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Ninth Sunday after Pentecost 2 August 2026

SCRIPTURES FOR TODAY (Tone 8)
1 Corinthians 3:9-17; Matthew 14:22-34
Next Sunday, 1 Corinthians 4:9-16; Matthew 17:14-23
Vespers every Saturday evening @ 5:00 PM

REQUIEM MEMORIALS FOR TODAY
Archpriest Dimitri H. Ermakov (27 yrs, 8/3) offered by family

SAINTS NAME FOR THIS WEEK TODAY, SUNDAY (Aug 3/July 20)- Pro. Elijah, Abraham, Athanasius, Filosophus, Juvenaly. MON- Simeon, John, Iezekiel, Onufrey, Onisim, *Anna.* TUE- *Mary Magdalene, Markella (Marcella),* Fokius, Cornelius. WED- Trofim, Apollinary, *Anna.* THUR- *Christina,* Boris, Gleb, Polycarp, Athanasius, Theophilus. FRI- Anna, *Olympiada, Evpraxia, Bladina,* Sactus, Matturus, Attalus, Christopher. SAT- Ermolai, Ermippus, Ermocrat, *Paraskevia,* Moisei (Moses).

First Votive Cross
Offered by Simo & Paula Dragovich

Second Votive Cross
Offered by Kuehner Family, Birthday blessings for Ian on birthday.

St. Herman's Shrine
Offered in memory of Archpriest Dimitri H. Ermakov by Family

Iconostas Lampadi
Offered by the Tomkowitz Family

Church Clean-up

There will be a church clean-up day this Tuesday, August 4th. We will start approximately at 9:00 AM

Kielbasa For Sale

We have regular Kielbasa, Sweet Kielbasa, Hot Kielbasa, Cheese Kielbasa and Extra Garlic Kielbasa available for sale.
All kielbasa except for the sweet and hot are smoked. The cost is $7.00 a pound. Please see Rdr. Dimitri Ermakov after services.

Picnic Thank You

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who helped make last week's church picnic such a wonderful success. We are grateful to all who volunteered their time, prepared and served food, set up, cleaned up, and contributed in so many ways. Your generosity and willingness to serve were truly a blessing.
We also extend our sincere thanks to everyone who attended. Your fellowship, smiles, and joyful spirit made the day a memorable celebration of our church family. It was a wonderful time of food, fun, and friendship.
May God bless each of you for your kindness, service, and support. We look forward to sharing many more opportunities for fellowship together.

St. Elijah

Saint Elijah, one who saw God, a miracle-worker and a zealot for faith in God, was born of the tribe of Aaron from the town Tishba for which he was called the Tishbite. When St. Elijah was born, his father Savah saw an angel of God hovering around the child, wrapping the child in fire and giving him a flame to eat. That was a foreshadowing of Elijah's fiery character and his God-given fiery power. He spent his entire youth in godly thoughts and prayers withdrawing frequently into the wilderness to contemplate and to pray in solitude. At that time the Jewish kingdom was divided into two unequal parts: the kingdom of Judah consisting of only two tribes, the tribes of Judah and Benjamin with their capital in Jerusalem and the kingdom of Israel consisting of the remaining ten tribes with their capital in Samaria. The first kingdom was governed by the descendants of Solomon and the second kingdom was governed by the descendants of Jeroboam, the servants of Solomon. The greatest confrontation that the prophet Elijah had was with the Israelite King Ahab and his evil wife Jezebel. For they, Ahab and Jezebel, worshipped idols and were turning the people away from serving the One and Living God. Before this, however, Jezebel, a Syrian, persuaded her husband to erect a temple to the Syrian god Baal and ordered many priests to the service of this false god. Through great miracles Elijah displayed the power and authority of God: he closed up the heavens, so that there was not any rain for three years and six months; he lowered a fire from heaven and burned the sacrifice to his God which the pagan priests of Baal were unable to do; he brought down rain from heaven by his prayer; miraculously multiplied flour and oil in the home of the widow in Zerepath, and resurrected her son; he prophesied to Ahab that the dogs will lick up his blood and to Jezebel that the dogs will consume her flesh, all of which happened as well as many other miracles did he perform and prophesy. On Mount Horeb, he spoke with God and heard the voice of God in the calm of a gentle breeze. Before his death he took Elisha and designated him as his successor in the prophetic calling; by his mantle he divided the waters of the Jordan river; finally he was taken up into the heavens in a fiery chariot by flaming horses. He appeared on Mount Tabor to our Lord Jesus Christ together with Moses. Before the end of the world St. Elijah will appear again to put an end to the power of the anti-Christ (Revelation, Chapter 11).

-From The Prologue from Ochrid