



ST. MARY'S HOLY DORMITION

MARCH 7TH, 2021
SUNDAY OF MEATFARE
& OF THE LAST JUDGEMENT

Scripture Readings

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 8:8-9:2

Brethren, food does not commend us to God; for neither if we eat are we the better, nor if we do not eat are we the worse. But beware lest somehow this liberty of yours become a stumbling block to those who are weak. For if anyone sees you who have knowledge eating in an idol's temple, will not the conscience of him who is weak be emboldened to eat those things offered to idols? And because of your knowledge shall the weak brother perish, for whom Christ died? But when you thus sin against the brethren, and wound their weak conscience, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food makes my brother stumble, I will never again eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble. Am I not an apostle? Am I not free? Have I not seen Jesus Christ our Lord? Are you not my work in the Lord? If I am not an apostle to others, yet doubtless I am to you. For you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord.

Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

The Lord said this Parable: When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides his sheep from the goats. And He will set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left. Then the King will say to those on His right hand, 'Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: for I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in; I was naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me.' Then the righteous will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed You, or thirsty and give You drink? When did we see You a stranger and take You in, or naked and clothe You? Or when did we see You sick, or in prison, and come to You?' And the King will answer and say to them, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me.'

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

SERVICES

- PRAYERS FOR RAIN - 7:00 AM (10TH)
- GREAT VESPERS - 5:00 PM (13TH)
- ADULT EDUCATION - 9:00 AM (14TH)
- LITURGY W/ VESPERS- 9:30 AM (14TH)

WISDOM

"Refuse to listen to the devil when he whispers to you: give me now, and you will give tomorrow to God. No, no! Spend all the hours of your life in a way pleasing to God; keep in your mind the thought that after the present hour you will not be given another and that you will have to render a strict account for every minute of this present hour."

- St. Theophan the Recluse

Confessions Every Saturday After Vespers or By Appointment

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gospel (Luke 15:11-32 Cont.)

...Then He will also say to those on the left hand, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels: for I was hungry and you gave Me no food; I was thirsty and you gave Me no drink; I was a stranger and you did not take Me in, naked and you did not clothe Me, sick and in prison and you did not visit Me.' Then they also will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to You?' Then He will answer them, saying, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to Me.' And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

Calhan Community Highlights

Our own Kelsey Hlatki is in the news and for good reason (Those absolutely delicious macaroons from the Bake Sale...all her). The bakery she works at is opening a new location and she was interviewed about it. We are super proud of her and all the hard work she has done. May God Grant Kelsey Many Years!! Check out the article here: <https://www.summitdaily.com/news/local/oh-la-la-opens-as-sister-bakery-to-la-francaise-in-breckenridge/>

Updated Covid Directives / Future Coffee Hour

Our Archbishop Benjamin, along with the Holy Synod has released an update to the Covid Guidelines. It largely doesn't effect us as we keep doing what we are doing. The one major change is coffee hour. The Parish Council and I will explore options next Sunday for how to work within these new directives in order to bring back this aspect of our community. If anyone has any suggestions, please let any council member or myself know.

Photo Directory (It is coming...)

We are still in the process of making a few more changes to the Directory. A PDF and printed version will hopefully be available soon. This is not something we budgetted 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.

Parish Council (March 14th)

Parish Council will be having their monthly meeting next Sunday after Forgiveness Vespers. Previous rules apply.

St. Peter's Monastery Build Camp (June 27th – July 3th, 2021)

Every year youth groups in our diocese and jurisdiction organize and journey to Harrison, MT to help assist the monks in the construction of Montana's first Orthodox monastery. Fr. Stephen would like to have a quick meeting with all the youth today after Liturgy. Space is limited and registration must be done by early March. Check out their website too: <https://stpetersmonastery.com>

Great Lent is just around the corner (March 14th)

Great Lent begins next Sunday Forgiveness Sunday Vespers, which is just around the corner and will begin immediately after the Divine Liturgy next Sunday. We will serve the Kanon of St. Andrew, March 15th and 16th. Presanctified Liturgies will be every Wednesday at 6 PM, unless noted otherwise. This year's theme will be "Let us Attend." Lent is a time of recommitment to the Lord, which includes fasting, almsgiving, and prayer, but it also means putting that into action by making every effort to attend as many services as you are able to do so. In other words, put God first, as He puts us first in all that He does.

Church School is back...sorta... (March 7th-May 23rd)

Today is the first classes of our modified Church School "season". We will be splitting Church school into 2 groups: Preschool through 2nd grade and 3rd grade and up. Sheila and Mat. Lindsey will take the first group and Fr. Stephen will teach the other. Both will meet for 30 minutes after Liturgy. Masks and distancing rules apply. Parents are welcome to stay and participate. The schedule is: March until the end of May (3/7, 3/21, 4/4, 4/18, 5/16, 5/23).