



ST ELIZABETH ORTHODOX CHURCH

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

TODAY

After Post-Communion Prayers

Coffee Hour Meal	12:00 PM
Brotherhood / Sisterhood Mtgs	1:00 PM
Young Adult Class	1:00 PM

All are Welcome!

COFFEE HOUR ROTATION:

- Sept 16: Baird
- Sept 23: Mancuso
- Sept 30: September Monthly Potluck
- Oct 7: Shaw
- Oct 14: Wilson

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

- Sept 1/14: Joshua Shaw (*Nameday*)
- Sept 21: Marie (Stephanie) Baird (*Birthday*)

ST ELIZABETH THE NEW MARTYR

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THIS WEEK

WEDNESDAY SEPT 19

NO SERVICES

THURSDAY SEPT 20

Vigil for the Nativity of the Theotokos 6:30 PM

FRIDAY SEPT 21

NATIVITY OF THE THEOTOKOS

Hours & Liturgy 6:40 AM

SATURDAY SEPT 22

Confessions 4:30 PM

Vigil 5:30 PM

SUNDAY SEPT 23

Hours & Liturgy 9:40 AM

Coffee Hour Meal 12:00 PM

Children's Sunday School 1:00 PM

Fundamentals of the Faith 1:30 PM

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Sept 27: Exaltation of the Cross

Sept 29: Fundraising BBQ

**Our Special Collection needs to raise
\$300 for the BBQ.**

Please see Subdeacon Antonius for BBQ Tickets

PRAYER LIST

Orthodox Living: Metropolitan Hilarion & the bishops of ROCOR; Bishop George; Metropolitan Jonah; Archimandrite Maximos & the Brotherhood of St Dionysios Monastery; Igor; Maximos; Martha; Jonathan; Nicholas; Gabriel; Tatiana; Michael, Elizabeth & family; Apolinaria; Andrey & family; Perpetua; Svetozar, Ruta & family; Najla; Raja; Daniel; Subdeacon Gabriel; Subdeacon Antonius & family; Zachaeus & Rebecca; Alexandra; Christos; Susanna; Seraphim' Alexander; Katherine; Michael; Alexandra; Nicholas; Maria; Theodore; Marie; Daniel; Sarah; Gregory

Catechumens: David; Nicholas

Expecting Mothers: Irene & the unborn child

Sick & Suffering: Nina; Marina; Archpriest Anastasy; Eugene (Walter); Matushka Rose; Theodore; Katerina; Juliana & Militsa (Gedney); James; Priest Iakovos; Matushka Bridget (Townsend); Natalia

Missionaries: Priest Christopher & faithful in Uganda; Priest Jean & faithful in Haiti; Archimandrite Daniel & faithful in Indonesia; Priest Gregorio & faithful in Puerto Rico

Non-Orthodox Living: Shelbie (mother of Matushka Anne); Robert (father of Deacon Columba); Brian & Steven (sons of Walter Dyke); Mary Ann (mother of Archpriest Mark); Evelyn (mother of Daniel Kateli); Mirtas (brother of Daniel Kateli); Kristen (sister of Michael Allen); Lynn (ex-wife of Theodore Weber); Dudley & Ferebee; Heather, Daniel, Rachael, Rebekah, Jonah (family of Sarah Henderson); Teresa (mother of Michael Allen); David; Susan; William (father of Nell Shaw); Wayne (brother of Subdeacon Antonius Baird); Rita & Peter (parents of Paul Witt); Bill Pate (Neighbors), David (friend of Raphaela Hipp)

Thoughts for Each Day of the Year

The parable about the talents offers the thought that life is a time for trading. That means that it is necessary to hasten to use this time as a person would hurry to a market to bargain for what he can. Even if one has only brought bast shoes, or only bast,^[1] he does not sit with his arms folded, but contrives to call over buyers to sell what he has and then buy for himself what he needs. No one who has received life from the Lord can say that he does not have a single talent—everyone has something, and not just one thing; everyone, therefore, has something with which to trade and make a profit. Do not look around and calculate what others have received, but take a good look at yourself and determine more precisely what lies in you and what you can gain for that which you have, and then act according to this plan without laziness. At the Judgment you will not be asked why you did not gain ten talents if you had only one, and you will not even be asked why you gained only one talent on your one, but you will be told that you gained a talent, half a talent or a tenth of its worth. And the reward will not be because you received the talents, but because you gained. There will be nothing with which to justify yourself—not with nobleness, nor poverty, nor lack of education. When this is not given, there will be no question about it. But you had hands and feet. You will be asked, what did you gain with them? You had a tongue, what did you gain with it? In this way will the inequalities of earthly states be levelled out at God's judgment.

~St Theophan the Recluse

[II Cor. 6:1-10; Matt. 25:14-30]

PLEASE KEEP TITHES AND DONATIONS CURRENT

Our parish is self-supporting and needs tithes and donations to keep to our tight budget. Donations can be made in the donations box on the candle desk or with PayPal on the website. **Thank you!**