

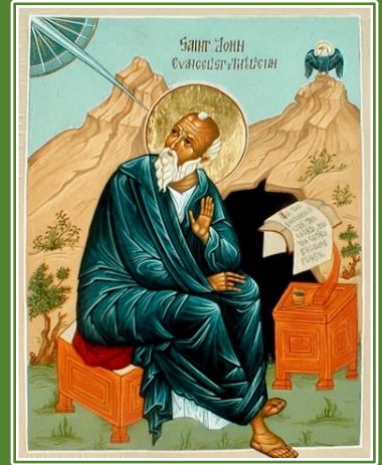
*Prophet Elijah
Transfer of Feast
Elizabeth the New
Martyr*

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James 5:10-20
Matthew 9:1-8*

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Homily by
Fr. Marc Dunaway
Epistle Reader:
Stan Snider
Coffee Hour Hosts:
Saur / Jenkins / Mee /
Labrecque*

St. John Orthodox Cathedral

~~~~~ Weekly Bulletin Sunday, July 20, 2025 And the Days Following



O Apostle John, speaker of Deity, the beloved of Christ our God, hasten to deliver your people powerless in speech, for He on Whose bosom you lean accepts you as an intercessor. Beseech Him, therefore, to disperse the darkness of ignorance and pray for peace and great mercies to be shown upon us.

Parish Events and News

Register Online for Eagle River Institute Meals and Childcare PLEASE REGISTER THIS WEEK

Please visit the Eagle River Institute website to register for this year's Institute:
<https://eagleriverinstitute.org/summer-session/register>.

This is essential for us to plan childcare and meals between sessions.

Archdiocese Convention in Chicago this Week

Fr. Marc Dunaway, Sam Lowry and Chris Kies will be attending the Archdiocese Convention in Chicago this Week

Saint John's Youth Corps

Saint John's Summer Youth Corps is helping to replace the deck on St. John's School. Under the oversight of John Marc, this year's crew is managed by Oscar Medders. Youth employees include Levi Curry, Caleb Lindblom and William Raso. This year they are also expanding and re-seeding the cemetery, setting up guest rooms, along with other very helpful projects.





Coffee Hour This Sunday - July 20, 2025 Group C - Third Sunday of the Month

Hosts Families: Saur / Labrecque / Jenkins / Mee

Snacks: Arnold, Curry, Dunham, Fisher, Greene, Hanna, Hawi, Hunter, E & H Johnson, Kelly, Kendall, Labrecque, Medders Families, Okuley, Polson, Saur, Scherer, Sparks, Stiehr, Temple Families, Wasile

Next Sunday - Group D - July 27, 2025

Hosts: Clodfelter / Terrell

Snacks: Alexander, Arvidson, Clodfelter, Dougherty, Fr. M & Kh. Betsy Dunaway, Dyal, Fletes, Haines, Goetz, Hightower, B & M Johnson, Jones, Kies, Lamb, Mee, Moses, Palmer, Parker, Ray, Snider, Stogsdill, I. Temple, Terrell, Van Dyke, Webster

Saint James House News

There will be Brunch this Sunday at Noon at the St. James House (right next door to the Cathedral) for any who are new or visiting St. John's. We will talk about fall classes and catch up on news. Please come if you are inquiring about Orthodoxy or are new to our parish. Children welcome.

Notes and Pictures from Parishioners



Ms. Wheelchair USA Pageant Party - Saturday, July 19 at 3:30pm At the St. James House – Bring Snack to Share

Elisa Betson, with the help of the Lindblom's, are throwing a Ms. Wheelchair USA Pageant Party! The Pageant will be showing on Friday, July 18 & Saturday, July 19, 3:30-6pm Alaska Time. The pageant will be broadcast on the MWUSA YouTube channel. The red carpet and behind the scenes interviews will be on the MWUSA Facebook live. The party will be on Saturday the 19th for the entirety of the show at the St. James House. All are welcome and please bring a snack to share.

Elisa will have supportive bracelets and pins for anyone who would like to wear them. Preliminaries on the Friday show have some important interview questions and speeches to watch on your own. Please support your Sisters of Mary and Martha president, Katy Arvidson! And don't forget to register votes for her! Any questions, please private text Elisa Betson, Sisters of Mary and Martha, Vice President at (907) 863-0377.

Update of Helen Gillquist

Thank you to everyone for continuing to pray for Helen and her journey to find relief from seizures. She will be having a DBS (deep brain stimulator) placed during two separate visits to the hospital in Seattle in September. There will be updates posted on her Caring Bridge page.

Congratulations to Catherine (Gillquist) & Lance Cowan

Oliver Peter Ray Cowan was born on July 11th at 1:58 pm at 8lbs. 2 oz and 21". Mom is doing great, and Abby loves her little brother. Greg and Jennifer will travel to Indiana next month for Oliver's baptism. Glory to God!



Looking for a Room to Rent or Roommate

Our grandson, Anatoli Boiko is looking for a room to rent or roommate situation in Eagle River or Anchorage. He is 23, has a job and will be finishing his bachelor's degree at UAA in the spring. Contact him at 907-691-8340. —Thanks, Barbara and Harold Parker

Looking for an Affordable Car to Purchase

Sam Lowry is looking for an affordable used car to purchase. If you know of anyone selling one, please let him know. His number is (619) 928-5181.

