communion, it's very important to be aware of how we approach the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ.

1. God knows our hearts; but do we? God commands us to love Him, and to love our neighbor. Why is this mystery called Holy Communion? Are we experiencing the Christian life in a way that allows us to be reconciled with God and others?

2. We can only receive communion once we have been joined to Jesus Christ and His Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church. As Orthodox Christians, this takes place through the sacraments of Baptism, Chrismation, and Holy Communion.

3. We must be both present and prepared for Holy Communion? With the many opportunities for prayer and fasting, the way of life that we have been given leaves us no choice but to prepare ourselves to encounter our Lord and Savior!

4. Please be considerate of others. Women please remove lipstick before coming to receive Holy Communion, gum should not be chewed at anytime in church, when you approach the Chalice do so slowly. It is very important that no one bumps the chalice, or does anything to potentially spill the Holy Communion.