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July 29, 2019

Dear St. Elijah Parishioners:

The month of July has been a great month in the life of St. Elijah! Camp St. Raphael had a very successful three weeks, with the camp being maxed out on campers each session. I want to thank all of the volunteers who make the camp such a tremendous experience for our kids. We are very lucky to have such a great group of individuals who take a month out of their summer to run the camp.

On a financial note, I want to thank everyone who has been diligent in stewardship. Things are going well and by God's grace we have not had any major expenditures this month.

I also want to thank our Mother's Day Out Program for partnering with the Church to renovate a significant portion of the classrooms. This joint venture will consist of replacing the carpet with hard surface and repainting.

As I have previously mentioned, our Centennial Celebration is planned for Labor Day weekend 2020. By now you should have received a letter regarding plans to begin a fund drive to help with the costs associated with a celebratory weekend full of festivities. It is the Parish Council's goal to make this a weekend full of events that the entire parish can participate in.

In conjunction with our Centennial, we are updating our membership directory. We have partnered up with a company called Lifetouch to take photos and prepare a directory that will be both a hard copy and an online app. Lifetouch will be setting up at the church to take photos from September 17 – 21, 2019. Times for photos and a sign-up sheet will be available soon. Please make sure you mark your calendar to be available that week, since Lifetouch must take the photo at the church in order to get it in the directory. We will NOT have the ability to submit our own photos.

Lastly, in conjunction with the recent change in Gun laws in Oklahoma, we have initiated a new Gun Policy for the church. You will be receiving a letter regarding the Church's policy and we will also be posting information and signs.

My door is always open and my phone is always available. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns. Have a Blessed month!

Yours in Christ,



H. Trey Kouri, III
Parish Council Chairman

UPCOMING EVENTS

Community Connection Cook Day - **Saturday, August 10**

Raven Project - **Saturday, August 17, 8am-1pm**

Sunday School Teacher Training - **Saturday, August 17, 8am-2pm**

SOYO Summer Party - **Sunday, August 18 @ 1pm**

MEETINGS

MDO Board - **Tuesday, August 13 @ 6:30pm**

Parish Council - **Tuesday, August 20 @ 7pm**





ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dormition Fast Begins - **Thursday, August 1**

Bake Sale Meeting - **Thursday, August 1 @ 7pm**

Family Night - **Wednesdays @ 7pm**

SUNDAY	BOOKSTORE	USHERS	ALTAR SERVERS	EPISTLE READER	ELDERS
8/4	Tari Tibbits	Adam Krejci Malek Massad Marco Morrow Phil Nasr Bobby Prater Dr. Shea Samara Paul Shadid, Jr. Blake Simon	Caleb Swearingen David Tamirat Farris Shawareb Nathan Shanbour Evan Ewbank Logan Collett Josiah Alleman Ezekiel Ewbank Wiley Marusa Blaise Cox Andrew Swearingen	Jessica Laham	Michael Koch Omar Sweis David Wilson Craig Abraham Dru Alleman George Cohlma
8/11	Lawrence Clemens	Ivo Lupov Michael Massad Blair Naifeh Matthew Nelson Monte Pratt Jeff Shadid Peter Shadid Jacob Simon	Michael Salem Xander Ewbank Elias Assaleh Gavin McLamb Alexander Hancock John Baskerville Laith Shawareb Jacob Collett Jude Harroz Gabriel Naifeh Branick Larson	Dr. Jim Stewart	Thabet Swaiss Mark Sweiss Kendal Wilson Dr. Bashar Alasad Sam Assaleh Dr. Raymond Cohlma
8/18	Andrea Williams	Eric Marusa Levan Mdzinarishvili Justin naifeh Toby Pedford Jase Rahill Nathan Shadid Monte Shawareb John Robert Simon	Boris Ganchev Adam Sweis Joseph Harroz Nicholas Hathaway Corbin Spencer Freedom Chan Emerson Wyrick William Stiner Robert Stiner Gabriel Frost Gabriel Hare	Kathi Larson	Basil Sweis Mark Tayar John Wilson Dr. Adonis Albotros Dr. Allyn Baskerville Glenn Dean
8/25	Janet Jaime	Erich Massad Nicholas Mettry Todd Naifeh Paul Poputa-Clean Trae Rahill Ned Shadid, Jr. Tamer Shawareb Nick Sleem	Sam Patty Robel Tesfasselassie Sami Swaiss Blaise Bittle Sam McClellan Justin Samara Anthony Hancock Beckham Larson Alexander McClellan Nicholas Frost	Mike Worku	Frank Sweiss Barry Toma Jeff Wyrick George Catechis Kyle Eastridge Gregory Farha

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
				DORMITION FAST BEGINS 10:30a Orthodox Study Fellowship 		5p Great Vespers
4 8:50a Orthros 10:00a Divine Liturgy Coffee Hour - Cultural Ministries	5	6 8a Orthros 9a Liturgy for the Feast of the Transfiguration	7 6p Paraklesis 7p Teen Chats 7p Family Night	8 9:30a St. Elijah Charities 10:30a Orthodox Study Fellowship 6p-8:30p Altar Server Workshop	9	10 9a Community Connection Cook Day 5p Great Vespers
11 8:50a Orthros 10:00a Divine Liturgy Coffee Hour - St. Ignatius	12	13 8a Orthros 6:30p MDO Board	14 6p Great Vespers for the Dormition 7p Teen Chats 7p Family Night	15 8a Orthros 9a Liturgy for the Feast of the Dormition 10:30a Orthodox Study Fellowship	16	17 8a-1p Raven Project 8a-2p Sunday School Teacher Training 5p Great Vespers
18 8:50a Orthros 10:00a Divine Liturgy Coffee Hour - Adult Fellowship 1p SOYO Summer Party	19	20 8a Orthros 5:30p Centennial Meeting 7p Parish Council 	21 6p Vespers 7p Teen Chats 7p Family Night	22 10:30a Orthodox Study Fellowship	23	24 5p Great Vespers
25 8:50a Orthros 10:00a Divine Liturgy Coffee Hour - Antiochian Women - Group 12 	26	27 8a Orthros 	28 6p Vespers 7p Teen Chats 7p Family Night	29 9a Beheading of John the Baptist @ St. George Greek Church beginning with Orthros 10:30a Orthodox Study Fellowship	30	31 5p Great Vespers