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

TONE 4/ EOTHINON 5

HOLY MARTYRS PROCLUS AND HILARY OF ANCYRA; VERONICA, THE WOMAN WITH THE ISSUE OF BLOOD WHO WAS HEALED BY OUR LORD; VENERABLE FATHER PAISIOS THE NEW OF ATHOS

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 زوّارنا الذين يصلّون معنا اليوم ونحرص على مشاركتكم في كنوزنا الروحية، وندعوكم للانضمام إلينا لتناول القهوة معنا في قاعة الكنيسة بعد القدّاس الإلهي. إذا كانت هذه أول زيارة لكم، يرجى أخذ القليل من الوقت لتوقيع سجلّ الزوّار واستكمال بطاقة معلومات الزوّار البيضاء والتي توجد في صحن الكنيسة، وإعادتها إلى أحد مرشدي الكنيسة. وكتذكير وديّ، يُسمح فقط للمسيحيين الأرثوذكس الذين أعدّوا أنفسهم بشكل صحيح من خلال الصوم والصلاة واعتراف من زمن قريب بالاقتراب من الكأس المقدسة لتناول القربان المقدس. ولكن يُسمح للجميع الاقتراب في نهاية القدّاس 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

***Congratulations to Shadia Tadros on her election as
City Court Judge***

We are proud of our own Shadia Tadros who is a first-generation Syracuse native whose family immigrated from Jordan. She grew up on the city's South Side, graduated from Corcoran High School, and is a Penn State trained attorney. Shadia works with local private attorneys, government agencies, church and mosque leaders, and local businesses to promote equal access to the justice system. May God bless her in her new position.



Thank you to our Co-chairs and all those who volunteered and labored for our "Festival on the Go". Thank you also to every single parishioner and friend who supported to the success of this first Middle Eastern Festival on the Go, during this pandemic. Your labor and sacrifice has indeed given witness to your faith. May the Almighty God through the intercession of Prophet Elias bless each and every one of you with abundant blessings.



This Is My Church

It is composed of people just like me.
It will be friendly if I am.
It will do a great work if I work.
It will make generous gifts to many causes if I am generous.
It will bring others into fellowship if I bring them.
Its seats will be filled if I fill them.
It will be a church of loyalty and love, of faith and service if I, who make it what it is, am filled with these.
Therefore, with God's help, I dedicate myself to the task of being.
All these things I want my church to be.



SCHEDULE/DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday 7/15

Parish Council Meeting @ 7:00 pm

**In Honor of our Patron Saint Prophet Elias
which we will celebrate next weekend we would like to share with you the
following reflection.**

**The Holy Prophet Elijah: Manifesting
On Earth a Truly Heavenly Life**

The Holy Church celebrates the feast of the great prophet on July 20th every year. Unlike the other Old Testament prophets, such as Isaiah, Ezekiel and Jeremiah and other great and minor prophets, Elijah has no book of prophecy that carries his name. The name comes originally from Helios the sun-god. And the life of this remarkable person is recorded in the Books of Kings. And so whether the name is Elias, Iliyas, Iliia, Elie, Louis, Ellis, or Lou, all such name refer to the same person.

St. Elias is also known for his great zeal and fearlessness. He dedicated his entire life to deliver a special message from God. Elijah was poor and homeless. However, he confronted the human conditions and poverty with compassion and steadfastness. He challenged evil doers by the power of the true God, contributing to the needs of those whom he had met during his life. In his Epistle to the Romans, St. Paul writes as if he has the prophet Elias in mind. "He who gives aid, with zeal; he who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness. Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast what is good... Never flag in zeal, be aglow with the Spirit... practice hospitality." (Romans 12:6-13). The prophet Elias is a man of zeal.

The message of the prophet can be summarized as follows: While living on earth, human beings should not surrender to the power of evil. In the long run, God has the final word. Victory is His. As long as human beings are dependent on Him, evil cannot claim its victory over them. We may be discouraged, disoriented, and fallen; however, if we are armed with truth and moral values we shall overcome all challenges.

