

ST. ELIAS THE PROPHET CHURCH BULLETIN

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Apolytikion Resurrection

The stone that had been sealed before Your tomb by the Jews and the soldiers guarding did watch o'er Your pure and sacred body O Savior the third day You arose, and unto all the world did You give life whereby all the heavenly powers did proclaim that You are the giver of life Glory unto our resurrected Christ. Glory unto Your Kingdom, Glory to Your dispensation. O You alone who loves all.

Τοῦ λίθου σφραγισθέντος ὑπὸ τῶν Ἰουδαίων, καὶ στρατιωτῶν φυλασσόντων τὸ κρηρῶν σου Σῶμα, ἀνέστης τριήμερος Σωτήρ, δωρούμενος τῷ κόσμῳ τὴν ζωὴν· διὰ τοῦτο αἱ Δυνάμεις τῶν οὐρανῶν ἐβόων σοι ζωοδότα· Δόξα τῇ ἀναστάσει σου Χριστέ, δόξα τῇ βασιλείᾳ σου, δόξα τῇ οἰκονομίᾳ σου, μόνε κληθένθρωπε.

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.

Ὁ ἔνσαρκος Ἄγγελος, τῶν Προφητῶν ἡ κρηπίς, ὁ δεῦτερος Ἰρὸδρομος, τῆς παρουσίας Χριστοῦ, Ἡλίας ὁ ἔνδοξος, ἄνωθεν καταπέμψας, Ἐλισαίῳ τὴν χάριν, νόσους ἀποδιώκει, καὶ λεπρούς καθαρίζει, διὸ καὶ τοῖς τιμῶσιν αὐτὸν, βρῦει ἰάματα.

Kontakion

O Father, foolishly I ran away from Your glory, and in sin, squandered the riches You gave me. Wherefore, I cry out to You with the voice of the Prodigal, "I have sinned before You Compassionate Father. Receive me in repentance and take me as one of Your hired servants."

Πῆς πατρῶας δόξης σου, ἀποσκιρτήσας ἀφρόνως, ἐν κακοῖς ἀσκόρπισα, ὃν μοι παρέδωκας πλοῦτον· ὄθεν σοι τὴν τοῦ ἀσώτου, φωνὴν κραυγάζω· Ἥμαρτον ἐνώπιόν σου, Πάτερ ἐκτίρμον· δέξαι με μετανοοῦντα, καὶ ποιήσόν με, ὡς ἓνα τῶν μισθίων σου.

Epistle St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 6:12-20

Brethren, "all things are lawful for me," but not all things are helpful. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be enslaved by anything. "Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food" — and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is not meant for immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that he who joins himself to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For, as it is written, The two shall become one flesh." But he who is united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun immorality. Every other sin which a man commits is outside the body; but the immoral man sins against his own body. Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God? You are not your own; you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body and in your spirit which belong to God.

Gospel Reading Luke 15:11-32

Sunday of the Prodigal Son

The Lord said this parable: "There was a man who had two sons; and the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that falls to me.' And he divided his living between them. Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took his journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in loose living. And when he had spent everything, a great famine arose in that country, and he began to be in want. So he went and joined himself to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed swine. And he would gladly have fed on the pods that the swine ate; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have bread enough and to spare, but I perish here with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me as one of your hired servants.' And he arose and came to his father. But while he was yet at a distance, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his servants, 'Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet; and bring the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and make merry; for this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to make merry. Now his elder son was in the field; and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. And he called one of the servants and asked what this meant. And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has received him safe and sound.' But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, but he answered his father, 'Lo, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command; yet you never gave me a kid, that I

night make merry with my friends. But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your living with harlots, you killed for him the fatted calf! And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. It was fitting to make merry and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.'"

