

PRAYERS NEEDED

Bethel Adamov
Matushka Marilyn Beronja
Luba Ilich
Jordan Spasenovski
Eunice Slavoff
Paul & June Slavoff
Zachary & Gabriel Beronja
Anne Bowden
Paul Meloff
Margaret Amato
Piku Pazik
Carol Egnatuk
Tomka Nicolich
Helen Anderson
Biljana Spasenovski
Ila Shenk
Alexander Hanchar
Phoebe Davis
Child of God Alexander Micevski
Child of God Gabriella
Child of God Sebastian
Tami M.
Gregory Patrick



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1 Wednesday Erwine
3 Tanja Belous
3 Viktoriya Welk
4 Cathy Ilich
5 Malia Samson
6 Elio Gerges
9 Katie Nickolaou
12 Aurelia Pietraiu
12 John Nicolich
14 Paul Meloff
16 Vasilie Pietrariu Sr.
22 Mitzi Ilich
22 Stephanie Zoley
22 Gavin Bass
23 Jon Rambow
23 Sherry Meloff
23 Theodora Ann Busch
23 Anna Maria Smith
24 Alex Popovich
28 Sandra Fisher
30 Steve Slavoff
30 Kristina Krstev

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

3 Geoff & Anne Bowden
11 John & Milicia Nicolich
18 Jeff & Kathy Samson
19 Mike & Nada Yosifovski
22 Steve & Viktoriya Welk
24 Fred & Deb Beronja
27 Ernest & Anna Gagye

PARISH TREASURER'S REPORT

St. Elias' Financial Report for
September 2018

Income: \$6,121.00
Expenses: \$5,349.82
Increase: \$771.18

Please Help with Sponsorship Opportunities:

As of 30 September, a total of \$3,595.00 was collected for the church's new twin air-conditioning units; remaining debt: \$3,017.00.

God's blessings and many thanks is expressed to Fred & Debbie Beronja for sponsoring the November newsletter edition!

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The Most Rev. Matthew, Bishop of Sourozh

Interim Bishop Assigned: At the meeting of the Holy Synod of the Russian Orthodox Church on 15 October 2018, held in Minsk and chaired by His Holiness Kirill, Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia, His Grace Bishop Matthew of Sourozh has been appointed Temporary Administrator of the Patriarchal Parishes in the USA. With expression of gratitude for his Archpastoral labors, His Grace Bishop John of Naro-Fominsk has been appointed Administrator of the parishes of the Moscow Patriarchate in Italy, with the title "Bogorodsky."

OFFICIAL NEWS:

The Holy Synod of the Russian Orthodox Church has Considered it Impossible to Remain in Eucharistic Communion with the Patriarchate of Constantinople:

The Holy Synod of the Russian Orthodox Church, at its session on October 15, 2019, in Minsk, adopted a Statement of the Holy Synod concerning the encroachment of the Patriarchate of Constantinople upon the canonical territory of the Russian Orthodox Church. The Holy Synod members deemed it impossible to continue to be in the Eucharistic communion with the Patriarchate of Constantinople. It is stated in particular that 'to admit in communion the schismatics and a person anathematized by another Local Church together with all the 'bishops' and 'clergy' ordained by them, the encroachment upon somebody else's canonical parts, the attempt to reject one's own historical decisions and commitments – all this places the Patriarchate of Constantinople outside the canonical space and, to our great grief, makes it impossible for us to continue the Eucharistic communion with its hierarchy, clergy and laity. 'From now on until the Patriarchate of Constantinople abandons its anti-canonical decisions, it is impossible for all the clergy of the Russian Orthodox Church to concelebrate with the clergy of the Church of Constantinople and for the laity to participate in sacraments administered in its churches', the document states. (patriarchia.ru)



Sacred Scripture Quote:
 "...Keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace." —Ephesians 4:3

PARISH NEWS:

Parish Council Vacancies: Currently there are a few parish council vacancies and if you are a faithful Orthodox Christian and willing to serve on this administrative body, please see Fr. Lawrence or a parish council member.

Gratitude: Many thanks to Bill & Melanie Schall for sponsoring the eternal lamps (7 day votives) during the month of November in loving memory+Lazo & +Bosiljka Vuckovich.

Volunteer Opportunities: If anyone's willing to be added to St. Elias' "Bread" List and host coffee hour once or twice a year or if you're unable to remain on this roster, please see either Helen Repair or Fr. Lawrence.

Time Change Reminder: Regarding Daylight Saving Time Ending soon, remember to set your clocks back 1 hour before retiring on Saturday 3 November.

Sacred Scripture Quote:
 "I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly." —John 10:10

<i>November 2018 Parish Calendar</i>						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Spiritual Food for Thought: "Do you wish to be free of afflictions and not to be burdened by them? Expect greater ones, and you will find peace...Be of good courage, stand firm and pray." --St. Barsanuphius				1	2	3 Great Vespers 6PM
4 Divine Liturgy 10AM Sunday School Prospora & Donuts Liz Nickolaou	5	6	7 Great Vespers 4PM	8 Sisterhood Mtg. Captain Lucy's 6PM	9	10 Great Vespers 6PM
11 Divine Liturgy 10AM Sunday School Prospora & Donuts Suzanne Pifer	12	13 Parish Council Meeting 6PM	14 Divine Liturgy 10AM Holy Apostle Philip	15 Nativity Fast Begins	16	17 Great Vespers 6PM
				Nativity Fast		
18 Divine Liturgy 10AM Sunday School Prospora & Donuts Nina Ledford	19	20 Great Vespers 4PM	21 Divine Liturgy 10AM Entry of Holy Theotokos	22 Happy Thanksgiving Day!	23	24 Fr. Lawrence out-of-town
Nativity Fast						
25 Divine Liturgy 10AM Sunday School Prospora & Donuts Masha Smith	26	27	28	29 Great Vespers 4PM Holy Apostle Andrew	30	
Nativity Fast						