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Scripture Readings

Epistle: Ephesians 2:14-22

Brethren, He Himself is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of separation, having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two, thus making peace, and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity. And He came and preached peace to you who were afar off and to those who were near. For through Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father. Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone, in whom the whole building, being fitted together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord, in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

Gospel: Luke 17:12-19

At that times, the Lord entered a certain village, there ten men who were lepers, who stood afar off. And they lifted up their voices and said, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" So when He saw them, He said to them, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." And so it was that as they went, they were cleansed. And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, returned, and with a loud voice glorified God, and fell down on his face at His feet, giving Him thanks. And he was a Samaritan. So Jesus answered and said, "Were there not ten cleansed? But where are the nine? Were there not any found who returned to give glory to God except this foreigner? And He said to him, "Arise, go your way. Your faith has made you well."

DECEMBER 5TH, 2021

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DEC Birthdays & Anniversaries

1st - Robert Boyd
2nd - Pete Pyatt
2nd - Marah Robinson
6th - Jeanie Mikita
11th - Anya (Boyd) Gazii
12th - Mayzie Ann Jackson
12th - Sheila & Johnny Tart
17th - Tatiana Boyd
20th - Lexi Ann Guy
27th - Larry Don & Lori Meier
29th - Sabrina Lee
31st - Natalie Hlatki

SCHEDULE

At Holy Theophany:

5th - Panakhida for Sdn. Steve (Bill) (7:00 PM)
6th - Funeral for Sdn. Steve (Bill) (10:00 AM)

Back at St. Mary's:

6th - Burial at Sproch's Cemetery (~12:30 PM)
Luncheon to follow at Hall.
8th - Prayers for Rain (7:00 AM)
11th - No Vespers - Go to the Parade!
12th - Divine Liturgy (9:30 AM)

WISDOM

"The giver of every good and perfect gift has called upon us to mimic Christ's giving, by grace, through faith, and this is not of ourselves."

- St. Nicholas of Myra in Lycia

Confessions Every Saturday After Vespers or By Appointment

WELCOME! LORD IT IS GOOD TO BE HERE!

Calhan Community Highlights

We got some great news this past week about Alicia Glover's cancer. The markers have dropped down to 29 and that means there are most likely only a few to no cancer cells in her blood or bones. We are super happy and thank God for looking after her in this time of need. May God Grant Alicia Many More Blessed Years!

Coffee Hour Sign-Up

Why do bees stay in their beehives all through the winter? Swarm. Now that we have your attention, there are plenty of spots still available for the coming weeks and months for Coffee Hour. The 2022 Coffee Hour sheet is also up in the hall. Please consider signing up. Sign-up sheet is in the Hall.

Pierogi and Noodles Still for Sale

There are still plenty of Pierogi and Noodles for sale if you are interested in buying. Please see Butch.

Special Collection for Thanksgiving & Christmas

We are going to take a special collection to send to the Eastern Plains Pantry for Thanksgiving and Christmas. This will go on until December 5th so please be generous above and beyond your normal tithing.

House Blessings (Starting January 7th)

With all that is going on, its never too early to plan ahead. The signup sheet for House Blessings is in the Narthex.

December Events:

St. Nicholas Day (Today)

We will begin the festivities with the kids leaving their shoes in the Narthex, followed by a potluck in the hall after Liturgy, a short visit with St. Nick, and then grouping up to go ice skating and pizza at Fargos. Remember, this is all been generously donated by the Rose Marie Ladies so please don't hesitate to come and enjoy!

Calhan Christmas Parade (December 11th - Garlick Garage at 4:30 PM)

We will be participating in the annual Christmas parade here in Calhan. This year's theme is "Cowboy Christmas". We are going to build the float on Saturday morning starting at 11:00 AM. The tentative meetup is at Philip Garlick's garage who lives next to the post office. If you need directions, call Carrie. Now as far as the actual day itself: We need quite a few supplies such as Christmas lights (lots of lights), tinsel, garland, ribbon, ornaments, jingle bells (for the kids to hold and shake), and a Christmas tree (let Carrie or Father know if you're bringing this one so we don't more than 1). As far as garb goes, adults are asked to dress in their Cowboy best, the boys will be wearing the red altar robes and cowboy hats, and the girls will be wearing their nativity angel costumes. Those who are not riding the float will be handing out icons with candy canes attached to them. Line up is at 5 but we are asking those not involved with the float build to be there by 4:30. Contact Carrie (719-930-7528) or Father Stephen if you have any questions or if you need more information for the float build and what else might be needed. We know some will be participating on other floats but we are asking all others and as many can, to participate. It should be a lot of fun and an excellent outreach with our community.

Christmas Caroling (December 12th)

The day after the parade, after coffee hour, we will go Christmas Caroling around the area, starting with in our hall. There is even a little surprise coming so make sure you're here to enjoy this fun event.

Nativity Play (December 19th / Parish Council will be meeting this day)

Our annual Nativity play will be the weekend before Christmas. Make sure to join us in celebrating this fun event. Parish Council Members, please note, we will have a quick meeting before the play while the kids are getting ready to go over the Treasurers report and any other pressing issues.

Prayer List

This list is distributed to the members & friends of St. Mary's Orthodox Church for 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:

Abp. Benjamin, Fr. Paul, Fr. Anthony, Fr. Joseph, Fr. Michael, Beverly, Mark, Melvin, Anna, Muriel, Alisha, Meryl, Mark, Harold, Sheila, Daron (Basil), Kelly, Tammy, Anita, Steve, George, April, Hannah, Keith, Lisa, Dixon, Hailey with newborn child Gentry, John, Scott, Brinley, Mark, Georgiana, Karen, John, Jill, Caryn, Paul, Mark, Rita, Devon, Leilani, Dani with child, DaeLynne with child, Libbie with child, Stephanie with child, Lacie with child, Dillon, Chelsi, Steven, Roberta, Emmy, Katy, Jason, Robert, Wilma, Debbie, Debby, Francis (Susanna), Dee

Departed:

Fr. John, Sdn. Steve (Bill), Natalie, Nicholas, Dan

Reverse Advent Calendar:

We thank God for the blessings we have received throughout the year and this is a chance to give back a little. We will take the items to the Eastern Plains Food Pantry a few days prior to Christmas day so make sure to put the items for the 20th-24th in your bins ahead of time. You may drop off to the Office or in the Narthex prior to the 24th.

1st - Box of Cereal | 2nd - Peanut Butter
3rd - Stuffing Mix | 4th - Boxed Potatoes
5th - Macaroni and Cheese
6th - Canned Fruit | 7th - Canned Tomatoes
8th - Canned Tuna | 9th - Dessert Mix
10th - Jar of Applesauce
11th - Canned Sweet Potatoes
12th - Cranberry Sauce | 13th - Canned Beans
14th - Box of Crackers | 15th - Package of Rice
16th - Package of Oatmeal
17th - Package Pasta | 18th - Spaghetti Sauce
19th - Chicken Noodle Soup
20th - Tomato Soup | 21st - Can Corn
22nd - Can Mixed Vegetables
23rd - Can Carrots | 24th - Can Green Beans

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