



# ST. MARY'S HOLY DORMITION

## December 4th, 2022 MARTYRS FR ALEXANDER, BARBARA, & JULIANA

### **Scripture Readings**

Epistle: Ephesians 4:1-6

Brethren, I, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called, with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love, endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

#### Gospel: Luke 17:12-19

At that time, the Lord entered a certain village, there met Him 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."

# DEC Birthdays & Anniversaries

1st - Robert Boyd

2nd - Pete Pyatt

2nd - Marah Robinson

2nd - Meagan Gardner

6th - Jeanie Mikita

11th - Anya (Boyd) Gazii

12th - Mayzie Ann Jackson

17th - Tatiana Boyd

20th - Lexi Ann Guy

27th - Larry Don & Lori Meier

29th - Sabrina Lee

31st - Natalie Hlatki

## **SCHEDULE**

Dec 7th - Prayers for Rain (7:00 AM) Dec 10th - No Vespers - Go to the Parade Dec 11th - Divine Liturgy (9:30 AM)

## WISDOM

"Repentance does not mean 'feel guilty and beat yourself up.' That's not repentance. Repentance means 'be transformed in the renewal of your minds.' What we're talking about is a radical spiritual transformation that we are called to by the grace of the Holy Spirit so that we can enter into and participate in that living unity..."

- Metropolitan Jonah

# **WEEKLY JOKES**

The first computer dates back to Adam and Eve. It was an Apple with limited memory – just one byte then everything crashed.

What did the mama cow say to the baby cow? Its pasture bedtime.

Elevators terrify me. I'm taking steps to avoid them.

I had a dream the ocean was filled with orange soda. It was a Fanta Sea.

# WELCOME! LORD IT IS GOOD TO BE HERE!

#### The Come and See Challenge:

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?

#### Calhan Christmas Parade (Next Saturday - December 10th)

We are signed up once again for the Christmas parade. We still are in need of a few things such as we could still use a bit of lights to decorate the trailer as well as wire to attach the lights. We also need reefs if someone could bring those. Bill Hendrix will have the Manger built for the trailer prior to decorating. That said, we will be decorating/setting up at the Hall at 3 PM, lineup is at 6 PM, and Parade is at 7 PM. Please make every effort to come, even if you are just going to be in the parade. The more, the merrier. It is vital and important that we all step up as this represents who we are to this community. Last year we were the only church in Calhan who showed up. It spoke volumes to many and we would like to keep it up as this is our home and our community. Christ commands we preach to all nations and this is one of the ways we do so. Please consider helping in whatever way you can.

#### Parish Council (Next Sunday)

We will have our monthly meeting next Sunday. It will be a short one as we will only be looking over the minutes, treasurer's report, must talk abouts. We will just meet in the hall.

#### Prune Pierogi, Noodles, and Halupki still for sale

We have plenty left over from Slavic Fest. Please see Butch if you are interested in buying some for the holidays or just in general.

# St. Ambrose Donations (Bin in the Hall, please donate) Reverse Advent Calendar

The list of items for the Reverse Advent Calendar is in the Narthex. On the morning of Saturday the 24th, we will take down all of the items that are donated to the Eastern Plains Pantry. Please drop off everything you plan to donate no later than 9 AM on that Saturday.

#### **Nativity Fast Readings**

This year in addition to our charity drive for food and goods, we are going to do another challenge called the New Testament Challenge. There are readings to do on almost every day of the fast. There are copies of this printed in the Narthex and the challenge is also posted on our Facebook page. --Credit to Fr. Peter Simko

#### **Christmas/Thanksgiving Baskets Special Collection**

For the next few weeks we will be taking a special collection each Sunday for the annual Christmas/ Thanksgiving baskets that are donated to those in need.

#### **Nativity Play: THE FRIENDLY BEASTS (December 18th)**

Parents, this year's play has been given to the teachers and students to practice. It is a narration type play so there will not be as much practice needed, however, our youth are asked to try and be here over the next couple of weeks as they will be rehearing during Church School.

#### Glorification of the Priestmartyr Alexander Hotovitzky:

https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2022/12/04/103471-glorification-of-the-priestmartyr-alexander-hotovitzky

#### Greatmartyr Barbara and Martyr Juliana at Heliopolis, Syria:

https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2022/12/04/103472-greatmartyr-barbara-and-martyr-juliana-at-heliopolis-in-syria

#### **Prayer List**

#### Living:

Abp. Benjamin, Abp. Melchisedek, Fr. Anthony, Fr. Dennis, Fr. David, Fr. Alexander, Mat. Xenia, Mat. Krista, Anna, Muriel, Sheila, Meryl, Harold, Tammy, Daron (Basil), Steve, Litsa, Jill, Leilani, the child Lilliana, Roberta, Katy, Robert, Lynda, Carl, Christina, Craig, Joel, Brinley, Jon, Lindy, Marlene, Stacey, Pina, Matthew, Jack, John, Carol, Johnny, Shery, Ryan, Irene, Jillian, Lizzie, Jamie, Sherrie, Jeremy, Preston, Ian, Sophia, Emmary, Sabrina with child, Loren, Rachel, George, Nicole, Elizabeth, Greg, Mark, Andrew, Kiyo, Charlotte, Samina, Emersen, Betty, Alicia, Richard, child Ellowyn, Tiana

#### **Departed:**

Abp. Chrysostomos, Pdn Paul, Sdn. Peter, Mat. Mary, Brad, Clarence, Gaylord, Christine, Jason, Michael, Craig, Richard, Linda, Lynn, Ray, Melangell

#### Youth:

#### Caroling (Dec 11th):

After coffee hour and the shortened parish council, we will head out to carol around the area as we have done in the past. Everyone is welcome to join us!

#### Winter Camp (Dec 27th-29th):

Come together with youth from the Rocky Mountain region. Enjoy a time of worship, fellowship, Human curling, tubing, broom hockey, games...The cost is only \$100 but don't let that stop you from going if you really want to go. Please see Fr. Stephen or contact Fr. Benjamin at: 970-689-4777. There are flyers in the Narthex with more info. Registration is due by December 12th.

#### **Volunteers Needed:**

We need Volunteers for the following:

1) Coffee Hour

2) Church Clean Up (Please sign up if you have not signed up before)