



**November 24th, 2019**  
**Afterfest of the Entrance**  
**23rd Sunday after Pentecost**

# ST. MARY'S HOLY DORMITION

## Scripture Readings

**Epistle: Ephesians 2:4-10**

Brethren, God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them..

**Gospel: Luke 12:16-21**

At that time, the Lord was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. And behold, there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bent over and could in no way raise herself up. But when Jesus saw her, He called her to Him and said to her, "Woman, you are loosed from your infirmity." And He laid His hands on her, and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God. But the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation, because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath; and he said to the crowd, "There are six days on which men ought to work; therefore come and be healed on them, and not on the Sabbath day." The Lord then answered him and said, "Hypocrite! Does not each one of you on the Sabbath loose his ox or donkey from the stall, and lead it away to water it? So ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has bound - think of it - for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath?" And when He said these things, all His adversaries were put to shame; and all the multitude rejoiced for all the glorious things that were done by Him.

## NOV Birthdays & Anniversaries

- Nov 5 - Georgianna Glover
- Nov 7 - Becky Fischer
- Nov 9 - Jason Britton
- Nov 15 - Terri Volosin
- Nov 15 - Abigail Rose Leithead
- Nov 15 - Greg Olyejar
- Nov 20 - Richard & Debbie Molner
- Nov 20 - Debbie Hlatki
- Nov 21 - Camden Robinson
- Nov 22 - Vera Kopsho
- Nov 22 - Morgan Britton
- Nov 23 - Garth Perry
- Nov 28 - Josh Leithead
- Nov 29 - Lori Meier

# SERVICES WISDOM

Reader's Vespers - 5:30 PM (30th)  
 Divine Liturgy - 9:30 AM (Dec. 1st)

Everyone capable of thanksgiving is capable of salvation and eternal joy. Thank You, O Lord, for having accepted this Eucharist, which we offered to the Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and which filled our hearts with the joy, peace and righteousness of the Holy Spirit. Thank You, O Lord, for having revealed Yourself unto us and given us the foretaste of Your Kingdom. Thank You, O Lord, for having united us to one another in serving You and Your Holy Church. Thank You, O Lord, for having helped us to overcome all difficulties, tensions, passions, temptations and restored peace, mutual love and joy in sharing the communion of the Holy Spirit. Thank You, O Lord, for the sufferings You bestowed upon us, for they are purifying us from selfishness and reminding us of the "one thing needed;" Your eternal Kingdom. Thank You, O Lord, for having given us this country where we are free to worship You. Thank You, O Lord, for this school, where the name of God is proclaimed. Thank You, O Lord, for our families: husbands, wives and, especially, children who teach us how to celebrate Your holy Name in joy, movement and holy noise. Thank You, O Lord, for everyone and everything. Great are You, O Lord, and marvelous are Your deeds, and no word is sufficient to celebrate Your miracles. Lord, it is good to be here! Amen!

- Fr. Alexander Schmemmann

**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. 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. Please join in!



## Slavic Fest Leftovers

We still have some leftover Pierogi & Noodles from Slavic Fest that are for sale. If you'd like to buy any, please see Butch.

## Thanksgiving Break

Fr. Stephen and family will be driving down to Vegas to visit family for Thanksgiving. They will all be back Saturday night. If any emergencies arise, please contact Father and he will handle it. The Osburns would also like to wish everyone a happy and blessed Thanksgiving. Enjoy your family, eat some turkey, and watch some football (For David Rozdilski, "Go Bears!")

## 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

As many know, our own Bryan Hlatki was recently stationed in Missouri and many have asked if there are ways to contact him. If you would like to write to him or send him anything his address is: **EO CR Hlatki, Bryan, M. 6433 Cooley Ave. Bldg 1750, Ft. Leonard Wood, MO 65473.**

## Dn. Gregory GoFundMe

We continue to pray for Dn. Gregory and his family for a full recovery. They have a GoFundMe setup if you'd like to help:  
<https://GoFundMe.com/DeaconGregoryFund/>

# 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**

## Youth Activities

### November

Today

Ornament Decorating - During Coffee Hour

Due to various illnesses, we postponed our activity last weekend to today. Please stay and join us in officially kicking off the full schedule of Christmas activities by decorating ornaments! Please stay and join us for this fun activity. Adults can decorate too!

### 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 this day, such as leaving our shoes in the Narthex, hot chocolate and cookies, hearing a story about St. Nicholas, and spending time with him.

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.