

BULLETIN

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6th Sunday of Matthew

THE FIGHT ASSENT OF THE HOLV PROPHET GLIAS HOLV PROPHET GLIAS HOLV PROPHST GLISHA

July 20, 2025

Today we commemorate 6th Sunday of Matthew, The Glorious Prophet Elias (Elijah), Synaxis of the Russians who were perfected in France: Protopresbyter Alexios Mednedkov, Presbyter Dimitrii Klepinin, Mother Maria Skobtsova, her son Yuri Skobtsov, and Ilia Fondaminskii, Mother Maria Skobtsova, New-Martyr of France

READINGS OF THE DAY

The Matins Gospel According to Luke 24:36-53

Τῶ καιρῶ ἐκείνω, ἀναστὰς ὁ Ἰησοῦς ἐκ νεκρῶν έστη έν μέσω τῶν Μαθητῶν, καὶ λέγει αὐτοῖς. Εἰρήνη ὑμῖν. Πτοηθέντες δὲ καὶ ἔμφοβοι γενόμενοι, έδόκουν πνεῦμα θεωρεῖν. Καὶ εἶπεν αὐτοῖς Τί τεταραγμένοι ἐστέ, καὶ διατὶ διαλογισμοὶ ἀναβαίνουσιν ἐν ταῖς καρδίαις ύμῶν; ἴδετε τὰς χεῖράς μου καὶ τοὺς πόδας μου, ὅτι αὐτὸς ἐγώ εἰμι, ψηλαφήσατέ με καὶ ίδετε, ότι πνεῦμα σάρκα καὶ ὀστέα οὐκ ἔχει, καθώς έμὲ θεωρεῖτε ἔχοντα. Καὶ τοῦτο εἰπών, έπέδειξεν αὐτοῖς τὰς χεῖρας καὶ τοὺς πόδας. Έτι δὲ ἀπιστούντων αὐτῶν ἀπὸ τῆς χαρᾶς, καὶ θαυμαζόντων, εἶπεν αὐτοῖς. Έχετέ TI βρώσιμον ένθάδε; Οἱ δὲ ἐπέδωκαν αὐτῶ ίχθύος όπτοῦ μέρος, καὶ ἀπὸ μελισσίου κηρίου. Καὶ λαβών, ἐνώπιον αὐτῶν ἔφαγεν. Εἶπε δὲ αὐτοῖς. Οὗτοι οἱ λόγοι, οὓς ἐλάλησα πρὸς ὑμᾶς έτι ών σύν ύμῖν, ὅτι δεῖ πληρωθῆναι πάντα τὰ γεγραμμένα έν τῷ νόμῳ Μωσέως καὶ Προφήταις καὶ Ψαλμοῖς περὶ ἐμοῦ. Τότε διήνοιξεν αὐτῶν τὸν νοῦν, τοῦ συνιέναι τὰς Γραφάς καὶ εἶπεν αὐτοῖς Ότι οὕτω γέγραπται, καὶ οὕτως εἴδει παθεῖν τὸν Χριστόν,

καὶ ἀναστῆναι ἐκ νεκρῶν τῆ τρίτῃ ἡμέρạ, καὶ κηρυχθῆναι ἐπὶ τῷ ἀνόματι αὐτοῦ μετάνοιαν καὶ ἄφεσιν ἀμαρτιῶν εἰς πάντα τὰ ἔθνῃ, ἀρξάμενον ἀπὸ Ἱερουσαλήμ. Ὑμεῖς δέ ἐστε μάρτυρες τούτων. Καὶ ἰδοὺ ἐγὼ ἀποστέλλω τὴν ἐπαγγελίαν τοῦ πατρός μου ἐφ' ὑμᾶς· ὑμεῖς δὲ καθίσατε ἐν τῆ πόλει Ἱερουσαλήμ, ἔως οὖ ἐνδύσησθε δύναμιν ἐξ ὕψους. Ἐξήγαγε δὲ αὐτοὺς ἔξω εἰς Βηθανίαν, καὶ ἐπάρας τὰς χεῖρας αὐτοῦ, εὐλόγησεν αὐτούς. Καὶ ἐγένετο ἐν τῷ εὐλογεῖν αὐτόν αὐτούς, διέστῃ ἀπ' αὐτῶν, καὶ ἀνεφέρετο εἰς τὸν οὐρανόν. Καὶ αὐτοὶ, προσκυνήσαντες αὐτόν, ὑπέστρεψαν εἰς Ἱερουσαλὴμ μετὰ χαρᾶς μεγάλης. Καὶ ἦσαν διαπαντός ἐν τῷ Ἱερῷ, αἰνοῦντες καὶ εὐλογοῦντες τὸν Θεόν. Ἀμήν.



