



ST. MARY'S HOLY DORMITION

Scripture Readings

Epistle: Romans 2:10-16

Brethren, glory, honor, and peace to everyone who works what is good, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For there is no partiality with God. For as many as have sinned without law will also perish without law, and as many as have sinned in the law will be judged by the law (for not the hearers of the law are just in the sight of God, but the doers of the law will be justified; for when Gentiles, who do not have the law, by nature do the things in the law, these, although not having the law, are a law to themselves, who show the work of the law written in their hearts, their conscience also bearing witness, and between themselves their thoughts accusing or else excusing them) in the day when God will judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ, according to my gospel.

Gospel: Matthew 4:18-23

At that time, as the Lord was walking by the Sea of Galilee, He saw two brothers, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. Then He said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men." They immediately left their nets and followed Him. Going on from there, He saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets. He called them, and immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed Him. And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease among the people.

June 18th, 2023

SYNAXIS OF SAINTS OF NORTH AMERICA

JUNE Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 1st - Archbishop Benjamin (Peterson)
- 1st - Chad Burnside
- 3rd - Scott & Robin Mikita
- 5th - Jason & Rachel Britton
- 5th - Mylee & Hunter Ratzlaff
- 6th - Dale Drew
- 8th - Evan Dean John Guy
- 8th - LD and Lyndi Meier
- 9th - Korbyn Meier
- 9th - Helen Sakala
- 12th - Garth & LeAnn Perry
- 14th - Nate Rozdilsky
- 15th - Shonda Robinson
- 22nd - Jeb Billmire
- 23rd - Leilah Tunink
- 23rd - Mat. Elaine Lowell
- 23rd - Rainlee Dawson
- 24th - Jenny Dumler
- 25th - Muriel Eurich
- 26th - Michael & Debby Hlatki
- 26th - Tristan Nelson
- 26th - Rachel Britton
- 27th - Gary Glover
- 27th - Moses Sisneros
- 28th - Mylee Ratzlaff
- 30th - Chandler Glover

SCHEDULE

June 24th - Reader's Vespers (5:00 PM)

June 25th - Divine Liturgy (9:30 AM)

WISDOM

"Canonization does not make a person a saint. Rather, it establishes the fact, publicly and for all to see, that they are already a saint—that is the holy person and God have so cooperated together at every level of their existence that they have become, by grace, a god, just as God Himself is God by nature. The old saying in the Church is that "God became a man (in the incarnation of Christ) in order that man might become a god." [Sainthood, OCA.org](http://Sainthood.OCA.org)

WEEKLY JOKE

I asked my wife, "Do you know a three letter word for 'eggs'?" Her: It's ova. Me: Why? Is it because I'm terrible at crosswords?

WELCOME! IT IS GOOD TO BE HERE!

Happy Father's Day!

Fathers are the guiding lights who provide love, support, and strength to their families. May we honor and appreciate their unwavering dedication, and May God Grant Many Years upon all hierarchs, priests, deacons, grandfathers, godfathers, fathers, and father figures!

Welcome Back Mat. Elaine Lowell

Welcome back, Matuska Elaine! Your presence lights up our community, and we are thrilled to have you back by Father David's side while he serves in Fr. Stephen's absence. Your warmth, grace, and unwavering support are an inspiration to us all and we look forward to sharing in your love and friendship once again. May God Grant both Fr. David and Mat. Elaine Many Blessed Years!!

Father's Vacation (June 5th-24th)

Fr. Stephen and family will be gone in June for vacation. Fr. David Lowell will be serving for him. Mat. Elaine will be joining him on the latter part of their trip. They will be staying at the rectory. If there are any issues while Fr. Stephen is away, please contact him as normal.

Rockies Game (July 2nd)

Tickets are ordered! We will see the Rockies play on July 2nd against the Detroit Tigers. The game starts at 1:10 PM, which means we would do Liturgy at 8:30 AM that day. Please make out checks to St. Mary's and put "baseball game" in the memo.

