

May 19th, 2019 Sunday of the Paralytic 4th Sunday of Pascha

ST. MARY'S HOLY DORMITION

Scripture Readings

Epistle: Acts 9:32-42

Now it came to pass, as Peter went through all parts of the country, that he also came down to the saints who dwelt in Lydda. There he found a certain man named Aeneas, who had been bedridden eight years and was paralyzed. And Peter said to him, "Aeneas, Jesus the Christ heals you. Arise and make your bed." Then he arose immediately. So all who dwelt at Lydda and Sharon saw him and turned to the Lord. At Joppa there was a certain disciple named Tabitha, which is translated Dorcas. This woman was full of good works and charitable deeds which she did. But it happened in those days that she became sick and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in an upper room. And since Lydda was near Joppa, and the disciples had heard that Peter was there, they sent two men to him, imploring him not to delay in coming to them. Then Peter arose and went with them. When he had come, they brought him to the upper room. And all the widows stood by him weeping, showing the tunics and garments which Dorcas had made while she was with them. But Peter put them all out, and knelt down and prayed. And turning to the body he said, "Tabitha, arise." And she opened her eyes, and when she saw Peter she sat up. Then he gave her his hand and lifted her up; and when he had called the saints and widows, he presented her alive. And it became known throughout all Joppa, and many believed on the Lord.

Gospel: John 5:1-15

After this there was a feast of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, which is called in Hebrew, Bethesda, having five porches. In these lay a great multitude of sick people, blind, lame, paralyzed, waiting for the moving of the water. For an angel went down at a certain time into the pool and stirred up the water; then whoever stepped in first, after the stirring of the water, was made well of whatever disease he had. Now a certain man was there who had an infirmity thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there, and knew that he already had been in that condition a long time, He said to him, "Do you want to be made well?" The sick man answered Him, "Sir, I have no man to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; but while I am coming, another steps down before me." Jesus said to him, "Rise, take up your bed and walk." And immediately the man was made well, took up his bed, and walked. And that day was the Sabbath. The Jews therefore said to him who was cured, "It is the Sabbath; it is not lawful for you to carry your bed." He answered them, "He who made me well said to me, 'Take up your bed and walk.'" Then they asked him, "Who is the Man who said to you, 'Take up your bed and walk'?" But the one who was healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had withdrawn, a multitude being in that place. Afterward Jesus found him in the temple, and said to him, "See, you have been made well. Sin no more, lest a worse thing come upon you." The man departed and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had made him well.

MAY Birthdays & Anniversaries

2nd - Leonard Volosin

3rd - Jeb & Jennifer Billmire 4th - Sevy Draney 5th - Austin Jackson

5th - Colleen Hendrix

5th - Gabriella Johnson

7th - Vickie Tipton

8th - Victor Volosin

8th - Nadia Sisneros

10th - Ben & Linda Hendrix

10th - Makenzie Schulte 13th - Madeleine Hlatki

14th - Margie Mikita

16th - Butch & Helen Sakala

18th - Dee Eurich

21st - Keith & April Schulte

25th - Bill & Colleen Hendrix

26th - Betty Eurich

27th - Harry Mikita

27th - Gary & Myrle Hlatki 27th - Josh & Lacie Leithead 28th - Tori Jackson

29th - Matt & Libbie Dawson

29th - Alexandria Stephens

29th - Fr. Stephen & Mat. Lindsey Osburn

Great Vespers - 5:30 PM (25th) Divine Liturgy - 9:30 AM (26th)

We make every effort to avoid death of the body, still more should it be our endeavor to avoid death of the soul. There is no obstacle for a person who wants to be saved other than negligence and laziness of soul.

- St. Anthony the Great

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Calhan Community Highlights

Congrats are in order for many of our youth this week. E.M. Britton was named to Falcon HS's 3.5 and Higher Honor Roll, Trevor Hendrix won many End of the Year Academic Awards at Calhan MS, & Mikey Mikita took second in State for pole vaulting. Well done to all of them and May God Grant them all Many More Blessed Years!