As we celebrate his feast day, the prophet Elias is reminding us not to forget God in the midst of our daily predicaments. He wants us to show others our good deeds, so they can glorify God who is in heaven. There is no dichotomy between life and moral principles, between words and deeds. The Spirit of God fills all, acting in our lives, and leading us to serenity, and, unceasingly bringing us to appreciate harmony and order. We pray that the great prophet Elias will intercede for our sake so we may truly witness the great acts of God.

Happy name's day to those who will celebrate the feast day of their patron saint Elias. We encourage them to be inspired by him. *Reflections of Father Joseph E. Antypas*

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.**

**FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
& FIFTH SUNDAY OF MATTHEW**

During the Little Entrance:

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE FOUR

Having learned the joyful message of the Resurrection from the angel the women disciples of the Lord cast from them their parental condemnation. And proudly broke the news to the Disciples, saying: Death hath been spoiled; Christ God is risen, granting the world Great Mercy.

Entrance Hymn:

O come let us worship and fall down before Christ, O Son of God, who art risen from the dead, save us who sing unto thee: Alleluia

الايصوديكون

هلم لنسجد ونركع للمسيح ملكنا والهنا، خلصنا يا ابن الله يا من قام من بين الاموات، لنرتل لك هلوليا.

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إِنَّ تَلْمِيذَاتِ الرَّبِّ تَعَلَّمْنَ مِنَ الْمَلَائِكَةِ الْكَرَرُ بِالْقِيَامَةِ الْبَهْجِ، وَطَرَحْنَ الْقَضَاءَ الْجَدِّيَّ، وَخَاطَبْنَ الرَّسُلَ مُفْتَخِرَاتٍ وَقَائِلَاتٍ: سُبِّي الْمَوْتُ وَقَامَ الْمَسِيحُ الْإِلَهُ، وَمَنَحَ الْعَالَمَ الرَّحْمَةَ الْعُظْمَى.

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.

أبيها الملاك بالجسم قاعدة الأنبياء وركنهم، السابق الثاني لحضور المسيح، إلياس المجيد الموقر، لقد أرسلت النعمة من العلى لأليشع ليطرد الأسقام ويطهر البرص، لذلك يُفيض الأشفية بمكرميه دائما"

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.

الفتدق بالحن الثاني

يا شفيعَةَ الْمَسِيحِيِّينَ غَيْرِ الْخَازِيَةِ، الوَسِيطةَ لَدَى الْخَالِيقِ غَيْرِ الْمَرْدُودَةِ، لَا تَعْرُضِي عَنِ أَصْوَاتِ طَلِبَاتِنَا نَحْنُ الْخَطَاةُ، بَلْ تَدَارِكِنَا بِالْمَعُونَةِ بِمَا أَنْتِ صَالِحَةٌ، نَحْنُ الصَّارِخِينَ إِلَيْكَ بِإِيمَانٍ: بِادْرِي إِلَى الشَّفَاعَةِ وَأَسْرَعِي فِي الطَّلِبَةِ يَا وَالِدَةَ الْإِلَهِ الْمَتَشَفَعَةَ دَائِمًا بِمَكْرَمِيكَ.

Today's Reader : TBA

Priest: Let us attend.

**Reader: How great are Thy works, O Lord!
In wisdom hast Thou made them all.
Bless the Lord, O my soul.**

Reader: The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans. (10:1-10)

(For the Fifth Sunday after Pentecost)

Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is that it may be saved. I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but it is not enlightened. For, being ignorant of the righteousness that comes from God, and seeking to establish their own, they did not submit to God's righteousness. For Christ is the end of the law, that everyone who has faith may be justified. Moses writes that the man who practices the righteousness which is based on the law shall live by it. But the righteousness based on faith says: Do not say in your heart, "Who will ascend into Heaven?" (that is, to bring Christ down) or "Who will descend into the abyss?" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart (that is, the word of faith which we preach); because, if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For man believes with his heart and so is justified, and he confesses with his lips and so is saved.

