



SAINT ELIAS

ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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SUNDAY, JULY 6, 2008

3RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Venerable Sisoës the Great; Apostles Archippos, Philemon and Onesimos of the
Seventy; Martyrs Lucia, Epimachos and Alexander; Venerable-martyr Cyril

Tone 2

Eothonon 3

WELCOME...to all our visitors worshipping with us!

Please be sure to fill out a Visitor's Card and drop it in the collection plate (or give it to a greeter). And we would like you to be our guest downstairs in the Fellowship Hall for coffee and refreshments after the service is over this morning. We look forward to meeting you and welcoming you personally to Saint Elias. *We're glad you're here!*

Parish Office Hours:

Tuesday–Friday

10:00 AM–3:00 PM

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Check out www.sainteliaschurch.org for information!

Our web page has updated messages and calendars as well as downloadable versions of current and past Sunday bulletins. Check it out!

Sacraments: Baptism, Matrimony, Adult Initiation

Contact the Church Office and set up an appointment with the Pastor to discuss the arrangements for these sacraments.

Become a Member of St. Elias

We would love to have you be a part of our community! Please talk to the Pastor or call the Church Office to get an information packet on becoming a member of the parish.

Pastoral Care of the Sick

Please call the Parish Office with names of the sick and hospitalized of the parish so they can receive proper pastoral care.

Times for Confession:

Confessions are heard on Sunday mornings during Matins (Orthros) prior to 8:15 AM and often before the 10:30 AM Liturgy (depending upon availability), before or after Vespers on Wednesday and Saturday evenings, and by appointment during the week. To indicate your desire to go to Confession on Sunday mornings, come to the front right pew and wait for the priest.

THE DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

The Divine Liturgy begins in the red Service Book on page 91 or use one of the new white Visitor's Liturgy books. When we reach the point in the service for Antiphons and hymns, the ones for today's service are listed below and on the next page.

1st Antiphon — page 94

It is good to give praise unto the Lord, and to chant unto Thy name, O Most High.

Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Saviour, save us.

To proclaim in the morning Thy mercy, and Thy truth by night.

Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Saviour, save us.

Upright is the Lord our God, and there is no unrighteousness in Him.

Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Saviour, save us.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

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2nd Antiphon — page 95

The Lord is King, He is clothed with majesty; the Lord is clothed with strength and He hath girt Himself.

O Son of God who art risen from the dead, save us who sing to Thee: Alleluia!

For He established the world which shall not be shaken.

O Son of God who art risen from the dead, save us who sing to Thee: Alleluia!

Holiness becometh Thy house, O Lord, unto length of days.

O Son of God who art risen from the dead, save us who sing to Thee: Alleluia!

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

and “Only-begotten Son...” — page 95

3rd Antiphon–Troparion of the Resurrection (Tone 2) - page 96

The Daily Hymns — page 98

Troparion of the Resurrection (Tone 2)

When thou didst descend unto death, O Life immortal, then thou didst destroy hades, with the brilliance of thy divinity; and when thou didst raise the dead from beneath the earth, all the powers of heaven didst cry aloud unto Thee: O Christ the Giver of Life, Glory to thee, O our God!

Troparion 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.

Kontakion for Most Sundays (Tone 2)

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 with aid in time, who cry to thee in faith, for thou art good. Hasten to us with intercessions, O Theotokos, who dost ever intercede for those who honour thee.

Prokeimenon in Tone 2 (from Psalm 118):

The Lord is my strength and my song, and He is become my salvation.

With chastisement hath the Lord chastened me, but He hath not given me over unto death.

The Epistle Reading — Romans 5:1-11

Brethren, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in our hope of sharing the glory of God. More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit which has been given to us.

While we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Why, one will hardly die for a righteous man—though perhaps for a good man one will dare even to die. But God shows his love for us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we are now justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. Not only so, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received our reconciliation.

Alleluia Verses in Tone 2 (from Psalm 20)

The Lord hear thee in the day of affliction; the Name of the God of Jacob defend thee.

O Lord, save the king, and hearken unto us in the day when we call upon Thee.

The Holy Gospel — St. Matthew 6:22-33

The Lord said, "The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is sound, your whole body will be full of light; but if your eye is evil, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness!"

“No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon.

“Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you shall eat or what you shall drink, nor about your body, what you shall put on. Is not the soul more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of heaven: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And which of you by being anxious can add one cubit to his stature? And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon himself in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O men of little faith? Therefore do not be anxious, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ For the Gentiles seek all these things; and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness and all these things shall be yours as well.”

The Sermon: Father Dave Lewis

Reception of Catechumens:

This morning, we will receive Tony Huynh as a catechumen at St. Elias. Please welcome him as he becomes a part of our community.

Today's Commemorations

Holy Bread is offered today by Diane Wicks in memory of Iskander Ghanayem and Aziz Ghanaim, her father and her uncle. May their memory be eternal!

Prayers are requested for the repose of James Mecey (†7/6/85), Joe Zegub (†7/7/65), and James Philip Schuman (†7/10/1987). These names comes from the parish dyptichs—the record of those who have been buried from St. Elias. May their memory be eternal.

