



ST. MARY'S HOLY DORMITION

JANUARY 16TH, 2022
HOLY APOSTLE PETER
SANCTITY OF LIFE SUNDAY

Scripture Readings

Epistle: Colossians 3:12-16

Brethren, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering; bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you also must do. But above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfection. And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

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
5th - Margo Wilkinson
8th - Tammy Christensen
10th - Michael Hunter
15th - Fr. David Lowell
20th - Litsa Osburn
24th - Keith Shulte
30th - Catherine Anderson-Daly

SCHEDULE

17th - Blessing of Waters
@ Monarch Pass (11:00 AM)
19th - Prayers for Rain (7:00 AM)
22nd - Great Vespers (5:00 PM)
23rd - Divine Liturgy (9:30 AM)

WISDOM

"We remember with gratitude that the Lord always gives us, personally and as a nation a path out of our sin through repentance - even sin as devastating and horrific as abortion. Let our parishes and communities become beacons of that divine love and forgiveness, where all human life is valued as deeply as Christ values it, as we forever speak with a Paschal voice: "Christ is Risen and life reigns".

- Metropolitan Tikhon

"The woman who purposely destroys her unborn child is guilty of murder. With us there is no nice inquiry as to its being formed or unformed. In this case it is not only the being about to be born who is vindicated, but the woman in her attack upon herself; because in most cases women who make such attempts die. The destruction of the embryo is an additional crime, a second murder, at all events if we regard it as done with intent. The punishment, however, of these women should not be for life, but for the term of ten years. And let their treatment depend not on mere lapse of time, but on the character of their repentance."

- St. Basil the Great

Confessions Every Saturday After Vespers or By Appointment

LORD IT IS GOOD TO BE HERE!

Sanctity of Life Sunday

His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon has designated Sunday, January 16, 2022 as Sanctity of Life Sunday to be observed in parishes of the Orthodox Church in America and has released the statement on the OCA Website:

<https://www.oca.org/news/headline-news/sanctity-of-life-sunday-announced-for-2022>

Everyone should read this and reflect upon the nature of our world and the necessity to defend life in all cases for the glory of God. We will do a Panakhida at the end of Liturgy next Sunday (when our choir directors return) for the remembrance of all of those children killed from the evils of Abortion. Memory Eternal!

Coffee Hour Sign-Up

So I set up my Alexa to respond to "Computer" and I didn't think about it until I turned on a rerun of Star Trek the Next Generation. Halfway through the episode, my house fired a spread of photon torpedoes into the Hlatki's farm. So I just want to say sorry again about your barn, Meryl. It won't happen again. That said, the 2022 Coffee Hour Sheet is up in the hall. Every Sunday this month, except for the last Sunday is a normal Sunday Coffee Hour. The 30th will be a potluck. Please consider signing up.

House Blessings

House Blessings have begun. If you have not yet signed up for your home/farm/ranch to be blessed, please use the sign up sheet in the Narthex or you can contact Fr. Stephen directly.

Monarch Pass - Blessing of the Snow/Waters (Jan. 17th)

On Monday, January 17th we will be joining our sister churches in the deanery atop Monarch Pass on the Continental Divide at 11 am for the annual blessing of waters. Please join us for this if you can. However, Lunch is on your own as Fr. Anthony notified the deanery that the place that usually hosts us requires masks and it was not worth making an issue either way under the circumstances. If you need a ride, please let Fr. Stephen know and he will make the necessary arrangements.

Annual Meeting 2022 (Jan. 30th)

Our annual meeting will be on the 30th of this month. The packet will be available the week prior and anyone who is asked to present report should have them in to Fr. Stephen or Becky no later than the 16th. Coffee Hour that day will be a potluck.

Pierogi Still for Sale

The noodles have sold out but we still have Prune Pierogi. Please see Butch if interested.

2022 Wall Calendars

The 2022 Orthodox Wall Calendars are in the Narthex. They are free to take but if you'd like to leave a little donation, we won't say no.

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, Fr. Dennis, Beverly, Mark, Melvin, Anna, Muriel, Alisha, Meryl, Mark, Harold, Dee, Sheila, Kelly, Tammy, Anita, Daron (Basil), Steve, George, April, Hannah, Keith, Lisa, Dixon, John, Scott, Brinley, Georgiana, Karen, 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), Lynda, Carl, Christina, Craig, Joel, Brittany with child, Leonard, Melvin, Anita, Tatiana, Mike and family

Departed:

Sdn. Steve (Bill), John, Buddy, Daniel, Michael, Delbert, Lou Ann, Nadine, Demariyus, Kyril, Rod, Charlie

Youth:

Snow Tubing (POSTPONED):

Unfortunately we had to postpone today's snow tubing as Ponderosa notified Fr. Stephen late in the week that they didn't have enough snow to offer it. We will have something fun for the kids to do in February and make it up to them another time.