



Our Lady of Perpetual Help

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Liturgical Schedule for the Week of July 16, 2017

Saturday, July 15 ~ Vigil of the Fathers of the Six Ecumenical Councils

5:30 PM Faithful Departed

Sunday, July 16~ Fathers of the Six Ecumenical Councils

9:00 AM For the Parish Family of OLPH
Followed by Coffee Social

Wednesday, July 19 ~ Vigil of Feast of St. Elias

7:00 PM +Marian Resuta Kosak by Maria Roan

Saturday, July 22 ~ Vigil of 7th Sunday After Pentecost

5:30 PM +Barbara Kowalchik

Sunday, July 23~ 7th Sunday After Pentecost

9:00 AM For the Parish Family of OLPH
Festal Anointing for the Feast of St. Elias and the Blessing of Cars will follow both weekend Divine Liturgies.
Advisory Committee Meeting After Sunday Liturgy
All Invited

It is a custom of Eastern Christians to have their cars and other modes of transportation blessed both when newly acquired and on or near the feast of the Prophet Elias (or Elijah as he is sometimes called), as the prophet ascended into heaven on a fiery chariot.



COFFEE SOCIAL

August 13 - After 9:00 AM

Sunday Divine Liturgy

Weather Permitting in the Carport in the front of the Hall –

rain location – church vestibule.

NEXT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

July 23 – Following the 9:00 Divine Liturgy

All Invited

CONTACTING FR. ED

The quickest way to contact Fr. Ed is to call the rectory at 215-945-5122. Your call will be forward to his cell phone this is a local call.

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Offertory – July 8 & 9, 2017

	Saturday	Sunday	Total
Regular	\$856.00	\$1107.00	\$1963.00
Candles	\$10.00	\$20.00	\$30.00
Building	\$25.00	\$50.00	\$75.00
Total	\$891.00	\$1177.00	\$2068.00
Attendance	31	59	90

God is pleased by sacrifices of that kind.” (Hebrews 13:16)



Haven't Seen Someone in a While?

Give them an email or a call. It is nice to hear from a friend from church. Let them know that you miss seeing them and hope that everything is okay. Ask them if they would like a visit from Fr. Ed – and let him know.

2017 MARRIAGE JUBILEE CELEBRATION



The Annual Marriage Jubilee Celebration for our area will take place on Sunday, September 10 at St. Mary's in Hillsborough. The Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at 3:00 PM and a dinner will follow at St. Mary's Parish Center. This celebration will honor all Marriage Jubilarians beginning with their fifth wedding anniversary and every fifth anniversary thereafter. If your 5th, 10th, 15th ... 50th, 60th, etc. Wedding Anniversary falls during 2017 please fill out the form below and drop it in the collection basket by July 22 – (new date).

Wedding Anniversary 2017

Name _____

Address _____

We are celebrating our _____ Wedding Anniversary.
(Number of years)

We were married on: _____

We were married at: _____

Candles Burning During the Month of July SANCTUARY

In Memory of Eddie Kravcak, my friend
By Robert P. Donatelli

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In Memory of the Kravcak & Adams Families
By Barbara Kravcak

ALTAR OF PREPARATION

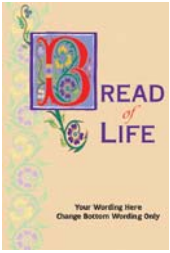
Memory of Lorena Potzgo, wife & mother
By George & Roberta Potzgo

ALTAR OF BLESSING

In Memory of the Kopcho, Wislitsky,
& Wendel Families
By Nadia Kopcho

OLPH COOKBOOK

Fundraiser



The Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish is looking to formulate our own cookbook, in the hopes of raising building repair funds. We are hoping to collect those wonderful recipes from our cherished families, past and present. Please include the name and phone number with each recipe, if we should have any questions. We will also be collect ads to help support the completion of the recipe book. The forms and labeled boxes will be left in the vestibule for your convenience. Anyone interested in being a part of this committee is more than welcome. Please contact Pam Trapp at [609-577-1547](tel:609-577-1547) with any questions. Thank you in advance for your continued support of this wonderful church. God bless you all!

