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'DISCIPLES FIRST CALLED THEMSELVES CHRISTIANS IN ANTIOCH.' ACTS 11:26

**TONE 2/ EOTHINON 8**

HIEROMARTYR POLYCHRONIOS OF NICAIA; PRIEST JULIAN AND DEACON CAESARIUS OF  
CAMPANIA; VENERABLE JOHN THE HERMIT AND THOSE WITH HIM; VENERABLE SERGIUS OF  
NURMA

**WELCOME!**

We welcome all of our visitors who are praying with us today. We are eager to share with you our spiritual treasures, and invite you to join us for coffee-hour in the Fellowship Hall following the Divine Liturgy. If you are a first-time visitor, please take a few minutes to sign our Guest Registry book and complete the white VISITORS INFORMATION CARD which may be found in the Narthex, and return it to an usher. As a friendly reminder, **only Orthodox Christians who have properly prepared themselves through fasting, prayer and recent Confession may approach the Holy Chalice to receive Holy Communion. However all may come forward at end of Liturgy and receive blessed Holy Bread.** We look forward to meeting you and welcoming you personally to St. Elias. If you have any questions, please see Fr. Elias.

أهلاً بكم!

نرحب بجميع زوارنا الذين يصلون معنا اليوم ونحرص على مشاركتكم في كنوزنا الروحية، وندعوكم للانضمام إلينا لتناول القهوة معنا في قاعة الكنيسة بعد القداس الإلهي. إذا كانت هذه أول زيارة لكم، يرجى أخذ القليل من الوقت لتوقيع سجل الزوار واستكمال بطاقة معلومات الزوار البيضاء والتي توجد في صحن الكنيسة، وإعادتها إلى أحد مرشدي الكنيسة. وكنذكير ودي، يُسمح فقط للمسيحيين الأرثوذكس الذين أعدوا أنفسهم بشكل صحيح من خلال الصوم والصلاة واعتراف من زمن قريب بالاقتراب من الكأس المقدسة لتناول القربان المقدس. ولكن يُسمح للجميع الاقتراب في نهاية القداس لاستلام الخبز المقدس المبارك. ونحن نتطلع للقائكم والترحيب بكم شخصياً في كنيسة مار الياس. يرجى توجيه الأسئلة إلى الأب الياس مباشرة.

**WORSHIPPING THE ALL-HOLY GOD**

**Isaiah 57:15**

For thus says the high and lofty One who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy: "I dwell in the high and holy place, and also with him who is of contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite."

**PRAYER ON ENTERING THE CHURCH**

I WILL COME INTO THY HOUSE IN THE MULTITUDE OF THY MERCY: AND IN THY FEAR I WILL WORSHIP TOWARD THY HOLY TEMPLE. Lead me, O Lord, in thy righteousness because of mine enemies; make thy way straight before me, that with a clear mind I may glorify thee forever, One Divine Power worshipped in three Persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

**PRAYER ON LEAVING THE CHURCH**

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word: for mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people: a light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel.

**CHURCH ETIQUETTE**

**O Lord, sanctify those who love the beauty of your house.**

When you enter the church, please remember that the church is a place of worship. Please do not disturb others as they worship God. **PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES.**

**NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
& THIRD SUNDAY OF LUKE  
MARTYRS SERGIUS AND BACCHUS OF SYRIA**

**During the Little Entrance:**

**RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE TWO**

When Thou didst submit Thyself unto death, O Thou deathless and immortal One, then Thou didst destroy hell with Thy Godly power. And when Thou didst raise the dead from beneath the earth, all the powers of Heaven did cry aloud unto Thee: O Christ, Thou giver of life, glory to Thee.

**THE EISODIKON (ENTRANCE HYMN) OF ORDINARY SUNDAYS**

Come, let us worship, and fall down before Christ. Save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead; who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

الايصونديكون

هَلْمُ لِنَسْجِدْ وَنَرْكِعْ لِلْمَسِيحِ مَلَكْنَا وَالْهَنَا، خَلَصْنَا يَا ابْنَ اللَّهِ يَا مَنْ قَامَ مِنْ بَيْنِ الْأَمْوَاتِ، لِنُرْتَلِّ لَكَ هَلْلُويَا.