At that time, having risen from the dead, Jesus went up and stood among His disciples and said to them, "Peace be with you." But they were startled and frightened and supposed that they saw a spirit. And He said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do questionings rise in your hearts? See My Hands and My feet, that it is I Myself; handle Me, and see; for a spirit has not flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when He had said this, He showed them His hands and His feet. And while they still disbelieved for joy, and wondered, He said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave Him a piece of broiled fish [and some honeycomb], and He took it and ate before them. Then He said to them, "These are My words which I spoke to you, while I was still with you, that everything written about Me in the law of Moses and the prophets and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then He opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be preached in His name in all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And behold, I send the promise of My Father upon you; but stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high." Then He led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting His hands, He blessed them. While He blessed them, He parted from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped Him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and were continually in the Temple blessing God.

The reading is from St. James' Universal Letter 5:10-20

Άδελφοί, ὑπόδειγμα λάβετε, ἀδελφοί μου, τῆς κακοπαθείας, καὶ τῆς μακροθυμίας, τοὺς προφήτας οἳ ἐλἀλησαν τῷ ὀνόματι κυρίου. Ἱδοὑ, μακαρίζομεν τοὺς ὑπομένοντας· τὴν ὑπομονὴν Ἰὼβ ἡκοὑσατε, καὶ τὸ τἑλος κυρίου ἴδετε, ὅτι πολὑσπλαγχνός ἐστιν καὶ οἰκτἰρμων. Πρὸ πἀντων δἐ, ἀδελφοἱ μου, μὴ ὀμνὑετε, μήτε τὸν οὐρανὀν, μήτε τὴν Υῆν, μήτε ἄλλον τινὰ ὅρκον· ἤτω δὲ ὑμῶν τὸ vai, vai, καὶ τὸ oǚ, oǚ· ἵνα μὴ εἴς ὑπὸκρίσιν πἐσητε. Κακοπαθεῖ τις ἐν ὑμῖν; Προσευχἑσθω. Εὐθυμεῖ τις; Ψαλλἑτω. Ἀσθενεῖ τις ἐν ὑμῖν; Προσκαλεσἀσθω τοὺς πρεσβυτἑρους τῆς ἐκκλησίας, καὶ προσευξἀσθωσαν ἐπ' αὐτὀν, ἀλείψαντες αὐτὸν ἐλαίφ ἐν τῷ ὀνόματι τοῦ κυρίου· καὶ ἡ εὐχὴ τῆς πίστεως σώσει τὸν κἀμνοντα, καὶ ἐγερεῖ αὐτὸν ὁ κὑριος· καν ἁμαρτίας ἦ πεποιηκὡς, ἀφεθήσεται αὐτῷ. Ἐξομολογεῖσθε ἀλλήλοις τὰ παραπτώματα, καὶ εὔχεσθε ὑπὲρ ἀλλήλων, ὅπως ἰαθῆτε. Πολὺ ἰσχὑει δἑησις δικαίου ἐνεργουμἑνη. Ἡλίας ἄνθρωπος ἦν ὁμοιοπαθὴς ἡμῖν, καὶ προσευχῇ προσηὑξατο τοῦ μὴ βρἑξαι· καὶ οἰκ ἕβρεξεν ἐπὶ τῆς Υῆς ἐνιαυτοὺς τρεῖς καὶ μῆνας ἕξ. Καὶ πἀλιν προσηὑξατο, καὶ ὁ οὐρανὸς ὑετὸν ἔδωκεν, καὶ ἡ γῆ ἐβλἀστησεν τὸν καρπὸν αὐτῆς. Ἀδελφοί, ἐἀν τις ἐν ὑμῖν τοῦς κῶν ἀμαρτίας ὅικαίου ἐνεργουμἑνη. Ἡλίας ἀνθρωπος ἦν ὑμοιοπαθὴς ἡμῖν, καὶ προσευχῇ προσηὑξατο τοῦ μὴ βρἑξαι· καὶ οἰκ ἕβρεξεν ἐπὶ τῆς κῆς ἐνιαυτοὺς τρεῖς καὶ μῆνας ἕξ. Καὶ πἀλιν προσηὑξατο, καὶ ὁ οὐρανὸς ὑετὸν ἔδωκεν, καὶ ἡ γῆ ἐβλἀστησεν τὸν καρπὸν αὐτῆς. Ἀδελφοἱ, ἐἀν τις ἐν ὑμῖν πλανηθῇ ἀπὸ τῆς ἀληθείας, καὶ ἐπιστρἑψη τις αὐτὸν, γινωσκἑτω ὅτι ὁ ἑποτρἑψας ἁμαρτωλὸν ἐκ πλἀνης ὁδοῦ αὐτοῦ σώσει ψυχὴν ἐκ θανἀτου, καὶ καλὑψει πλῆθος ἁμαρτιῶν.

