



THE ST. ELIZABETH'S PARISH NEWS



St. Elizabeth's Orthodox Mission

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Sunday October 4th 2015

18th Sunday After Pentecost

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 9:6-11

Gospel: Luke 6:31-36

Glory be to Jesus Christ



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Tropar and Kondak Tone 1– Blue Book pg. 81 Red Book pg.95

Now and Ever...

O unashamed Intercessor of Christians,* ever loyal advocate before the Creator, * do not disregard the prayerful voice of sinners * but in your goodness * hasten to assist us who trustfully cry out to you: * Intercede always O Mother of God in behalf of those who honor you.

Orthodox Spirituality: Almsgiving

Weekly Schedule of Divine Services

Wednesday 10/7 7:20PM– Moleben to St. Nectarios followed by Orthodox Study Class

Sunday 10/11– Divine Liturgy 10AM



As a society we are far too quick to judge those whom we deem less fortunate than ourselves. We see a person who is in need of our help and we may cross the street, or even call them a “bum” (even if we say it in our hearts it still counts!). But how we treat and judge “the least of these” (Mt. 25:40) is how our Lord will judge us.

We might think they will just waste the money we give or that we really need it more.

It is not our job to judge and consider what the less fortunate will do with the gifts we give them. It is however, our job to give the gift, and to remember the words of St. Paul, that “God loves a cheerful giver.”

The lives of the Saints tell us stories of angels disguised as men testing us to see the generosity in our hearts. If you are tested will you pass the test? Let us pray that we all do and let us all pray to our Lord to remove the greed and hate from our hearts, to remind us of the eternal value of every person, and to always remember those who have less than we do.

As Orthodox Christians we must see the eternal value of every human person, of every soul. We must see the Icon of Christ present within each person we encounter; and know that we will be judged on each of those encounters.



Announcements and Upcoming Events

- **Sunday School and JR ACRY Meeting.** Following Church Today in the Library!
- **Annual Trip to Cagle's Family Farm**– How does next Sunday sound for the trip to Cagle's Family Farm? The Sunday is the 11th. Please let me know if another date in October works better for your family!
- **Our Annual Dinner, Wine Tasting, and Silent Auction is approaching! The date is set for October 17th at 3:00PM**– If you have yet to sign up, but plan on attending please do so as soon as possible!!!
- **Community Garage Sale Postponed due to rain-New Date- October 24th– Volunteers Needed!!!** Please tells your friends, family and neighbors! Remind them that it's a great place to set up a booth and enjoy a day of searching for hidden treasures! Make reservations before August 31,2015 email SEOCGA@yahoo.com for registration forms and information OR call 770-485-0504.

This Wednesday: Moleben to St. Nectarios followed by Orthodox Study Class at 7:20PM



St. Nectarios is a 20th Century Saint. Many miracles are attributed to his prayers and intercessions with our Lord. If you would like to add any names to be prayed for at the prayer service please do so!



In this Wednesday's class we will discuss the question of suffering in the world. Why do bad things happen to good people??? The Icon shown above represents the prophet Job, whose story will be examined in the class. Please join us!!!

Prayer List

Evelyn Melnikoff, Fr. John and Pani Betty Jean Baranek, 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, Jeff, Lesley, Page Family, Stephen (Blessed Repose), The Blanar Family, Anna (Blessed Repose), Louise, Emma Rae , Carey, The Floyd Family, Phillip (Blessed Repose), Zachary, Szapka Family, Fred and Helen Milesenko, Robin