**After the Little Entrance:**

**RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE TWO**

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عِنْدَمَا انْحَدَرْتَ إِلَى الْمَوْتِ أَيُّهَا الْحَيَاةُ الَّذِي لَا يَمُوتُ، حِينَئِذٍ أَمَتَّ الْجَحِيمَ بِبِرِّقِ لَاهُوتِكَ. وَعِنْدَمَا أَقَمْتَ  
الْأَمْوَاتِ مِنْ تَحْتِ النَّتْرِ، صَرَخَ نَحْوِكَ جَمِيعُ الْقُوَّاتِ السَّمَاوِيِّينَ: أَيُّهَا الْمَسِيحُ الْإِلَهُ، مُعْطِي الْحَيَاةِ، الْمَجْدُ  
لَكَ.

**APOLYTIKION OF SS. SERGIUS AND BACCHUS IN TONE FOUR**

***(\*\*Be quick to anticipate\*\*)***

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.

شَهِدَاؤِكَ، يَا رَبُّ، بِجِهَادِهِمْ، نَالُوا مِنْكَ الْأَكَالِيلَ غَيْرَ الْبَالِيَةِ يَا إِلَهَنَا. لِأَنَّهُمْ أَحْرَزُوا قُوَّتَكَ، فَحَطَمُوا  
الْمُغْتَصِبِينَ وَسَحَقُوا بِأَسْ الشَّيَاطِينِ الَّتِي لَا قُوَّةَ لَهَا. فَبِتَوَسُّلَاتِهِمْ، أَيُّهَا الْمَسِيحُ الْإِلَهُ، حَلَّصْنَا نَفُوسَنَا.

#### **TROPARIUM OF THE PATRON SAINT OF THE CHURCH TONE 4:**

O Angelic of body the founder and corner stone of the prophets, the second forerunner of the advent of Christ, O Elias, venerable and glorious, thou didst send grace from heaven to thy disciple Elisha to dispel diseases and to purify lepers wherefore he abounds with healing to all those who honor him.

أَيُّهَا الْمَلَائِكَةُ بِالْجِسْمِ قَاعِدَةُ الْأَنْبِيَاءِ وَرُكْنُهُمْ، السَّابِقُ الثَّانِي لِحَضُورِ الْمَسِيحِ، إِيَّاسَ الْمَجِيدِ الْمَوْقِرِ، لَقَدْ  
أَرْسَلْتَ النِّعْمَةَ مِنَ الْعَلِيِّ لِأَلِيشَعَ لِيَطْرُدَ الْأَسْقَامَ وَيَطْهَرَ الْبَرَصَ، لِذَلِكَ يُفِيضُ الْأَشْفِيَةَ بِمَكْرَمِيهِ دَائِمًا

#### **KONTAKION FOR ORDINARY SUNDAYS IN TONE TWO**

O Undisputed intercessor of Christians, the mediatrix unrejected by the Creator, turn not away from the voice of our petitions, though we be sinners. Come to us in time, who cry to thee in faith, with assistance; for thou art good. Hasten to us with intercessions, O Theotokos, who dost ever intercede for those who honor thee.

القنْدَاقُ بِاللَّحْنِ الثَّانِي

يَا شَفِيعَةَ الْمَسِيحِيِّينَ غَيْرَ الْخَازِيَةِ، الْوَسِيطَةَ لَدَى الْخَالِقِ غَيْرِ الْمَزْدُودَةِ، لَا تَعْرُضِي عَنَّا صَوَاتِ طَلِبَاتِنَا  
نَحْنُ الْخَطَاةَ، بَلْ تَدَارِكِينَا بِالْمَعُونَةِ بِمَا أَتَيْتِ صَالِحَةً، نَحْنُ الصَّارِخِينَ إِلَيْكَ بِإِيمَانٍ: بِادْرِي إِلَى الشَّفَاعَةِ  
وَأَسْرَعِي فِي الطَّلِبَةِ يَا وَالِدَةَ الْإِلَهِ الْمَتَشَفِّعَةَ دَائِمًا بِمَكْرَمِيكَ.

**Today's Reader : Faris Al-Khoury**

**Priest: Let us attend.**

**Reader: The Lord is my strength and my song.  
The Lord has chastened me severely.**

**Priest: Wisdom**

**Reader: The Reading from the Second Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians.  
(11:31-12:9)**

(For the Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost)

**Priest: Let us attend.**

**Reader:** Brethren, the God and Father of the Lord Jesus, He Who is blessed forever, knows that I do not lie. At Damascus, the governor under King Aretas guarded the city of Damascus in order to seize me, but I was let down in a basket through a window in the wall, and escaped his hands. I must boast; there is nothing to be gained by it, but I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. I know a man in Christ who 14 years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows. And I know that this man was caught up into Paradise—whether in the

body or out of the body I do not know, God knows—and he heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter. On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. Though if I wish to boast, I shall not be a fool, for I shall be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think more of me than he sees in me or hears from me. And to keep me from being too elated by the abundance of revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan, to harass me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I besought the Lord about this, that it should leave me; but He said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for My power is made perfect in weakness." I will all the more gladly boast of my weaknesses, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

