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**Saturday:** Vespers at 4:30 PM followed by confession

**Sunday:** Orthros at 9:30 AM & Divine Liturgy at 10:30 AM

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**FEBRUARY 28, 2021**

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

**TONE 5/EOTHINON 5**

VENERABLE BASIL THE CONFESSOR, COMPANION OF PROKOPIOS OF DECAPOLIS; HIEROMARTYR PRO-  
TERIOS, ARCHBISHOP OF ALEXANDRIA; RIGHTEOUS KYRA AND MARANA OF BEROEA IN SYRIA; APOSTLES  
NYMPHAS AND EUVOULOS; NEW-MARTYR KYRANNA OF THESSALONICA

**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 لفائقكم والترحيب بكم شخصياً في كنيسة مار إلياس. يرجى توجيه الأسئلة إلى الأب إلياس 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

*Let's Hangout  
in a roundtable discussion via*  
**ZOOM**

**March 5th at 7:00 pm  
with Kh. Suzanne Murphy:  
Antiochian Women & Their  
Role in The Community**



**March 12th at 7:00 pm  
with Diane Sopp-Sauro:  
Building an Orthodox  
Christian Family**



Dear ladies,

The Women's History Month is typically for women from all backgrounds and cultures to band together honoring and celebrating the contributions to history, culture and society. March has been designated annually as the ladies month in the United States since 1987.

In honor of the women's achievements, you're all invited to join us in the Roundtable discussion on Friday, March 5th and 7th at 7:00pm via Zoom.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84674954451?pwd=cjRMUEY3NTJON0wvUnloMidITzZudzo9>

Meeting ID 846 7495 4451

Passcode: 728804

Celebrating each other is a key to building a future we want.

God bless

Rima

وَقَرَّبَ مِنَ الْبَيْتِ، سَمِعَ أَصْوَاتَ الْغِنَاءِ وَالرَّفْصِ. فَدَعَا أَحَدَ الْغُلَّامِ وَسَأَلَهُ مَا هَذَا. فَقَالَ لَهُ: "قَدْ قَدِمَ أَحْوَكُ، فَدَبَّحَ أَبُوكَ الْعَجَلَ الْمُسَمَّنَ لِأَنَّهُ لَقِيَهُ سَالِمًا." فَغَضِبَ وَلَمْ يَرِدْ أَنْ يَدْخُلَ. فَخَرَجَ أَبُوهُ وَطَفِقَ يَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْهِ، فَأَجَابَ وَقَالَ لِأَبِيهِ: "كَمْ لِي مِنَ السَّنِينَ أُخْدِمُكَ، وَلَمْ أَتَعَدَّ لَكَ وَصِيَّةً قَطُّ، وَأَنْتَ لَمْ تُعْطِنِي قَطُّ جَدِيًّا لِأَفْرَحَ مَعَ أَصْدِقَائِي. وَلَمَّا جَاءَ ابْنُكَ هَذَا الَّذِي أَكَلَ مَعِيشَتَكَ مَعَ الزَّوَانِي، دَبَّحْتَ لَهُ الْعَجَلَ الْمُسَمَّنَ. فَقَالَ لَهُ: "يا ابني، أَنْتَ مَعِيَ فِي كُلِّ حِينٍ، وَكُلُّ مَا هُوَ لِي فَهُوَ لَكَ. وَلَكِنْ كَانَ يَنْبَغِي أَنْ تَفْرَحَ وَتُسَرَّ، لِأَنَّ أَخَاكَ هَذَا كَانَ مَيِّتًا فَعَاشَ، وَكَانَ ضَالًّا فَوُجِدَ."