PARISH NEWS

Church Meetings

Building Committee meeting after church Sunday, Feb. 16, 2014

Greek Festival meeting Sunday, Feb. 23, 2014

Parish Council Sunday, March 2, 2014

Saturday of Souls

This Saturday is the first Saturday of the Souls. Those who would like their names to be commemorated, please fill out the form in the back of the church and return them to Fr. Dimitri Pappas

2014 Stewardship

We thank all of our stewardship who have pledged to our Parish of St. Elias the Prophet. Through your continued and loving support, the Parish Council and Fr. Dimitrios Pappas has been able to serve as caretakers and deal with the needs and priorities that face our church. We ask that you complete your 2014 pledge card for the New Year and return it to the church at your convenience.

Life of Alexander the Great

Melissa and David Carl are taking a small group of adults to Macedonia this August where they will be leading a private seminar to study classical works about the Life of Alexander the Great. In addition to the seminar, there will be walking tours of the Orthodox churches and monasteries, visits to the local bazaar, and other cultural activities. If anyone is interested in taking part in the trip, please contact Melissa Carl at 505.670.3782 or at melissa.carl@curiousoysterseminars.com."

The Dates: **11 - 15 August 2014**

Price: \$2000 for an individual and \$3300 for a couple. This includes hotel accommodation, breakfasts and dinners, tours, cultural activities, and the seminar.

Thank you,
Melissa

SERVICES AND INFORMATION

This Week's Liturgical Schedule

February 2014

16 Feb (Sunday) prosforon **Diane Tintor**, coffee hour **Djuro Zrilic**

2 Feb (Saturday) First Saturday of Soul Prosforon **Fr. Dimitri**

3 Feb (Sunday) prosforon and coffee hour **Frederika Vaupen**

March 2014

2 March (Sun) 2 prosfora **Mary O'Brien**, coffee hour **Mary O'Brien** and **Betsy Robeson**

9 March (Sun) 2 prosfora and coffee hour **April Dellas**

16 March (Sun) 2 prosfora and coffee hour **Anna Patsalis**

23 March (Sun) 2 prosfora **Fr. Dimitri Pappas**, coffee hour **Susan Proestos**

25 March (Tues) 1 prosforon **Mary Santikos**

30 March (Sun) 2 prosfora **Diane Tintor**, coffee hour **Alexia Constantaras** and **Cris Knutson**

6 April (Sun) 2 prosfora and coffee hour **Anastasia Stevens**

12 April (Lazarus Saturday) 1 prosforon **Leslie Cook**

13 April (Palm Sunday) 1 prosforon **Leslie Cook** Pot Luck Luncheon (fish permitted)

Sign-up Sheet in Coffee Room

17 April (Holy Thursday) 1 prosforon **Fr. Dimitri Pappas**

19 April (Holy Saturday Morning) 1 prosforon **Diane Tintor**

19-20 April (Pascha Holy Saturday Night) 1 prosforon **Diane Tintor**

Anastasi meal. Sign-up Sheet in Coffee Room

20 April (Pascha Sunday) *Agapi* meal. Sign up Sheet in Coffee Room

27 April (Sunday) prosforon and coffee hour **Niki Constantaras**

Prosforon must be at the church by 9:00 a.m. To change your day YOU must find and give sufficient notice to someone to take your place. You're also responsible for coffee room CLEAN UP—rinse coffee urns, wipe down counters and tables, sweep floor, replace soiled table cloths, place bag of garbage in green bin outside and wheel it down to the church mailbox (important detail to avoid mice) Questions? Call Eugenia Parry 424-1402 .

St George's Annual Patrino Karnavali has been cancel !!

Welcome to all visitors: Please join us for fellowship immediately following the liturgy in the Social Hall. For those visiting an Orthodox Church for the first time, please be aware that Holy communion is a sign of unity of faith which is only offered to baptized or Chrismated orthodox Christians. All present are welcome, however, to partake of the antidoro (or blessed bread) which is distributed at the end of the service. Those interested in learning more about the Orthodox Christian faith, please feel free to see Fr. Dimitri Pappas after the service.