

# ST. MARY'S HOLY DORMITION

# Scripture Readings

Epistle: 1 Timothy 1:15-17

Brethren, this is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief. However, for this reason I obtained mercy, that in me first Jesus Christ might show all longsuffering, as a pattern to those who are going to believe on Him for everlasting life. Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, to God who alone is wise, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

#### Gospel: Luke 18:35-43

At the time, when the Lord was coming near Jericho, that a certain blind man sat by the road begging. And hearing a multitude passing by, he asked what it meant. So they told him that Jesus of Nazareth was passing by. And he cried out, saying, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Then those who went before warned him that he should be quiet; but he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" So Jesus stood still and commanded him to be brought to Him. And when he had come near, He asked him, saying, "What do you want Me to do for you?" He said, "Lord, that I may receive my sight." Then Jesus said to him, "Receive your sight; your faith has made you well." And immediately he received his sight, and followed Him, glorifying God. And all the people, when they saw it, gave praise to God.

# JANUARY 23RD, 2022 NEW MARTYRS AND CONFESSORS OF RUSSIA

JAN Birthdays & Anniversaries

1st - Kelsey Hlatki 5th - Margo Wilkinson 8th - Tammy Christensen 1oth - Michael Hunter 15th - Fr. David Lowell 20th - Litsa Osburn 24th - Keith Shulte 30th - Catherine Anderson-Daly

SCHEDULE 26th - Prayers for Rain (7:00 AM) 29th - Great Vespers (5:00 PM) 30th - Divine Liturgy (9:30 AM)

**WISDOM** 

The Lord said: Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these My brethren, ye have done it unto Me (Matthew 25:40). Similar things happen in almsgiving and in Holy Communion. In Holy Communion we receive the Living Lord Christ Himself, in the form of bread and wine; in almsgiving we give to the Living Lord Christ Himself, in the form of the poor and needy. A certain man in Constantinople was unusually merciful. Walking along the streets of the city, he would press his gift into the hands of the poor and hurry onward, so he would not hear their gratitude or be recognized. When a friend of his asked how he had become so merciful, he replied: "Once in church I heard a priest say that whoever gives to the poor, gives into the hands of Christ Himself. I didn't believe it, for I thought, 'How can this be, when Christ is in heaven?' However, I was on my way home one day and I saw a poor man begging, and the face of Christ shone above his head! Just then a passerby gave the beggar a piece of bread, and I saw the Lord extend His hand, take the bread, and bless the donor. From then on, I have always seen Christ's face shining above the beggars. Therefore, with great fear I perform as much charity as I can.'

- St. Nikolai Velimirovich

#### **Confessions Every Saturday After Vespers or By Appointment**

# LORD IT IS GOOD TO BE HERE!

#### Sanctity of Life Sunday Cont.

We will do a Panakhida at the end of Liturgy today for the remembrance of all of those children killed from the evils of Abortion. Memory Eternal!

## **Coffee Hour Sign-Up**

My wife said I should do lunges to stay in shape. That would be a big step forward. That said, the 2022 Coffee Hour Sheet is up in the hall. 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 signup sheet in the Narthex or you can contact Fr. Stephen directly.

### Annual Meeting 2022 (Jan. 30th - Next Sunday)

Our annual meeting will be next weekend. We will have a potluck and the meeting will occur after coffee hour. Annual Meeting Packets available now in the Narthex. Please only take 1 per family. Everyone is invited to attend, even if you are not a voting member.

### **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, 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:**

John, Buddy, Daniel, Michael, Delbert, Rod, Charlie

Youth:

Bowling: Feb. 13th or 20th

We are going to try and go bowling on either February 13th or the 20th, after Coffee Hour depending on where we decide to go. We will have more information in the coming weeks but in the meantime, Fr. Stephen is asking that if anyone has a recommendation of an affordable place to go, please provide ASAP.