**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**

- **The Holy Bread of Oblations today is being offered by the Essi family** for the spiritual and physical well being of the Essi Family. **Also being offered in loving memory** Afif, Nadia Essi and all the deceased members of the Essi family, Majid, Majida, Afif Essi. May their memories be eternal.
- **Father and the parishioners of St. Elias** extend their sympathies to Nabil Jabaji on the falling asleep in the Lord his sister Janet Jabaji of Jordan, wife of Antoun Jires Hannah Bawab. May her memory be eternal and long life to the family.
- **Please pray for all the sick** and suffering, hospitalized and shut-ins of our community, especially, Hanna Khader, Violette Humsi, Salwa Makhlof, Evelyn Gabriel.
- **SUNDAY HOLY BREAD:** Mar. 7th OPEN; Mar. 14th 40 day for Abraham Gabriel
- **THE COFFEE SPONSOR CHART FOR 2021** 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](mailto:steliasny@aol.com) and to Sheila: [sahmaz@twcny.rr.com](mailto: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. **Reminder**— you are able to make your church contributions on our website via PayPal.
- **Please remember to make a reservation** for attending church services by going to the church website [www.sainteliasny.com](http://www.sainteliasny.com)
- **Upon entering church** please remember to wear a mask, use hand sanitizer and get your temperature taken. Remember to social distance.
- **The PLC this year for 2021 has been canceled.**

**SCHEDULE/DATES TO REMEMBER**

Monday	3/15	Lent Begins
Wednesday	3/17	Parish Council Meeting @ 7:00 pm

**HEART TO HEART AND HAND IN HAND FUNDRAISER**

The next two charities on our list are **Ronald McDonald House and Golisano Children's Hospital**

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.**

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**SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON**

**During the Little Entrance:**

**RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE FIVE**

Let us believers praise and worship the Word; coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation. For, He took pleasure in ascending the Cross in the flesh to suffer death; and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

**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

هَلِّمُوا لِنَسْجُدَ وَنَرْكَعَ لِلْمَسِيحِ، مَلِكِنَا وَإِلَهِنَا. خَلِّصْنَا يَا ابْنِ اللَّهِ، يَا مَنْ قَامَ مِنْ بَيْنِ الْأَمْوَاتِ. لِنُرْتِّلَ لَكَ. هَلِّلُوبِيَا.

**After the Little Entrance:**

**RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE FIVE**

Let us believers praise and worship the Word; coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation. For, He took pleasure in ascending the Cross in the flesh to suffer death; and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

لِنُسَبِّحَ نَحْنُ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَنَسْجُدَ لِلْكَلِمَةِ، الْمُسَاوِي لِلآبِ وَالرُّوحِ فِي الْأَزَلِيَّةِ وَعَدَمِ الْإِبْتِدَاءِ، الْمَوْلُودِ مِنَ الْعَدْرَاءِ لِخَلَاصِنَا، لِأَنَّهُ سَرَّ بِالْجَسَدِ أَنْ يَغْلُقَ عَلَى الصَّلِيبِ، وَيَحْتَمِلَ الْمَوْتَ، وَيُنْهَضَ الْمَوْتَى بِقِيَامَتِهِ الْمَجِيدَةِ.

**TROPARION 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.

أيها الملاك بالجسم قاعدة الأنبياء وركنهم، السابق الثاني لحضور المسيح، إلياس المجيد الموقر، لقد

أرسلت النعمة من العلى لأليشع ليطرده الأسقام ويطهر البرص، لذلك يُفيض الأشفية بمكرميه دائماً"

**KONTAKION FOR THE PRODIGAL SON IN TONE THREE**

(On this day the Virgin)

Foolishly I sprang away from Thy great fatherly glory, and dispersed in wicked deeds the riches that Thou didst give me. With the Prodigal I therefore cry unto Thee now: I

have sinned against Thee, O compassionate Father. But receive me in repentance; make me as one of Thy hired servants, O Lord.

إِذْ عَصَيْتُ مَجْدَكَ الْأَبَوِيِّ بِجَهْلٍ، وَبِالْمَعَاصِي بَدَدْتُ غِنَاكَ الَّذِي أَعْطَيْتَ، فَبَصَوْتُ الْإِبْنَ الشَّاطِرِ إِلَيْكَ أَهْتَفَ: أَيُّهَا الْأَبُ الرَّؤُوفُ، حَطَبْتُ نَحْوَكَ، فَتَقَبَّلْ مَدِّي الدُّوْبَةَ وَاجْعَلْنِي كَأَحَدِ أَجْرَائِكَ.

