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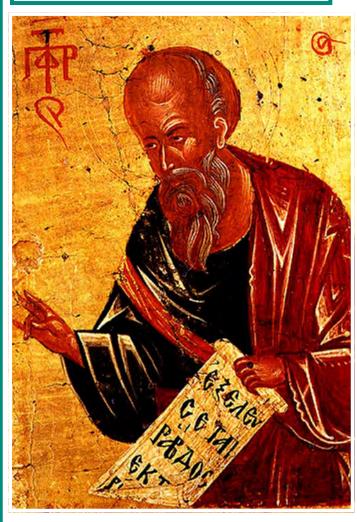
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## **Divine Services**

Eve Sundays & Feast Days 5:00 PM Confessions 6:00 PM Great Vespers Sundays and Feast Days 8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hour 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy Please check weekly schedule for specific days (last page). Previous Ambos on website. Articles for publication should be submitted to: ambo-theodosius @googlegroups.com JUNE 11, 2023 IST SUNDAY OF PENTECOST SYNAXIS OF ALL SAINTS





The Holy Prophet Elisha (June 14) lived in the ninth century before the Birth of Christ, and was a native of the village of Abelmaum, near Jordan. By the command of the Lord he was called to prophetic service by the holy Prophet Elias (July 20).

When it became time for the Prophet Elias to be taken up to Heaven, he said to Elisha, "Ask what shall I do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha boldly asked for a double portion of the grace of God: "Let there be a double portion of your spirit upon me." The Prophet Elias said, "You have asked a hard thing; if you see me when I

am taken from you, then so shall it be for you; but if you do not see me, it will not be so" (4 [2] Kings 2: 10). As they went along the way talking, there appeared a fiery chariot and horses and separated them both. Elisha cried out, "My father, my father, the chariot of Israel and its horsemen!" (4 Kings 2: 12). Picking up the mantle of his teacher which fell from the sky, Elisha received the power and prophetic gift of Elias. He spent more than 65 years in prophetic service, under six Israelite kings (from

Ahab to Joash). While Elisha lived, he did not tremble before any prince, and no word could overcome him (Sirach 48: 13 ["Sirach" is called "Ecclesiasticus" in Catholic Bibles ]).

The holy prophet worked numerous miracles. He divided the waters of the Jordan, having struck it with the mantle of the Prophet Elias; he made the waters of a Jericho spring fit for drinking; he saved the armies of the kings of Israel and Judah that stood in an arid wilderness by bringing forth abundant water by his prayer; he delivered a poor widow from death by starvation through a miraculous increase of oil in a vessel. This Shunamite woman showing hospitality to the prophet was gladdened by the birth of a son through his prayer, and when the child died, he was raised back to life by the prophet. The Syrian militarycommander Namaan was healed from leprosy but the prophet's servant Gehazi was afflicted since he disobeyed the prophet and took money from Namaan.

Elisha predicted to the Israelite king Joash the vic- las Planas had a great veneration for the Prophet tory over his enemies, and by the power of his prayer he worked many other miracles (4 Kings 3-

13). The holy Prophet Elisha died in old age at Samaria. "In his life he worked miracles, and at death his works were marvellous" (Sir. 48: 15). A year after his death, a corpse was thrown into the prophet's grave. As soon as the dead man touched Elisha's bones, he came to life and stood up (4 Kings 13: 20-21). The Prophet Elisha and his teacher, the Prophet Elias, left no books behind them, since their prophetic preaching was oral. Jesus, son of Sirach, praised both great prophets (Sir. 48:1-15).

John of Damascus composed a canon in honor of the Prophet Elisha, and at Constantinople a church was built in his honor.

Julian the Apostate (361-363) gave orders to burn the relics of the Prophet Elisha, Abdia (Obadiah) and John the Forerunner, but the holy relics were preserved by believers, and part of them were transferred to Alexandria.

In the twentieth century, the humble priest Nicho-Elisha, and was accounted worthy to see him in visions.

# VISITATIONS

Fr. Cizmar would like to know who requires visitation. He is eager to visit those who might have gone a long time without visitation for any reason at all. A key duty of a priest's ministry is to visit the sick and confined, those unable to attend the holy services for any reason. His phone number and email address are printed on the front of every Ambo, and are repeated here: Father Jan Cizmar - 1(440) 732-8182 - st.theodosiuscathedral@gmail.com

#### Reminder: The Apostles' Fast begins Monday, June 12th!

#### FOCUS-ST. HERMAN HOUSE 10TH ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC & AUCTION

The 10th Annual Golf Classic & Auction is on June 26th, 2023, registration and lunch is at 10:00 AM at Tanglewood Club. A printable tri-fold pamphlet with all the information will accompany this Ambo, being attached to the same email. For questions, please email: golfsthermans@focusna.org or call Kirk at 216-973-9391

## **Landscaping Ministry**

#### Spring is here!

Consider helping us to cut and edge the grounds around our cathedral, it's a great way of getting some sun and exercise while beautifying the church.

