

**ST. ELIJAH ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
**THE SPIRITUAL CENTER OF THE DIOCESE OF WICHITA AND MID-AMERICA**  
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**Sunday of the Triumph of Orthodoxy; Saints of the Day: Venerable Timothy of Symbola; Eustathios, archbishop of Antioch; Zachariah, patriarch of Jerusalem; George, bishop of Amastris**

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**WORSHIPPING THE ALL-HOLY GOD**

**Isaiah 57:15**

For thus says the high and lofty One who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy: "I dwell in the high and holy place, and also with him who is of contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite."

**PRAYER ON ENTERING THE CHURCH**

I WILL COME INTO THY HOUSE IN THE MULTITUDE OF THY MERCY: AND IN THY FEAR I WILL WORSHIP TOWARD THY HOLY TEMPLE. Lead me, O Lord, in thy righteousness because of mine enemies; make thy way straight before me, that with a clear mind I may glorify thee forever, One Divine Power worshipped in three Persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

**PRAYER ON LEAVING THE CHURCH**

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word: for mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people: a light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel.

**CHURCH ETIQUETTE**

**O Lord, sanctify those who love the beauty of your house.**

When you enter the church, please remember that the church is a place of worship. Please do not disturb others as they worship God.

## WE WELCOME OUR VISITORS

We welcome all our visitors. It is an honor to have you worshipping with us. You may find the worship of the Ancient Church very different. We welcome your questions. Please join us for our Reception held in the Church Hall immediately following the Divine Liturgy.

We understand **Holy Communion** to be an act of our unity in faith. While we work toward the unity of all Christians, it regrettably does not now exist. Therefore, only baptized Orthodox Christians (who have properly prepared) are permitted to participate in Holy Communion. However, everyone is welcome to partake of the blessed bread that is distributed at the end of the service. We look forward to meeting you during the Reception that follows the service.

SUNDAY OF THE TRIUMPH OF ORTHODOXY

## VARIATIONS IN TODAY'S DIVINE LITURGY

THE LITURGY OF ST. BASIL THE GREAT  
USING THE WHITE LITURGICAL BOOKS – TONE 4

**A**

### The 1<sup>st</sup> Antiphon:

As usual...

**B**

### The 2<sup>nd</sup> Antiphon:

As usual...

**C**

### The 3<sup>rd</sup> Antiphon:

**Troparion of the Resurrection –  
Tone 4, p 96**

**D**

### The Entrance Hymn:

O come let us worship...

**E**

**Troparion of the Resurrection –  
Tone 4, p 96**

Having learned the joyful message of the Resurrection from the angel, the women disciples of the Lord cast from them their parental condemnation, and proudly broke the news to the Disciples, saying: Death hath been spoiled. Christ God is risen, granting the world great mercy!

### Troparion of the Sunday of Orthodoxy – Tone 2

Thy pure image do we venerate, O good One, asking forgiveness of our sins, O Christ our God;

for by thine own will thou didst ascend the Cross in thy body, to save thy creatures from the bondage of the enemy. Thou hast verily filled all with joy, since thou didst come, O our Savior, to save the world.

### Troparion of St. Elijah, p 26

**F**

### Kontakion of the Akathist Hymn

To thee the champion leader, I thy servant offer thanks for victory, O Theotokos, thou who hast delivered me from terror. As thou hast power invincible, free me from every danger that I may cry unto thee: Rejoice, O bride without bridegroom.

### The Kontakion in Arabic

In-ni a-na ‘abdek ya wa-li-da-tal i lah, ak-tub-la-ki, ra-ya til gha-la- ba. Ya jun-di yatan mi ha-mi-ya, wa-u-qad-dim la-kish shuk-ra ka mun qi dha mi nash-sha-da-id. La-kin bi ma an-na la-ki-el iz-za tal la ti la tu ha-rab; A’ti-qi ni min su nu fish sha da-id, Hat-ta as-ruk-h-i lai-ki, if ra hi ya’ a-ru-sa-tan la’ a ru-sa la-ha.

