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Bulletin for July 10-23, 2016



On July 20th, we remember the holy prophet Elias (Elijah)...

Read about the Prophet Elias in the Bible starting in the book of 1st Kings, Chapter 17 to the end of the book, and in 2 Kings, chapters 1 and 2.

*Painting "Elijah Ascends to Heaven"
by Marc Chagall*

CALENDAR OF SERVICES & EVENTS

SUN	7/10/2016	THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
	9:00 AM	Divine Liturgy <i>Panachida for Perpetual Remembrances of: Helen & John Sr. Andras Josephine & Andrew Dobrovolski Michael & Susan Trescilla & Helen Roth</i>
MON	7/11/2016	
	6:00 PM	Board Meeting
WED	7/13/2016	
	8:30 AM	Divine Liturgy + <i>Carol Feltovich, by Rosalie Jorma</i>
WED	7/15/2016	ST. KYRIKOS THE CHILD-MARTYR (<i>Relics in Altar</i>)
	8:30 AM	Divine Liturgy, <i>Special Intention of All Parish Youth</i>
SUN	7/17/2016	FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
	8:45 AM	Chrismation of Shannon Edward Slovesko
	9:00 AM	Divine Liturgy <i>Panachida for Perpetual Remembrances of: ++Dorus Fam. +Sue Lysohir ++Slovesko Fam.</i>
WED	7/20/2016	ST. ELIAS THE PROPHET (HOLYDAY)
	8:30 AM	Divine Liturgy (<i>Note Time!!!</i>)
SUN	7/24/2016	FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
	9:00 AM	Divine Liturgy <i>Panachida during Mirovanije for Perpetual Remembrances of: ++Litwiler Fam. ++Potprasky Fam. Annual Blessing of Vehicles After Services</i>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

¶ **Rummage/Bake Sale: Thank You!** We are so grateful for the hard work and dedication of all those who helped with our Summer Rummage and Bake Sale last week! Special thanks to Mary Ann Lavin for organizing the event. More details will be published in the next bulletin.

¶ **Special Liturgies This Month.** We are very blessed to have sealed within our altar small portions of the relics of three saints—St. Panteleimon the Healer, St. Kyrikos the Child-Martyr, and one of the Martyred Holy Fathers of Sinai. Two of their holydays are this month. On July 15, Liturgy for St. Kyrikos will be at 8:30 AM, offered for the special intention of all of our parish youth. On July 27, Liturgy for St. Panteleimon will be at 8:30 AM, with special prayers for the living and sick. Come and honor these great saints of the Church, who are intimately connected with OUR parish!

Additionally, the holyday of Saint Elias the Prophet is on Wednesday, July 20. Divine Liturgy will be at 8:30 AM. (*Note the time!*)

¶ **Blessing of Vehicles on July 24.** In honor of the holy prophet Elias—who, according to the Scriptures, was taken to heaven in a fiery chariot—we will observe a Blessing of Vehicles on Sunday, July 24th, following Divine Liturgy and Mirovanije. Bring your cars, bikes, motorcycles, golf carts, chariots—whatever! We will offer prayers for God's blessing on all vehicles and for the safe travel of all drivers and passengers.

¶ **Looking for a "Host" Family.** A parishioner of our Diocesan St. Nektarios Parish in Lakeland, Florida is accompanying her grandson on the plane ride from Florida to PA so he can attend Camp Nazareth July 24-30. She is looking for a place to stay with an Orthodox family or individual in this area. If you can assist, please speak to Fr. David.

¶ **Church School Registration Forms** are now available. "*Now? So soon?!*" Summer will be over before we know it, and Church School will begin on Sunday, September 11, 2016. Parents, please get these forms to Fr. David by August 21.



Happy
Birthday,
Fr. Michael!

On Sunday, July 17, we
congratulate the Very
Reverend Protopresbyter
Michael Polanichka on his
80th birthday.

*We wish you all the best,
Father, and pray for God's
continued blessings upon
you! God grant you
many, blessed, and happy
years! Na mnohaja,
blahaja i ŝčastlivaja l'ita!*



Welcome, Shannon! We offer our prayers and best wishes to **Shannon Edward Slovesko** who will be received into the Orthodox Church through the Sacrament of Holy Chrismation on Sunday, July 17th prior to Divine Liturgy. May God grant him many, blessed years of continued growth in the faith!



Thoughts on Stewardship

by Dan Hromyak

"He said to them, 'The harvest is abundant, but the laborers are few...'" - Luke 10:2

As Orthodox we are all called to serve in ministry. However, many of us are unsure how to use our talents and gifts to build God's Church. Talk to God and ask Him what He wants you to do. The next time one of your fellow parishioners ask you to help or join a committee, it may be the answer to your prayer.

For further reflection...

