

# THE ST. ELIZABETH'S PARISH NEWS

## St. Elizabeth's Orthodox Church

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Sunday May 3rd 2015

4th Paschal Sunday

Epistle: Acts 9:32-42

Gospel: John 5:1-15

### Sunday of the Paralytic



**Christ is Risen! Christos Vosrkese! Christos Anesti!**  
**Indeed He is Risen! Voistinu Voskrese! Alithos Anesti!**

### Sunday of the Paralytic

*4th Sunday of Pascha*

**Tropars and Kondaks and other Special Hymns:** Blue Book pg 202, Red Book pg225.

**The Creed:** Will be sung by Christine Mannino .

### Weekly Schedule:

**Wednesday 5/6 9AM–** Divine Liturgy—Mid-Pentecost  
Wednesday

**Saturday 5/9 5 PM–** Great Vespers

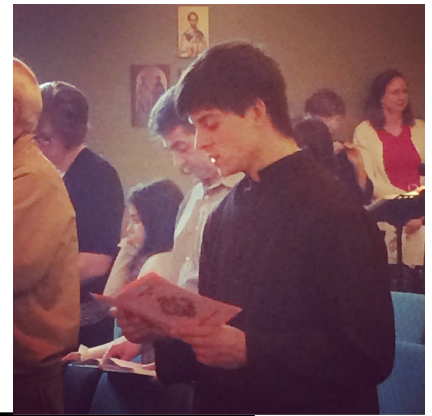
**Sunday 5/10 10AM–** Divine Liturgy

### The Feast of Mid-Pentecost Wednesday

Mid-Pentecost is the midpoint of the fifty days between the Feasts of Pascha and Pentecost. In the Divine Liturgy Gospel passage, we read that "in the midst of the feast Jesus went up into the Temple, and taught" (John 7:14). The feast in question is the Jewish Feast of Tabernacles which commemorates the Israelites wandering in the desert for forty years, when they lived under tents and tabernacles. "Tabernacles" served as the middle link between the Jewish Passover, which recalls God's deliverance of His people from the Egyptian pharaoh, and the Jewish Pentecost, which remembers Old Israel's entry into the "promised land" of Mount Sinai. The risen Christ is the link for New Israel as it celebrates the New Passover (Pascha, the Resurrection) and the New Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit descended upon the disciples and apostles. When Jesus had preached in the temple, he had just healed the Paralytic Man—which the Orthodox Church recalled on the previous Sunday—and was about to give sight to the Blind Man—which the Orthodox Church will recall in ten days. The apolytikion of Mid-Pentecost announces the "waters of true worship", which Christ will give us to drink, just as He gave the Samaritan Woman to drink; we commemorate that event on the coming Sunday. Thus, Mid-Pentecost reveals to the world that Christ will heal all of its infirmities, both physical and spiritual. -(<http://www.antiochian.org/midpentecost>)

**Announcements from Fr. Matthew**

- **First Confession**– Our Church stands together in prayer and celebration in honor of Christine Mannino on her First Confession—Yesterday, Christine partook of the healing Sacrament of Confession for the very first time. Today as a Parish Family we joyfully celebrate this great step forward in Christine’s life in Christ!
- **Thank you**– To Anthony Mannino for leading us in last Sunday’s Reader’s Service.
- **Camp Nazareth Support Family Day Raffle Tickets Are Still Available!**- Tickets costs 20\$, but don’t look at it as a gambling, look at it as supporting the youth of our Diocese and providing them with best Orthodox camping experience available anywhere! Buy a ticket and support the future of our Church!
- **Parish Council Meeting**– Next Sunday
- **A Gift from our Parish Family to Christine Mannino**– St. Elizabeth’s Parish Family has given Christine Mannino a Prayer Book on her first Confession. It is the prayer of our community that this Prayer Book may help to guide Christine throughout her life; ever forward towards the Light and Peace that only Christ can offer.
- **Camp Nazareth Registration Open!**- Camp Nazareth Registration is available online. Don’t hesitate to register as early as possible. There is an *early bird* discount for those who register by May 15th! Cost for Camp is not a concern, if you need any assistance please see me. I will help anyone who has trouble through the online registration process.
- **Every Little Bit Helps**– As we enter the summer season the weeds and grass continue to grow at a fast pace. If you see a weed, pick it! Every little bit helps. Anyone who is willing to aid in the maintenance of the Church grounds please let see me. There is lots to do. Feel free to come anytime to help keep the Church property beautiful!



**Prayer List**

Evelyn Melnikoff, Pani Betty Jean Baranik, Fr. James Gleason, The Paccio Family, Johanna, James, Herbert and Mary Schleining , Patricia James, Anna, Basil, David, Dianna, Denise, Alex, Jason, Athanasia, Ethel, Kathy, Lester, Sally, Jack, Angela , Tyler, Maria, Bezerra Family, Phillip, Page Family, Stephen (Blessed Repose), The Blonar Family, Anna (Blessed Repose)



Through the prayers of St. Elizabeth, the Birth-giver of God and Ever-Virgin Mary, and all the Saints, may our Risen Lord ,God, and Saviour Jesus Christ have mercy on us and save us!