El Paso Fair Booth Sign Up (July 15th-22nd)

Fair Booth Sign Up Sheet is now in the Narthex. There is plenty of time to sign up over the next 7 weeks but please consider signing up now. This is a vital part of our outreach to the community. Also, since there is camp during this week, please leave the spots open before and after for camp goers and their families.

Synaxis of All Saints of North America

On the second Sunday after Pentecost, each local Orthodox Church commemorates all the saints, known and unknown, who have shone forth in its territory. Accordingly, the Orthodox Church in America remembers the saints of North America on this day. Saints of all times, and in every country are seen as the fulfillment of God's promise to redeem fallen humanity. Their example encourages us to "lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily besets us" and to "run with patience the race that is set before us" (Hebrews 12:1). The saints of North America also teach us how we should live, and what we must expect to endure as Christians.

Although it is a relatively young church, the Orthodox Church in America has produced saints in nearly all of the six major categories of saints: Apostles (and Equals of the Apostles); Martyrs (and Confessors); Prophets; Hierarchs; Monastic Saints; and the Righteous. Prophets, of course, lived in Old Testament times and predicted the coming of Christ.

Saints of North America:

St. Herman of Alaska, Wonderworker of All America
St. Tikhon of Moscow, Patriarch of Moscow and Apostle to America - Who also consecrated the altar of our chapel and original church in Calhan.
St. Innocent of Alaska, Equal to the Apostles and Enlightener of North America
St. Raphael, Bishop of Brooklyn
St. Alexis Toth, Confessor & Defender of Orthodoxy in America
St. Jacob, Enlightener of the Native Peoples of Alaska
St. John Kochurov, Missionary to America and First Hieromartyr under the Bolshevik Yoke
St. Alexander Hotovitzky, New Hieromartyr of Russia and Missionary to America
St. Juvenal of Alaska, the Protomartyr of America
Martyr Peter the Aleut of Alaska, America, and San Francisco
St. John of San Francisco and Shanghai
St. Nicholas of South Canaan
St. Brendan the Navigator
St. Nikolai Velimirovic
St. Seraphim of Uglich
St. Barnabas the New Confessor
St. Anatole (Kamensky) of Irkutsk

In addition to the saints listed above, we also honor those saints who are known only to God, and have not been recognized officially by the Church. As we remember these saints, let us also remember that we too are called by God to a life of holiness.

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?

Prayer List

Living:

Abp. Benjamin, Abp. Melchisedek, Fr. Anthony, Fr. Dennis, Fr. Thomas, Muriel, Meryl, Harold, Vern, Tammy, Daron, Steve, Litsa, Jill, Leilani, child Lilliana, Carl, Christina, Lindy, John, Johnny, Jeremy, Sabrina and her newborn child Freyja, Mark, Alicia, Richard, infant Gideon, Iryland, Judy Patricia, Casey, Bruce, Alice, Greg, Danny, Christina, Cassi with child, Jerry, Roberta, Leonard, Annabelle, Devin, Georgianna, Morgan with child, Natalie, Wendy, April with child, Haily with child, Infant Dominic, Anita, Sally, Brandon, Austin, Joseph, Michael, Allison, infant Grady Paul, Scott, Betty, Beverly, Lyndi with child, Venette, Janie, Dani with child

Departed:

Archmandrite Anthony (Falsarella), Fr. Simon, Dan, Eric, George, Anna, James, Joseph, Earl, Petr, Gordon, Dorothy, child Arrayah, Paula

Youth:

Rocky Mountain Youth Camp (July 17th-20th):

If you have not yet gotten your forms to Fr. Stephen, please text him a picture. There are extra forms in the Narthex.

Volunteers Needed:

New Lists up (June-Dec) for Coffee Hour and Church Clean Up. Please sign up!

St. Ambrose Donations

Bin in the hall. Please donate.

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