



December 1st, 2019
Prophet Nahum
24th Sunday after Pentecost

ST. MARY'S **HOLY DORMITION**

Scripture Readings

Epistle: Ephesians 2:14-22

Brethren, For He Himself is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of separation, having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two, thus making peace, and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity. And He came and preached peace to you who were afar off and to those who were near. For through Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father. Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone, in whom the whole building, being fitted together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord, in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

Gospel: Luke 18:18-27

At that time, a certain ruler asked Him, saying, "Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" So Jesus said to him, "Why do you call Me good? No one is good but One, that is, God. You know the commandments: 'Do not commit adultery,' 'Do not murder,' 'Do not steal,' 'Do not bear false witness,' 'Honor your father and your mother.'" And he said, "All these things I have kept from my youth." So when Jesus heard these things, He said to him, "You still lack one thing. Sell all that you have and distribute to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me." But when he heard this, he became very sorrowful, for he was very rich. And when Jesus saw that he became very sorrowful, He said, "How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God! For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." And those who heard it said, "Who then can be saved?" But He said, "The things which are impossible with men are possible with God."

NOV Birthdays & Anniversaries

Dec 1 - Robert Boyd
Dec 2 - Pete Pyatt
Dec 2 - Marah Robinson
Dec 6 - Jeanie Mikita
Dec 11 - Anya (Boyd) Gazii
Dec 17 - Tetiana Boyd
Dec 20 - Lexi Ann Guy
Dec 27 - Larry Don and Lori Meier
Dec 31 - Natalie Hlatki

SERVICES

Great Vespers - 5:30 PM (7h)
Divine Liturgy - 9:30 AM (8th)

WISDOM

When there is a respect for small things, there will be an even greater respect towards the bigger things. When there is no respect for small things, then neither will there be for the bigger ones. This is how the Fathers maintained Tradition.

- *Elder Paisios*

Confessions Every Saturday After Vespers or By Appointment

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nativity Fast Challenge

Instead of the normal Community Highlight, for the remainder of the Nativity Fast, an open challenge has been made: The Reverse Advent Calendar. There are plenty of copies of each day's item in the Narthax. Please take one. On Christmas day, we will have a few bins in the Narthex for everyone's items that we will donate to the Eastern Plains Food Pantry.

Slavic Fest Leftovers

We still have some leftover Pierogi & Noodles from Slavic Fest that are for sale. This is a great time of year to buy some and not have to worry during all the Christmas planning, so when you are ready (and by ready, today), please see Butch.

Parish Council Next Sunday (December 8th)

Parish Council members, please note we have our monthly meeting next Sunday. Be there or St. Nicholas might be putting coals instead of treats in your shoes. Just kidding.

Father's Back

Hope everyone enjoyed their thanksgiving break. Thank you to everyone for handling thing while Fr. Stephen and family were away. May God Grant You All Many Years!

CC Hockey Game (January 11th) - 6 PM

Coming up in January, we are looking to take a group to see the CC Tigers take on Miami University Hockey. If you'd like to attend, please let Fr. Stephen know. Ticket prices to be announced shortly.

Letters to Bryan Hlatki

Bryan will be moving to his new assignment soon and this the last week you can write or send him anything until we get the new address: **EO CR Hlatki, Bryan, M. 6433 Cooley Ave. Bldg 1750, Ft. Leonard Wood, MO 65473.**

Memory Eternal Dn. Gregory

It is with a sorrow but hopeful heart that we announce that the faithful servant of God, Dn. Gregory fell asleep in the Lord on Friday morning, following the prayers for the Canon for the Departure of the Soul. Services will be tonight (7 PM Panakhida) and tomorrow (8 AM Divine Liturgy followed by the funeral) at Holy Theophany. May the Rev. Deacon Gregory's Memory Be Eternal!

Youth Activities

December

8th - During Coffee Hour
St. Nicholas Day & Gingerbread Cookie Decorating

You better watch out; you better not cry; better not pout; I'm telling you why; St. Nicholas is coming to Calhan. On the 8th, we will be having our visit from St. Nicholas in the Hall. There are many activities happening next Sunday, such as leaving our shoes in the Narthex, hot chocolate and cookies, gingerbread decorating, hearing a story about St. Nicholas, and spending time with him. Please join us!

15th - 4:30 PM
Christmas Caroling Around the Eastern Plains

On the 15th, we are going to round up the children and anyone who would like to come to drive around to homes to sing some Christmas music. After we are done singing, we will return to the Hall for a light dinner. Join us!

22nd - During Coffee Hour
Nativity Play 2019

On December 22nd after Liturgy, our youth, who have begun practicing will be performing our annual Nativity play. Please mark this in your calendars, its going to be a great show!

30th-Jan. 1st
Winter High School Retreat

The Rocky Mountain Deanery is putting on their annual High School Winter Retreat again this year at the Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp Divide. Registration for this event is available now so if your teen(s) would like to go, please let Fr. Stephen know and he will get you the registration.

UPCOMING SERVICES

Dec. 24th - Christmas Vigil (4:00 PM)

Dec. 25th - Christmas Divine Liturgy (8:30 AM)

Jan. 5th - Vespers After Liturgy

Jan. 6th - Theophany Divine Liturgy (8:00 AM)

Feb. 1st - Great Vespers with Litya (5:30 PM)

Feb. 2nd - Meeting of the Lord Divine Liturgy (9:30 AM)

Mar. 1st - Forgiveness Vespers After Liturgy

Mar. 2nd - Great Lent Begins

Mar. 25th - Annunciation Liturgy (8:00 AM)

Apr. 11th - Lazarus Saturday Liturgy (9:00 AM)

Apr. 12th - Palm Sunday Liturgy (9:30 AM)

Apr. 13th-18th - Holy Week

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