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Martyr Hyacinth of Caesarea, in Cappadocia

Saint Hyacinth, a native of Caesarea in Cappadocia, was raised in a Christian family. The emperor Trajan made the boy his "cubicularius" (chamberlain), unaware that he was a secret Christian.

One day, while the emperor and his entourage were offering sacrifice to idols, the young Hyacinth remained at the palace, shut himself up in a small room, and prayed fervently to the Lord Jesus Christ. One of the servants overheard him praying and denounced him to the emperor. He said that although Hyacinth was entrusted with an imperial position, he did not honor the Roman gods, and was secretly praying to Christ.

Hyacinth was brought to trial before Trajan, who tried to persuade him to deny Christ and sacrifice to the deaf and dumb idols, but the holy martyr remained steadfast and declared that he was a Christian. He was whipped and thrown into prison, where the only food given to him was what had already been offered to the idols. They hoped that he would be overcome with hunger and thirst and eat it. Saint Hyacinth did not eat the food, and he died after thirty-eight days. When they came to torture him again, they found his dead body.

The jailer saw two angels in the cell. One covered the saint's body with his own garment, and the other placed a crown of glory on his head.

The twelve-year-old Hyacinth suffered for Christ in the year 108 in the city of Rome. Later, the saint's relics were transferred to Caesarea.

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Epistle-ROMANS 12:6-14 Gospel- MATTHEW 9:1-8

FUNERAL: Give rest O Lord to thy departed servant **SARA PESICH** and make her memory to be eternal. Our deepest sympathy is extended to her family, kumovi and friends. **VJECNAJA PAMJAT!**

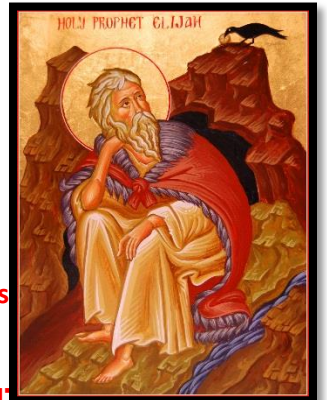
***SATURDAY, JULY 29TH MEN'S CLUB PICNIC AND the 40th Anniversary of Church Day Camp**
Reserve the date for our ALUMNI GET TOGETHER OF PAST CAMPERS

All former Campers will receive a **STONE COASTER**
See Georgette Osman or Julie Taylor the day of the Picnic

***DIOCESE DAY- Saturday, August 5th IN SHADLAND**

***SUNDAY, AUGUST 6TH OUR**
103RD ANNUAL ST. ELIJAH CHURCH SLAVA CELEBRATION

His Grace the Right Reverend Irinej (Dobrijevic) will be joining us
this year for our celebration



HONORED KUMOVI... GEORGE and MARLENE VOLITION

We will also recognize our 2017 Church School Graduates at the Slava Banquet
Nick Kosanovich III and Eli Loncar

Since this will be a catered affair by **BEYOND PARSLEY**
the last day to purchase your tickets will be **Sunday, July 30th**
TICKETS WILL BE ON SALE EVERY SUNDAY IN JULY or YOU MAY CALL THE CHURCH CENTER
OFFICE at

724-375-9894 to make your reservations OR you may mail in your check to the church
and we will mail your tickets back to you. Adults: \$30 Students \$15

Hors d'oeuvres, beverages

Menu: Beef tips/Chicken Marsala/Pasta Alfredo/ Roasted Potatoes
Mixed Vegetables/Salad/Rolls /Dessert/Coffee

It's that time of year again **THE ST. ELIJAH CHOIR** will be selling our annual **CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT**. This year's design (once again created by our very own *Kristen Milanovich*) shares our love for our Musical Heritage. Please pick up a flyer and submit it to Diane Knapp following Divine Liturgy today!

If you placed a second order from last year please see
Kathy Loverich for payment and your ornament! **HVALA!**

