

# Independence Day

is a time to remember our freedoms and thank God for them.

FOR YOU WERE CALLED TO FREEDOM, BRETHREN;  
ONLY DO NOT TURN YOUR FREEDOM  
INTO AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE FLESH,  
BUT THROUGH LOVE SERVE ONE ANOTHER.  
GALATIANS 5:13

July 5th, 2020  
Athanasius & his 6 disciples  
4th SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

ST. MARY'S  
HOLY DORMITION

## Scripture Readings

Epistle: Romans 6:18-23

Brethren, having been set free from sin, you became slaves of righteousness. I speak in human terms because of the weakness of your flesh. For just as you presented your members as slaves of uncleanness, and of lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves of righteousness for holiness. For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. What fruit did you have then in the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. But now having been set free from sin, and having become slaves of God, you have your fruit to holiness, and the end, everlasting life. For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Gospel: Matthew 8:5-13

At that time, when Jesus had entered Capernaum, a centurion came to Him, pleading with Him, saying, "Lord, my servant is lying at home paralyzed, dreadfully tormented." And Jesus said to him, "I will come and heal him." The centurion answered and said, "Lord, I am not worthy that You should come under my roof. But only speak a word, and my servant will be healed. For I also am a man under authority, having soldiers under me. And I say to this one, 'Go,' and he goes; and to another, 'Come,' and he comes; and to my servant, 'Do this,' and he does it." When Jesus heard it, He marveled, and said to those who followed, "Assuredly, I say to you, I have not found such great faith, not even in Israel! And I say to you that many will come from east and west, and sit down with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven. But the sons of the kingdom will be cast out into outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." Then Jesus said to the centurion, "Go your way; and as you have believed, so let it be done for you." And his servant was healed that same hour.

## JUL Birthdays & Anniversaries

Jul 2 - Lorene Denson  
Jul 3 - Emiliya Draney  
Jul 6 - Rodney Glover  
Jul 7 - Jonathan Mikita  
Jul 8 - Carrie Ann Guy  
Jul 15 - Linda Hendrix  
Jul 16 - LD Meier  
Jul 17 - Harry and Polly Mikita  
Jul 17 - Bryan Hlatki  
Jul 18 - Brooklyn Billmire  
Jul 19 - Grady Leithead  
Jul 19 - Evie Stevens  
Jul 20 - Ernie and Jeanie Mikita  
Jul 21 - Whitney Tunink  
Jul 22 - Luke Meier  
Jul 22 - Bill and Rachel Stevens  
Jul 23 - Delmar and Millie Manyik  
Jul 23 - Marcellus Rozdiilski  
Jul 27 - Brayden Glover

## SERVICES

Prayers for Rain - 7:00 AM (8th)  
Great Vespers - 5:00 PM (11th)  
Divine Liturgy - 9:30 AM (12th)

## WISDOM

"A time is coming when men will go mad, and when they see someone who is not mad, they will attack him, saying, 'You are mad; you are not like us.'"

- St. Anthony the Great

Confessions Every Saturday After Vespers or By Appointment

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Youth: Letters to Vera and Joey

Since we still cannot go and visit Vera and Joey and they cannot leave their perspective space at the Nursing Home in Simla, we are asking that every young person in the parish write a letter, create some art, etc...that we can collectively send to both of Vera and Joey, letting them know how much we are praying, thinking, and missing them. We will send this on the July 6th so please have whatever your child/ren put together dropped off today at the church or to Fr. Stephen's house.

## Calhan Community Highlights

With everything going on, we forgot to mention some important news. Tori and Austin Jackson just became homeowners for the first time (out in Peyton) and Austin recently passed his certifications for Firefighter I, Hazmat Awareness, and Hazmat Operations. We are so proud of both of them and can't wait to see what happens next! May God Grant the Jackson family Many Blessed Years!

We also want to wish every single American and member of this community a happy 4th of July! Let us give thanks to God that we all live in a land that is free and where we are free to worship Him who saves.

## Restrictions on Services

We are still limiting the attendance in services based on proper distancing, however after a careful study of our space, its been determined that we can effectively have up to 40 inside the church with every other pew empty. This number is only the case with estimated families that live together (as they don't have to be 6 feet apart.) If we exceed 40, all of those who come after will have to watch the service either from their cars on phones/tablets, online at home (coming to the Church for Communion), or in the Hall on the TV. For those attending, everyone must wear masks, practice proper distancing, wash their hands, and take temperatures at home prior to coming. If you are over the age of 65, you are allowed to come to services, however you are also encouraged to stay home and watch online.

## Trojanovich Picnic

Today at Noon at the Calhan Park, the Trojanovich family is inviting everyone to join them for their annual family picnic. It should be a lot of fun!

## Bryan Hlatki's Address

Bryan is now in a more permanent location for the next few years and with everything happening with Covid, I'm sure he'd love to hear from everyone. If you'd like to send him something, his address is below:

*EOCR Hlatki Bryan*  
618 4th St. Williamsburg VA 23185

Once school starts up again, we will have our youth put together a fun care package for him as well.