



# Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!

APRIL 24TH, 2022

## ST. MARY'S HOLY DORMITION

## HOLY PASCHA: RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD & SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST

### 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.

### APR Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 3rd - Zoe Osburn
- 5th - Anastajia Rozdilski
- 7th - Ryleigh Tunink
- 8th - April Schulte
- 8th - Matt Dawson
- 10th - Merrick Dawson
- 16th - Johnny Tart
- 18th - Jack Pyatt
- 18th - Makiya Schulte
- 22nd - Millie Manyik
- 22nd - Jennifer Billmire
- 22nd - Myree Hickman
- 23rd - Sarah Dumler
- 23rd - Logan Jackson
- 25th - Stone Stevens
- 26th - Kail Molner
- 29th - Mason Hendrix
- 29th - Malachi Hendrix

### SCHEDULE

- Apr. 25th - Bright Monday Liturgy (8:00 AM)
- Apr. 30th - Great Vespers (5:00 PM)
- May 1st - Divine Liturgy (9:30 AM)

### WISDOM

*"...the liturgical traditions of the Church, all its cycles and services, exist, first of all, in order to help us recover the vision and the taste of that new life which we so easily lose and betray, so that we may repent and return to it. ... It is through her liturgical life that the Church reveals to us something of that which "the ear has not heard, the eye has not seen, and what has not yet entered the heart of man, but which God has prepared for those who love Him." And in the center of that liturgical life, as its heart and climax, as the sun whose rays penetrate everywhere, stands Pascha."*

- Fr. Alexander Schmemmann, *Great Lent: Journey to Pascha*

### WEEKLY JOKE

What do you call a cow in an earthquake? A milkshake.

I know a man with a wooden leg named Smith. What's the name of his other leg?

# CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED HE IS RISEN!

## From the Osburn Family

Christ is Risen! My family and I would like to take the time to express our deepest appreciation and thanks to all the kindness you have all shown to us during this special time of showing your love and support to us. Your love and prayers have been so kind and generous and highly valued and needed during the last year. We are so happy to be part of this community and to allow us to minister to the spiritual needs of Calhan and the Eastern Plains. Thank you also for welcoming my parents as members while they await their new home to be built. It is truly a testament to the love of Christ to see it actualized in the members of the Church. For that, thank you and May God Grant everyone at St. Mary's both a joyful "Christ is Risen!" and Many More Blessed Years!!!

## The Come and See Challenge:

As stated in the annual meeting, this challenge will remain on the bulletin for the rest of the year as a reminder to all of us to help in both our journey to Christ and others as well. Please make every attempt to work on completing this very important aspect of our faith:

Have you brought someone NEW this month?  
Have you gone to Great Vespers at least once this month?  
When was the last time you went to Confession?

Please try and make every effort to come to as many services as you can and not only that, bring someone new.

## No Parish Council Meeting in May

Due to Fr. Stephen's vacation later in the month, Mother's Day, and the ball game, the parish council voted on skipping this month's meeting.

## Grave Blessings (May 1st & Memorial Day Weekend)

We will bless the Calhan, Simla, Ramah, Sakala, and Sproch cemeteries on May 1st after the Easter Egg hunt and our 2 on the hill will be done on Memorial Day. Fr. Stephen will be away that weekend and Fr. James Worth will be serving in his stead. Everything for Memorial Day will be normal - with a potluck luncheon at the hall afterwards.

## Rockies Vs. Royals (May 15th - Game is at 1:10 PM)

Batter up! On May 15th, the Colorado Rockies are playing (and beating) the KC Royals. We are looking to get a group rate of \$16 per ticket but need at least 20 to commit to go. If you are interested, please let Fr. Stephen know before May 1st so he can order accordingly. As a heads up for those planning, the game is on a Sunday and to make sure we make it to the game in time, Liturgy will be at 9 AM. We will need to leave the church no later than 10:30 AM.

## Mother/Daughter Dance at the Methodist church in town

On May 1st at 5:30 PM at the Fellowship Hall at the Methodist church in town, they will be having their annual mother/daughter dance. The theme this year is Hawaiian and they are cordially inviting all of our mothers and their daughters to join them for this fun event.

## Representative from StrokeScan (June 5th)

As discussed at the annual meeting, Fr. Stephen has been working with members of the parish to try and bring in speakers who can help with various issues such as retirement plans, healthcare screenings, fraud protection, and so on. In June, a representative from StrokeScan will be coming to speak briefly at the end of Liturgy about early screenings and preventative care. They will have a booth in the hall that day to answer any questions you may have and provide scheduling for any screening that may be needed.

## Dale's Military Address:

Dale Drew - 332 AEW/332 EMXO (AMMO), UNIT 61803 APO, AE 09321-61803

If you use WhatsApp, you can text him (719) 641-1885. Fr. Stephen can help with this.

## Prayer List

### Living:

Abp. Benjamin, Abp. Paul, Fr. Anthony, Fr. Joseph, Fr. Michael, Fr. Dennis, Fr. David, Pdn. Averk, Mat. Priscilla, Anna, Muriel, Alisha, Meryl, Harold, Sheila, Kelly, Tammy, Daron (Basil), Steve, George, Litsa, April with child, Lisa, Scott, Karen, Jill, Leilani, the newborn Lilliana, Dillon, Chelsi, Steven, Roberta, Emmy, Katy, Robert, Wilma, Lynda, Carl, Christina, Craig, Joel, Brittany with child, Leonard, Melvin, Anita, Brinley, Caeser, Jeb, Baxter, Jon, Lindy, Marlene, Stacey, Jess, Charles, Pina, Donna Lou, Gordon, Matthew, Jack, John, Carol, Vicki, Shery

Please keep Abp. Paul in your prayers. Fr. Stephen spoke with one of the priests from the Diocese of the Midwest last week and he is nearing the end of his days.

### Departed:

Fr. Paul, Mark, Marian, Catherine, Lindsey, Kasha, Dena, Eugene, Dwayne, Gilbert, Michael

### Youth:

#### Youth Camp 2022 (Jn. 29-Jul. 2nd)

Rocky Mountain Orthodox Youth Camp 2022 will be held on June 29-July 2. It will be hosted by Ponderosa Camp which is located just outside of Larkspur, CO. It has moved closer to us and is not around fair season, so hopefully more can go. The cost is nothing. That is right. It is free to go. The Rose Marie Ladies have graciously offered to cover the cost for any kid or volunteer who would like to go. We are asking that anyone who does go, offer a bit of their time in stewardship, via helping to clean the church/hall/grounds, working with Rod on any maintenance projects, etc... Registration paperwork is with Fr. Stephen if you would like to go. The deadline is June 1st, but please let Fr. Stephen know by May 8th. Everyone should go. It is a lot of fun.

#### Easter Egg Hunt (May 1st)

Next Sunday, we will have our annual Easter Egg hunt with the kiddos. It will, as always be a ton of fun. Join us!