July 4, 2021- 6th Sunday after Pentecost

Divine Liturgy: Tone 5 — **Rom 12:6-14 and Mt 9:1-8**

July 11, 2021- 7th Sunday after Pentecost

Divine Liturgy: Tone 6 — **Rom 15:1-7 and Mt 9:27-35**

Liturgical Schedule:

Sunday July 4	**10:00am(Ruthenian)**	**6th Sunday after Pentecost**
	LIVE STREAMING	**Divine Liturgy +Stephen Cizmar by Veronika Kutka**
	12:00pm (Melkite)	**Divine Liturgy**
Saturday July 10	**4:00pm (Ruthenian)**	**Great Vespers and Holy Communion**
	7:30pm (Ruthenian)	**Vigil Divine Liturgy (Espanol) for the 7th Sunday after Pentecost -Para el Movimiento Familiar Cristiano de Santa Cecilia**
Sunday July 11	**10:00am(Ruthenian)**	**7th Sunday after Pentecost**
	LIVE STREAMING	**Divine Liturgy +Fr. Walter Werbicki by Winnie and Charles Pizzitola**
	12:00pm (Melkite)	**Divine Liturgy**
Sunday July 18	**10:00am(Ruthenian)**	**Sunday of the Fathers of the Six Ecumenical Councils**
	LIVE STREAMING	**Divine Liturgy & Panachida +Ludvik Rafaj (July 17-1 year) by family**
	12:00pm (Melkite)	**Divine Liturgy**
Monday July 19	**6:00pm(Ruthenian)**	**Elijah, the Great Prophet Divine Liturgy -in Thanksgiving by Winnie Pizzitola**
Sunday July 25	**10:00am(Ruthenian)**	**9th Sunday after Pentecost Dormition of St. Anna**
	LIVE STREAMING	**Divine Liturgy & blessings of cars**
	12:00pm (Melkite)	**Divine Liturgy for health & blessings upon Anna Rafaj**

Sunday Collection 10am Liturgy: ***God bless you for your generosity!***
June 20-$1,518.00 ***June 27-$1,711.00***

Everyone is warmly invited to the Social Hall for the going away luncheon in honor of Fr. Elias on Sunday, July 11 after the 10am Divine Liturgy

Please remember in your prayers the sick and homebound in our parish :
Bill Torma, Elizabeth Van Den Heuvel, Leslie Bohannon, Kathryn Kowalik, Joan Ostrowski, Marianne Oprisko, Malak Bakkal, Sr. Sandy Atha, Fr. Charlie Brown, Tec Bojczuk, Pat Bojczuk, Maria De La Rosa, Margaret Hays, Winnie Pizzitola and Sr. Rita Crabbe.

Saturday Great Vespers during the summer months of June-August, will continue to be served (with distribution of Holy Communion), however not every Saturday. Please check the bulletin Liturgical Schedule. Great Vespers will be served on these Saturdays at 4pm: July 10 and 31

Update on health protocols: Masks are no longer required, however their use is encouraged. Social distancing is optional. Please respect personal space. The church capacity is at 100%. The obligation to attend services on Sunday is still suspended.

Calendar of Events

July 10, Sep 11, Oct 9 & Nov 13-Spring Branch African Violet Club meeting 9am -12:30pm
July 10-Meeting of the Movimiento Familiar Cristiano de Sta. Cecilia, 5pm (Hall)
Jul 12-16 Iconography Workshop at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Alvin
Jul 13 Bible Study with Fr. Deacon Andrew and David Dominguez 6:30pm-8:30pm
July 24 Parish Advisory Council Meeting
Aug 10 Bible Study with Fr. Deacon Andrew and David Dominguez 6:30pm-8:30pm
Aug 14-Spring Branch African Violet Club event 9am -3pm
Sep 4-Church/Social Hall- 11am Frankian Baptism & Reception
Sep 11 Brunch with the Saints: St. Seraphim of Sarov
Oct 2-Spring Branch African Violets Club event 8am-4pm
Nov 6 Brunch with the Saints: St. Catherine of Alexandria
Nov 14 Patronal Feast of St. John Chrysostom

Bible Study with Deacon Andrew and David Dominguez will take place on Tuesday, July 13, in person at St. John's. At 6:30 we will gather for pizza and snacks and at 7pm we will study and discuss. We are reading Matthew 9:18-10:42. All are welcome to join in person.

The cleaning of the chandeliers continues with four completed and two more to go. Thank you to Grace & Bryan Hivnor and their son Matias for the generous gift of their time and effort in making the Temple brighter!

Prayers:

+Pete Mytchak, fell asleep in the Lord on Friday morning, July 2. Although he had been unable to attend Church for many years due to ill health, he was visited regularly by Fr. Deacon Andrew. +Pete was one of the founding members of St. John Chrysostom Parish. He was involved with the purchase of the church and property that is our parish home today. Please remember +Pete in your prayers and also his wife Audrey and their family. A memorial service is planned in the future.

There are a number of events in the life of the Catholic Church here in Texas where our Byzantine Catholic Church will be present.

