



ST. MARY'S HOLY DORMITION

MAY 2ND, 2021

HOLY PASCHA!!! RESURRECTION OF JESUS

Scripture Readings

Epistle: Acts 1:1-8

The former account I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach, until the day in which He was taken up, after He through the Holy Spirit had given commandments to the apostles whom He had chosen, to whom He also presented Himself alive after His suffering by many infallible proofs, being seen by them during forty days and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God. And being assembled together with them, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father, "which," He said, "you have heard from Me; for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." Therefore, when they had come together, they asked Him, saying, "Lord, will You at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" And He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has put in His own authority. But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

Gospel: John 1:1-17

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. This man came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all through him might believe. He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light. That was the true Light which gives light to every man coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him. He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him. But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name: who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. John bore witness of Him and cried out, saying, "This was He of whom I said, 'He who comes after me is preferred before me, for He was before me.'" And of His fullness we have all received, and grace for grace. For the law was given through Moses, but grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.

MAY Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 1st - Christopher Rozdilski
- 2nd - Leonard Volosin
- 3rd - Jeb & Jennifer Billmire
- 5th - Austin Jackson
- 5th - Colleen Hendrix
- 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 - Fr. Stephen & Mat. Lindsey Osburn

SERVICES

- 3rd - Divine Liturgy (8:00 AM)
- 8th - Great Vespers (5:00 PM)
- 9th - Divine Liturgy (9:30 AM)

WISDOM

"O Christ, great and most holy Pascha. O Wisdom, Word and Power of God, grant that we may more perfectly partake of Thee in the never-ending day of Thy kingdom."

- Ninth Ode, Paschal Canon

Confessions Every Saturday After Vespers or By Appointment

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pascha 2021

On this, the holiest Day of creation, we greet you with the joy of the Feast! May the Light of the Risen Christ shine brightly in each and every one of our lives! Thank you so much to everyone who made this Lenten journey, Holy Week, and Pascha so rich and beautiful. It has been one crazy year but we made it through! (Yes!) A special thanks to the choir, the altar boys (even the ones who talk too much, you know who you are), to the parish council, and to everyone who offered time and talents in cleaning, beautifying the Church, preparing meals for the potlucks, and doing whatever was needed when it was needed to make this festal celebration feel normal and fulfilling. A blessed Feast to everyone! Christ is Risen! - Fr. Stephen, Mat. Lindsey, and Zoe Osburn

Special Thank You

Dear Father Stephen and the Parish of St. Mary's in Calhan: We were so humbled and grateful to receive your generous gift to us in this time. Thank you so much, and may God bless the work of St. Mary's! When Fr. Stephen dropped off the check, I was right then going over my upcoming bills due. In fact, I had been looking closely at the totals, since I was a bit taken aback; we had several unusual and major expenses come up these last few weeks, including medical costs. Anyway, the balance I was facing was \$2,571.17, and I wasn't sure how I'd pay it until I saw St. Mary's check for \$2,500. Thank God! We are deeply grateful for your sacrifice and thoughtfulness. With Love in Christ, Father Joseph and Family

Easter Egg Hunt & Decorating:

It's an Eggstravaganza! Gather your Easter baskets because next Sunday we will be having the biggest and greatest Easter Egg hunt Calhan has ever seen! We will also be decorating eggs after the hunt.

Thomas Sunday / Mother's Day

Remember that we will be having a potluck to honor our mothers along with our other Easter traditions. We will grill hamburgers and hot dogs for everyone and the men will be called to serve all the ladies in our parish. No women are allowed to work, except for a couple of the teenage girls in aiding with the Easter Egg hunt. Also, in keeping with our "Let Us Attend" theme, we are encouraging everyone to invite their mothers outside of our parish to attend services with us that Sunday.

Photo Directory: It is here!!

If you have not received your directory, they will be handed out at the end of Liturgy today. We want to make sure every family gets a copy before we give out extras, which will have a suggested donation of \$10.00 each. The directory is also up on our website. In order to access it, you will need to use the password that has been posted on the wall in the Narthex above the commemorative loaves:

<https://holydormition.net/dir/dormition-dir-2021-web-version.pdf>

Coffee Hour Sign-Up

We've had a lot of families sign up for coffee hour but still have plenty of spots available. Consider signing up to sponsor a Sunday or two or three! Sign-up sheet is in the Hall.

Prayer List

This list is distributed to the members & friends of St. Mary's Orthodox Church for inclusion in their personal intercessory prayers as well as for use during services. To include someone on the prayer list, please let Father know and he will gladly add them. Also, unless notified, names will remain on the list for 40 days and then be removed. If you'd like to keep someone on the list, please let Father know. (There may be spelling errors in names, they will be fixed as notified).

Living:

Arp. Paul (Fedek), Arp. Paul (Waisanen), Priest Joseph, Beverly, Mark, Nicholas, Natalie, Melvin, Anna, Muriel, Amelia, Christina, Alisha, Meryl, Mark, Harold, Paul, Sheila, Audrey, Daron (Basil), Tammy, Anita, Clyde, Joyce, Steve, George, April, Hannah, Keith, Lisa, Jillian, Dennis, Noah, Tori with child, Taylor with child, Debby, Sarah, Dixon, Hailey with child, Spenser, John, Infant Eliot, Scott

Departed:

Cinch, Hadly, Frank, Phillip, the child Abel

Youth

Church School Schedule:

May 16th & 23rd

Summer Plans:

With life returning to normal every day, Fr. Stephen is working with Carrie on coming up with some really fun activities to do over the summer. Please be on the look out for these updates in the coming weeks. If you have any ideas of what you think our youth might enjoy doing, please see Fr. Stephen or Carrie.