

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS: Sunday, July 1, 2012



CAMP SAINT NICHOLAS

2012 Vacation Church Camp

This year, our camp will be held on
 Tuesday, August 7, through Friday, August 10
 from 9:00am-12:30pm
 Cost is \$25.00 per family.

Camp is for children ages 2 through those entering the 6th grade.
 They will be learning about the life and Christ and enjoy 4 days of prayer, music, arts & crafts,
 Bible stories, exciting games and healthy snacks.

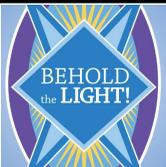
PLEASE REGISTER YOUR CHILDREN NOW SO THAT WE CAN INSURE A CORRECTLY-SIZED T-SHIRT FOR YOUR CHILD!

You can register online on the home page of our website (right under the Sunday School registration area); or you can pick up a form in the Narthex of Mt. Tabor and turn it in to the church office.

Sunday School News - Register for Classes ONLINE!

You can now register on the Home Page of our website! Directly under the "Upcoming Events" area on the right side of our home page, you will see "Signups and Registrations". Just click on the 2012-2013 Sunday School Registrations and get your children signed up for next year!

Sunday classes resume on September 9th!



ST. ELIAS VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL

St. Elias will be hosting summer church camp on **Mon., July 30 through Fri., Aug.3 from 9am to 12pm.**

This year's theme is: "Behold the Light"
 The children will learn about the great feasts and the life and ministry of Christ.

The cost is \$25 per camper.
 Call 512-476-2314 to register.

MOBILE LOAVES AND FISHES (MLF)

Along with our regular collections of clothing, shoes and travel-size toiletries, we are asking for donations of backpacks and duffel bags for the homeless.

So many of the people that we see could really use a new bag of some sort; so now that school is over, please **consider donating your students' back-packs or gym bags to MLF!**

You can drop them off at the church office.
 Thank you!

Thank you to today's Coffee Hour Sponsors:
Angelo, Suehs, Tassoulas, Teodorovich, Terzi

Thank you to last week's Coffee Hour Sponsors:
Stamatis, Stamatopoulos, Stathos, Stevens-Holland, Tsihlias

Please join us next week for our monthly luncheon!

Thank you to today's ushers:
Stephen Dow, Chrissie Spiropoulos, Mary Beth

Thank you to last week's ushers:
Brandon Suehs, Tricia Koriath, Chrissie Spiropoulos

Next week's ushers are:
Anita Jones, Dr. Jerry Burks, David Horwedel

SUNDAY BULLETIN

JULY 1, 2012

**4TH SUNDAY OF MATTHEW
 HOLY WONDERWORKING UNMERCENARY
 PHYSICIANS COSMAS AND DAMIAN OF ROME**



**TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD
 GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH**

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SUNDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE
 ORTHROS 8:15AM; DIVINE LITURGY 9:30AM

Reverend Fr. Vasileios Flegas, Proistamenos
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Hymns for Today

Resurrection Hymn (Third Tone)

*“Let all things above in heav’n rejoice, and let all things below on earth be glad
With all the might and strength of His arm an eternal deed the Lord did perform
Beneath His feet He has trampled down death by death, and first born of the dead has He become
From the womb of Hades has He delivered us, and to all the world has granted
His great redeeming mercy”*

*“Effrenestho ta urania agallia stho ta epigia oti epiise kratos en vraghoni aftu o Kirios.
Epatise to thanato ton thanaton prototokos ton nekron egeneto ek kilias athu erisato imas
ke pareske to kosmo to mega eleos.”*

Hymn for The Holy and Wonderworking Unmercenaries Cosmas and Damian of Rome

*O Holy Unmercenaries and wonder workers, visit our infirmities;
freely ye received, freely give to us.*

Hymn for the Transfiguration of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

*“Metemorfothis en to ori, Christe o Theos,
dixas tis mathites Sou tin doxan Sou, kathos i dynando
Lampson ke imin tis amartolis to fos Sou to aidion,
presvies tis Theotokou Fotodota doxa Si.”*

*“When O Christ our God Thou wast Transfigured on the mountain
Thou didst reveal Thy glory to Thy disciples in proportion as they could bear it.
Let Thine everlasting light also enlighten us sinners.
Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Thou Bestower of light, glory to Thee.”*

Kontakion

*“A protection of Christians unshamable, Intercessor to our Holy Maker, unwavering,
reject not, the prayerful cries of those who are in sin.
Instead, come to us, for you are good;
Your loving help bring unto us, Who are crying in faith to you:
Hasten to intercede and speed now to supplicate, As a protection for all time,
Theotokos, for those who honor you.”*

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Fr. Vasileios will be at the Clergy/Laity Conference this week.

