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Services Schedule

9:00 AM Sunday Orthros
10:00 AM Sunday Divine Liturgy
11:00 AM Sunday School - As announced
12:00 PM Sunday, Fellowship after Divine Liturgy

Bulletin for Sunday, June 15, 2025

## Service Schedule

"Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every burden, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us" (Heb. 12:1)

Sunday, June 15: 9:00am Orthros, 10:00am Divine Liturgy - Sunday of All Saints - Fr. John Takahashi - Stebbins Family Memorial

Sunday, June 22: 9:00am Orthros, 10:00am Divine Liturgy - 2nd Sunday of Mathew - Fr. Milutin Janjic - Welcome Luncheon

Sunday, June 29: 9:00am Orthros, 10:00am Divine Liturgy - Sunday of Peter and Paul, Holy Apostles - Fr. Milutin Janjic

Sunday, July 6: 9:00am Orthros, 10:00am Divine Liturgy - 4th Sunday of Mathew - Fr. Milutin Janjic

Sunday, July 13: 9:00am Orthros, 10:00am Divine Liturgy - Fathers of the 4th Council - Fr. John Takahashi

### PRAYERS FOR ALL IN NEED

Presvytera Naomi (Robin) Takahashi, Father Marin State, Presvytera Vaso Paris, Harriet Mainis, Maura, Vlad Voinea, Fotini Ballas, Bob Rible, Jim Deamant, Yorgos Hadzis, Connie Mellis, Karen Krilanovich, Inna Shkolnik, Sam Khalil, Lesley, Leola, Dawn Sculley, John Demas, Twan, Athena Wolfe, Evangelia, Marie, Adam Nikolopoulos, Bob Roberts, Selah, Stacy, Evangelia, Helene Doss, Panos Kakaris, Helen Sirakides, Cynthia (Anna) Baldwin-Thanos, Jane Demas, Brad Dyer, Angelina, Rob, Everly, Oliver and Elliot Isambert, Laura and Claude Isambert, Maria and Phillip Thomas, John, Muriel, Irina Sanchez, Eleni, Maria, Paraskevi

Call the church office (831) 429-6500 to add the name of someone in need of prayers.

## **Our News**

### MARK YOUR CALENDERS

**Sunday, June 22**, everyone is invited to join our special **welcome luncheon for Fr. Milutin** after the Divine Liturgy. A tasty pastitsio meal will be served in the church hall, where we will be able to visit with Fr. Milutin and his family. **Suggested donation of \$20 for adults; children are free**.

Looking forward to seeing you all for an afternoon of fellowship!

Prophet Elias Parish

### **SPECIAL CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations to Ethan Weiske, son of Irene Stebbins and grandson of Joanna Stebbins, on his graduation from CSUMB Monterey. Ethan graduated with Honors, with a Bachelor of Arts. He majored in Communication and minored in Cinematic Arts.

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Thank you everyone for a wonderful Sunday school year! I wish you all a happy and restful summer break. Sunday school will resume in the Fall. Please keep a look out for registration information in August.

With Love in Christ, Angela Santiago Sunday School Teacher

### **STEWARDSHIP NEWS**

We are a third of the way through 2025 and we need to focus our attention on this year's Stewardship.

2025 Goal: \$120,000

As of the end of April:

Pledges - \$96,335 Received - \$35,781

We are aiming at Sept. 1st for the pledges to reach or exceed \$120,000 (Stewardship Goal).

Kostas Amberiadis Stewardship Chairman

#### THE PHILOPTOCHOS CORNER

Hello everyone,

We have held our elections!

Our new Philoptochos Board for years 2025 to 2027 will be sworn into office this Sunday by Fr. John Takahashi.

President : Aphrodite Roberts Vice President : Lyna Dyer

Second VicePresident: Connie Mellis Recording Secretary: Dawn Sculley

Corresponding Secretary: Lara Willingham

Treasurer: Alexa Bolas

Board Member: Joanna Stebbins

Our last meeting was eventful. We planned our upcoming fundraising events, and an upcoming party for one of our younger members. Stay tuned!

The Fall Yard Sale will be **Saturday**, **October 4th** and our annual Christmas Cookie sale will be **Saturday**, **December**, **6th**.

Our next meeting will be **Sunday**, **September 14th** after fellowship.

Save The Dates!!

Respectfully, Your Sister in Christ, Aphrodite

#### **RECYCLING PROGRAM**

Alexa Bolas continues to lead our recycling efforts. Please remember to bring us your recyclable items. Thank you to all who support this important fundraising effort.

