#### April 28th, 2019 HOLY PASCHA - Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!

### ST. MARY HOLY DORMITIO

### **Scripture Readings**

#### Epistle: Acts 1:1-8

The former account I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach, until the day in which He was taken up, after He through the Holy Spirit had given commandments to the apostles whom He had chosen, to whom He also presented Himself alive after His suffering by many infallible proofs, being seen by them during forty days and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God. And being assembled together with them, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father, "which," He said, "you have heard from Me; for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." Therefore, when they had come together, they asked Him, saying, "Lord, will You at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" And He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has put in His own authority. But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and

in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

#### Gospel: John 1:1-17

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. This man came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all through him might believe. He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light. That was the true Light which gives light to every man coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him. He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him. But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name: who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. John bore witness of Him and cried out, saying, "This was He of whom I said, 'He who comes after me is preferred before me, for He was before me.'" And of His fullness we have all received, and grace for grace. For the law was given through Moses, but grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.

### **APR** Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 3rd Zoe Osburn
- 4th Jacob Stephens
- 7th Ryleigh Tunink
- 8th April Schulte
- 8th Emaya Draney
- 8th Matt Dawson
- 16th Johnny Tart
- 18th Jack Pyatt
- 18th Makiya Schulte 22nd - Millie Manyik
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- 22nd Jennifer Billmire
- 22nd Myree Hickman
- 23rd Sarah Dumler 23rd - Logan Jackson
- 26th Kail Molner
- 29th Mason Hendrix
- 29th Malachi Hendrix

## **SERVICES**

Agape Vespers - 11:30 AM (28th) Bright Monday Liturgy - 8:00 AM (29th) Great Vespers - 5:30 PM (4th) Divine Liturgy - 9:30 AM (5th)

### **WISDOM**

"O Christ, great and most holy Pascha. O Wisdom, Word and Power of God, grant that we may more perfectly partake of Thee in the never-ending day of Thy kingdom."

Ninth Ode, Paschal Canon

#### **Confessions Every Saturday After Vespers or By Appointment**

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### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!

On this, the holiest Day of creation, we greet you with the joy of the Feast! May the Light of the Risen Christ shine brightly in each and every one of our lives! Thank you so much to everyone who made our first Lenten journey, Holy Week, and now Pascha in Calhan so rich and beautiful. A special thanks to the choir, the altarboys, and to everyone who offered time and talents in cleaning, those who brought meals to those in need and helped during the various weather storms, and to those who organized and made the church ready for our festal celebration. A blessed Feast to everyone! Christ is Risen! - Fr. Stephen, Mat. Lindsey, and Zoe Osburn

#### **Pierogies for Sale**

There are still dozens of Pierogies for sale leftover from Slavic Fest. We have cheese, prune, and potato ones available. Great for Pascha Celebrations! Get yours today! See Butch if you'd like to buy some.

#### **Blessing of Baskets**

Baskets will be blessed immediately after the service tonight and also tomorrow after Agape Vespers (for anyone who didn't bring theirs tonight).

#### Grave Blessings (May 5th)

Following Coffee Hour next Sunday, Fr. Stephen will go bless graves throughout the area. We will start up on the hill and then make our way to the various cemeteries throughout Calhan, Simla, and Ramah. If there are any graves on properties that Fr. Stephen is unaware of, please let him know and he will gladly accommodate. He may have to do some on Monday morning if it gets too late.

#### Pascha Open House Potluck

Fr. Stephen and Mat. Lindsey will be having a potluck open house on Pascha evening starting at around 5:00 PM at the rectory. Everyone in the parish is invited to come, even if you can't bring anything. Please see Mat. Lindsey to confirm you are coming and what you are bringing.

#### **Hierarchical Paschal Messages**

His Beautitude, Metropolitan Tikhon's Paschal Message - <u>https://holydormition.net/pascha/met2019.pdf</u>

His Eminence, Archbishop Benjamin's Paschaal Message https://holydormition.net/pascha/abp2019.pdf

# UPCOMING SERVICES

May 11th - Great Vespers (5:30 PM) May 12th - Divine Liturgy (9:30 AM) May 18th - Great Vespers (5:30 PM) May 19th - Divine Liturgy (9:30 AM) May 25th - Great Vespers (5:30 PM) May 26th - Divine Liturgy (9:30 AM) Jun. 1st - Great Vespers (5:30 PM) Jun. 2nd - Divine Liturgy (9:30 AM) Jun. 5th - Great Vespers w/Litya (6:00 PM) Jun. 6th - Divine Liturgy - Ascension (8:00 AM) Jun. 8th - Great Vespers (5:30 PM) Jun. 9th - Divine Liturgy (9:30 AM)

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#### **Youth Activities**

May

Sunday 5th - Coffee Hour Easter Egg Hunt and Egg Decorating

It's an Eggstravaganza! Gather your Easter baskets and come join us for the Sunday after Pascha for the best Easter Egg hunt Calhan has ever seen! We will also be decorating eggs after the hunt. It will be a potluck event so please offer to bring your favorite dish.

> Sunday TBA - Coffee Hour Church School End of the Year Picnic

Sometime in May or June, we will be having our end of the year picnic for all our church school kids and teachers. Join us in celebrating their long year of hard work. We are still coordinating this event and picking a dae that doesn't conflict with other events so stay tuend on that. However when we do have the event, there will be hot dogs and hamburgers on the grill and we are looking for someone to volunteer in providing them. Also, this will be considered a potluck day so consider bringing a potluck item to celebrate in their achievement.

#### **Calhan Community Highlights**

A big thank you to all the youth who read on Saturday morning during the Old Testament Readings. Standing up and reading in front of the entire parish is both a challenge and a good act of service to God. They all did it bravely and we are so proud of them. May God Grant them all Many Many Blessed Years!