There will be no weekday services.

Have a safe and happy Fourth of July!

The Dome Installation

The installation of the Iconography is complete!

We just have to do some clean up projects and we will be ready to return to our beautiful church for our services next Sunday, July 8!
You are welcome to go to the church building after today’s Liturgy to look at the beautiful iconography.

THANK YOU!

Many thanks to **Marko Bjeletich** for spearheading the project to prepare the classroom space for renovation; and to this great group of guys for completing a hard day’s work in half a day!

The Crew: Nick Appling, Joe Boudreau, Dean Daskalantonakis, Logan Ebeling, Zachary Price

Special thanks to **Pete Price** for his hard work and motivational leadership!

“These guys knocked out the classroom prep project in record time; we were done by noon, including scraping the ceiling, pulling down the old lights and fans, and cleaning the floors!”

This project saved upwards of \$1500 for the Sunday school renovation project, so **thanks again** for your continued stewardship of your parish!

Thyranixia—”The Opening of the Doors”

We are invited to attend the celebration of the opening of the new church doors of St. John the Baptist in Eules.

Saturday, July 14, 2012

Orthros 8:30 am; Thyranixia 9:30 am; Liturgy to follow

Luncheon immediately afterward at the Marriott DFW Airport South, 4151 Centerport Blvd., Ft. Worth, TX

Luncheon by advanced reservation only. Prices are \$45/person, \$15/child under 12.

Contact 817-283-2291 to make a reservation.

EXCITING NEWS!

We are in the process of creating a **NEW PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORY**, which will be included in this year’s Gala Program Book.

Individual/Family portrait sittings will be held in the church balcony immediately following the Divine Liturgy on the following Sundays:

August 19th and 26th

September 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, and 30th

To eliminate backlogs on any given Sunday, a sign-up sheet will be available in Mt. Tabor Hall beginning today and continue throughout the summer. Please take a moment to review the dates and decide which Sunday best suits your schedule. Each session will take approximately 10 - 15 minutes.

Holy Wonderworking Unmercenary Physicians Cosmas and Damian of Rome



The Holy Martyrs, Wonderworkers and Unmercenary Physicians Cosmas and Damian were born at Rome, brothers by birth, and physicians by profession. They suffered at Rome in the reign of the emperor Carinus (283-284). Brought up by their parents in the rules of piety, they led strict and chaste lives, and they were granted by God the gift of healing the sick. By their generosity and exceptional kindness to all, the brothers converted many to Christ. The brothers told the sick, "It is not by our own power that we treat you, but by the power of Christ, the true God. Believe in Him and be healed." Since they accepted no payment for their treatment of the infirm, the holy brothers were called "unmercenary physicians."

Their life of active service and their great spiritual influence on the people around them led many into the Church, attracting the attention of the Roman authorities. Soldiers were sent after the brothers. Hearing about this, local Christians

convinced Sts Cosmas and Damian to hide for a while until they could help them escape. Unable to find the brothers, the soldiers arrested instead other Christians of the area where the saints lived. Sts Cosmas and Damian then came out of hiding and surrendered to the soldiers, asking them to release those who had been arrested because of them.

At Rome, the saints were imprisoned and put on trial. Before the Roman emperor and the judge they openly professed their faith in Christ God, Who had come into the world to save mankind and redeem the world from sin, and they resolutely refused to offer sacrifice to the pagan gods. They said, "We have done evil to no one, we are not involved with the magic or sorcery of which you accuse us. We treat the infirm by the power of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and we take no payment for rendering aid to the sick, because our Lord commanded His disciples, "Freely have you received, freely give" (Mt. 10: 8).