At the Divine Liturgy during the Great Entrance, we normally commemorate only Orthodox Christians by name among the living and departed since this is the Church praying for the Church. Non-Orthodox are remembered liturgically in prayers at Vespers and other intercessory services of the Church.

On Receiving Holy Communion in the Orthodox Church:

Only Orthodox Christians who are prepared through prayer, fasting, and a recent sacramental confession should approach the Chalice for the Eucharist. The Orthodox Church does not practice “open communion” and has no intercommunion with other churches (non-Orthodox). If you have any questions concerning this, please talk to one of the priests before taking communion

And Remember...

...to receive Holy Communion, one should be present at the Divine Liturgy no later than the time for the Epistle and Gospel readings. We feed both our minds and our hearts as part of the Orthodox Christian life.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, JULY 6

Our Greeter this morning is...

... Darrin Roush (8:30 AM) and David Jabour (10:30 AM). *Next week's greeters are Mark Cherry (8:30 AM) and Anthony Gehrels (10:30 AM).*

Please Join us for Coffee Hour...

...in the Church Hall after the Liturgy. Today's refreshments are provided by those families with last names beginning with A-C.

We're Going back to the old type of Coffee Hour...

...starting in July. We will go back to having people bring snacks to the Coffee Hour after the 10:30 AM Liturgy. We will have some other snacks and coffee for after the 8:30 AM Liturgy.

NEXT MED FEST MEETING: SUNDAY, JULY 13

We need all previous chairpersons and committee chairpersons to gather for a planning meeting for the 2008 Mediterranean Festival (scheduled for October 10-11). The meeting will take place after the Liturgy (during Coffee Hour). We need everyone's help to help on the 76th Annual Med Fest!

St. Elias Day Celebration: July 19-20

The celebration of St. Elias Day will begin with Festal Great Vespers at 6:00 PM on Saturday, July 19 followed by the regular Saturday pot luck grilling dinner and conclude on Sunday, July 20 with the Divine Liturgy followed by a pot luck dinner and celebration at the Church. We will have only one liturgy on St. Elias Day so that everyone can be together as we celebrate our feast day. We will have a short program at the dinner on Sunday as we continue to celebrate our 75th Anniversary. Mark your calendars!

VACATION BIBLE CAMP: August 11-15, 2008

St. Elias's Vacation Bible Camp: Please note that Vacation Bible Camp has been **RESCHEDULED** for the week of August 11-15, 2008. The Camp will meet Monday - Friday from 9:00 am to Noon. Children ages 4 and older are welcome. Children ages 3 and younger are welcome as long as they are accompanied by a parent. Registration forms are available after the 10:30 Divine Liturgy Service. For more information contact Sylvia Jabour at (512)407-8770.

Mediterranean Dinner – August 23

We are sponsoring a fundraising dinner for our Assistant Pastor Fund on Saturday, August 23 – a Mediterranean Dinner with live music provided by Zein Al-Jundi and a delicious meal of Middle Eastern food provided by Dagar's Catering of Austin. The event, held at St. Elias Church Hall, will have 14 tables (at 8 to a table) at the cost of \$600 per table (or \$75 per person). We expect this to be a sold-out event. Tables and/or tickets will sell out quickly, so order yours soon. For reservations, call Ramzi Deeb (261-3169)

Holiday Cruise, Concert & Dinner on Lake Travis

We are working on a post-Christmas celebration on Saturday, December 27, featuring the holiday music of Sue Deeb (Ramzi's sister) and the St. Elias Choir (and Chanters) while cruising on the Flagship Texas on Lake Travis. Mark your calendars now for a grand time celebrating the Lord's birth.

Father Traian in Romania

Father Traian and Preotessa Gina Buican are in Romania for the next few weeks. Father and Preotessa will return in mid-July.

Coffee Hour Schedule:

For July:

July 6:	A-C	
July 13:	D-I	
July 20:	Pot Luck	St. Elias Day
July 27:	J-Z	

***Mark your calendars for your week and participate
in this ministry of fellowship in our parish.***

Two Liturgies on Sundays starting in July

Next Sunday, we'll be back to Liturgies on Sundays at 8:30 and 10:30 AM again in July (only one on July 20).

Lost and found

Lost and found items" will be in a box in the parish hall, unclaimed items will be sent to Goodwill

It's a BREEZE to Help Our Neighbors!

The Fellowship of St. John the Divine challenges you to new project! Donate a new or gently used fan and get three chances to win a COOL lunch/brunch for two with dessert (YUM) from Pecan Street Café. You can donate more than one fan and get three tickets for each fan you give. All donated fans will be distributed by Family Eldercare to those in need during this scorcher of a summer. Just bring your fan and get your ticket(s) from Sara Cook or John Haddad at the social hour. Drawing will be held July 13th so hurry in with your donation!

This Week at St. Elias

Wednesday, July 9

6:00 PM — Daily Vespers

Saturday, July 12

6:00 PM — Great Vespers

Sunday, July 13

4th Sunday after Pentecost: Holy Fathers

7:30 AM — Orthros (Matins)

8:30 AM — Divine Liturgy

10:05 AM — Service of Preparation for Holy Communion

10:30 AM — Divine Liturgy

Dates To Circle

July 19-20

St. Elias Day Celebration

August 11-15

Vacation Church Camp