**G**

### The Thrice-Holy Hymn

**H****THE READINGS****THE EPISTLE**

**Blessed are you, O Lord, God of our Fathers.  
For you are righteous in all things you have  
done for us.**

The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the  
Hebrews (11:24-25, 32-40)

BRETHREN, by faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, choosing rather to share ill-treatment with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin.

And what more shall I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets – who through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, received promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, that they might rise again to a better life. Others suffered mocking and scourging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were killed with the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, ill-treated – of whom the world was not worthy – wandering over deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth.

And all these, though well attested by their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had foreseen something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect.

**THE GOSPEL**

From the Holy Gospel according to St. John  
(1:43-51)

At that time Jesus decided to go to Galilee. And he found Philip and said to him, "Follow me."

Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael, and said to him, "We have found him of whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." Jesus saw Nathanael coming to him, and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile!" Nathanael said to Jesus, "How do you know me?" Jesus answered him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." Nathanael answered him, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered him, "Because I said to you, I saw you under the fig tree, do you believe? You shall see greater things than these." And Jesus said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of man."

**I****The Megalynarion**

In thee rejoiceth, O thou who art full of grace, every created being – the Hosts of the Angels and all mankind. O consecrated temple and paradise endowed with speech, glory of virgins of whom God was incarnate and became a little child. And is our God before all the ages. For he made of Thy womb a throne and Thy body did he make more spacious than the Heavens. In Thee doth all creation rejoice, O thou who are full of grace, Glory to Thee.

**J****The Koinonikon**

Praise the Lord... Alleluia.

**K**

We have seen the true light...

**OFFERINGS**

**HOLY BREAD** is offered by Jim and Jeanette Shadid for their good health and the good health of their family – Nick, Nanette, Grace, Nicholas, and Anna Hathaway; and Fr. James, Kh. Gigi,

Dimitri, and Noelle Shadid. It is especially offered for their new grandson Emil James Shadid, who was born 2/11. May God grant him many years.

**HOLY BREAD** is offered by Patrice, Tassidy, Trae, and Ali Rahill for their good health and the good health of the Rahill and Bene families. It is especially offered for Gary Rahill (2/4), Jase Rahill (2/8), and Kasey Bene (2/12) on the occasion of their birthdays. May God grant them many years.

**HOLY BREAD** is offered by Dr. David and Tami Simon for their good health and the good health of their children Kouri, Jacob, and Rachel. It is also offered for the Kouri and Simon families. It is especially offered for Kouri on the occasion of her 22<sup>nd</sup> birthday (2/16). May God grant her many years.

**HOLY BREAD** is offered by Velma Sleem for her good health and the good health of her family Mike, Jill, Kate, and Nick Sleem; Michele, Mason, and Alex Manning; The Ned Shadid family; and the Cohlmiyas. It is also offered for Ned on the occasion of his birthday. It is especially offered in memory of Albert Sleem and Virginia Shadid. May their memory be eternal.

**HOLY BREAD** is offered by Aarron and Brandi Fraysur for their good health and the good health of their family. It is especially offered in memory of Brandi's grandfather Wesley Cantrell, who recently passed away. May his memory be eternal.

**HOLY BREAD** is offered by Norma Jabara for her good health and the good health of the Jabara and Craig families. It is especially offered in loving remembrance of her father – Farris, brother – Mose, sister-in-law – Nellie M., and niece – Janice Kay Giles, all who left us in the early part of the year. May their memory be eternal.

**HOLY BREAD** is offered by Eddie and Susan Harroz for their good health and the good health of their children Edward, Jessica, Leah, and Andrew. It is also offered for the Harroz, Simon, and Elkouri families. It is especially offered for Leah (2/21) and Jessica (2/10) on the occasion of their birthdays. May God grant them many years.

**HOLY BREAD** is offered by Esther Samara for her good health and the good health of her children Richard, Mark, Pam, Chelle, and grandsons Ryan and Logan. It is also offered in memory of their husband, father, and grandfather George Samara (19 years), Rasheed and Fathia Samara, and Marguerite Farha. May their memory be eternal.

