

ST. MARY'S HOLY DORMITION

JANUARY 2ND, 2022 AFTERFEAST OF THEOPHANY; MARTYR POLYEUKTOS

Scripture Readings

Epistle: Ephesians 4:7-13

Brethren, to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore He says: "When He ascended on high, He led captivity captive, and gave gifts to men." (Now this, "He ascended" – what does it mean but that He also first descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is also the One who ascended far above all the heavens, that He might fill all things.) And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ, till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ

Gospel: Matthew 4:12-17

At that time, when the Lord Jesus heard that John had been put in prison, He departed to Galilee. And leaving Nazareth, He came and dwelt in Capernaum, which is by the sea, in the regions of Zebulun and Naphtali, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying: "The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, by the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles: The people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and upon those who sat in the region and shadow of death Light has dawned." From that time Jesus began to preach and to say, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

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

12th - Prayers for Rain (7:00 AM)

15th - Great Vespers (5:00 PM)

16th - Divine Liturgy (9:30 AM)

WISDOM

"The Father was revealed to the sense of hearing; the Spirit was revealed to the sense of sight, and in addition to these, the Son was revealed to the sense of touch. The Father uttered His witness about the Son, the Son was baptized in the water, and the Holy Spirit in the form of a dove hovered above the water. When John the Baptist witnessed and said about Christ, "Behold, the Lamb of God, Who takes away the sins of the world" (John 1:29), and when John immersed and baptized the Lord in the Jordan, the mission of Christ in the world and the path of our salvation was shown. That is to say: The Lord took upon Himself the sins of mankind and died under them [immersion] and became alive again [the coming out of the water]; and we must die as the old sinful man and become alive again as cleansed, renewed and regenerated. This is the Savior and this is the path of salvation.

- St. Nikolai Velimirovich

LORD IT IS GOOD TO BE HERE!

Coffee Hour Sign-Up

My friend has designed an invisible airplane. I can't see it taking off. 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 signup 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. If you need a ride, please let Fr. Stephen know and he will make the necessary arrangements.

Quick Parish Council Meeting (Today)

Parish Council, we will have a quick meeting to approve the 2022 budget ahead of annual meeting. Coffee hour will be normal. It will be no longer than 5-10 minutes.

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.

Panakhida for John

We will have a Panakhida today at the conclusion of Liturgy for John, the father of our own Kelly Glover. May John's Memory Be Eternal!

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, 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, Paisios

Departed:

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

Please pray for the Newly Departed John, father of Kelly Glover

Youth:

Snow Tubing (Next Sunday):

We are going Snowing Tubing after coffee hour on January 16th at Ponderosa Camp Grounds, Just off of I-25, between Denver and Colorado Springs near Parker. It costs 10 dollars per person and sponsorships are available for those who would like to go but may not be able to afford it. Let Fr. Stephen know if you are attending or if you'd like to find out more on one of those sponsorships.