The emperor, however, continued with his demands. Through the prayer of the holy brothers, imbued with the power of grace, God suddenly struck Carinus blind, so that he too might experience the almighty power of the Lord, Who does not forgive blasphemy against the Holy Spirit (Mt. 12:31). The people, beholding the miracle, cried out, "Great is the Christian God! There is no other God but Him!" Many of those who believed besought the holy brothers to heal the emperor, and he himself implored the saints, promising to convert to the true God, Christ the Savior, so the saints healed him. After this, Sts Cosmas and Damian were honorably set free, and once again they set about treating the sick.

But what the hatred of the pagans and the ferocity of the Roman authorities could not do, was accomplished by black envy, one of the strongest passions of sinful human nature. An older physician, an instructor, under whom the holy brothers had studied the art of medicine, became envious of their fame. Driven to madness by malice, and overcome by passionate envy, he summoned the two brothers, formerly his most beloved students, proposing that they should all go together in order to gather various medicinal herbs. Going far into the mountains, he murdered them and threw their bodies into a river.

Thus these holy brothers, the Unmercenary Physicians Cosmas and Damian, ended their earthly journey as martyrs. Although they had devoted their lives to the Christian service of their neighbors, and had escaped the Roman sword and prison, they were treacherously murdered by their teacher.

The Lord glorifies those who are pleasing to God. Now, through the prayers of the holy martyrs Cosmas and Damian, God grants healing to all who with faith have recourse to their heavenly intercession.

The Unmercenary Saints Cosmas and Damian of Rome should not be confused with the Unmercenary Saints Cosmas and Damian of Asia Minor (November 1), or the Unmercenary Saints Cosmas and Damian of Arabia (October 17).

July 1, 2012 - Fourth Sunday of Matthew

Epistle - Corinthians 12: 27-31; 13:1-8

Brethren, now ye are the body of Christ, and members severally. And God set for Himself some in the Church: first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then works of power, then free gifts of healings, helps, governments, kinds of tongues. All are not apostles, are they? All are not prophets, are they? All are not teachers, are they? All do not have works of power, do they? All do not have free gifts of healings, do they? All do not speak with tongues, do they? All do not interpret, do they? But keep on desiring earnestly the better gifts of grace. And yet I show you a more surpassing way.

If I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, but I have not love, I have become as sounding brass or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophecy, and know all the mysteries and all the knowledge, and if I have all the faith, so as to remove mountains from one place to another, but I have not love, I am nothing. And if I dole out all of my goods, and if I deliver up my body that I may be burned, but I have not love, I am being profited nothing. Love is long-suffering, is kind; love is not jealous; love vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up; doth not behave unseemly, seeketh not its own, is not provoked, thinketh no evil; rejoiceth not in unrighteousness, but rejoiceth with the truth; covereth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things. Love never falleth away. But whether there be prophesies, they shall be done away; whether tongues, they shall cease; whether knowledge, it shall be done away.

