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 Saturday: Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.  
 Sunday: Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.



**July 20, 2014**

**The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**

**And the Comemmoration of the Holy Prophet Elias the Tishbite**

**Plagal Tone 1 ~ Eothinon 6 ~ Ps. 109:8**

***CHRIST IS IN OUR MIDST! HE IS AND EVER SHALL BE!***

**Holy Communion is only open to those Orthodox Christians who are in good standing with the Church and have prepared themselves by prayer, fasting and a recent confession.** If you are not in good standing with the Church or are not an Orthodox Christian please do not be offended by this. We welcome you to our church and invite you to receive a blessing and partake of the antidoron at the end of the Divine Liturgy

**Saints du Jour (July 20)**

Prophet Elias (Elijah) the Tishbite; Righteous Iliya Chavchavadze of Georgia.

***Apolytikion of the Resurrection – Plagal Tone 1:*** Let us believers praise and worship the Word, coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of a 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.

***Apolytikion of the Prophet Elias – Tone 4:*** O angelic of body, pillar of the Prophets and their cornerstone, the forerunner of the second coming of Christ, the venerable and glorious Elias, thou didst send grace from on high to Elisha to dispel sicknesses and to purify lepers. Wherefore, he ever overfloweth with healing to those who honor him.

***Apolytikion of St. Basil the Great – Tone 1:*** Into all the world that received thy word went out thy voice; thereby didst thou divinely teach, explaining the nature of existing things and ordering the conduct of men. O venerable father, royal priesthood Basil, intercede with Christ our God for the salvation of our souls.

***Kontakion of the Theotokos – Tone 2:*** O undisputed Intercessor of Christians, constant Advocate before the Creator, do not despise the cry of us sinners, but in thy goodness come speedily to help us who call on thee in faith. Hasten to hear our petition and to intercede for us, O Theotokos, for thou always protect those who honor thee.

***Prokeimenon:*** You are a priest forever after the order of Melchizedek.

***Verse:*** The Lord said to my lord: Sit at My right hand till I make Your enemies My footstool.

***Epistle:*** The reading is from St. James' Universal Letter.  
 (Chapter 5:10-20)

BRETHREN, take as an example of suffering and patience the prophets who spoke in the Name of the Lord. Behold, we call those happy who were steadfast. You have heard of the steadfastness of Job, and you have seen the purpose of the Lord, how the Lord is compassionate and merciful. But above all, my brethren, do not swear, either by heaven or by earth or with any other oath, but let your yes be yes and your no be no, that you may not fall under condemnation. Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is any cheerful? Let him sing praise. Is any among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the Name of the Lord; and the prayer of faith will save the sick man, and the Lord will raise him up; and if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man has great power in its effects. Elijah was a man of like nature with ourselves and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth its fruit. My brethren, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and someone brings him back, let him know that whoever brings back a sinner from the error of his way will save his soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

***Gospel:*** The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew  
 (Chapter 9:1-8)

At that time, Jesus got into a boat, crossed over and came to His own city. And behold, they brought to Him a paralytic, lying on his bed; and when Jesus saw their faith He said to the paralytic, "Take heart My son; your sins are forgiven." And behold, some of the scribes said to themselves, "This man is blaspheming." But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, "Why do you think evil in your hearts? For which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise and walk?' But that you may know that the Son of man has authority on earth to forgive sins," He then said to the paralytic, "Rise, take up your bed and go home." And he rose and went home. When the crowds saw it, they marveled, and they glorified God, Who had given such authority to men.

**WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

- Saturday, July 26<sup>th</sup> – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.
- Sunday, July 27<sup>th</sup> – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.
- Saturday, Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup> – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.
- Sunday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.
- Tuesday, Aug. 5<sup>th</sup> – Vespereal Divine Liturgy, 6:30 P.M. (Transfiguration of our Lord)
- Thursday, Aug. 7<sup>th</sup> – Paraklesis Service, 6:30 P.M.
- Saturday, Aug. 9<sup>th</sup> – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.
- Sunday, Aug. 10<sup>th</sup> – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.
- Tuesday, Aug. 12<sup>th</sup> – Paraklesis Service, 6:30 P.M.
- Thursday, Aug. 14<sup>th</sup> – Vespereal Divine Liturgy, 6:30 P.M. (Dormition of the Theotokos)

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

The **Parish Council** shall have their monthly meeting after Divine Liturgy today, July 20. All Council members please attend.

The frozen, ready-to-cook packages of Lebanese recipes can now be bought at a discount. The beef shawarma (which sells for \$12 a package) can be bought 3 for \$30. The chicken shish ta'ouk (which sells for \$10 a package) can be bought 3 for \$25. A mixed group can be bought 3 for \$28. There are still a few frozen quarts of lentil soup, which can be bought for \$5.00 a piece.

As of July 13, 2014, 39 pledges were received totaling \$73,985.00. The budget approved at our Annual General Parish Meeting was for \$136,480.00. Approximately \$2,625/week is needed in donations to meet this obligation. The collection for July 13, 2014, totaled \$3,000 for a year-to-date total of \$65,981.41 (~\$2,356/week). We are approximately \$7,532 short of where we need to be at this time.

#### *Spiritual Counsels...*

“When virtuous men are in power, the people are joyful, when the wicked rule, the people groan.”

Proverbs 29:2