**HOLY BREAD** is offered by Don and Jenny Killough for their good health and the good health of their families. It is especially offered on the occasion of their first anniversary. May God grant them many years.

**HOLY BREAD** is offered by Farouk and Lamees Shawareb for their good health and the good health of their children Monte, Haneen, Tamer, and Rawan, and their grandchildren Farris, Raya, Maya, and Laith. It is especially offered for Rowda and Adolph Sweis and for the speedy recovery of Rowda. May God grant them many years.

**HOLY BREAD** is offered by Solomon and Hiwot Tamirat for their good health and the good health of their family. It is especially offered for David on the occasion of his birthday (2/16). May God grant him many years.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WELCOME.** We welcome all visitors. We are delighted you are worshipping with us and look forward to meeting you personally.

**COFFEE HOUR** is hosted by the Hospitality Committee. Please join us in Naifeh Hall after Divine Liturgy. Visitors are especially welcome.

**SYMPATHY** is extended to Jim Kamas, Sam and Donna Kamas, and the Kamas and Albert families on the repose of their mother Ruth Albert on Sunday, February 7. May her memory be eternal.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Fr. James and Kh. Gigi Shadid on the birth of their son Emil James on February 11. May God grant him many years.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Jase and Tassidy Rahill on the removal of their wedding crowns last Sunday. May God grant them many years.

**NO SUNDAY SCHOOL** today. All students, please remain with your families during communion.

**ALMS BOXES.** After Divine Liturgy today we will distribute Food for Hungry People boxes. During the season of Lent you and your family can collect money for the hungry. At the end of Lent, all the money our parishioners have collected will be submitted to the Archdiocese for distribution to charities. Each bulletin will have suggestions of ways to collect money to put in the box. Get the whole family involved!

**SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY VESPERS.** We will join the Orthodox churches of the metro area for vespers at 5:00pm tonight at St. Mary Church in Jones, OK (at NW 4<sup>th</sup> and Boston Streets). This annual service is a celebration of pan-Orthodox unity. A reception will follow. See you there!

**PARISH COUNCIL** will meet at 7pm tomorrow, February 22.

**MARRIAGE WORKSHOP.** Fr. Constantine's Marriage Encounter continues this Tuesday at 7pm.

**PRESANCTIFIED LITURGY** will be held at St. Elijah this Wednesday (February 24) at 6:30pm. A Lenten potluck supper will follow. Nursery will be provided. Please come and bring a dish!

**SALUTATIONS (AKATHIST) SERVICE** to the Theotokos will be celebrated at 7pm this Friday, February 26.

**PARENTS OF THIRD GRADERS:** Please bring your third-grade children to Vespers this Saturday, February 27. They have been learning about confession in Sunday School, and will give their first confession after the Vespers service. Don't let them miss this milestone in their spiritual life.

**DIVINE LITURGY** for Saturday of Souls will be celebrated at 9am on Saturday, March 6. Come remember and pray for your departed loved one.

**PARENTS OF FOURTH GRADERS:** Please bring your fourth-grade children to Vespers on Saturday, March 6. They have been preparing in Sunday School to take confession after the Vespers service. Help them establish this important spiritual habit early in life.

**20/40 FELLOWSHIP** will gather at 7pm on Monday, March 8, at the home of Sam and Dini Homsey (16304 Bravado, Edmond). Main dish will be provided; please bring a Lenten salad, side, dessert, or beverage. Please call Sam and Dini (285-9694) for more info.

**LENT CONTINUES** this week. The traditional fast is to abstain from meat, fish, dairy products, and alcoholic beverages (though alcohol is permitted in moderation on weekends).

**CONFESSION.** Orthodox Christians should make a sacramental confession during Great Lent in preparation for Pascha. Please do not put this off until the last minute. Confession is usually available after Saturday Vespers; alternatively, an appointment can be made with your father confessor during the week.

**PLEDGE CARDS.** If you have not already done so, please submit your 2010 pledge card as soon as possible. Please do your part to ensure that our church can continue to offer its many important ministries.