Ἀδελφοί, ὑμεῖς δέ ἐστε σῶμα Χριστοῦ, καὶ μέλη ἐκ μέρους. Καὶ οὐς μὲν ἔθετο ὁ θεὸς ἐν τῇ ἐκκλησίᾳ πρῶτον ἀποστόλους, δεύτερον προφήτας, τρίτον διδασκάλους, ἔπειτα δυνάμεις, εἶτα χαρίσματα ἰαμάτων, ἀντιλήψεις, κυβερνήσεις, γένη γλωσσῶν. Μὴ πάντες ἀπόστολοι; Μὴ πάντες προφήται; Μὴ πάντες διδάσκαλοι; Μὴ πάντες δυνάμεις; Μὴ πάντες χαρίσματα ἔχουσιν ἰαμάτων; Μὴ πάντες γλώσσαις λαλοῦσιν; Μὴ πάντες διερμηνεύουσιν; Ζηλοῦτε δὲ τὰ χαρίσματα τὰ κρείττονα. Καὶ ἔτι καθ' ὑπερβολὴν ὁδὸν ὑμῖν δείκνυμι. Ἐὰν ταῖς γλώσσαις τῶν ἀνθρώπων λαλῶ καὶ τῶν ἀγγέλων, ἀγάπην δὲ μὴ ἔχω, γέγονα χαλκὸς ἢ ἠχών ἢ κύμβαλον ἀλαλάζον. Καὶ ἐὰν ἔχω προφητείαν, καὶ εἰδῶ τὰ μυστήρια πάντα καὶ πᾶσαν τὴν γνῶσιν, καὶ ἐὰν ἔχω πᾶσαν τὴν πίστιν, ὥστε ὄρη μεθιστάνειν, ἀγάπην δὲ μὴ ἔχω, οὐθέν εἰμι. Καὶ ἐὰν ψωμίσω πάντα τὰ ὑπάρχοντά μου, καὶ ἐὰν παραδῶ τὸ σῶμά μου ἵνα καυθῆσωμαι, ἀγάπην δὲ μὴ ἔχω, οὐδὲν ὠφελοῦμαι. Ἡ ἀγάπη μακροθυμεῖ, χρηστεύεται· ἡ ἀγάπη οὐ ζηλοῖ· ἡ ἀγάπη οὐ περπερεύεται, οὐ φυσιοῦται, οὐκ ἀσχημονεῖ, οὐ ζητεῖ τὰ ἑαυτῆς, οὐ παροξύνεται, οὐ λογίζεται τὸ κακόν, οὐ χαίρει ἐπὶ τῇ ἀδικίᾳ, συγχαίρει δὲ τῇ ἀληθείᾳ, πάντα στέγει, πάντα πιστεύει, πάντα ἐλπίζει, πάντα ὑπομένει. Ἡ ἀγάπη οὐδέποτε ἐκπίπτει· εἴτε δὲ προφητεῖαι, καταργηθήσονται· εἴτε γλώσσαι, παύσονται· εἴτε γνῶσις, καταργηθήσεται.

At that time, as Jesus entered Capernaum, a centurion came forward to him, beseeching him and saying, "Lord, my servant is lying paralyzed at home, in terrible distress." And he said to him, "I will come and heal him." But the centurion answered him, "Lord, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof; but only say the word, and my servant will be healed. For I am a man under authority, with soldiers under me; and I say to one, 'Go,' and he goes, and to another, 'Come,' and he comes, and to my slave, 'Do this,' and he does it." When Jesus heard him, he marveled, and said to those who followed him, "Truly, I say to you, not even in Israel have I found such faith. I tell you, many will come from east and west and sit at table with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven, while the sons of the kingdom will be thrown into the outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash their teeth." And to the centurion Jesus said, "Go; be it done for you as you have believed." And the servant was healed at that very moment.



Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, εἰσελθόντι δὲ αὐτῷ εἰς Καπερναοὺμ προσῆλθεν αὐτῷ ἑκατόνταρχος παρακαλῶν αὐτόν καὶ λέγων· Κύριε, ὁ παῖς μου βέβληται ἐν τῇ οἰκίᾳ παραλυτικός, δεινῶς βασανιζόμενος· καὶ λέγει αὐτῷ ὁ Ἰησοῦς· ἐγὼ ἐλθὼν θεραπεύσω αὐτόν· καὶ ἀποκριθεὶς ὁ ἑκατόνταρχος ἔφη· Κύριε, οὐκ εἰμὶ ἰκανὸς ἵνα μου ὑπὸ τὴν στέγην εἰσέλθῃς· ἀλλὰ μόνον εἰπέ λόγῳ, καὶ ἰαθήσεται ὁ παῖς μου· καὶ γὰρ ἐγὼ ἄνθρωπός εἰμι ὑπὸ ἐξουσίαν, ἔχων ὑπ' ἐμαυτὸν στρατιώτας, καὶ λέγω τούτῳ, πορεύθητι, καὶ πορεύεται, καὶ ἄλλῳ, ἔρχου, καὶ ἔρχεται, καὶ τῷ δούλῳ μου, ποιήσον τοῦτο, καὶ ποιεῖ· ἀκούσας δὲ ὁ Ἰησοῦς ἐθαύμασε καὶ εἶπε τοῖς ἀκολουθοῦσιν· ἀμὴν λέγω ὑμῖν, οὐδὲ ἐν τῷ Ἰσραὴλ τοσαύτην πίστιν εὑρον· λέγω δὲ ὑμῖν ὅτι πολλοὶ ἀπὸ ἀνατολῶν καὶ δυσμῶν ἤξουσιν καὶ ἀνακλιθήσονται μετὰ Ἀβραάμ καὶ Ἰσαὰκ καὶ Ἰακώβ ἐν τῇ βασιλείᾳ τῶν οὐρανῶν, οἱ δὲ υἱοὶ τῆς βασιλείας ἐκβληθήσονται εἰς τὸ σκότος τὸ ἐξώτερον· ἐκεῖ ἔσται ὁ κλαυθμὸς καὶ ὁ βρυγμὸς τῶν ὀδόντων· καὶ εἶπεν ὁ Ἰησοῦς τῷ ἑκατόνταρχῳ· ὕπαγε, καὶ ὡς ἐπίστευσας γενηθήτω σοι· καὶ ἴαθη ὁ παῖς αὐτοῦ ἐν τῇ ὥρᾳ ἐκείνῃ.