**Today's Reader : TBA**

**Priest: Let us attend.**

**Reader: Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us.**

**Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous.**

**Reader: The Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (6:12-20)**

(For Sunday of the Prodigal Son)

Brethren, all things are lawful for me, but not all things are expedient. All things are lawful for me, but I will not be brought under the authority of anything. Foods are for the belly, and the belly for foods; but God will destroy both it and them. Now the body is not for fornication, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body; and God both raised up the Lord, and will also raise us up through His power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I therefore take away the members of Christ, and make them members of a harlot? God forbid! Or, do you not know that he who is joined to a harlot is one body with her? For, "The two," He says, "shall become one flesh." But he who is joined to the Lord is one spirit. Flee fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body, but whoever commits fornication sins against his own body. Or, do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have received from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's.

لِتَكُنْ يَا رَبُّ رَحْمَتِكَ عَلَيْنَا.

إِيْتَهَجُوا أَيُّهَا الصَّادِقُونَ بِالرَّبِّ.

فَصَلِّ مِنْ رِسَالَةِ الْقَدِيسِ بُولْسِ الرَّسُولِ الْأُولَى إِلَى أَهْلِ كورنثوس.

يَا إِخْوَةُ، كُلُّ شَيْءٍ مُبَاحٌ لِي وَلَكِنْ لَيْسَ كُلُّ شَيْءٍ يُوَافِقُ، كُلُّ شَيْءٍ مُبَاحٌ لِي وَلَكِنْ لَا يَتَسَلَّطُ عَلَيَّ شَيْءٌ. إِنَّ الْأَطْعِمَةَ لِلْجَوْفِ وَالْجَوْفَ لِلْأَطْعِمَةِ، وَسَيُبِيدُ اللَّهُ هَذِهِ وَذَلِكَ. أَمَّا الْجَسَدُ فَلَيْسَ لِلزَّانِي بَلْ لِلرَّبِّ وَالرَّبُّ لِلْجَسَدِ، وَاللَّهُ الَّذِي أَقَامَ الرَّبِّ سَيُقِيمُنَا نَحْنُ أَيْضًا بِقُوَّتِهِ. أَمَا تَعْلَمُونَ أَنَّ أَجْسَادَكُمْ هِيَ أَعْضَاءُ الْمَسِيحِ؟ أَفَأَخَذَ أَعْضَاءَ الْمَسِيحِ وَأَجْعَلُ مِنْهَا أَعْضَاءَ زَنَى؟ حَاشَى. أَمَا تَعْلَمُونَ أَنَّ مَنْ اقْتَرَنَ بِزَانِيَةٍ صَارَ وَإِيَّاهَا جَسَدًا وَاحِدًا؟ لِأَنَّهُ قَدْ قِيلَ: "يَصِيرُ كِلَاهُمَا جَسَدًا وَاحِدًا." أَمَا الَّذِي يَقْتَرِنُ بِالرَّبِّ فَيَكُونُ مَعَهُ رُوحًا وَاحِدًا. أَهْرَبُوا مِنَ الزَّانِي. فَإِنَّ كُلَّ خَطِيئَةٍ يَفْعَلُهَا الْإِنْسَانُ هِيَ فِي خَارِجِ الْجَسَدِ، أَمَا الزَّانِي فَإِنَّهُ يَخْطَأُ إِلَى جَسَدِهِ. أَمَا تَعْلَمُونَ أَنَّ جَسَدَكُمْ هُوَ هَيْكَلُ الرُّوحِ الْقُدُسِ الَّذِي فِيكُمْ الَّذِي نَلْتَمُوهُ مِنَ اللَّهِ وَأَنْتُمْ لَسْتُمْ لِأَنْفُسِكُمْ؟ لِأَنَّكُمْ قَدْ اسْتُرَيْتُمْ بِمَنْ فَمَجِدُوا اللَّهَ فِي أَجْسَادِكُمْ وَفِي أَرْوَاحِكُمْ الَّتِي هِيَ لِلَّهِ.

**PLEASE STAND!**

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Next Sunday's Reader: TBA**

**Priest: The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (15:11-32)**

(For Sunday of the Prodigal Son)

The Lord spoke 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 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 might 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.'"