-in **Praha, TX** on August 15th for the annual Assumption Pilgrimage where Bishop Brendan Cahill of the Victoria Diocese, will bless an icon of Sts. Cyril and Methodius and Fr. Elias will be a concelebrant at the 10am Pilgrimage Mass. Thousands of people come to this yearly pilgrimage that takes places in one of the most beautiful painted Churches.

-in **Shiner, TX** on Thursday, September 16, Fr. Elias will participate in the 1,100th anniversary of the martyrdom of St. Ludmila (grandmother of St. Wenceslaus). St. Ludmila was baptized by St. Methodius and is one of the saints of our Byzantine Calendar. The Mass will be celebrated at 10:30am by Bishop Gary Janak, Auxiliary Bishop of the San Antonio Archdiocese, at 10am and concelebrated by Fr. Elias and other clergy from across Texas.

-Dubina, TX Church of Sts. Cyril and Methodius (the first church dedicated to our Byzantine Catholic Saints and Enlighteners of the Slavs in Texas) will be erected as a Shrine to Sts. Cyril and Methodius in February 2022.

As of July 15th, Fr. Thomas Wells will be officially the pastor of St. John Chrysostom, and Fr. Elias will be pastor of St. Basil the Great Parish in Irving. The task of moving will take place the first half of August. Fr. Elias will concelebrate the 10am Divine Liturgy on the 18th of July for the last time and then serve the 12 noon Melkite Liturgy on July 18, 25 and August 1.

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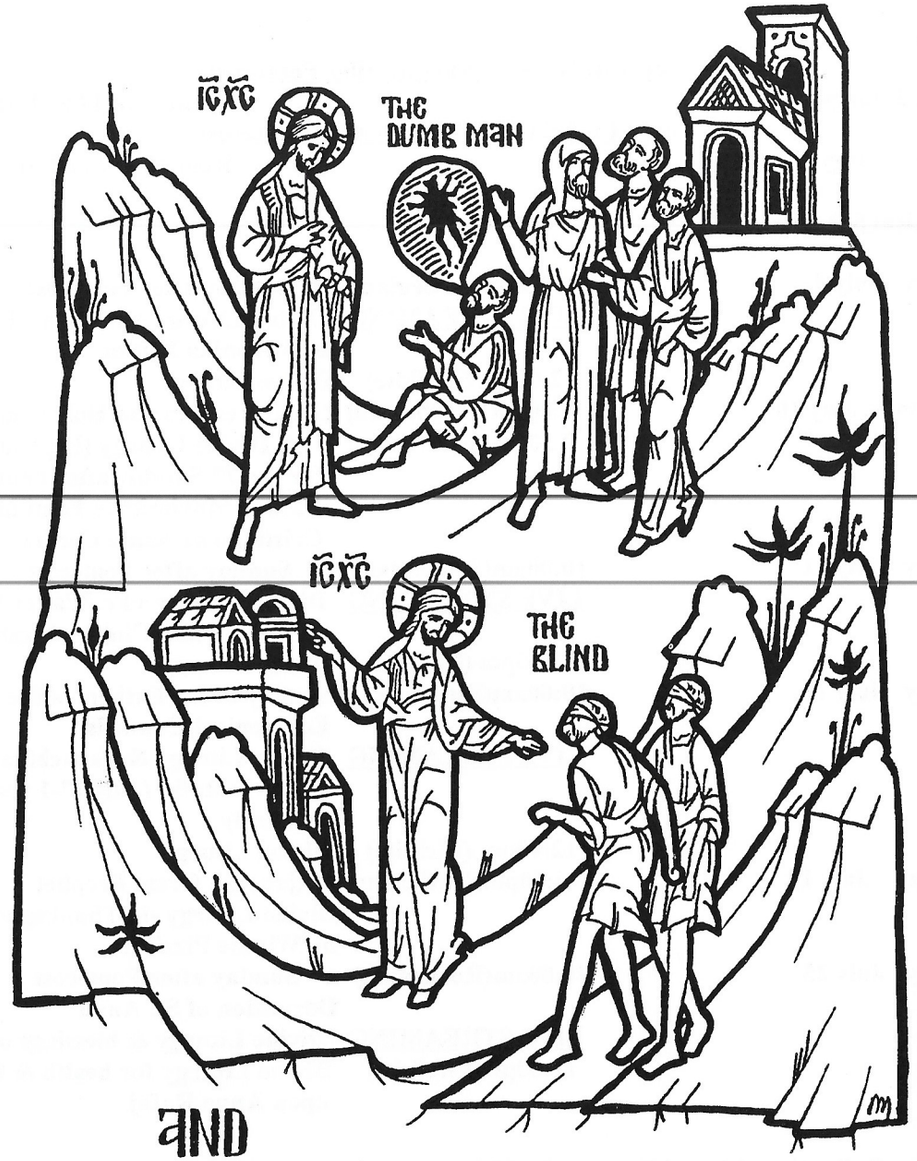
Icon of the Gospel for the 7th Sunday after Pentecost

Matthew 9:27-35

July 4, 2021 - July 11, 2021



AND JESUS WENT ALL ABOUT, TEACHING, PREACHING, AND HEALING...