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ANTHONY

THE GREAT



# ST. MARY'S HOLY DORMITION

JANUARY 17TH, 2021

# VENERABLE AND GODBEARING FATHER ANTHONY THE GREAT

## Scripture Readings

**Epistle: Colossians 1:12-18**

Brethren, giving thanks to the Father who has qualified us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love, in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist. And He is the head of the body, the church, who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things He may have the preeminence.

**Gospel: Luke 18:18-27**

At that time, a certain ruler asked Him, saying, "Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" So Jesus said to him, "Why do you call Me good? No one is good but One, that is, God. You know the commandments: 'Do not commit adultery,' 'Do not murder,' 'Do not steal,' 'Do not bear false witness,' 'Honor your father and your mother.'" And he said, "All these things I have kept from my youth." So when Jesus heard these things, He said to him, "You still lack one thing. Sell all that you have and distribute to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me." But when he heard this, he became very sorrowful, for he was very rich. And when Jesus saw that he became very sorrowful, He said, "How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God! For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." And those who heard it said, "Who then can be saved?" But He said, "The things which are impossible with men are possible with God."

## JAN Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 1st - Kelsey Hlatki
- 8th - Tammy Christensen
- 10th - Michael Hunter
- 15th - Fr. David Lowell
- 18th - Nick Norton
- 20th - Litsa Osburn
- 24th - Keith Shulte
- 30th - Catherine Anderson-Daly

## SERVICES

- PRAYERS FOR RAIN - 7:00 AM (20TH)
- GREAT VESPERS - 5:00 PM (23RD)
- ADULT EDUCATION - 9:00 AM (24TH)
- DIVINE LITURGY - 9:30 AM (24TH)

## WISDOM

*A certain monk asked St. Anthony the Great, "What must I do to be saved?" The elder answered him, "Don't trust in your own righteousness, don't worry about what's past, and constrain your tongue and your stomach."*

- Anonymous

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

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Calhan Community Highlights

Our own Natalie Hlatki has been accepted into the class of 2025 at the University of Wyoming. She will start her studies next fall. Though we will be sad to see her go, at that time, we are super proud of her and know, like many of our young people that she is going off to do great things. May God Grant Natalie and her family Many Years! Go Cowboys and Cowgirls!

## Photo Directory (Tentative Release - January 2021)

The photos have been edited and Fr. Stephen has begun creating the directory. We also need to make sure everyone's information is up to date for the directory, prior to printing so please check the sheet in the Narthax and update accordingly. The directory should be ready to later this month. If you'd like to donate above and beyond your normal tithing to the printing of the directory, please see Lori or Fr. Stephen.

## 2021 Annual Meeting / Parish Council Nominations (January 24th)

Next Sunday we will be having our annual meeting, following Liturgy, with masks and distancing. It will be livestreamed. A portion of the annual packet is in the Narthex. The packet will be on our website later this week. If you would like to vote remotely, please call Fr. Stephen with your vote. There are only three matters which require a vote before the parish body, and all voting members (and potential voting members) have received the information:

**The Proposed 2021 Operating Budget**

**The Election of the 2021 Parish Council**

**The Nomination for the 2021 Diocesan Assembly Rep & Alt. (We have no idea yet where this will be)**

Before Liturgy on the 24th, the list of nominees for Parish Council will be provided in the Narthex. If you are voting remotely, they will be posted on our Facebook, on a secure poll a few days prior to the meeting. Before the meeting begins, Rod and Lori will count up the total votes and we will announce it at the end of the meeting.

## House Blessings Cancelled

His Eminence has informed the clergy of our diocese that he would like us all to forego any plans to bless houses this Theophany season. He does not want any priest to risk going in and out of a number of homes and inadvertently spreading any infection to others or bringing it into the church. Everyone is encouraged to bring a container for holy water, take some to drink, and to sprinkle throughout your homes. Fr. Stephen has provided a special reader's version in the Narthex and on our website:

<https://holydormition.net/theophany-lay-blessing.pdf>

## Blessing of the Waters

On Monday, January 18th we will be joining with our sister churches atop Monarch Pass on the Continental Divide at 11 am for the annual blessing of waters. Please join us for this if you can. There will be no luncheon afterwards but it is still an unique sacramental event for our area and is one of the few liturgical acts we get to engage in and offer to God together.

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