



**February 9th, 2020**  
**Publican and the Pharisee**  
**33rd Sunday after Pentecost**

# **ST. MARY'S** **HOLY DORMITION**

## **Scripture Readings**

### **Epistle: 2 Timothy 3:10-15**

You have carefully followed my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, love, perseverance, persecutions, afflictions, which happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra – what persecutions I endured. And out of them all the Lord delivered me. Yes, and all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will suffer persecution. But evil men and impostors will grow worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived. But you must continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned them, and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

### **Gospel: Luke 18:10-14**

The Lord said this parable: “Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, ‘God, I thank You that I am not like other men – extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I possess.’ And the tax collector, standing afar off, would not so much as raise his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, ‘God, be merciful to me a sinner!’ I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.”

## **FEB Birthdays & Anniversaries**

1st - Libbie Meier  
2nd - Larry John Mikita  
3rd - Alicia Glover  
3rd - Carly Carneal  
6th - Robert Hertneky  
14th - Nick & Natalie Norton  
20th - Myrle Hlatki  
20th - Bill Hendrix  
20th - Ben Hendrix  
25th - Josh Tunink  
25th - Richard Molner  
26th - Harold Eurich  
26th - Samantha Stephens  
29th - Rodger Mikita

## **SERVICES**

Great Vespers - 5:00 PM (15th)  
Baptism for Caleb - 8:30 AM (16th)  
Divine Liturgy - 9:30 AM (16th)

## **WISDOM**

“Search the Scriptures and you will find the Commandments. Do what they say and you will be freed from your passions.”

- *St. Thalassios the Libyan*

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

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## House Blessings

Time is running out for your annual house blessing. A sign up list is in the Narthex. There are still many who have not yet signed up, so please see Fr. Stephen if you would like him to come and bless your home and/or farm. Please also indicating time of day that is normally best for you and if you have a special request. Father will contact you to arrange his visit.

## 2020 Calendars Available

The Church Calendars for 2020 are still available and in the Narthex. Please feel free to take one for your home.

## Special Collection and GoFundMe for Steve Wilson

Today we will be taking a special collection for Steve Wilson, a student at Simla who is fighting a flesh-eating disease. He has already had multiple surgeries and may need to have more. He is a player on Dave Guy's basketball team, an upstanding young man of the community, and his family would greatly benefit from any donation we can provide. Please be generous in helping Steve fight this terrible disease. There is also a GoFundMe for him and the link is here (We will keep it in the bulletin for the next few weeks if you are not able to donate today):

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/give-for-stevenhealing-from-flesh-eating-bacteria>

## Parish Council (Next Sunday)

Friendly reminder that our first parish council meeting of the year will be the next week. Directly after Liturgy, Fr. Stephen will bless the new council for the year and the meeting will be after coffee hour. Coffee hour will be the normal potluck.

## Baptism (Next Sunday)

Next week, we will be having the baptism of Caleb Ritter. It will be at 8:30 AM before Liturgy. Join us in this great celebration and May God Grant him and his family Many Blessed Years!

## Coffee Hour Today

Today's Coffee Hour is sponsored by the families of Mayzie Jackson. Everyone is invited to stay and enjoy lunch in her honor.

## Fast Free Week

In order to be more like the Publican and less like the Pharisee, the tradition of the Church is to make this week fast free. So that said, grill up those steaks and cheeseburgers this Wednesday and Friday and enjoy the week of no fasting. Lent is just around the corner.

## Calhan Community Highlights

Last week Natalie Hlatki placed 5th at regionals in Girls Wrestling and participated in State yesterday but unfortunately lost. Also, Nikki Fischer competed today in the Castle Rock Basketball Youth Championship and her team did great. They won it in Overtime by 1 point! We are so proud of both of them.

We'd also like to extend a huge congratulations to the Jackson, Fischer, and Mikita families on the baptism of Mayzie Jackson.

May God Grant all of them Many Years

## Youth Activities

### February

Today - During Coffee Hour  
Valentine Cookie Decorating

Yummy Valentine cookies??? YES PLEASE! Let's get creative and have a fun time!! Today our youth will be decorating cookies for Valentine's Day this year and a portion of those cookies will be rounded up into a basket to take to the Simla Nursing Home. Please stay and join us for this fun event.

Sunday the 23rd - 4:00 PM  
Denver Nuggets vs. Minnesota Timberwolves

Coming up near the end of February, the Denver Nuggets are taking on the Minnesota Timberwolves and we will be taking up a group to Denver to root them on. Tickets are \$20 each and we will be departing to the game right after Liturgy. Please make all checks out to St. Mary's Orthodox Church and let Fr. Stephen know if you'd like to go. Tickets will be ordered this week.  
Go Nuggets!

# UPCOMING SERVICES

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

Apr. 18th - Holy Saturday Liturgy (9:00 AM)  
Apr. 18th - PASCHA Services (10:30 PM)  
Apr. 19th - Agape Vespers (11:00 AM)  
May 28th - Ascension Liturgy (8:00 AM)  
Jun. 7th - Pentecost Liturgy (9:30 AM)  
Jun. 29th - SS. Peter & Paul Divine Liturgy (8:00 AM)

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