



ST. MARY'S HOLY DORMITION

January 22nd, 2023 SANCTITY OF LIFE SUNDAY NEW MARTYRS OF RUSSIA

Scripture Readings

Epistle: 1 Timothy 1:15-17

My son Timothy, 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 that time, as 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.

JAN Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 1st - Kelsey Hlatki
- 5th - Margo Wilkinson
- 6th - Logan Bourg
- 8th - Tammy Christensen
- 10th - Michael Hunter
- 15th - Fr. David Lowell
- 20th - Litsa Osburn
- 24th - Rowelin Dawson

SCHEDULE

- Jan 28th - Great Vespers (5:00 PM)
- Jan 29th - Divine Liturgy (9:30 AM)

WISDOM

"Life, for Christians, means far more than biological life. And yet this deeper and broader conception of life should only increase our reverence for biological life. For, in Christ, we understand that every human being is created in the image of God, and that every human life is a free gift of the Father, from whom comes every good and perfect gift (Gen. 1:27, Jam. 1:17).

Thus, we understand that there is no opposition between reverence for life and true human flourishing. Or, to cast the matter more bluntly, we can never accept abortion and infanticide as a solution for other human ills. Rather, we must see the sins of abortion and infanticide as manifestations of the same evils that underlie other social injustices."

- Metropolitan Tikhon, Sunday of Life 2023

WEEKLY JOKES

Today I started an argument with my wife while riding in an elevator. I was wrong on so many levels.

Additional Jokes from Rita Evanoika:

Why does the school nurse take red marker to school? In case she has to draw blood.

This three legged dog walked into the bar. I'm looking for the man who shot my paw.

WELCOME! IT IS GOOD TO BE HERE!

Sanctity of Life Sunday:

Easily the most crucial issue of our time, please read His Beatitude's Statement. There are printed copies in the Narthex as well:

<https://www.oca.org/holy-synod/statements/his-beatitude-metropolitan-tikhon/sanctity-of-life-sunday-2023>

We will also serve a Panakhida at the end of Liturgy for all of those babies killed by the evil act of Abortion.

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?

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.

House Blessings

When our house is blessed, after the Feast of Theophany, we rededicate our home for its original purpose, just as we must periodically rededicate our life to Christ. So it is important to have your house blessed. You do not need to do anything fancy or worry about messes. The house blessing is not a sacrament, but it is an important part of helping Orthodox Christians to live the Faith at home. There is a Sign-up Sheet in the Narthex or you can let Fr. Stephen know if you'd like to have him bless your home.

Church Calendars ARE HERE

Church Calendars have arrived and are available for free. They were a little higher this year than last so please consider donating if you'd like, above and beyond your normal tithe. Make sure the memo on the check says, "Calendar"

Parish Annual Meeting (January 29th)

We have 1 officer (Treasurer) and 2 council spots that need filling. If you are interested in running for these positions or know someone who is, please see Fr. Stephen.

Rose Marie Ladies Meeting

The Rose Marie Ladies will be having a quick meeting in the hall after Liturgy.

Thank you from Michael Hunter

Michael Hunter would like to express a huge thank you to all who bought cards to help go towards those suffering in the Ukraine as well as those who are currently refugees.

St. Ambrose Donations (Bin in the Hall, please donate)

Saints / Feasts of the Day:

New Martyrs and Confessors of Russia

<https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2023/01/22/205310-new-martyrs-and-confessors-of-russia>

Prayer List

Special prayers for His Grace, Bishop Tikhon, Former Bishop of San Francisco, Los Angeles and the West. Vladyka Tikhon is currently in hospital in Los Angeles. He received the Mysteries of Holy Unction and Holy Communion Friday.

Living:

Abp. Benjamin, Abp. Melchisedek, Bp. Tikhon, Fr. Anthony, Fr. Dennis, Fr. Alexander, Anna, Muriel, Sheila, Meryl, Harold, Vern, Tammy, Lindy, Stephanie, Daron (Basil), Steve, Litsa, Jill, Leilani, the child Lilliana, Carl, Christina,, Pina, John, Johnny, Jeremy, Preston, Ian, Emmary, Sabrina with child, Loren, George, Nicole, Mark, Mark, Samina, Betty, Alicia, Richard, Tiana, Will, Juston, Ann Marie, Marcie, Brenda, Serge

Departed:

Patriarch Irenaios, Fr. Theodore, Mat. Katrina, Debra, Gino, Lisa, Pele, Victoria, Jonathan (Russin), Barbara, Phillip

Youth:

Ice Skating (Today):

We will be going down to World Arena Hall with the kids for ice skating. We need to leave by no later than 12:30 PM to make it down in time for public skate. There is no cost to go. We will go for Pizza afterward, likely at Fargos again. Join us! It will be blast!

Volunteers Needed:

We need Volunteers for the following:

- 1) Coffee Hour (2023 List up to end of May in the Hall)
- 2) Church Clean Up (2023 List up to May in the Hall. It is now weekly, not bi-weekly. Please sign up if you have not signed up before)
- 3) Church School: We could use a few extra subs. Please see Fr. Stephen if interested.