

ST. MARY'S HOLY DORMITION

2ND SUNDAY OF GREAT LENT ST GREGORY PALAMAS

Scripture Readings

Epistle: Hebrews 1:10-2:3

Brethren, You, LORD, in the beginning laid the foundation of the earth, and the heavens are the work of Your hands. They will perish, but You remain; and they will all grow old like a garment; like a cloak You will fold them up, and they will be changed. But You are the same, and Your years will not fail." But to which of the angels has He ever said: "Sit at My right hand, till I make Your enemies Your footstool"? Are they not all ministering spirits sent forth to minister for those who will inherit salvation? Therefore we must give the more earnest heed to the things we have heard, lest we drift away. For if the word spoken through angels proved steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just reward, how shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation, which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed to us by those who heard Him.

Gospel: Mark 2:1-12

At that time the Lord entered Capernaum after some days, and it was heard that He was in the house. Immediately many gathered together, so that there was no longer room to receive them, not even near the door. And He preached the word to them. Then they came to Him, bringing a paralytic who was carried by four men. And when they could not come near Him because of the crowd, they uncovered the roof where He was. So when they had broken through, they let down the bed on which the paralytic was lying. When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven you." And some of the scribes were sitting there and reasoning in their hearts, "Why does this Man speak blasphemies like this? Who can forgive sins but God alone?" But immediately, when Jesus perceived in His spirit that they reasoned thus within themselves, He said to them, "Why do you reason about these things in your hearts? Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Arise, take up your bed and walk'? But that you may know that the Son of Man has power...

MAR Birthdays & Anniversaries

3rd - Madalyn Schulte

5th - Nicole Fischer

6th - Larry Don Meier

6th - Fr. Stephen: Priesthood Anniversary

8th - Jedidiah Leithead

9th - Chris Dumler

9th - Harold & Dee Eurich

10th - Brilee Herron

11th - Polly Mikita

12th - Butch Sakala

13th - Robin Mikita

15th - Fr. Stephen: Diaconate Anniversary

17th - LeAnn Perry

17th - Ashlynn Stevens

18th - Riggin Fuchs

25th - Lacie Leithead

31st - Alexander Tunink

SERVICES

PRESANCTIFIED LITURGY - 6:00 PM (31ST) READERS VESPERS - 5:00 PM (3RD) ADULT EDUCATION - 9:00 AM (4TH) LITURGY W/ VESPERS - 9:30 AM (4TH)

WISDOM

We know that prayer in and of itself cannot save us, but carrying it out before God can. For when the Lord's eyes are upon us He sanctifies us, as the sun warms everything upon which it shines.

- St. Gregory Palamas

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gospel Cont. Mark 2:1-12

...on earth to forgive sins" - He said to the paralytic, "I say to you, arise, take up your bed, and go to your house." Immediately he arose, took up the bed, and went out in the presence of them all, so that all were amazed and glorified God, saying, "We never saw anything like this!"

Calhan Community Highlights

Our own Dave Guy a few weeks back had the honor of calling the 1A Boys and Girls Basketball Championships. He did a great job and we are super proud of him. May God Grant Dave and his family Many Years!!!

We'd also like to recognize Mikaya Schulte on becoming a published poet in the Young American Poems 2021 book that will be available later this year (October 2021). We are super proud of her and all of her accomplishments. May God Grant her and her family Many Years!!!

Special Collection for Rest of March and April

We received word yesterday from Fr. Anthony that his associate priest, Fr. Joseph Sharman (who many may know as someone who "grew up" at Holy Theophany) has been diagnosed with Large B-Cell Lymphoma. The good news is that this is the most common non-Hodgkins lymphoma and relatively treatable; however, outside of insurance it is still going to be expensive and a burden to their young family. For the rest of March and all of April, we will have a special collection plate setup next to the blessed commemorate loaves. Please be generous, above and beyond your normal tithing. We will send them a check during Holy Week.

Coffee Hour has Returned!

As restrictions are beginning to be lifted, we have one major announcement to make and that is coffee hour has returned. We will be doing a simpler coffee hour this week but we would like to have a fuller coffee hour going forward. There is a signup sheet in the Narthex that will be brought over to the hall today and hung on the board with sign ups for Coffee Hour. Please consider sponsoring a Sunday (Next Sunday will be sponsored by Fr. Stephen and his family for Zoe's Birthday. Everyone is invited to stay and enjoy cake and ice cream) Also, we will be returning to our potluck meals after Presanctified Liturgy and will be having a meal Wednesday night. A few rules that must be adhered: 1) Families are asked to sit together. 2) Doors will be open for airflow. 3) Tables will be set outside each Sunday for the time being so please don't park in front of the doors. 4) Tables will be spread out in the hall for physical distancing. 5) Anyone who offers to bring food and needs to serve it, must wear gloves and mask. 6) Everyone is encouraged to stay outside as much as possible and only use the inside when needed.

Photo Directory (It is coming...)

We have samples of the printed directory and are making the last changes to the final draft of the Directory. A PDF and printed version will hopefully be available soon. This is not something we budgeted for so if you would like to donate above and beyond your normal tithing to the printing of the directory, please see Lori or Fr. Stephen. We would really appreciate it.

Church School Schedule:

We have already had our first classes but just a friendly reminder that the remaining modified Church School schedule is: 3/28 (Moved from 3/21), 4/4, 4/18, 5/16, 5/23.