Recyclable items which you can bring to church:

- Aluminum cans
- Glass bottles: Including wine + liquor bottles
- Plastic bottles: Including juice

Please do NOT bring us any other types of plastic containers for our recycling fundraising, ONLY plastic bottles please.

Thank you again for supporting St. Katherine Philoptochos philanthropic missions.

Together we are making a difference!

### WEEKLY COFFEE HOUR

Each week Prophet Elias will host a coffee hour after liturgy. All are welcome!

If you are interested in hosting light refreshments (such as cookies, coffee cake, fresh fruit, donuts or bagels and cream cheese) or lunch after the liturgy, please sign up by emailing our Coffee Coordinator, Petka Hernandez at: petka@earthlink.net

When providing light refreshments or lunch, it is your responsibility to clean up. This includes bringing things downstairs, and taking any leftover food home with you or properly storing it in the kitchen refrigerator. It is also necessary to wipe down all the kitchen counters used, washing all the dishes, platters, utensils, and silverware, and taking out the trash.

Since there is no cleaning staff at the church, it is the responsibility of the host to leave the kitchen in the same condition as they found it. Instructions and information will be provided by Petka when you sign up to host. Please check the large 3-month calendar in the kitchen to see which weeks are available to sign up for.

A special thanks to Alexa Bolas and Tim Sculley who have graciously agreed to make coffee for us each week.

| 6-15-25 - Memorial lunc | ch nosted b | v Joanna Stebbins |
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6-22-25 - (Father Milutin visiting) Reserved - special welcome luncheon

6-29-25 - (Father Milutin visiting) Kostas Amberiadis

7-06-25 - (Father Milutin visiting) Luncheon - Philoptochos

| 7-13-25 - |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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## Gospel and Epistle Readings

## Matins Gospel Reading

First Orthros Gospel
The Reading is from Matthew 28:16-20

At that time, the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. And when they saw Him they worshiped Him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age. Amen."

## **Epistle Reading**

Prokeimenon. 4th Mode. Psalm 67.35,26.

God is wonderful among his saints. Verse: Bless God in the congregations.

The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 11:33-40; 12:1-2.

Brethren, all the saints through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, received promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, that they might rise again to a better life. Others suffered mocking and scourging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were tempted, they were killed with the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, ill-treated - of whom the world was not worthy - wandering over deserts and mountains and in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, though well attested by their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had foreseen something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect. Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.

## **Gospel Reading**

The Sunday of All Saints
The Reading is from Matthew 10:32-33; 37-38; 19:27-30

The Lord said to his disciples, "Every one who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven; but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny him before my Father who is in heaven. He who loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and he who loves son or daughter more than me is not

worthy of me; and he who does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me." Then Peter said in reply, "Lo, we have left everything and followed you. What then shall we have?" Jesus said to them, "Truly, I say to you, in the new world, when the Son of man shall sit on his glorious throne, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And every one who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or lands, for my name's sake, will receive a hundredfold, and inherit eternal life. But many that are first will be last, and the last first."

## Hymns of the Day

## **Resurrectional Apolytikion in the Plagal 4th Mode**

You descended from on high, O merciful Lord, and accepted the three-day burial in order to free us from our passions. Glory to you, O Lord, our life and our resurrection.

## **Apolytikion for All Saints in the 4th Mode**

Your Church, O Christ our God, clothed itself in the blood of Your martyrs from throughout the world, as though it were a robe of linen and purple; through them, she cries out to You, "Send down upon Your people compassion, grant peace to Your commonwealth, and to our souls, great mercy."

### **Hymn to Prophet Elias in the 1st Mode**

The incarnate messenger and cornerstone of the Prophets. The second forerunner of the second coming of Christ. Elias the Glorious! He sent down upon Elisha the gift from above. He drives away diseases and cleanses lepers. Wherefore he is the source of healing to those who honor him.

## **Seasonal Kontakion in the Plagal 4th Mode**

The world offers You, the author of all creation, as the first-fruits of nature, the Godbearing martyrs. O most merciful, by their intercessions, through the Theotokos, maintain Your Church in perfect peace.





# Dimitra Vineyards Wine & Kalosini Olive Oil



Wines \$30 (\$25 each with 6-bottle purchase)

Cabernet Sauvignon
Pinot Noir
Chardonnay

Olive Oil 500 ml \$20 250 ml \$10

Please see Connie, Georgia or Sophie for purchase.

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT PROPHET ELIAS