Please speak with Joyce Tabeling in person or call her at 216 408-7187

St. Matthew the Evangelist Orthodox Church

# August 18 & 19, 2023

Father Sergius Bowyer Abbot of St. Tikhon's Monastery

Friday, August 18 6:00 - Prayer service with icon of St Anna 7:00-8:30 - First Session

Saturday, August 19 9:30 - Registration, Continental Breakfast 10:30-12:00 - Second Session 12:00 - 1:00 - Lunch Provided 1:00-2:00 - Personal prayer 2:00-3:30 - Third Session 4:30 - Vespers

The miraculous icon of St. Anna, the Mother of the Holy Virgin Mary will be at St. Matthew's for veneration.

Fr. Bowyer will speak on his book Acquiring the Mind of Christ: Embracing the Vision of the Orthodox Church

#### TO REGISTER OR FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Email: cindygeorge127@gmail.com or cfullermorton@gmail.com Call or Text: (440) 220-2623

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# PRAYER REQUESTS

#### as of 6/11/2023

Deceased	Anna Marie Luvison (daughter of Matthew
William Sudnick	& Katie (Ellis) Luvison)
	<b>Debra</b> Parhamovich (sister of Karen Felon )
Special Intentions:	Grace Mary Parhamovich (mother of Karen
Subdeacon Theodore Lentz	Felon )
Subdeacon Igor Gajewsky	Gayle Vidovich
Subdeacon Roger Pinta	Elizabeth Balasz
Reader Paul Pangrace	Christina Hile (Nisi & Cindy's sister)
<b>Reader Frank</b> Tkacz	Lonnie Ellis (Husband to Debra Ellis)
	Robert Martin Prock
<b>Stephan</b> Chwalyk	Valentina Zawolowycz (mother of Paul Z )
Horia Dascalescu (Lavinia's brother)	Michael and Nichole Zolikoff and unborn
<b>Diane</b> Kearsey (Janice Tkacz's Sister)	child
Janice Tkacz	Mark
Eleanor Wachovec (friend of Karen Felon )	Michael Kapeluck (friend of Cathy)
Rachel Ohlin (relative of Tatiana )	
Erin Zawolowycz	
Carol Nielsen (Paul Pangrace's sister)	
Virginia Medvec	
Jeffrey Parhamovich (brother of Karen Fel-	
on)	
Margaret Parhamovich (sister-in-law of Ka-	
ren Felon )	Please submit names to the Prayer List by emailing them to Fr. Jan Cizmar
Margaret Peyton (Cathy's aunt)	<u>st.theodosiuscathedral@gmail.com</u> Or calling at 1(440) 732-8182
<b>Jean</b> Woycitzky Thompson (Frank's cousin )	Names remain on the list for 20 days unless

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**The Holy Prophet Amos** (June 15), the third of the Twelve Minor Prophets,<sup>1</sup> lived during the eighth century before Christ. He was from Judah,

and was born at Tekoah in the land of Zebulon, six miles south of Bethlehem.

At that time, the Hebrew nation was divided into two Kingdoms: Judah in the south, and Israel in the north. King Uzziah ruled in Jerusalem, but the other ten tribes of Israel were ruled by Jeroboam II, who was an idolater. At Bethel he set up an idol

in the shape of a golden calf, which the people worshipped, turning away from the true God.

Simple and uneducated, yet fervent in his faith and zealous for the glory of God, this former shepherd of sheep and goats, and dresser of sycamore trees (Amos 7:14-15) was chosen by the

Lord for prophetic service. He was sent to the Kingdom of Israel to denounce King Jeroboam's impiety, as well as that of the Israelites. The

> Prophet predicted great misfortunes which would befall Israel because of its ungodliness. As a result of his denunciations, Amos repeatedly endured beatings and torture.

Amaziah, the chief priest of the royal sanctuary at Bethel, hated Amos, who predicted that the Gentiles would conquer Israel; that they will slay the King, as well as

Amaziah's children; that Amaziah's wife would become a harlot; and that Amaziah himself would die in a pagan land, because he led the people into adultery with idols (7:17). Amaziah became furious and had Amos beaten, but all of these prophecies were fulfilled.

#### Sunday, June 11

1st Sunday of Pentecost **Synaxis of All Saints** Holy Apostles Bartholomew and Barnabas (1st c.) 8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hours 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy Coffee Hour

Monday, June 12 Beginning of the Apostles' Fast Ven. Onuphrius the Great (4th c.) and Ven. Peter of Mt. Athos (734)

**Tuesday, June 13** Martyr Aquilina of Byblos in Syria (293)

Wednesday, June 14 Glorification of St. John of Kronstadt (1990). Prophet Elisha (9th c. B.C.) WEEKLY SCHEDULE 2023

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Thursday, June 15

Prophet Amos (8th c. B.C.) St. Jonah, Metropolitan of Moscow (1461)

#### Friday, June 16

St. Tychon (Tikhon, Tycho), Bishop of Amathus in Cyprus (4th-5th c.)

Saturday, June 17 Martyrs Manuel, Sabel, and Ismael, of Persia (362) Venerable Botolph of Iken (7th c.) 6:00 PM Great Vespers

Sunday, June 18 2nd Sunday of Pentecost All Saints of America Martyr Leontius, and with him Martyrs Hypatius and Theodulus, at Tripoli in Syria (70-79) 8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hours 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy Coffee Hour