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Feast of St. Elias

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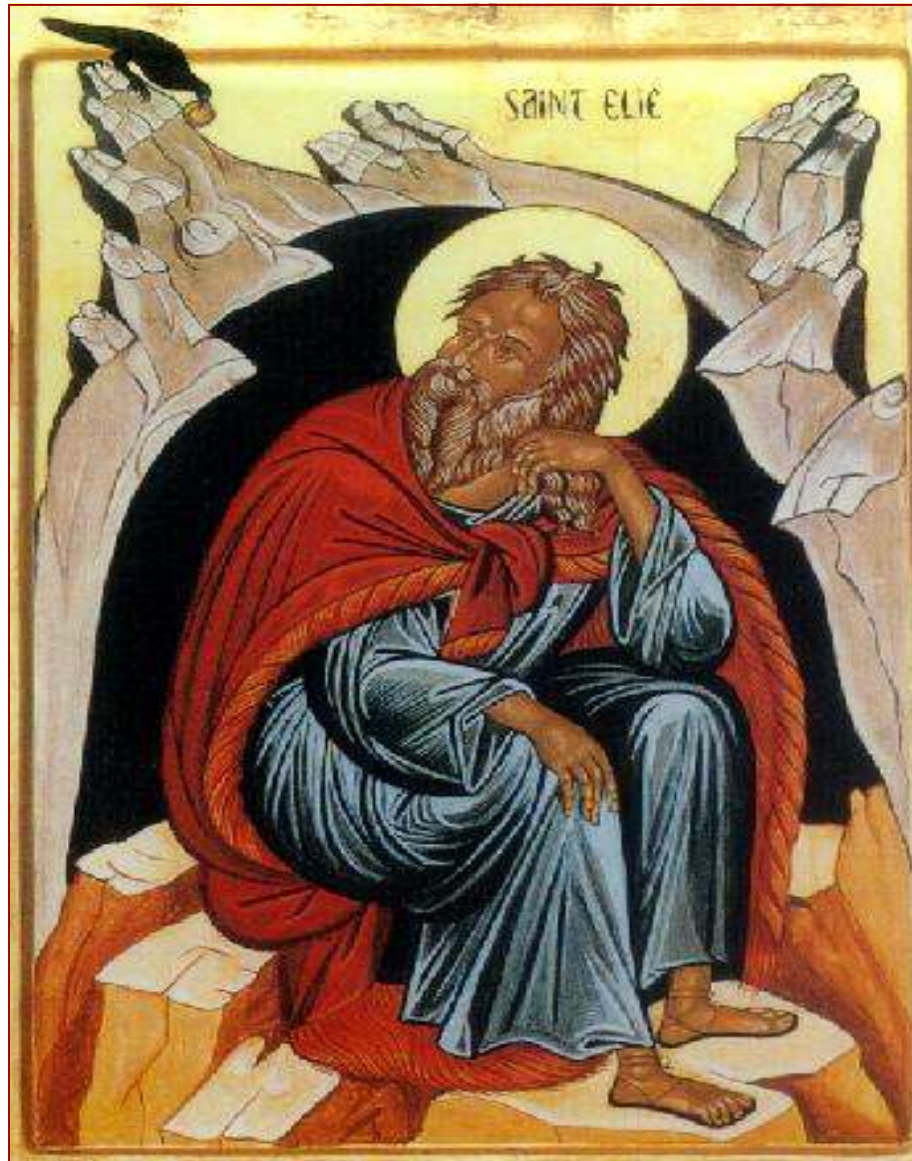
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**ALL SPOKE WELL OF HIM AND WERE AMAZED AT THE GRACIOUS
WORDS THAT CAME FROM HIS MOUTH**

LUKE 4:22

Feast of St. Elias

Sat. July 21 @ 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+ Mr. Salim Zina

Sun. July 22 @ 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Abdu and Josephine Nessralla as requested by Youseff Nessralla and family



Eveleth Sunday of Pentecost

Sat. July 28 @ 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+ Intention of the celebrant

Sun. July 29 @ 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+George Sayyah as requested by Elias Sayyah



For the Month of July

Bread & wine for the Holy Gifts are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
+Tofie and Theresa Samia, son John by the family

Vigil candle for the Gospel Throne is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
+Special Intention

Sanctuary candle for the Tabernacle is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
+Geraldine George by Mr. Manthala George and family

Vigil candle for Shrine of St. Theresa is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
+Nacklie Nessralla by the family



Lectors' Schedule

Saturday, July 21 , 2018

English: Cauna

Sunday, July 22, 2018

English: Gordon

Arabic: Malek

The Holy Mysteries are celebrated: Saturdays at 4:00 PM; Sundays at 10:30 AM; 7:00 PM Holydays

Holy Mystery of Reconciliation: **Please Note:** The sacrament of Reconciliation is available one hour before each Liturgy. And, is available any time on request.

Ministry to the Sick: If a parishioner is seriously ill at home or in the hospital, please call the church office to arrange for Communion or the Anointing of the Sick.