مَا أَعْظَمَ أَعْمَالِكَ يَا رَبُّ! كُلُّهَا بِحِكْمَةٍ صَنَعْتَ. بَارِكِي يَا نَفْسِي الرَّبَّ.

فَصَلِّ مِنْ رِسَالَةِ الْقَدِيسِ بُولُسِ الرَّسُولِ إِلَى أَهْلِ رُومِيَّةِ. (10:1-10)

يَا إِخْوَةَ، إِنَّ مَسَرَّةَ قَلْبِي وَطَلْبَتِي إِلَى اللَّهِ لِأَجْلِ إِسْرَائِيلَ هِيَ لِلْخَلَّاصِ. لِأَنِّي أَسْهَدُ لَهُمْ أَنَّ لَهُمْ غَيْرَةَ لِلَّهِ، وَلَكِنْ لَيْسَ حَسَبَ الْمَعْرِفَةِ. لِأَنَّهُمْ إِذْ كَانُوا يَجْهَلُونَ بِرَّ اللَّهِ، وَيَطْلُبُونَ أَنْ يُثْبِتُوا بِرَّ أَنْفُسِهِمْ، لَمْ يَخْضَعُوا لِبِرِّ اللَّهِ. لِأَنَّ غَايَةَ النَّامُوسِ هِيَ الْمَسِيحُ لِلْبِرِّ لِكُلِّ مَنْ يُؤْمِنُ. لِأَنَّ مُوسَى يَكْتُبُ فِي الْبِرِّ الَّذِي لَا تَقُلُ فِي قَلْبِكَ: مَنْ «وَأَمَّا الْبِرُّ الَّذِي بِالْإِيمَانِ فَيَقُولُ هَكَذَا: «إِنَّ الْإِنْسَانَ الَّذِي يَفْعَلُهَا سَيَحْيَا بِهَا» بِالنَّامُوسِ: أَيْ لِيُصْنَعَ الْمَسِيحُ مِنَ الْأَمْوَاتِ. لَكِنْ «أَيُّ لِيُحْدَرَ الْمَسِيحِ، أَوْ: «مَنْ يَهْبِطُ إِلَى الْهَوَايَةِ؟» «يَصْعَدُ إِلَى السَّمَاءِ؟»، أَيْ كَلِمَةُ الْإِيمَانِ الَّتِي نَكْرُرُ بِهَا؛ لِأَنَّكَ إِنْ اعْتَرَفْتَ «الْكَلِمَةَ قَرِيبَةً مِنْكَ، فِي فَمِكَ وَفِي قَلْبِكَ» مَاذَا يَقُولُ؟ بِفَمِكَ بِالرَّبِّ يَسُوعَ، وَآمَنْتَ بِقَلْبِكَ أَنَّ اللَّهَ أَقَامَهُ مِنَ الْأَمْوَاتِ، خَلَصْتَ. لِأَنَّ الْقَلْبَ يُؤْمِنُ بِهِ لِلْبِرِّ، وَالْفَمَ يُعْتَرِفُ بِهِ لِلْخَلَّاصِ.

Priest: Peace be to you Reader.

PLEASE STAND!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Next Sunday's Reader: TBA

Priest: The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (8:28-9:1)

(For the Fifth Sunday of Matthew)

At that time, when Jesus came to the country of the Gergesenes, two demoniacs met Him, coming out of the tombs, so fierce that no one could pass that way. And behold, they cried out, "What have we to do to Thee, O Son of God? Art Thou come here to torment us before the time?" Now a herd of many swine was feeding at some distance from them. And the demons begged Him, "If Thou castest us out, send us away into the herd of swine." And He said to them, "Go." So they came out and went into the swine; and behold, the whole herd rushed down the steep bank into the sea, and perished in the waters. The herdsmen fled, and going into the city they told everything, and what had happened to the demoniacs. And behold, all the city came out to meet Jesus; and when they saw Him, they begged Him to leave their neighborhood. And getting into a boat He crossed over and came to His own city.