**CARNATIONS** for the Salutations (Akathist) Service to the Theotokos may be donated in memory of or for the good health of loved ones. The services will be at 7pm every Friday through March 19. Please contact the church office if you would like to offer carnations.

**SPECIAL PRAYERS** are offered for the recuperation of Jennie Green.

**MANY THANKS** to Bob and Olga Aceski for their donation of 30 school-desk chairs, and a number of other chairs for our Christian Education programs and future Orthodox School.

**MANY THANKS** to everyone who attended our Valentine's Lunch and Bingo Special. Thanks also to Crest Foods for providing food for the luncheon.

The Committee of St. Elijah's Senior Team

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK**

#### **WEEK OF FEB. 21-27**

Mary Ann Harroz	Greg Silvernail
Leah Harroz	Randy Sweiss
Clark Hibbard	Nicholas Hathaway
Joseph Carson	Cindy Homsey
Jenee Lister	Sam Shadid
Nathaniel Teshome	Tammy Cox
Lawrence Clemens	Nadia Sweiss
Ned Shadid	



### **COFFEE HOUR**

Below is the schedule of those who have volunteered to host coffee hour on upcoming Sundays.

<u>February</u>	<u>March</u>
28 -	7 - Annual Lenten Fish Dinner
	14 -
	21 -
	28 - Palm Sunday

### **GYM USAGE POLICY**

Our Church Administrator, Deacon Ezra Ham, will give an informative presentation regarding our gym usage policy and fees during the annual Lenten Dinner on Sunday, March 7. Please attend and learn about gym usage so that we can all be on the same page.

Yours in Christ,  
Fr. Constantine

The success of the **March 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Lenten Fish Dinner** needs YOUR attendance! St. Elijah's help is requested by the Antiochian Women's Diocese of Wichita and Mid-America to build The Convent of St. Thekla at Antiochian Village. Details about the Convent and Mother Alexandra are available at [www.stelijahokc.com](http://www.stelijahokc.com) and the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese website. Please join us for lunch!

### **LONG-TERM CARE SEMINAR**

You are invited to a presentation on Long-Term Care and Long-Term Care Insurance by liaison Thabet Swaiss.

Topics include:

What is Long-Term Care?

What is Long-Term Care Insurance?

How do you decide if you need Long-Term Care Insurance?

What should you look for in a policy?

Tuesday, March 23, 2010  
7-9pm

RSVP: [thabet.swaiss@prudential.com](mailto:thabet.swaiss@prudential.com)  
946-1974 (ext. 7030) or cell 606-5650

### **LAST CHANCE PICTORIAL DIRECTORY MAKEUP DATES FRIDAY & SATURDAY APRIL 9-10**

**GO ONLINE IMMEDIATE TO SIGN UP!  
DO NOT WAIT TILL THE LAST MINUTE!  
SIGN UP NOW!!!!!!**

## SUNDAY OF THE TRIUMPH OF ORTHODOXY

The last great attack against the Incarnation (the teaching that God has become man) was directed at the veneration of icons. The Emperor had the icons removed from the churches.

Eventually the 7<sup>th</sup> Ecumenical Council met in 787 and declared the veneration of icons to have always been the practice of the Church. The controversy continued to rage after 815 as emperors ignored the decision of the Council and continued to oppose icon veneration.

When Emperor Theophilus died in 842, the throne passed to his two-year-old son, whose mother Empress Theodora ruled in his behalf. After consolidating the throne for her son, Empress Theodora moved to restore the icons to the churches.

On the first Sunday of Lent in 843, the icons were returned to the churches and the Orthodox faith restored. To this day, the first Sunday of Lent is celebrated as the Sunday of Orthodoxy.