Holy Mysteries of Baptism and Chrismation: Please make arrangements with the pastor at least one month in advance. Sponsors must meet particular requirements of church law; parents must consult with the pastor before inviting someone to serve as a sponsor.

Holy Mystery of Crowning: Please consult with the pastor to make arrangements at least 6 months in advance of proposed date in order to avoid any difficulty in scheduling.

Welcome New Parishioners: If you are new to our parish, please fill out a registration form, which may be found on the table in the lobby of the church, and return it to us, so you may be added to our mailing and email list. We extend a warm welcome to you and your family to our parish family.

Reading: Romans 11:1-8

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. Do you not know what the scripture says of Elijah, how he pleads with God against Israel? 'Lord, they have killed your prophets, they have demolished your altars; I alone am left, and they are seeking my life.' But what is the divine reply to him? 'I have kept for myself seven thousand who have not bowed the knee to Baal.' So, too at the present time there is a remnant, chosen by grace. But if it is by grace, it is no longer on the basis of works; otherwise grace would no longer be grace. What then? Israel failed to obtain what it was seeking. The elect obtained it, but the rest were hardened, as it is written, 'God gave them a sluggish spirit, eyes that would not see and ears that would not hear, down to this very day.'

رسالة القديس بولس إلى أهل رومة

يا إخوتي، أَلَعَلَّ اللهُ رَفَضَ شَعْبَهُ؟ حَاشَا! فَإِنِّي أَنَا أَيْضًا إِسْرَائِيلِيٌّ، مِنْ نَسْلِ إِبْرَاهِيمَ، مِنْ سِبْطِ بَنِيَامِينَ. لَا، لَمْ يَرْفُضِ اللهُ شَعْبَهُ، وَقَدْ عَرَفَهُ مُنْذُ الْقَدِيمِ! أَوْ مَا تَعْلَمُونَ مَا يَقُولُ الْكِتَابُ فِي شَأْنِ إِيلِيَّا، كَيْفَ كَانَ يُخَاطَبُ اللهُ شَاكِيًا إِسْرَائِيلِيٌّ وَيَقُولُ: «يَا رَبِّ، قَتَلُوا أَنْبِيَاءَكَ، وَهَدَمُوا مَذَابِحَكَ، وَبَقِيتُ أَنَا وَحْدِي، وَهُمْ يَطْلُبُونَ نَفْسِي!». وَلَكِنْ مَاذَا يُجِيبُهُ اللهُ فِي الْوَحْيِ؟: «إِنِّي أَبَقِيتُ لِي سَبْعَةَ آلَافِ رَجُلٍ، مَا حَنُوا رُكْبَةً لِلْبَعْلِ!». كَذَلِكَ أَيْضًا فِي الْوَقْتِ الْحَاضِرِ، لَا تَزَالُ تُوجَدُ بَقِيَّةٌ بَاقِيَةٌ بِفَضْلِ اخْتِيَارِ النِّعْمَةِ. فَإِذَا كَانَ الْاِخْتِيَارُ بِالنِّعْمَةِ، فَلَيْسَ هُوَ إِذَا مِنْ الْأَعْمَالِ، وَإِلَّا فَمَا عَادَتِ النِّعْمَةُ نِعْمَةً. فَمَاذَا إِذَا؟ إِنَّ مَا يَطْلُبُهُ إِسْرَائِيلُ لَمْ يَنْلَهُ، بَلْ نَالَهُ الْمُخْتَارُونَ. أَمَّا الْبَاقُونَ فَتَصَلَّبَتْ قُلُوبُهُمْ، كَمَا هُوَ مَكْتُوبٌ: «أَعْطَاهُمْ اللهُ رُوحَ خُمُولٍ، وَأَعْطَاهُمْ عُيُونًا كَيَّ لَا يُبْصِرُونَ، وَأَذَانًا كَيَّ لَا يَسْمَعُونَ، إِلَى هَذَا الْيَوْمِ».



Gospel: Luke 4:22-30

All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, 'Is not this Joseph's son?' He said to them, 'Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, "Doctor, cure yourself!" And you will say, "Do here also in your home town the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum." ' And he said, 'Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's home town. But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up for three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian.' When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

