

**ST. ELIAS THE PROPHET CHURCH BULLETIN  
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**EPISTLE READING**

**ST. PAUL'S SECOND LETTER TO THE CORINTHIANS 4:6-15**

Brethren, it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, to show that the transcendent power belongs to God and not to us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies. For while we live we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be manifested in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you. Since we have the same spirit of faith as he had who wrote, "I believed, and so I spoke," we too believed, and so we speak, knowing that He who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into His presence. For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

**THE GOSPEL OF LUKE 17:12-19**

At that time, as Jesus entered a village, He was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices and said: "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." When He saw them He said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving Him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then said Jesus: "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?"

And He said to him: "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

**RESURRECTIONAL APOLITIKION**

You descended from on high, O compassionate One, and condescended to be buried for three days, so that from the passions You might set us free. Our life and resurrection, O Lord, glory be to You.

**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**

Your birth sanctified a Virgin's womb and properly blessed the hands of Symeon. Having now come and saved us O Christ our God, give peace to Your commonwealth.

**PARISH NEWS**

**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](mailto:sneakerz44@gmail.com). Full page \$50 and half page \$25.

**2013 Stewardship**

You should have received your Stewardship card recently in the mail. Please review the letter, fill out your Stewardship card and either mail it to the church office or bring it to church.

## **Greeks of Albuquerque!!!**

**Katherine Pomonis will talk about her new book**

**UNCOVERING THE HISTORY OF THE ALBUQUERQUE  
GREEK COMMUNITY, 1880-1952 (Sunstone Press) on  
Thursday, January 31, 7 p.m. at Bookworks in Albuquerque.  
4022 Rio Grande Boulevard, NW, Albuquerque, NM 87107 (505)  
344-8139.**

Why did Greeks in the late 1800s cross a sea, an ocean and a continent, to start new lives in the United States? Why did they eventually migrate to a small dusty town in the desert Southwest? How did Albuquerque become a center of Greek-America in the 1930s? Pomonis details Albuquerque's rich Greek history, from the first Greek railroaders who came to Albuquerque at the turn of the century to the compassionate response of the community to the appearance of Greek "lungers" seeking a cure for tuberculosis and the establishment in 1937 of the nation's only Greek-American tuberculosis sanatorium, in Albuquerque. Katherine M. Pomonis, a Santa Fe, New Mexico native of Greek descent, received a B.A. in History and Anthropology from the University of Rhode Island. She has worked at the University of New Mexico's Maxwell Museum of Anthropology, as a staff member and a guest curator to exhibits including "Greek Byzantium Revisited" and "The Greeks of America." She served as President of the New Mexico Association of Museums and was on the Board of the Maxwell Museum Association. She is also a member of the New Mexico State Historical Society, Historic Albuquerque, and the Albuquerque Archaeological Society. Here's a link to a Facebook event for the talk:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/221714311299563/>

## **Festival Meeting!!!**

January 27, 2013, right after Church.

## **Greek Night!!!**

On January 29, 2013 at Plaza Cafe Southside. Sponsored by Leonardo Razatos, with Politiki Kouzina, cuisine from Constantinopolis. Come and enjoy a night full of food, fun and music. \$25. Some of the proceeds will go towards our church.

**Happy New Year**  
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**Срећна Нова Година**  
**С Новым годом**

## SERVICES AND INFORMATION

### January:

**20** January Sunday prosforo **Mary Santikos** and coffee hour **Eva Kurtz**

NO ORTHROS; DIVINE LITURGY 10:00 am

**27** January Sunday prosforo and coffee hour **Mac Ennis**  
Orthros 9:00 am and 10:00 am Divine Liturgy

### February

**2** February Saturday prosforon **Fr. Dimitri Pappas**  
Orthros 9:00 am and 10:00 am Divine Liturgy

**3** February Sunday prosforon **Fr. Dimitri Pappas**, coffee hour  
**Helen Skinas**

Orthros 9:00 am and 10:00 am Divine Liturgy

**10** February Sunday prosforon and coffee hour **Mary O'Brien**  
Orthros 9:00 am and 10:00 am Divine Liturgy

**17** February Sunday prosforon and coffee hour **Anna Patsalis**  
Orthros 9:00 am and 10:00 am Divine Liturgy

**24** February Sunday prosforon **Fr. Dimitri Pappas** coffee hour  
**Frederika Vaupen** Orthros 9:00 am and 10:00 am Divine Liturgy

### Blessing of Water

The Great Blessing of Water is held on the eve of the Feast of the Epiphany and on the day itself, following the Divine Liturgy. The Blessing not only remembers the event of Our Lord's baptism and the revelation of the Holy Trinity but also expresses Orthodoxy's belief that creation is sanctified through Christ. The Blessing affirms that humanity and the created world, of which we are a part, were created to be filled with the sanctifying presence of God. After the solemn blessing, the Holy Water is distributed to the faithful and is used to bless homes during the Epiphany season. When the faithful drink the "Epiphany Water," we are reminded of our own baptism. When the Church blesses an individual, or object, or event with the water, we are affirming that those baptized, their surroundings, and their responsibilities are sanctified through Christ and brought into the Kingdom of the Father through the Spirit.

### House Blessing!!!

If you would like Father to come and bless your home or your business please contact Father Dimitri on his cell phone to make an appointment with him.

We would like to welcome Fr. John today and thank him for celebrating the Divine Liturgy as Fr. Dimitri is away. May God grant you many years.