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. Are any of 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 us, 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 any one 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.

The Gospel According to Matthew 9:1-8

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, ἐμβὰς εἰς πλοῖον διεπέρασε καὶ ἦλθεν εἰς τὴν ἰδίαν πόλιν. Καὶ ἰδοὺ προσέφερον αὐτῷ παραλυτικὸν ἐnὶ κλίνης βεβλημένον· καὶ ἰδὼν ὁ Ἰησοῦς τὴν πίστιν αὐτῶν εἶπε τῷ παραλυτικῷ· θάρσει, τέκνον· ἀφέωνταί σοι aἱ ἁμαρτίαι σου. καὶ ἰδοὑ τινες τῶν γραμματέων εἶπον ἐν ἑαυτοῖς· οὖτος βλασφημεῖ. καὶ ἰδὼν ὁ Ἰησοῦς τὰς ἐνθυμήσεις αὐτῶν εἶπεν· ἵνα τί ὑμεῖς ἐνθυμεῖσθε πονηρὰ ἐν ταῖς καρδίαις ὑμῶν; τί γάρ ἐστιν εὐκοπώτερον, εἰπεῖν, ἀφέωνταί σου aἱ ἁμαρτίαι, ἢ εἰπεῖν, ἔγειρε καὶ περιπάτει; ἵνα δὲ εἰδῆτε ὅτι ἐξουσίαν ἔχει ὁ υἰὸς τοῦ ἀνθρώπου ἐnὶ τῆς γῆς ἀφιέναι ἁμαρτίας - τότε λέγει τῷ παραλυτικῷ· ἐγερθεὶς ἆρόν σου τὴν κλίνην καὶ ὕπαγε εἰς τὸν οἶκόν σου. καὶ ἐγερθεὶς ἀπῆλθεν εἰς τὸν οἶκον αὐτοῦ. ἰδόντες δὲ οἱ ὅχλοι ἐθαύμασαν καὶ ἐδόξασαν τὸν Θεὸν τὸν δόντα ἐξουσίαν τοιαύτην τοις ἀνθρώποις.

At that time, getting into a boat Jesus 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 were afraid, and they glorified God, who had given such authority to men.



HYMNS OF THE DAY

Τὸν συνάναρχον Λόγον Πατρὶ καὶ Πνεύματι, τὸν ἐκ Παρθένου τεχθέντα εἰς σωτηρίαν ἡμῶν, ἀνυμνήσωμεν πιστοὶ καὶ προσκυνήσωμεν· ὅτι ηὐδόκησε σαρκί, ἀνελθεῖν ἐν τῷ Σταυρῷ, καὶ θάνατον ὑπομεῖναι, καὶ ἐγεῖραι τοὺς τεθνεῶτας, ἐν τῇ ἐνδόξῷ ἀναστάσει αὐτοῦ.