إنجيل القديس لوقا

كَانَ جَمِيعُ الَّذِينَ فِي الْمَجْمَعِ يَسْهَدُونَ لِيَسُوعَ، وَيَتَعَجَّبُونَ مِنْ كَلِمَاتِ النِّعْمَةِ الْخَارِجَةِ مِنْ فَمِهِ، وَيَقُولُونَ: «أَلَيْسَ هَذَا ابْنُ يُوسُفَ؟». فَقَالَ لَهُمْ: «لَا شَكَّ أَنْكُمْ تَقُولُونَ لِي هَذَا الْمَثَلُ: أَيُّهَا الطَّبِيبُ، إِشْفِ نَفْسَكَ. وَكُلُّ مَا سَمِعْنَا أَنَّكَ صَنَعْتَهُ فِي كَفَرْنَاهُومَ، اصْنَعْهُ أَيْضًا هُنَا فِي وَطَنِكَ!». ثُمَّ قَالَ: «الْحَقُّ أَقُولُ لَكُمْ: لَا يَقْبَلُ نَبِيٌّ فِي وَطَنِهِ. وَبِالْحَقِّ أَقُولُ لَكُمْ: أَرَامِلُ كَثِيرَاتٌ كُنَّ فِي إِسْرَائِيلَ، أَيَّامَ إِيلِيَّا، حِينَ أَغْلَقَتِ السَّمَاءُ ثَلَاثَ سِنِينَ وَسِتَّةَ أَشْهُرٍ، وَحَدَّثَتْ مَجَاعَةً شَدِيدَةً فِي كُلِّ الْبِلَادِ، وَلَمْ يُرْسَلْ إِيلِيَّا إِلَى أَيِّ مِنْهُنَّ، بَلْ أُرْسِلَ إِلَى امْرَأَةٍ أَرْمَلَةٍ فِي صَرْفَتِ صَيْدَا. وَبُرِصٌ كَثِيرُونَ كَانُوا فِي إِسْرَائِيلَ، أَيَّامَ الْيَسَّعِ النَّبِيِّ، فَلَمْ يَطْهَرْ أَيُّ مِنْهُمْ، بَلْ طَهَّرَ نَعْمَانُ السَّرِّيَانِيَّ». فَأَمْتَلًا جَمِيعُ الَّذِينَ فِي الْمَجْمَعِ غَضَبًا، حِينَ سَمِعُوا ذَلِكَ. وَقَامُوا فَأَخْرَجُوهُ إِلَى خَارِجِ الْمَدِينَةِ، وَأَقْتَادُوهُ السَّحْرَفِ الْجَبَلِ، الْمَبْنِيَّةِ عَلَيْهِ مَدِينَتُهُمْ، لِيَطْرَحُوهُ عَنْهُ. أَمَّا هُوَ فَجَازَ فِي وَسْطِهِمْ وَمَضَى.

TIME, TALENT & TREASURE
STEWARDSHIP: A WAY OF LIFE

Parish Support : Offertory needed each week \$ 2,000.00. Our offertory is needed for the following: Parish Assessment, paid monthly from Feb. thru Nov: \$750.00. Parish Building Insurance, paid monthly from Jan. thru Nov: \$970.00. **Offertory received:** 7/15/18, \$961.00

Eucharistic **Please Note:** Eucharistic Adoration and Liturgy will take place on **Friday, July 27, 2018.** Doors are opened at **6:00 PM .**



Coffee Hour Volunteers: If you are able to lend a hand in sponsoring a Sunday morning Coffee Hour please see Abouna. We **NEED** your Help!

New From Our Sister Parishes

St. Anthony Maronite Church in Lawrence, MA, is hosting their Annual Lebanese Mahrajan on Friday, August 31, from 6PM-Midnight, Featuring a DJ and Ensemble, Saturday, Sept. 1, from 5PM-Midnight, Featuring Doris Farhat and Ensemble and Sunday, Sept. 2 from Noon —Midnight, Featuring Chadi Naddaf and Ensemble. Free Admission ! All are welcome to attend at 145 Amesbury Street, Lawrence, MA 01841.

10th Annual Maronite Young Adult Conference



This year, it is in Washington, DC, from October 5-October 7, 2018. Registration is easily available online by going to www.maroniteyoungadults. Early registration (by August 27, 2018): \$250.00. Late registration after (August 27, 2018): \$275.00, for Day Attendees (no hotel) \$150.00 deadline; September 10, 2018. Hotel will be the Sheraton Silver Spring, 8777 Georgia Ave., Silver Spring, MD 20910

Upcoming MYO and Young Adults Events in our New England Area:

- ♦ **Light of Life Bible Camp:** For Children from ages 5-12 Years, at Saint Anthony of the Desert Church, Fall River, MA. July 23-27, 2018.
- ♦ **South Coast MYO Planning Meeting** at the Convent in Dartmouth, MA on Tuesday, August 21, 2018.
- ♦ **Light of Life Bible Camp:** For Children from ages 5-12 Years, at Our Lady of Cedars Church, in Jamaica Plain, MA . August 23-25, 2018.
- ♦ **MYA Liturgy and Theology of the Body Talk given by Bishop Gregory Mansour at Saint Theresa Church on Friday, September 7, 2018 at 6:30 PM followed by Dinner.**
- ♦ **Regional MYO Adore Christmas Retreat,** La Salette in Attleboro, MA from Nov. 30-Dec. 1, 2018.

Save The Date

St. Theresa Church Presents Our Annual Lebanese Food Festival

Friday, September 28, 2018

Saturday, September 29, 2018

Sunday, September 30, 2018



Festival Volunteers are needed...

- ♦ If you are able to volunteer to work at the **Festival** on one or more days; speak with Abouna Joseph or Michelle Nessralla.
- ♦ We also need volunteers to help set-up and clean-up.

**Many hands make light work
You Can Make A Difference**

Ahalan Wa Sahlan!