### THE SYNODIKON OF THE SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY

The restoration of the icons occurred simultaneously with the enthronement of Methodius as Patriarch of Constantinople. A year later, on the first Sunday of Lent, the first anniversary of the Triumph of Orthodoxy was commemorated by reciting the Synodikon. Probably written by Methodius, the Synodikon is a Confession of Faith regarding the Holy Icons. **Following the Liturgy, the procession of the icons will take place after which we shall recite the Synodikon:**

As the prophets beheld, as the Apostles have taught, ...as the Church has received ...as the teachers have dogmatized, ...as the Universe has agreed, ...as Grace has shown forth, ...as Truth has revealed, ...as falsehood has been dissolved, ...as Wisdom has presented, ...as Christ Awarded, ...thus we declare, ...thus we assert, ...thus we preach Christ our true God, and honor His Saints in words, in writings, in thoughts, in sacrifices, in churches, in Holy Icons; on the one hand worshipping and reverencing Christ as God and Lord; and on the other hand honoring [His Saints] as true servants of the same Lord of all and accordingly offering them veneration.

***(Louder)* This is the Faith of the Apostles, this is the Faith of the Fathers, this is the Faith of the Orthodox, this is the Faith which has established the Universe.**

Manasseh was the King of Judea in the 16<sup>th</sup> Century BC. He was led into captivity to Babylon and there he offered the prayer attributed to him, as found in the Orthodox Old Testament.

## PRAYER OF MANASSEH

O Lord, Almighty God of our fathers, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and of their righteous seed; who hast made heaven and earth, with all the ornament thereof; who hast bound the sea by the word of thy commandment; who hast shut up the deep, and sealed it by thy terrible and glorious name; whom all men fear, and tremble before thy power; for the majesty of thy glory cannot be borne, and thine angry threatening toward sinners is intolerable: but thy merciful promise is unmeasurable and unsearchable; for thou art the most high Lord, of great compassion, longsuffering, very merciful, and repentest of the evils of men. Thou, O Lord, according to thy great goodness hast promised repentance and forgiveness to them that have sinned against thee: and of thine infinite mercies hast appointed repentance unto sinners, that they may be saved. Thou therefore, O Lord, that art the God of the just, hast not appointed repentance to the just, as to Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, which have not sinned against thee; but thou hast appointed repentance unto me that am a sinner: for I have sinned above the number of the sands of the sea. My transgressions, O Lord, are multiplied: my transgressions are multiplied, and I am not worthy to behold and see the height of heaven for the multitude of mine iniquities. I am bowed down with many iron bands, that I cannot lift up mine head, neither have any release: for I have provoked thy wrath, and done evil before thee: I did not thy will, neither kept I thy commandments: I have set up abominations, and have multiplied offences. Now therefore I bow the knee of mine heart, beseeching thee of grace. I have sinned, O Lord, I have sinned, and I acknowledge mine iniquities: wherefore, I humbly beseech thee, forgive me, O Lord, forgive me, and destroy me not with mine iniquities. Be not angry with me for ever, by reserving evil for me; neither condemn me to the lower parts of the earth. For thou art the God, even the God of them that repent; and in me thou wilt shew all thy goodness: for thou wilt save me, that am unworthy, according to thy great mercy. Therefore I will praise thee for ever all the days of my life: for all the powers of the heavens do praise thee, and thine is the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

# Sunday School Scoop

Did you know that about 1,200 years ago there was a group of people who wanted to outlaw icons? Can you imagine how different St. Elijah would look if there were no icons?

Luckily, a big group of Orthodox priests and bishops met at the 7<sup>th</sup> Ecumenical Council and proclaimed icons as a sacred part of Orthodoxy. Today, we celebrate their decision by carrying icons around our church and remembering the important part icons play in our worship and teaching.

**“Today hath appeared, a day full of joy, because the splendor of true doctrine shineth forth brilliantly, and the Church of Christ now sparkleth, adorned by the elevation of the Icons of the saints and their illustrating pictures, and believers attain there a unity rewarded of God.”**  
**--Orthros of the Feast,  
Tone 4**

## Upcoming Lessons and Events

Next Sunday, February  
28th:

*“The Transfiguration”*  
Pre-read: Matt. 17:1-13; Luke 9:28-36

### Upcoming Events:

*March 21<sup>st</sup>: No Class,  
Spring Break*

Our Winter Camp  
bus is FULL!!  
Get excited  
wampers, it's  
going to be a  
great time!