Dates to Remember

Birthdays This Week

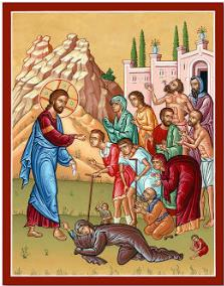
July 24 - Thomas Drennan

July 25 - Elias Drennan

July 25 - Jennifer Saur

July 27 - Hannah Hanna

M A N Y Y E A R S !



Remembering in Prayer...

Oksana Artz

Sylvia Villafana

Helen Gillquist

*We continue to pray for all those suffering in Ukraine
and for all those suffering in Israel and Gaza, for a quick end to
war and for peace*

Remembering Those Who Have Fallen Asleep This Month



* Presbyter Daniel Arthur Ryan - July 7, 1984

* Theodore Max Wells - July 14, 2009

* Marlene Faye Dyal - July 24, 2005

* Robert (Nicholas) Guio - July 27, 2024

M E M O R Y E T E R N A L !

Clare House Meal - 4th Saturday of Each Month

For the Month of **JULY** – our scheduled meal that we provide Clare House is:
Saturday, 26. Contact Cara Fletes to see how you can help.



THE SYNAXARION

Elizabeth & Barbara, the New Martyrs of Russia – July 18

On July 18th, in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate the holy Martyrs Elizabeth and Barbara of Russia.



Elizabeth was the Grand Duchess and granddaughter of Queen Victoria of England and elder sister of Empress Alexandra of Russia and was one of the most illustrious women of her day, known throughout Europe not only for her high birth and graceful beauty, but also for her modesty and goodness of heart. After marrying the Grand Duke, she converted to Orthodoxy. Following the assassination of her husband in 1905, she withdrew from public life and founded the Convent of Saints Mary and Martha in Moscow, where she became Mother Superior. There she dedicated herself to prayer, fasting, tending the sick, and caring for the poor. After the Bolsheviki seized power, Saint Elizabeth was exiled to the Ural Mountains. The Novice

Barbara followed Saint Elizabeth and asked to be allowed to join her in her exile. The Bolsheviki agreed, but they said that if she chose to do so, she would face brutal torments and a violent death. To their amazement, Barbara consented. They were herded into the forest, pushed into an abandoned mineshaft, all the while singing Church hymns. The Bolsheviki then hurled in grenades, and after they left, an observer could still hear singing for some time. The last thing Elizabeth did as she lay dying in the mineshaft was to bandage the wounds of one of her companions with her handkerchief.

Their holy relics were recovered and taken to the Convent of Saint Mary Magdalene in Jerusalem. When their caskets were opened in 1981, their bodies were found to be partially incorrupt, exuding the sweet fragrance of sanctity.

Elijah the Prophet – July 20

On July 20, in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate the fiery ascent as it were into the Heaven of the holy and glorious Elijah (or Elias) the Tishbite.

Verses

He withheld the rain and thrice brought down fire from Heaven.

Now Elijah parts the stream and hastens upwards.

On the twentieth, O Elijah, you were caught up as a rider in a chariot.

Elijah was born in the town of Tishba in Gilead east of the Jordan River. His father Savah saw an angel of God hovering around the child, wrapping the child in fire and feeding him a flame of fire. This foreshadowed Elijah's God-given fiery character and power. Elijah confronted the Israelite, King Ahab, and his evil wife Jezebel,



who persuaded her husband to erect a temple to the pagan god Baal. Through great miracles Elijah displayed the power and authority of the real God: he closed up the heavens so that no rain fell for 42 months; he lowered a fire from heaven and burned the sacrifice to his God which the pagan priests could not do; he accurately prophesied to Ahab that the dogs will lick up his blood and to Jezebel that the dogs will consume her flesh. Elijah took Elisha and designated him as his successor in the prophetic calling. Elijah was taken up into the heavens in a fiery chariot by flaming horses, prefiguring the universal Resurrection. He appeared on Mount Tabor with our Lord Jesus Christ together with Moses on the Transfiguration. Before the end of the world, as told in the Book of Revelation, Elijah will appear again to put an end to the power of the anti-Christ.

On this day, we also commemorate Righteous Iliya of Georgia. By the intercessions of Your Saints, O Christ our God, have mercy on us. Amen.

Bulletin Announcement Guidelines

Send announcements to church email address: cathedral@stjohnalaska.org Have announcements submitted by Thursday or at very latest Friday 9am. If you have any questions regarding announcements – contact Maris Kelly at the church office. 907-696-2002.

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