

Feast Day of Etna Parish

ON **OCTOBER 2**, 2010 (Old Style), the small parish of Saints Cyprian and Justina in Etna, California, celebrated its annual Feast Day. The parish faithful were joined in the celebration by the local monastics from the Saint Gregory Palamas Monastery and the nearby Convent of Saint Elizabeth the Grand Duchess of Russia.

The convent choir sang the services with special splendor, and the Liturgy was served by three married clergy: Father George Mavromatis, Father Jerome Zubricky, and Protopresbyter Father David Cownie (see at left); three Hieromonks: Archimandrite Akakios, Father Gregory, and Father Patapios; and a Hierodeacon, Father Nectarios.

Following the Divine Liturgy, an Agape Meal was served for those in attendance. The gathered faithful were sent a special greeting from His Grace, Bishop Auxentios, who was in Greece for the celebration of the Feast Day of the Holy Monastery of Saints Cyprian and Justina, in Phyle, Greece, and for a meeting of the Holy Synod.