فَصَلِّ شَرِيفٌ مِنْ بَشَارَةِ الْقَدِيسِ لُوقَا الْإِنْجِيلِيِّ الْبَشِيرِ، التَّلْمِيذِ الظَّاهِرِ. (32-11-15)

قَالَ الرَّبُّ هَذَا الْمَثَلُ: "إِنْسَانٌ كَانَ لَهُ ابْنَانِ، فَقَالَ أَصْغَرُهُمَا لِأَبِيهِ: يَا أَبَتِي، أَعْطِنِي النِّصِيبَ الَّذِي يَخْصُنِي مِنَ الْمَالِ. فَفَسَمَّ بَيْنَهُمَا مَعِيشَتَهُ. وَبَعْدَ أَيَّامٍ غَيْرِ كَثِيرَةٍ، جَمَعَ الْإِبْنُ الْأَصْغَرُ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ لَهُ، وَسَافَرَ إِلَى بَلَدٍ بَعِيدٍ، وَبَدَرَ مَالَهُ هُنَاكَ عَائِشًا فِي الْخَلَاعَةِ. فَلَمَّا أَنْفَقَ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ لَهُ، حَدَّثَتْ فِي ذَلِكَ الْبَلَدِ مَجَاعَةٌ شَدِيدَةٌ، فَأَخَذَ فِي الْعَوْرِ. فَذَهَبَ وَأَنْصَوَى إِلَى وَاحِدٍ مِنَ أَهْلِ ذَلِكَ الْبَلَدِ، فَأَرْسَلَهُ إِلَى حُقُولِهِ يَزْعِي خَنَازِيرَ. وَكَانَ يَسْتَهِي أَنْ يَمْلَأَ بَطْنَهُ مِنَ الْخَرْنُوبِ الَّذِي كَانَتْ الْخَنَازِيرُ تَأْكُلُهُ، فَلَمْ يُعْطِهِ أَحَدٌ. فَرَجَعَ إِلَى نَفْسِهِ وَقَالَ: "كَمْ لِأَبِي مِنْ أَجْرَاءَ يَفْضَلُ عَنْهُمْ الْخُبْزَ، وَأَنَا أَهْلُكَ جُوعًا. أَقُومُ وَأَمْضِي إِلَى أَبِي وَأَقُولُ لَهُ: "يَا أَبَتِي، قَدْ أَخْطَأْتُ إِلَى السَّمَاءِ وَأَمَامَكَ، وَلَسْتُ مُسْتَحِقًّا بَعْدَ أَنْ أَدْعَى لَكَ ابْنًا، فَاجْعَلْنِي كَأَحَدِ أَجْرَائِكَ." فَقَامَ وَجَاءَ إِلَى أَبِيهِ. وَفِيمَا هُوَ بَعْدُ غَيْرُ بَعِيدٍ، رَأَى أَبُوهُ، فَتَحَنَّنَ عَلَيْهِ وَأَسْرَعَ وَأَلْقَى بِنَفْسِهِ عَلَى عُنُقِهِ وَقَبَّلَهُ. فَقَالَ لَهُ الْإِبْنُ: "يَا أَبَتِي، قَدْ أَخْطَأْتُ إِلَى السَّمَاءِ وَأَمَامَكَ وَلَسْتُ مُسْتَحِقًّا بَعْدَ أَنْ أَدْعَى لَكَ ابْنًا." فَقَالَ الْأَبُ لِعَبِيدِهِ: "هَاتُوا الْخَلَّةَ الْأُولَى وَالْأَيْسُوهُ، وَاجْعَلُوا خَاتَمًا فِي يَدِهِ، وَجِذَاءً فِي رِجْلَيْهِ. وَأَتُوا بِالْعِجْلِ الْمُسَمَّنِ وَأَذْبَحُوهُ، فَتَأْكَلُ وَتَفْرَحُ. لِأَنَّ ابْنِي هَذَا كَانَ مَيِّتًا فَعَاشَ، وَكَانَ ضَالًّا فُوجِدَ. فَطَفِقُوا يَفْرَحُونَ. وَكَانَ ابْنُهُ الْأَكْبَرُ فِي الْحَقْلِ. فَلَمَّا أَتَى