قُوَّتِي وَتَسْبِيحَتِي الرَّبِّ، أَدْبَاباً أَدَّبَنِي الرَّبُّ

### فَصَلِّ مِنْ رِسَالَةِ الْقَدِيسِ بُولُسَ الرَّسُولِ الثَّانِيَةِ إِلَى أَهْلِ كورِنْثُوسِ

يا إِخْوَةُ، قَدْ عَلِمَ اللهُ أَبُو رَبِّنَا يَسُوعَ الْمَسِيحِ، الْمُبَارَكُ إِلَى الْأَبَدِ أَنِّي لَا أُكْذِبُ كَانَ بِدِمَشْقَ الْحَاكِمِ تَحْتَ إِمْرَةٍ الْمَلِكِ الْحَارِثِ، يَحْرُسُ مَدِينَةَ الدَّمَشْقِيِّينَ لِيَقْبِضَ عَلَيَّ فَذَلَّيْتُ مِنْ كَوَّةٍ فِي زَبِيلِ مِنَ السُّورِ، وَجَوْتُ مِنْ يَدَيْهِ إِنَّهُ لَا يُوَافِقُنِي أَنْ أَفْتَحِرَ فَآتَيْتُ إِلَى رُؤْيِ الرَّبِّ وَإِعْلَانَاتِهِ إِنِّي أَعْرِفُ إِنْسَاناً فِي الْمَسِيحِ مُنْذُ أَرْبَعِ عَشْرَةَ سَنَةً (أَفِي الْجَسَدِ، لَسْتُ أَعْلَمُ، أَمْ خَارِجَ الْجَسَدِ لَسْتُ أَعْلَمُ، اللهُ يَعْلَمُ) اخْتُطِفَ إِلَى السَّمَاءِ الثَّالِثَةِ وَأَعْرِفُ أَنَّ هَذَا الْإِنْسَانَ (أَفِي الْجَسَدِ أَمْ خَارِجَ الْجَسَدِ لَسْتُ أَعْلَمُ، اللهُ يَعْلَمُ) اخْتُطِفَ إِلَى الْفِرْدُوسِ، وَسَمِعَ كَلِمَاتِ سِرِّيَّةٍ لَا يَحِلُّ لِإِنْسَانٍ أَنْ يَنْطِقَ بِهَا فَمِنْ جِهَةٍ هَذَا أَفْتَحِرَ، وَأَمَّا مِنْ جِهَةٍ تَفْسِي فَلَا أَفْتَحِرُ إِلَّا بِأَوْهَانِي فَإِنِّي لَوْ أَرَدْتُ الْإِفْتِحَارَ، لَمْ أَكُنْ جَاهِلاً لِأَنِّي أَقُولُ الْحَقَّ، لَكِنِّي أَتَحَاشَى لِئَلَّا يَظُنَّ بِي أَحَدٌ فَوْقَ مَا يَرَانِي عَلَيْهِ أَوْ يَسْمَعُهُ مِنِّي وَلِئَلَّا أَسْتَكْبِرَ بِقَرِطِ الْإِعْلَانَاتِ، أُعْطِيتُ شَوْكَةً فِي الْجَسَدِ، مَلَكَ الشَّيْطَانِ لِيَلْطِمَنِي لِئَلَّا أَسْتَكْبِرَ وَلِهَذَا طَلَبْتُ إِلَى الرَّبِّ ثَلَاثَ مَرَّاتٍ أَنْ تُفَارِقَنِي فَقَالَ لِي "تَكْفِيكَ نِعْمَتِي، لِأَنَّ قُوَّتِي فِي الضَّعْفِ تَكْمُلُ" فَبِكُلِّ سُورٍ أَفْتَحِرُ بِالْحَرِيِّ بِأَوْهَانِي، لِنَسْتَقَرَّ فِي قُوَّةِ الْمَسِيحِ.

**Priest: Peace be to you Reader.**

**PLEASE STAND!**

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Next Sunday's Reader: Marya Al-Khoury**

**Priest: The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (7:11-16)**

(For the Third Sunday of Luke)

At that time, Jesus went to a city called Nain, and many of His disciples and a great crowd went with Him. As He drew near to the gate of the city, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow; and a large crowd from the city was with her. And when the Lord saw her, He had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep." And He came and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And Jesus said, "Young man, I say to you: arise." And the dead man sat

up, and began to speak. And Jesus gave him to his mother. Fear seized them all; and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has arisen among us!" and "God has visited His people!"

