

# ST. ELIAS THE PROPHET CHURCH BULLETIN

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## SUNDAY OF THE NEW MARTYRS

### Isaurus the Holy Martyr & his Companions of Athens

June 17

The holy Martyr Isaurus, a deacon, and Basil and Innocent were from Athens. In the reign of Numerian (283-284), they came to Apollonia (most likely, the city in Illyricum); there encountering Felix, Peregrinus, and Hermias hidden in a cave, they strengthened them in their Faith. Betrayed to Proconsul, all but Innocent were last two Tripontius son, Apollonius, them, and then beheaded.



### Manuel, Sabel, & Ishmael the Martyrs of Persia

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The holy Martyrs Manuel, Sabel, and Ishmael, Persians by race and brethren according to the flesh, were sent by the Persian King as ambassadors to Julian the Apostate to negotiate a peace treaty. While with him at a place near Chalcedon, they refused to join him in offering sacrifice to his idols. Scorning the immunity universally

accorded ambassadors, he had them slain in the year 362. This was a cause of the war with Persia in which Julian perished miserably the following year.

## GOSPEL AND EPISTLE READINGS

### Epistle Reading

St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 2:10-16

Brethren, glory and honor and peace for everyone who does good, the Jew first and also the Greek. For God shows no partiality. All who have sinned without the law will also perish without the law, and all who have sinned under the law will be judged by the law. For it is not the hearers of the law who are righteous before God, but the doers of the law who will be justified. When Gentiles who have not the law do by nature what the law requires, they are a law to themselves, even though they do not have the law. They show that what the law requires is written on their hearts, while their conscience also bears witness and their conflicting thoughts accuse or perhaps excuse them on that day when, according to my gospel, God judges the secrets of men by Christ Jesus.

### Gospel Reading

Matthew 4:18-23 2nd Sunday of Matthew

At that time, as Jesus walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon who is called Peter and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." Immediately they left their nets and followed him. And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left their boat and their father, and followed him. And he went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every infirmity among the people.

## **Apolytikion (First Tone)**

The stone that had been sealed before Your tomb by the Jews and the soldiers guarding did watch over Your pure and sacred body. O Savior the third day You arose, and unto all the world did You give life. Where by 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.

Το λ[α]θου σφραγισθ[εν]τος [π] [τ] [ν] [ου]δα[ων], κα[τα] στρατιωτ[ων] φυλασσ[εν]των τ[η] [χ]ραντ[η]ν σου σ[ω]μα, [ν] [στη]ς τρι[με]ρος Σωτ[η]ρ, δωρο[με]νος τ[η] κ[ο]σμ[ω] τ[η]ν ζω[η]ν. Δι[α] το[υ]το α[πο] Δυν[α]μεις τ[η]ν ο[ρ]αν[η]ν [β] [ων] σοι Ζωοδ[ω]τα· Δ[ε]ξα τ[η] [ν]αστ[η]σει σου Χριστ[ω], δε[ξ]α τ[η] Βασιλε[ια] σου, δε[ξ]α τ[η] ο[ικ]ονομ[ια] σου, μ[η]νε Φιλ[η]θρωπε.

## **Hymn of the Day (for the Martyrs)**

Thy Martyrs, O Lord, in their courageous contest for Thee received as the prize the crowns of incorruption and life from Thee, our immortal God. For since they possessed Thy strength, they cast down the tyrants and wholly destroyed the demons' strengthless presumption. O Christ God, by their prayers, save our souls, since Thou art merciful.

## **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**

A protection of Christians unshamable \* Intercessor to our Holy Maker unwavering\* Reject not \* The prayerful cries of those who are in sin \* Instead, come to us for you are good \* Your loving help bring unto us \* Who are crying in faith to you \* Hasten to

intercede \* And speed now to supplicate \* As a protection for all time \* Theotokos for those who honor you.

## **Christian Love**

True patience consists in bearing calmly the evils others do to us, and in not being consumed by resentment against those who inflict them. Those who only appear to bear the evils done to them by their neighbors, who suffer them in silence while they are looking for an opportunity for revenge, are not practicing patience, but only make a show of it. Paul writes that 'love is patient [i.e., 'longsuffering' according to the Greek] and kind.' It is patient in bearing the evils done to us by others, and it is kind in even loving those it bears with. Jesus Himself tells us: 'Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, pray for those who persecute and calumniate you.' Virtue in the sight of others is to bear with those who oppose us, but virtue in God's sight is to love them. This is the only sacrifice acceptable to God.

*St. Gregory the Great*

## SERVICES AND INFORMATION

### This Week's Liturgical Schedule

**Sunday, 17 June** FATHER'S DAY

**prosoforo Fr. Dimitri coffee hour Rena Pappas**

Orthros 9:00am Divine Liturgy 10:00am

**Saturday, 23 June**

No Great Vespers

**Sunday, 24 June** St. John the Prodromos

**prosoforo Fr. Dimitri Coffee hour Anastasia Stevens**

Orthros 9:00am Divine Liturgy 10:00am

**Friday, 29 June** SS. Peter and Paul **prosoforo Fr. Dimitri**

Orthros 9:00am Divine Liturgy 10:00am

**Saturday, 30 June**

No Great Vespers

**Sunday, 1 July**

Orthros 9:00am Divine Liturgy 10:00am

**Sunday, 8 July**

Orthros 9:00am Divine Liturgy 10:00am

**Sunday, 15 July**

Orthros 9:00am Divine Liturgy 10:00am

**Thursday, 19 July**

7:00pm Great vespers

**Friday, 20 July** St. Elias the Prophet

Orthros 9:00am Divine Liturgy 10:00am

**Sunday, 22 July** Feast day of Church (Picnic)

Orthros 9:00am Divine Liturgy 10:00am

**Sunday, 29 July**

Orthros 9:00am Divine Liturgy 10:00am

**Happy Father`s Day** We want to wish all of the fathers in our community Happy Father`s Day. On this day, we pray that our Lord continue to bless each of you and that in your lives, you will be Christ-like example of fatherly love.

### **Greek Festival 2012**

We would like to thank each one of you, who made this year's Greek festival a very successful event for Santa Fe and for our community. May God continue to give you good health and happiness.