Jesus said, "Well done good and faithful servant." He did not say, "Well said." He did not say, "Well planned." He did not say, "Well thought." And He did not say, "Well intended." But He said, "Well DONE, good and faithful servant." The emphasis for us as Christians is in doing. We are called to give the best we have and to do the best we can to promote God's Kingdom on earth.

(Fr. Anthony M. Coniaris)

FROM THE DIOCESE

National Sr ACRY Announces First Mission Trip To St. Herman's House in Cleveland

With the blessing of His Grace, Bishop Gregory, the National Senior ACRY is pleased to announce the first Sr. ACRY mission trip to Saint Herman's House in Cleveland, Ohio in an ongoing effort in the ACRY to provide opportunities for hands-on mission work. With the success of ACRY Ambassador Daniel Coffman's Real Break Trip to Saint Herman's, the national board has decided to spend a weekend helping at the house.

The mission trip to Saint Herman's House has been inspired by the Jr. ACRY and their countless trips to Saint John the Compassionate in Toronto. With this visit, the National ACRY hopes to encourage the faithful of the Diocese to volunteer their time and talents to help those less fortunate.

For those who are interested, the National Board is currently seeking a team of 12 volunteers to help at Saint Herman's House during the weekend of August 12-14. If you wish to know more information about the trip or to volunteer, please contact Father Peter Paproski at rppaproski@gmail.com or 203-375- 2564. If you wish to know more about Saint Herman's House, their website is www.sainthermans.com or contact Daniel Coffman at dpc693@yahoo.com.

National ACRY Convention 2016

The Potomac A.C.R.Y. Chapter #25 is proud to be the hosts for the upcoming National A.C.R.Y. Convention, which will take place Labor Day weekend, September 2nd through the 5th, 2016 at the Bethesda North Marriott Hotel & Conference Center located in Bethesda, MD.

In addition to the usual convention business, which in recent years has been streamlined, there will be many opportunities to gather in worship and fellowship and to tour the Greater Washington DC Metro Area. Planned excursions include a choice of touring the Hillwood Museum, Arlington National Cemetery and a self-guided tour of the Monuments on the Washington, D.C. National Mall

Please visit the special 2016 Convention Web Page via ACROD.ORG for all necessary registration information. Deadline for all convention related registration including, hotel, meals, program book, and excursions is August 1.

GOLF SCRAMBLE NOTES

Mark your calendars! The 2016 Golf Scramble will be held on Saturday, August 20th at Oak Tree Country Club. Shotgun Start will be at 8:30 AM.



The post-golfing meal will again be held at our church hall, and will feature our *signature* all-you-can-eat buffet with spit roast lamb, roast chicken, sausage and peppers, side dishes, desserts and beverages. Dinner will begin to be served at 2:30 PM. We will also hold the ever-popular Basket Raffle at this dinner.

We are now accepting:

- ⇒ Team Commitments
- ⇒ Donations of Items for the Basket Raffle
- ⇒ Major sponsorships for \$100.00
- ⇒ Hole sponsorships for \$35.00
- ⇒ Patron Listings for \$10.00
- ⇒ General donations to the event

Copies of the registration form/flyer and the sponsorship form are available in the church hall.

For sponsorships, please see Renee Maceyko or Debby Doyle in the hall after services.

Dinner-only tickets are available for \$20 per person. See Francine Fabian to get your ticket!

Candelabrum and Eternal Lamp~ Sunday, July 10th

In Loving Memory of Brother, Paul Chestnut from Irene & Albert Chestnut

Altar Flowers, Bulletin and Candelabrum ~ Sunday, July 17th

In Honor of Father Michael's 80th Birthday and Son, Michael David Polanichka's Birthday

Offered by Pani Eleanor, Valerie, Bill, Jason, Courtney, Brianna, Justine, Kaela,
Richard, Cameron, Michael, Brenda, Jordan, and Taylor

BIRTHDAYS

- July 12 Michaelene Obermiyer
13 Elizabeth Figiel
14 Richie Preston
Susan Stigliano
15 Milan Shumkaroff
17 Fr. Michael Polanichka
Michael Polanichka
19 Alexander Holmes
20 Lorraine Amos
Nicholas Figiel
Carol Maykowski
21 Kenneth Maceyko
Marlene Roach
Peter Tatusko

**MEN TO
HOLD CANDLES**

Sunday, July 17th

Michael Polanichka
Dan Ristvey
Joel Ristvey
Matt Ristvey
Michael Ristvey

Sunday, July 24th

Tom Ristvey
Peter Roman
Steve Saluga
Milan Shumkaroff
Ed Slovesko

ANNIVERSARIES

July 14th

Joseph & Germaine Tatusko

July 18th

Dawn & Mark Burns

July 19th

Jerry & Patti Chupak

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