

ST. ELIAS THE PROPHET CHURCH BULLETIN
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Epistle Reading

St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians 5:8-19

Walk as children of light (for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), and try to learn what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is a shame even to speak of the things that they do in secret; but when anything is exposed by the light it becomes visible, for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it is said, "Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give you light." Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise men but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with all your heart.

Gospel Reading

Luke 18:35-43 14th Sunday of Luke

At that time, as Jesus drew near to Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging; and hearing a multitude going by, he inquired what this meant. They told him, "Jesus of Nazareth is passing by." And he cried, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" And those who were in front rebuked him, telling him to be silent; but he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" And Jesus stopped, and commanded him to be brought to him; and when he came near, he asked him, "What do you want me to do for you?" He said, "Lord, let me receive my sight." And Jesus said to him, "Receive your sight; your faith has made you well." And immediately he received his sight and followed him,

glorifying God; and all the people, when they saw it, gave praise to God.

Resurrectional Apolytikion First Tone

Savior, Your tomb was sealed with a stone. Soldiers kept watch over Your sacred body. Yet, You rose on the third day giving life to the world. Wherefore the powers of heaven cried out, "O Giver of Life, glory to Your Resurrection O Christ; glory to Your Kingdom, glory to Your dispensation who alone are the Loving One."

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

On this day the Virgin cometh to a cave to give birth to God the Word ineffable, Who was before all the ages. Dance for joy, O earth, on hearing the gladsome tidings; with the Angels and the shepherds now glorify Him Who is willing to be gazed on as a young Child Who before the ages is God.

PARISH NEWS

Poinsettias

Beautiful Poinsettia plants will to be placed in our Church for Christmas. Please purchase one or more plants in memory of a loved one, in honor of a loved one or as a gift for the church. Cost is \$15 per plant and the deadline to order is December 12.

Memorial Service

1 year memorial for **Kynthia Ann Parry Maddox** sister of Eugenia Parry may her memory be eternal.

40 year memorial **Panteleimonos Karimalis** brother of Anna and Ignatios Patsalis and their children Fotios and Christina.

Directory 2013

We are collecting Ads for our 2013 phone Directory. You may send your ad by sending your information to Marcia Baker at sneakerz44@gmail.com. Full page \$50 and half page \$25.

"Fire and water do not mix, neither can you mix judgment of others with the desire to repent. If a man commits a sin before you at the very moment of his death, pass no judgment, because the judgment of God is hidden from men. It has happened that men have sinned greatly in the open but have done greater deeds in secret, so that those who would disparage them have been fooled, with smoke instead of sunlight in their eyes."

—*St. John Climacus*

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

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

Names of children residing with you

Address

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

Email address

DEADLINE: December 9, 2012



SERVICES AND INFORMATION

December:

2 December Sunday prosforon and coffee hour **Anna Patsalis**

Orthros 9:00am and Divine Liturgy

9 December Sunday prosforon and coffee hour **Nymphe Kefal**

Orthros 9:00am and Divine Liturgy

16 December Sunday prosforon and coffee hour **Anastasia**

Stevens Orthros 9:00am and Divine Liturgy

23 December Sunday prosforon and coffee hour **Eugenia Parry**

Orthros 9:00am and Divine Liturgy

25 December Tuesday Christmas Day prosforon **Eugenia Parry**

Orthros 9:00am and Divine Liturgy

30 December Sunday prosforon **Leslie Cook** coffee Hour **Niki**

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Orthros 9:00am and Divine Liturgy

