

May 31st, 2020 Fathers of 1st Council 7th SUNDAY OF PASCHA

ST. MARY' HOLY DORMITIO

Scripture Readings

Epistle: Acts 20:16-18, 28-36

Brethren, Paul had decided to sail past Ephesus, so that he would not have to spend time in Asia; for he was hurrying to be at Jerusalem, if possible, on the Day of Pentecost. From Miletus he sent to Ephesus and called for the elders of the church. And when they had come to him, he said to them: "You know, from the first day that I came to Asia, in what manner I always lived among you, Therefore take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood. For I know this, that after my departure savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock. Also from among yourselves men will rise up, speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after themselves. Therefore watch, and remember that for three years I did not cease to warn everyone night and day with tears. So now, brethren, I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified. I have coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. Yes, you yourselves know that these hands have provided for my necessities, and for those who were with me. I have shown you in every way, by laboring like this, that you must support the weak. And remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive." And when he had said these things, he knelt down and prayed with them all.

Gospel: John 17:1-13

The Lord spoke these words, lifted up His eyes to heaven, and said: "Father, the hour has come. Glorify Your Son, that Your Son also may glorify You, as You have given Him authority over all flesh, that He should give eternal life to as many as You have given Him. And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent. I have glorified You on the earth. I have finished the work which You have given Me to do. And now, O Father, glorify Me together with Yourself, with the glory which I had with You before the world was. I have manifested Your name to the men whom You have given Me out of the world. They were Yours, You gave them to Me, and they have kept Your word. Now they have known that all things which You have given Me are from You. For I have given to them the words which You have given Me; and they have received them, and have known surely that I came forth from You; and they have believed that You sent Me. I pray for them. I do not pray for the world but for those whom You have given Me, for they are Yours. And all Mine are Yours, and Yours are Mine, and I am glorified in them. Now I am no longer in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to You. Holy Father, keep through Your name those whom You have given Me, that they may be one as We are. While I was with them in the world, I kept them in Your name. Those whom You gave Me I have kept; and none of them is lost except the son of perdition, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. But now I come to You, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have My joy fulfilled in themselves.

ATAY 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
- 16th Butch & Helen Sakala
- 18th Dee Eurich
- 21st Keith & April Schulte
- 24th Rachel Stevens
- 25th Bill & Colleen Hendrix
- 26th Betty Eurich
- 27th Harry Mikita
- 27th Josh & Lacie Leithead 28th Tori Jackson
- 28th Kaleb Ritter
- 29th Matt & Libbie Dawson
- 29th Alexandria Stephens
- 29th Fr. Stephen & Mat. Lindsey Osburn

Great Vespers - 5:00 PM (6th)

Pentecost Liturgy w/ Kneeling Vespers- 9:30 AM (7th)

The saints are like a group of trees, each bearing different fruit, but watered from the same source. The practices of one saint differ from those of another, but it is the same Spirit that works in all of them.

- Abba Poemen

Confessions Every Saturday After Vespers or By Appointment

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Calhan Community Highlights

Congrats to all our recent graduates! Mylee Pyatt has graduated high school while Trevor Hendrix and Ryleigh Tunink have both graduated from middle school. We are so proud of all 3 of our young graduates. We know they will all do wonderful and great things and can't wait to see what they do next! May God Grant them all Many Blessed Years!!!

Grave Blessings

Also, a huge thank you to everyone who helped get the cemetery grounds ready for the annual memorial day grave blessings. The feedback from many visitors throughout the day was that grounds looked prestine and new. Good job to everyone!

Unofficial Coffee Hour

We still are not blessed to meet after services for any kind of fellowship or coffee hour, but Fr. Stephen and family are heading over to Karen's Cafe after liturgy today for some breakfast and anyone who would like to join, is welcome to do so. All social distancing rules observed of course.

Internet in Church

Last Sunday, Fr. Stephen fired his secretary because he was under the impression that the folks who donated the internet for the church wanted to remain anonymous. This situation has been rectified and he has hired himself to be his new secretary who he will probably fire again soon – most likely after today. He will hire himself again. That said, we would like to formally announce that we have internet in the church thanks to the donating efforts of Daryl Mikita (Installation costs) and Natalie and Nick Norton (Monthly costs covered for 2 years.) We are now able to stream without difficulty all of our services and once we get back to "normal" will be able to continue this service that not only spreads the Word in new ways but also lets others see how wonderful a community we have here at St. Mary's. So thank you to all 3 of them for their generous donation in providing this wonderful outreach and need for us during this difficult time. May God Grant them all Many Blessed Years!!!

Parish Council (June 14th)

Parish Council will be meeting on June 14th for our monthly meeting. No potluck fellowship unless something changes before then.

Prayers for Sheila's Surgery (June 22nd)

Please offer up prayers for Sheila who will be undergoing a hysterectomy on the 22nd of June. We offer her our prayers and thoughts for a good and healthy outcome. Our thoughts and prayers are with Sheila and her family. We look forward to hearing good news that everything went well and she is doing better. May God look after the handmaiden of God, Marie and give her strength and calmness in her upcoming surgery.

Prayers for Matushka Lindsey's Surgery (June 8th)

Lastly, please also offer up some prayers for Mat. Lindsey as on the 8th of June she will be undergoing gastric sleeve surgery. Today's liturgy is going to be her last for the rest of the month as she is being advised by the doctor not to leave the house for a month. We offer her our prayers and thoughts for a good and healthy outcome. Thank you to all the kind words that have already been received over the last few months leading up to this important day. May God look after the handmaiden of God, Matushka Lilliana and give her strength and calmness in her upcoming surgery.