We will not have teen  
chats until after Pascha  
due to Presanctified  
Liturgy.  
Bible Bowl will meet at  
5:30 in the Teen Room.

Question: Did  
you get a Lenten  
Journey booklet  
last week?

If not, be sure  
to find Erin  
after church  
today!

Camp St. Raphael  
2010!  
YABOY!

Camper and staff  
applications for this  
summer **ARE NOW ONLINE!**

Please log on to  
[www.campstraphael.org](http://www.campstraphael.org) and  
print your forms. As you  
know, spots fill up fast,  
so don't delay!

Children ages 9 to 17 are  
eligible to be campers.  
If you are in need of  
camper scholarships,  
please see Erin or one of  
the priests.

**Registration for the YES  
Trip (April 16-18) will open  
on March 1<sup>st</sup>.  
Mark your calendars for  
this incredible service  
opportunity for your  
teens!**

## Worship and Spiritual Life

Every Sunday – Sunday School after Communion – Adult Class at 9:30 am. **No classes during the summer.**  
Matins at 9:20 am – Divine Liturgy at 10:30 am Bible Study – Thursdays at 10:30 am; nursery provided  
Every Saturday – Vespers at 5 pm followed by Confession Every Wednesday – Confession by appointment

## Study

### ST. ANDREW FAMILY NIGHT!

Wednesday Nights 7-9 pm. Runs in 8-week blocks. A full Program of Seminars and Classes for Adults, Children and Youth for both Orthodox and Non-Orthodox.

## Fellowship & Parish Development

Coffee Hour – Sundays following the Divine Liturgy 20/40 Fellowship – 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday at 7 pm  
Ladies Aid – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays at 1 pm Teen Chats – Wednesday Nights during Family Night  
Adult Fellowship – 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday following Vespers Ladies Guild – as scheduled and announced  
Parish Council – every 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at 7 pm Choir – see Al Mamary  
St. Barnabas Ministries – 1<sup>st</sup> Monday at 10:00 am

## Membership

To become a member you need to pray with us at our worship services, complete the Inquirer's Classes, pledge your financial support, and meet with our priests. We welcome you on your journey of faith and invite you to learn of the ancient and unchanging Holy Orthodox Church.

## FEBRUARY 21, 2010

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**ALTAR SERVERS:** Nathan Shadid, David Assaleh, Andrew Abraham, Jacob Crouch, Isaac Wilson, Deacon Huffman, Nikolai Raschtschenia, Boris Ganchev, Jack Holdsworth

**EPISTLE READER:** Dr. Paul Massad

**ELDERS:** Dr. Richard Homsey, Atif Shawareb, Mike Foskin, James Farha, Boulos Ayyat, George Rizek

**KANDELIFT:** Adam Cohlmiia

**PARISH COUNCIL:** Dr. Tad Shadid

**DEADLINE FOR THE  
BULLETIN IS 5:00 PM ON  
TUESDAY.**

## CALENDAR

	<b>Sunday</b>	
Feb. 21	Vespers @ St. Mary's in Jones	5:00 pm
	<b>Monday</b>	
Feb. 22	Parish Council	7:00 pm
	<b>Tuesday</b>	
Feb. 23	Matins	7:00 am
	Exercise	8:30 am
	Marriage Encounter	7:00 pm
	OCF @ OU	9:00 pm
	<b>Wednesday</b>	
Feb. 24	Presanctified Liturgy and Lenten Potluck @ St. Elijah	6:30 pm
	<b>Thursday</b>	
Feb. 25	Exercise	8:30 am
	Orthodox Study Fellowship	10:30 am
	<b>Friday</b>	
Feb. 26	Exercise	8:30 am
	Salutations (Akathist) Service	7:00 pm
	<b>Saturday</b>	
Feb. 27	Vespers	5:00 pm
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Graders First Confession	

## **THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP FAITHFULNESS**

“Give, and it will be given to you; good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, they will pour into your lap. For by your standard of measure, it will be measured to you.” Luke 6:38