FR. MYRON UPDATE

Please continue to keep Fr. Myron in your prayers. If you would like to send him a card to wish him well, please send it to:

Fr. Myron Badnerosky
922 S. Woodbourne Road - Suite 417
Levittown, PA 19057

Cards will then be forwarded to him in Florida.



Please remember that your parish of OLPH continues to need to meet its financial obligations all year long, even during the summer. So when away from home or when on vacation please mail or drop off your envelopes. Remember God NEVER takes a vacation from loving and caring for us and our bills **never** take a vacation!

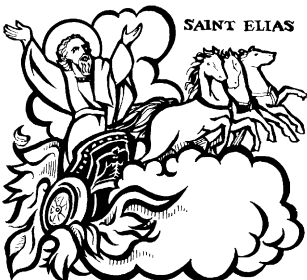
HOSPITALIZED PARISHIONERS



The Federal Privacy Act does not allow access to the hospital census for the clergy. It is no longer possible for the clergy to scan the admission list in any given hospital.

The only way we can know if someone is in the hospital is if you or your family members communicate this to us. Be sure to let Fr. Ed know when someone is in the hospital.

“Is anyone among you sick? He should summon the presbyters of the church, and they should pray over him and anoint [him] with oil in the name of the Lord.” (James 5:14)



St. Elias, (July 20) also known as Elijah, is commemorated in the Byzantine Church on July 20th. It is a feast that dates back to the fourth century, but has special significance for people of the Byzantine Slavonic and Hungarian heritage because the renowned Icon of Maria Povch first shed tears on the Feast of St. Elias in the year 1715. Elias is a prophet of the Old Testament who lived in the ninth century before the Corning of Jesus Christ.

The Troparion of his feast calls him “a pillar of prophets, and the second Forerunner of the coming of Christ.” Because, as Scripture tells us, he was taken to heaven in a fiery chariot, the Jewish people felt that he did not die as mortals do, and that some day he would return to earth to “restore the tribes of Israel.” (Ecclus. 48: 10) Indeed, some people considered that Jesus Christ was actually the returned Elias.

Icons depicting Elias usually show him in a chariot drawn by fiery horses heading heavenward and his cloak or mantle falling earthward into the outstretched arms of Elisha his companion and disciple, signifying the transfer of his power and authority of a prophet. His many miracles can easily be rendered in symbols: rain ending a seven year drought; fire from heaven consuming his water drenched altar with its offering of a bull while the altar of the pagan priests, dry and ready, could not be ignited by incessant prayers to the pagan god Baal. There was also the widow of Sarephath whose two containers of oil and meal he kept repeatedly full through prayer, and then raised her son from a sudden death. On one occasion Elias, in order to cross the River Jordan, struck the waters with his cloak; the waters parted and he and Elisha were able to cross to the other side. At another time, while in hiding from persecutors, he hid by the Brook of Cherith and there, was miraculously fed by ravens. To learn more details about these miraculous events we suggest you read Kings I, and Kings II of the Old Testament. Elias was one of the greatest and most remarkable prophets of the Old Testament. Of his origin, not much is known, except that he was a Thesbite. He appeared on the historical scene during the reign of Achab (9 cent. B.C.). He delivered to that impious king the message of Yahweh: Israel would be punished by a long drought and Achab’s house would fall. He then lived to see the tragic end of Achab. Next we hear of Elias in connection with Ochozias, Achab’s son and successor, to whom he predicted that the injuries received in a fall would be fatal. The end of the earthly life of Elias came mysteriously. As he was conversing with Eliseus on the hills of Moah, “a fiery chariot, and fiery horses parted them both asunder, and Elias went up by a whirlwind into heaven” (Kings. 2:11) Jews, Christians and Moslems pay high honor to Elias; Carmelite monks cherish the belief that their order was in some sense founded by him. Together with Moses, he appeared at Christ’s transfiguration. The veneration of Elias dates back to apostolic times. In the fourth century, the feast was already generally known. St. John Chrysostom, St. Ambrose and St. Augustine have testified to his greatness, a fact which alone would prove the antiquity of this feast.