فَصَلِّ شَرِيفًا مِنْ بَشَارَةِ الْقَدِيسِ مَتَّى الْإِنْجِيلِيِّ الْبَشِيرِ وَالتَّمْلِيذِيِّ الطَّاهِرِ. (1:9-28:8)

فِي ذَلِكَ الزَّمَانِ، لَمَّا أَتَى يَسُوعُ إِلَى كُورَةَ الْجَرِجْسِيِّينَ اسْتَقْبَلَهُ مَجْنُونَانِ خَارِجَانِ مِنَ الْقُبُورِ، شَرَسَانِ جِدًّا، حَتَّى إِنَّهُ لَمْ يَكُنْ أَحَدًا يَقْدِرُ أَنْ يَجْتَازَ مِنْ تِلْكَ الطَّرِيقِ فَصَاحَا قَائِلَيْنِ: "مَا لَنَا وَلَكَ يَا يَسُوعُ ابْنُ اللَّهِ؟ أَجِئْتَ إِلَى هَهُنَا قَبْلَ الزَّمَانِ لِنُعَذِّبَنَا؟" وَكَانَ بَعِيدًا مِنْهُمْ قَطِيعَ خَنَازِيرٍ كَثِيرَةٍ تَرَعَى فَأَخَذَ الشَّيَاطِينُ يَطْلُبُونَ إِلَيْهِ قَائِلِينَ: "إِنْ كُنْتَ تُخْرِجُنَا، فَأَنْدُنْ لَنَا أَنْ نَذْهَبَ إِلَى قَطِيعِ الْخَنَازِيرِ" فَقَالَ لَهُمْ: "اذْهَبُوا". فَخَرَجُوا وَذَهَبُوا إِلَى قَطِيعِ الْخَنَازِيرِ. فَإِذَا بِالْقَطِيعِ كُلِّهِ قَدْ وَثَبَ عَنِ الْجُرْفِ إِلَى الْبَحْرِ وَمَاتَ فِي الْمِيَاهِ أَمَّا الرُّعَاةُ فَهَرَبُوا وَمَضَوْا إِلَى الْمَدِينَةِ، وَأَخْبَرُوا بِكُلِّ شَيْءٍ وَبِأَمْرِ الْمَجْنُونَيْنِ فَخَرَجَتِ الْمَدِينَةُ كُلُّهَا لِلِقَاءِ يَسُوعَ. وَلَمَّا رَأَوْهُ، طَلَبُوا إِلَيْهِ أَنْ يَنْحَوَلَ عَنْ ثُخُومِهِمْ فَدَخَلَ السَّفِينَةَ وَاجْتَازَ وَأَتَى إِلَى مَدِينَتِهِ.

MEGALYNARION:

It is truly meet ...

Koinonikon (Communion Hymn)

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Please pray for all the sick** and suffering, hospitalized and shut-ins of our community, especially, Jewel Gabriel, Mimi Daniel, Violette Humsi, Salwa Makhlouf, Evelyn Gabriel, Nabeeha Mahshie.
- **THE COFFEE SPONSOR CHART FOR 2020** is posted by the coat rack. If you would like to sponsor the Holy Bread during this COVID-19 period, please call the office to check for the date and sign up.
- **For Announcements, Oblations and Trisagions for the Bulletin**, the deadline is Tuesday evening. Please send your emails to church: steliasny@aol.com and to Sheila: sahmaz@twcny.rr.com
- **Please keep your church pledges up-to-date.** We thank all those who have increased their offering. May God reward you with abundance.
- **Please remember to make a reservation** for attending church services by going to the church website www.sainteliasny.com
- **Upon entering church** please remember to wear a mask, use hand sanitizer and get your temperature taken.