Memory Eternal

The 10 year Memorial Service today is for Dimitrios Terzi.

Dimitrios was the beloved father of Anna Terzi and Fotini Terzi;
and the loving grandfather of Eleana Rodriguez

May his memory be eternal

WELCOME VISITORS!

We welcome all new visitors who worshipped with us this morning. We are pleased to have you with us!

Please join us next door after service for coffee and fellowship.

*There is material in the entrance of the church regarding ministries and events of Transfiguration.
We hope that you will return often to worship with us and grow in Christ!*

Receiving Holy Communion

The sacrament of Holy Communion is reserved for only baptized and/or Chrismated Orthodox Christians who have properly prepared by fasting, prayer and confession. The Orthodox Church is not in sacramental communion with any other church outside the Orthodox Christian Faith. If you are not Orthodox, you are invited with everyone to receive the Antidoron (blessed bread) at the end of service. If you would like information about the Orthodox Church and becoming an Orthodox Christian, please see Father Vasileios after services.

PRAYERS FOR HEALTH

Dolly, Betty, Arlena, Sophie, Archie, Lou, Thomas, Kathy, Suzanne, Pat, Steve, Nina, Katheryn, Panayioti, Anna, Margaret, Sami, Ibrahim, Mary, George, Susan, Matthew, Ellen, Katina, Nelda, Nick, Elaine, Malone, Tracy, Richard, Lilly, Kimberly, Jamil, Dimitrios, Lisa, Maggie, Mindy, Joan, Nakis, Micky, Kiane, Lari, Ed, Sally, Mariana, Brian, Kaeley, Tristan, Matt, Jeff, Sophia, Angela, Jennifer, Romeo, Konstandinos, Elia, Rose Marie, Bilyana, Maria, Susan, Jane, Clara, Costa, Cindy, Philip, Barbara, Evangia, Michael, Jeffrey, Victoria, Nicole, Anastasia, Katie, Suzanne, Katie, Stella, Michael, Nicole, George, Katherine, Fr. Peter, Venton, Nick, Sandy, Caleb, Pete, Wendy, Lorraine, Tina, Anna, Michael, Anna, Pamela, Shawn, Megan, Leo, Christy, Glenn, Philip, Katelyn, Joshua, Jason, John, Julia, Nick, Maria, Carolyn, Betty, Ruth, Nicholas, Joyce, Connie, Deacon George, Ralph, Vana, Andreas, the Nun Elizabeth, Alexandra, Arsinoi, Sultana, Boyd, Argyre, Carol, Susie, Soutana, John, Eliana, John, Dimitrios, John, Nick, Cecilia, George, Ricky, Mackenzie, Leah, Cynthia, Georgia, Eudoxia, Mark, infant James, Ben, Michael, Rod, Nici, Phyllis, George, Helena, Kinley, Shiloh, Lili, Jacob, Bill, Albina, Allison, Nina, Kimberly, Madeleine, Michael, Dion, Harry, Vero, Trey, Paul, Clifford, Andriani, Katy, John, Nicholas, Martha, Joseph, Maggie

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN OUR ARMED FORCES:

*SGT Jennifer D. Atkinson, SSG John Atkinson, COL Dave Romine, CPT James Alfaro,
SSG Deane Anderson, CPT William Willett, MAJ Timothy Ullman, MAJ Chris Chase,
Cadet Mindy Keys, SPC Andrew Bentzel*