<u>Τοῦ Προφήτου</u>

Όἔνσαρκος ἄγγελος, τῶν Προφητῶν ἡ κρηπίς, ὁ δεύτερος Πρόδρομος τῆς παρουσίας Χριστοῦ, Ἡλίας ὁ ἔνδοξος, ἄνωθεν καταπέμψας, Ἐλισαίῳ τὴν χάριν, νόσους ἀποδιώκει, καὶ λεπροὺς καθαρίζει· διὸ καὶ τοῖς τιμῶσιν αὐτὸν βρύει ἰάματα.

Apolytikion of St. George

Ως τών αιχμαλώτων ελευθερωτής, και τών πτωχών υπερασπιστής, ασθενούντων ιατρός, βασιλέων υπέρμαχος, τροπαιοφόρε μεγαλομάρτυς Γεώργιε, πρέσβευε Χριστώ τώ Θεώ θήναι τάς ψυχάς ημών.

<u>Κοντάκιον</u>

Προστασία τῶν Χριστιανῶν ἀκαταίσχυντε, μεσιτεία, πρὸς τὸν Ποιητὴν ἀμετάθετε, μὴ παρίδῃς, ἁμαρτωλῶν δεήσεων φωνάς, ἀλλὰ πρόφθασον, ὡς ἀγαθή, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν, τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι· Τάχυνον εἰς πρεσβείαν, καὶ σπεῦσον εἰς ἰκεσίαν, ἡ προστατεύουσα ἀεί, Θεοτόκε, τῶν τιμώντων σε.

Resurrectional Apolytikion

As the Father and Spirit are unoriginate, * so the Word, who was born from the Virgin for us. * Let us praise Him, O believers, and let us worship Him. * For our salvation He was pleased * to be crucified in the flesh, * and to undergo death, * and to resurrect the dead, by His glorious resurrection.

For the Prophet

The angel incarnates and the Prophets' pedestal, * the second Forerunner of the coming of Christ, Elias the glorious, * sent down to Elisha the divine grace from heaven. * He drives away diseases, and he cleanses lepers. * Therefore, he pours out healings to those who honor him.

Apolytikion to St. George

Liberator of captives, defender of the Poor, physician of the sick and champion of kings, O trophy-bearer, Great Martyr George, intercede with Christ God that our souls be saved.

<u>Kontakion</u>

O Protection of Christians that never falls, intercession with the Creator that never fails, we sinners beg you, do not ignore the voices of our prayers. O good Lady, we implore you, quickly come unto our aid, when we cry out to you with faith. Hurry to intercession, and hasten to supplication, O Theotokos who protect now and ever those who honor you.

Upcoming Events

Monday, July 21, 20257:30am Festival BakingWednesday, July 23, 20257:00pm Festival Meeting

TODAY IN CHURCH

2025 Parish Council: Brian Goodale, President: Dino Orfan, Vice President; Alexandra Casey, Treasurer; Maria Stamoulis, Balwant Kingra, Secretary; Lucy Brady, Arji Cakouros

USHERS

Sunday, July 20, 2025Jan Gallas, Roubina MorganSunday, July 27, 2025Dino Orfan, Maria Stamoulis

SERVCIE SCHEDULE

Sunday, July 20, 2025	8:30am Orthros – 6th Sunday of Matthew
	9:30am Divine Liturgy
Monday, July 21, 2025	7:30am Festival Baking
Wednesday, July 23, 2025	6:30pm Festival Meeting
Friday, July 25, 2025	8:30am Orthros – Feast of St. Anna
	9:30am Divine Liturgy

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February 13th -February 23rd, 2026

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 - Sylivria- Souroti(St. Paisios) -
- Meteora Thessaloniki Kavala -Panagia Soumela in Veria and much more!

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