

Glory to Jesus Christ!
Слава Иисусу Христу!

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Glory Forever!
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14 July, 2013 Sunday of the Fathers of the 6 Ecumenical Councils

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost. The Holy Apostle Aquila.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Sat. July 13	5:00 PM: Sunday Vigil + Conrad Papier requested by Edward Smartnick Family
Sun. July 14	9:30 AM: Sunday of the Fathers of the Six Ecumenical Councils: Eighth Sunday after Pentecost: pro populo
Sat. July 20	5:00 PM: Sunday Vigil + Grace Brehun requested by Husband Paul
Sun. July 21	9:30 AM: Ninth Sunday after Pentecost: pro populo

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	<u>Acolytes</u>	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ushers</u>		
Sat. July 13	M. Mihalko	D. Cholock	R. Garber, D. Cianciotti		
Sun. July 14	E. & R. Hess	B. Chirdon	J. Overdorff, W. Furwa		
Sat. July 20	M. Mihalko	J. Kontir	-----, D. Mihalko		
Sun. July 21	D. Cianciotti	L. Cianciotti	C. Cianciotti, B. Knouse		
Collection: 07/07/13:	Adult \$960; Candles \$51;	Student \$14; Festival \$ 450;	Holy Day \$20; Total: \$1495.		
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Chapter 16 of the book of **Exodus** is vital for our understanding of this Sunday's Gospel from **Matthew**. The Israelites are physically free from slavery in Egypt and are growing spiritually free in their relationship with God. There are, however, setbacks: **grumbling, murmuring, complaining** about water and food shows that trust in God is still nascent. God provides them with sweet water, quail, and «**Bread from Heaven: Lechem min ha'shamayim.**» In the fullness of time, the true «**Bread from Heaven**» will be born in the **House of Bread – Bethlehem** – the City of David and He will say: «For the true bread of God is He Who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.» «I AM the bread of life. He who comes to Me shall never hunger and he who believes in Me will never thirst.» [John 6:33 & 35]

ברוך אתה יהוה אלהינו מלך העולם
ha'o'lam me-lekh e-lo'heinu Adonai at'ah barukh
the universe king (of) our God Lord are you Blessed



המוצאי לחם אמת מן השמים.
ha'sha-ma-yim min e-met le-chem ham-mo'tsi
heaven from true bread the Who brings forth

[Respond: Amen.]

CHRIST MULTIPLIES OUR GOOD WORKS. CYRIL OF ALEXANDRIA: Initially the disciples were reluctant to feed the hungry, but seeing this, the Savior gave to them in abundance from the fragments. This teaches us as well, that we, by expending a little for the glory of God, shall receive richer grace according to the saying of Christ, “*a good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap.*” Therefore, we must not be slothful regarding the communion of love toward our brothers and sisters but rather put away from us, as far as possible, the cowardice and fear that lead to inhospitality. Thus we might be confirmed in hope through steadfast faith in the power of God to multiply even our smallest acts of goodness. COMMENTARY ON THE GOSPEL OF JOHN 3.4.



1 Kings 17:8 – 16, The Prophet Elijah Helps a Widow: Then the word of the LORD came to him [Elijah], «Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there. Behold, I have commanded a widow there to feed you.» So he arose and went to Zarephath; and when he came to



the gate of the city, behold, a widow was there gathering sticks; and he called to her and said, «Bring me a little water in a vessel that I may drink.» And as she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." And she said, «As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a cruse; and now, I am gathering a couple of sticks, that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die.» And Elijah said to her, «Fear not; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make for yourself and your son. For thus says the LORD the God of Israel, 'The jar of meal shall not be spent, and the cruse of oil shall not fail, until the day that the LORD sends rain upon the earth.'» And she went and did as Elijah said; and she, and he, and her household ate for many days. The jar of meal was not spent; neither did the cruse of oil fail, according to the word of the LORD which He spoke by Elijah.



Expanding our Liturgical and Theological Vocabulary:

Pericope (pe-ric-o-pe): an extract or selection from a book, especially a reading passage from Scripture that forms part of a church service, e.g., *The Gospel pericope for this Sunday is about the feeding of the five thousand.*

Apophatic Theology (ap-o-phá-tic): Attempts to describe God by saying what He is not [*via negativa*]. Examples from Scripture: «No one has seen or can see God» (John 1:18); «He lives in unapproachable light.» (1 Tim. 6:16); «His ways are unsearchable and unfathomable» (Job 11:7-8; Romans 11:33-36). Example from the Divine Liturgy: «For You are God **ineffable, inconceivable, invisible, incomprehensible...**» The apophatic tradition in Orthodoxy is often balanced with *cataphatic theology* – or *positive theology* – and belief in the Incarnation, through which God has revealed Himself in the person of Jesus Christ.

Next Sunday's Readings: Epistle, I Corinthians 3:9 – 17
Gospel, Matthew 14:22 – 34

Fellow Workers for God
Walking on the Water



~ **Announcements** ~

- **Many Thanks to *Megan Karazsia, Helen DeFlorio,* and *Betty Shultz*** for providing baked goods to our bingo this week.
- **BLESSING OF VEHICLES:** in commemoration of **Elijah** the great prophet (20 July), we shall have the blessing of vehicles after the Divine Liturgy. Please park your vehicle in the upper lot. «*Behold a chariot of fire appeared with horses of fire, and the fire separated them one from the other; and Elijah was taken up into heaven by a whirlwind.*»
- **FESTIVAL MEMOS: Festival - Sunday, August 4th.** See new information on Festival Update Sheet #1. Please bring in your donations for the “**Parish Laundry Basket**” and “**Parish Food Basket**” for the Chinese Auction. We need Pick a Tickets items brought in ASAP. Check the list of items needed for the Kitchen. Worker Lists for the booths are needed by July 28th.



SAVE THE DATE...

✓ **Thursday, 25 July 93rd Annual Byzantine Catholic Family Day at Kennywood**