فَصَلُّ شَرِيفٌ مِنْ بَشَارَةِ الْقَدِيسِ لَوْقَا الْإِنْجِيلِيِّ الْبَشِيرِ وَالتَّمْئِيزِ الطَّاهِرِ

في ذلك الزمان، كان يسوع مُنْطَلِقاً إلى مدينةٍ اسْمُهَا نَايْنُ، وكانَ كَثِيرُونَ مِنْ تَلَامِيذِهِ وَجَمَعَ غَفِيرٌ مُنْطَلِقِينَ مَعَهُ فَلَمَّا قَرَبَ مِنْ بَابِ الْمَدِينَةِ، إِذَا مَيِّتٌ مَحْمُولٌ، وَهُوَ ابْنٌ وَحِيدٌ لِأُمِّهِ، وَكَانَتْ أَرْمَلَةً، وَكَانَ مَعَهَا جَمْعٌ كَثِيرٌ مِنَ الْمَدِينَةِ فَلَمَّا رَأَاهَا الرَّبُّ تَحَنَّنَ عَلَيْهَا وَقَالَ لَهَا: لَا تَبْكِي وَدَنَا وَلَمَسَ النَّعْشَ (فَوَقَفَ الْحَامِلُونَ). فَقَالَ: أَيُّهَا الشَّابُّ، لَكَ أَقْوَلُ قُمْ فَاسْتَوِي الْمَيِّتُ وَبَدَأَ يَتَكَلَّمُ، فَسَلَّمَهُ إِلَى أُمِّهِ فَأَخَذَ الْجَمِيعَ خَوْفًا، وَمَجَّدُوا اللَّهَ قَائِلِينَ "لَقَدْ قَامَ فِيْنَا نَبِيٌّ عَظِيمٌ، وَاقْتَدَى اللَّهُ شَعْبَهُ".

**Megalynarion:**

It is truly meet ...

**Koinonikon (Communion Hymn)**

Praise ye the Lord from the Heavens; praise ye Him in the highest. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

**Sermonette: Aliah Mahshie**

**Next Week Sermonette: Estelle Khairallah**

**Ushers: Aliah Mahshie and Marya Al-Khoury**

**Ushers Next Week: Estelle Khairallah and Marya Al-Khoury**

## October is SOYO Month

**Our Teens will be ushering, reading the Epistle, greeting our parishioners. Please remember to support our Teens.**

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **The Holy Bread of Oblations today is being offered by Samira Sousou & Siham Ayoub**, for the spiritual and physical well being of Siham Ayoub and Samira Sousou, Sally and Andrew Aitchison and their sons, Christian and Cameron Aitchison **Also being offered in loving memory** of Jaileh and Qustundi Sousou, Foud and Almaza Allawh, Hanna Sousou, Fawzi Sousou, Naim Sousou, Lou Ayoub, Clayton Aitchison, Audih Sousou. May their memories be eternal.
- **Please pray for all the sick** and suffering, hospitalized and shut-ins of our community, especially, Salwa Musallam, Ramzi Khairallah, Mohammad Tadros, Violette Humsi, Nick Tadros, Elias Sawalha, Sami Tawil, Salwa Makhlouf, Joseph Jacobs, Lutfi Salloum, Evelyn Gabriel.
- **SUNDAY HOLY BREAD** Oct 14th Jiries Family, Oct. 21st Abdo and Essi Families, and a 40 day memorial for Khouria Manal Dahdouh; Oct. 28th Teen SOYO.
- **For Announcements, Oblations and Trisagions for the Bulletin**, the deadline is Tuesday evening. Please send your emails to church: [steliasny@aol.com](mailto:steliasny@aol.com) and to Sheila: [sahmaz@twcny.rr.com](mailto:sahmaz@twcny.rr.com)
- **Parishioners-** If you have not been receiving email from St. Elias and would like to,

please give your current email to Dona Savage. Also, if you have moved we need to update your address and phone number. We are attempting to update our database.