Parish Council Today

Friendly reminder to Parish Council Members that we will be having our normal monthly meeting today.

Pierogies for Sale

There are still Pierogies for sale leftover from Slavic Fest. We have cheese, prune, and potato ones available. See Butch if you'd like to buy some.

Grave Blessings (May 27th)

Clean up of the cemetaries will occur on Wednesday, May 22nd. Since Fr. Stephen is away this day, please see Rod or any parish council member if you would like to help. On the 27th, there will be a Panakhida in the morning at 10:30 AM at the St. Tikhon's Chapel, followed by the VFW Service at 11 AM at St. Michael's Cemetery. Once their service is done, we will begin with blessing the graves of Ss. Michael & Mary, Sakala's, Sproch's, Ramah, Simla, & Calhan. There will be a potluck afterward in the hall. If any graves are left unblessed, please let Fr. Stephen know and he will gladly bless your loved one's grave.

Adult Faith Forum is Starting!

First class will be June 5th after Great Vespers. Everyone is invited & encouraged to come & participate. Our first topic for the year will be on the Parables of Christ, please join us!

Father's Away (May 20th-24th)

Next week Fr. Stephen will be traveling California for a diocesan clergy retreat and will return on Friday night around midnight (24th). If there are any emergencies during the week of the 22nd, please still contact Father or Rod Glover and they will make the appropriate arrangements.

Youth Activities

June

28th - Friday @ 6:40 PM Colorado Rockies Vs. LA Dodgers

Next month, we will be attending a baseball game up in Denver with our youth and community. The tickets are \$20 each & Fr. Stephen needs a count of who is going as soon as possible so he can order the tickets by the beginning of June. Payment for the tickets are due by the middle of June 23rd. Make all checks out to St. Mary's Orthodox Church.

Tentative 29th - Saturday After Divine Liturgy Panakhida for the Unborn @ Colorado Springs Westside Planned Parenthood

The pro life cause is an extremely important one for us as Orthodox Christians and this is especially the case for our youth. As such, next month we will be organizing an event with our youth and community to go and pray outside of the Planned Parenthood in Colorado Springs. This will be a peaceful event where we will just pray a Panakhida for the unborn lives lost that day and unborn lives lost in the past. If anyone wants to talk with us, they can but we will not confront anyone or seek to disrupt anyone from entering. We are working on coordinating this event with Holy Theophany's Youth Group. The date right now is tentative. If you have any questions or ideas, please see Fr. Stephen.

July

24th - 27th Rocky Mountain Orthodox Youth Camp

Later in the Summer, between 4H Fairs the annual RMOYCamp will be taking place for all Orthodox Youth in the Rockey Mountain Deanery. This year's topic will be "Athletes in Christ" & Fr. Stephen will be leading the retreat part of the camp. If your child/children, grades 1st-12th are interested in attending, let Fr. Stephen know & he will get you the right forms for the camp. The cost is \$185 per child & there are scholarships available if needed. If you have any other questions see Fr. Stephen or contact Fr. Benjamin Huggins at 970-689-4777 / FrBenjamin.Huggins@gmail.com

UPCOMING SERVICES

May 27th - Panakhida w/ Grave Blessings (10:30 AM)

Jun. 1st - Great Vespers (5:30 PM)

Jun. 2nd - Divine Liturgy (9:30 AM)

Jun. 5th - Great Vespers w/Litya (6:00 PM) followed by AFF.

Jun. 6th - Divine Liturgy - Ascension (8:00 AM)

Jun. 8th - Great Vespers (5:30 PM)

Jun. 9th - Divine Liturgy (9:30 AM)

Jun. 15th - Readers Vespers (5:30 PM)

Jun. 16th - Divine Liturgy w/Kneeling Vespers (9:30 AM)

Jun. 22nd - Great Vespers (5:30 PM)

Jun. 23rd - Divine Liturgy (9:30 AM)

Jun. 29th - Divine Liturgy - Ss. Peter & Paul (8:00 AM)

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