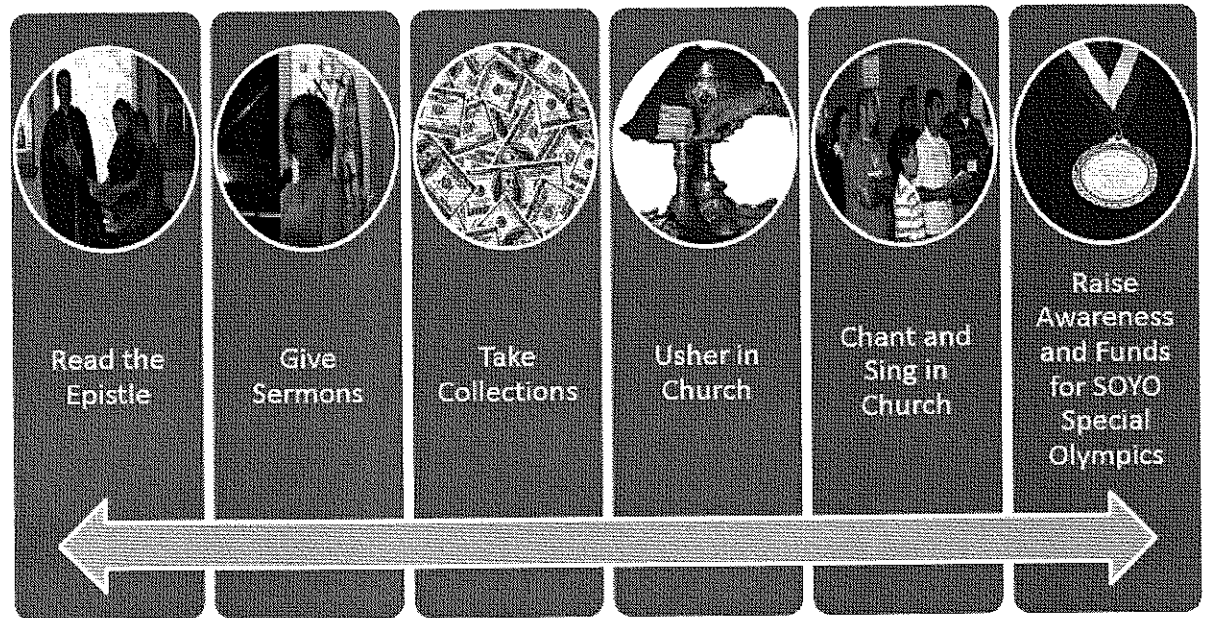
- **Today we have a special collection** for the college students of Orthodox Christian Fellowship (OCF)
- **Please keep your church pledges up-to-date.** We thank all those who have increased their offering. May God reward you with abundance.
- **OCTOBER is Teen SOYO month.** Help support our Teens

**SCHEDULE/DATES TO REMEMBER**

Sunday	10/7	Special collection Orthodox Christian Fellowship (OCF)
Sunday	10/7	St. Ignatius Meeting following Divine Liturgy
Wednesday	10/17	Parish Council Meeting @ 7:00 PM



**Collection Envelopes are here.** Please pick your envelopes up in the Narthex.



**October is Youth Month**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Traditionally Youth Month is when the teens of our archdiocese</li> <li>• Read the Epistle</li> <li>• Give Sermons</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Take Collections in Church</li> <li>• Chant and Sing in Church</li> <li>• Raise Awareness of and Collect money for SOYO Special Olympics</li> </ul> |
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## GOOD TRIUMPHS OVER EVIL

**W**hen we study the lives of the saints, it is sometimes shocking to see what many sinful men and women were before turning to the Lord and finding their salvation. One such person was the MARTYR CYPRIAN. In later life, Cyprian would become the Bishop of Carthage. He would develop a reputation for being a deep thinker and theologian, being best remembered for his profound statement that "HE CANNOT HAVE GOD FOR HIS FATHER WHO DOES NOT HAVE THE CHURCH FOR HIS MOTHER." In his early years, however, Cyprian was a different man indeed!

Cyprian grew up in the city of Antioch. In plain terms, he was a sorcerer, delving deeply into the pagan craft of "black magic." His satanic powers struck fear into the hearts of Christians throughout Syria. Living in Antioch at the same time was a woman named Justina, who also was well-versed in the art of sorcery. Christ touched her heart, however, and she converted to Christianity. Soon after this, a suitor named Agalides employed the services of Cyprian, urging him to cast a spell on Justina, making her fall in love with him!

Viewing this a great challenge, Cyprian readily agreed to do this evil deed. But "good" truly DOES triumph over "evil." Despite his strongest efforts, Cyprian could not break Justina's spirit. On the contrary, her constant prayerful gesture of making the sign of the cross upon herself caused him to do the same! It is said that Cyprian's conversion was accomplished instantly. He left Justina, and after burning all of his pagan books and manuscripts, Cyprian prayed to God for forgiveness and vowed to serve Him for the rest of his life.

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