



SLAVICFEST 2023

October 14th (11 AM-4PM)
& 15th (11 AM-3PM)

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ST. MARY'S HOLY DORMITION

Scripture Readings

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 16:13-24

Brethren, watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong. Let all that you do be done with love. I urge you, brethren – you know the household of Stephanas, that it is the firstfruits of Achaia, and that they have devoted themselves to the ministry of the saints – that you also submit to such, and to everyone who works and labors with us. I am glad about the coming of Stephanas, Fortunatus, and Achaicus, for what was lacking on your part they supplied. For they refreshed my spirit and yours. Therefore acknowledge such men. The churches of Asia greet you. Aquila and Priscilla greet you heartily in the Lord, with the church that is in their house. All the brethren greet you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. The salutation with my own hand – Paul's. If anyone does not love the Lord Jesus Christ, let him be accursed. O Lord, come! The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. My love be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen.

Gospel: Matthew 21:33-42

The Lord said this parable: There was a certain landowner who planted a vineyard and set a hedge around it, dug a winepress in it and built a tower. And he leased it to vinedressers and went into a far country. Now when vintage-time drew near, he sent his servants to the vinedressers, that they might receive its fruit. And the vinedressers took his servants, beat one, killed one, and stoned another. Again he sent other servants, more than the first, and they did likewise to them. Then last of all he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' But when the vinedressers saw the son, they said among themselves, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and seize his inheritance.' So they took him and cast him out of the vineyard and killed him. Therefore, when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those vinedressers?" They said to Him, "He will destroy those wicked men miserably, and lease his vineyard to other vinedressers who will render to him the fruits in their seasons." Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures: 'The stone which the builders rejected Has become the chief cornerstone. This was the LORD's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes'?"

September 3rd, 2023 HIEROMARTYR ANTHIMUS & VENERABLE THEOCTISTUS

SEPT Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 2nd - Austin & Tori Jackson
- 5th - Linda Deak
- 6th - Victor & Terri Volosin
- 7th - Stephen Osburn Sr.
- 12th - Ken Denson
- 14th - Cassandra Fischer
- 17th - Trevor Hendrix
- 20th - Noah Scott
- 22nd - Bill Stevens
- 23rd - Rick & Shirley Sandbothe
- 24th - Dave Guy
- 29th - Michael Mikita
- 29th - Bodie Glover
- 29th - Eilidh Robinson

SCHEDULE

Sept 9th - Great Vespers (5:00 PM)
Sept 10th - Divine Liturgy (9:30 AM)

WISDOM

Come, my Light, and illumine my darkness. Come, my Life, and revive me from death. Come, my Physician, and heal my wounds. Come, Flame of divine love, and burn up the thorns of my sins, kindling my heart with the flame of thy love. Come, my King, sit upon the throne of my heart and reign there. For thou alone art my King and my Lord.

-St. Dimitri of Rostov

WEEKLY JOKES

My wife asked me why I was doing the dishes while sitting down. Told her it's because I can't stand doing it.

What did one fungi say to another fungi when they got married? "I want to grow mold with you."

I debated a flat-earther once. He stormed off saying he'd walk to the edge of the earth to prove me wrong. I'm sure he'll come around, eventually.

WELCOME! IT IS GOOD TO BE HERE!

Adult Class Every Saturday Night After Vespers

Join us every week after Vespers as we dive into Fr. John Behr's *Mystery of Christ*. The book is \$15 but we will have books on hand for the class. This is also a great chance to invite someone new to our parish too! Hope many of you come!

Parish Council Next Sunday

Slavic Fest Prep Work

Slavic Fest is just around the corner. To kick off Slavic Fest production we will start with a thorough hall cleaning after fellowship today. Pierogi and noodle making will be September 10th, 17th, & 24th with the Oct 1st as an extra work day if needed. Please everyone be available to help! Let's make this Slavic Fest bigger than ever.

Slavic Fest Committee Meeting Today

There will also be a quick committee meeting before clean up today.

Slavic Fest Tickets Are Now On Sale - SlavicFest.net

Slavic Fest tickets are now on sale. Next week, Facebook ads will be going up along with special posts to promote the festival. Please like and share them so Facebook's algorithms feed them into as many folks' feeds as possible.

Hieromartyr Anthimus, Bishop of Nicomedia

Hieromartyr Anthimus, Bishop of Nicomedia, lived during the tumultuous times of the early 4th century AD in the Roman Empire. He was a devoted Christian who served as the Bishop of Nicomedia, a position of great importance within the early Christian Church. Anthimus and his fellow Christians endured severe persecution under the rule of Emperor Diocletian, who aimed to suppress Christianity. Despite the intense pressure to renounce their faith, Anthimus and his fellow Christians remained steadfast in their beliefs, refusing to abandon their Christianity. Their unwavering commitment to their religion led to their martyrdom, as they endured torture and persecution. Their lives and sacrifices stand as a testament to the resilience and faith of early Christians in the face of adversity, and they are remembered as martyrs who upheld their beliefs even in the most challenging circumstances.

Venerable Theoctistus

Venerable Theoctistus, also known as Saint Theoctistus, was an influential figure in the early Christian Church during the 4th century AD. He was born in Cappadocia, a region in Asia Minor (modern-day Turkey), and dedicated his life to the Christian faith. Theoctistus is best known for his ascetic and monastic endeavors. He withdrew from the secular world and led a life of extreme simplicity and piety in the wilderness, becoming a renowned ascetic and spiritual leader. Theoctistus's reputation as a holy and wise monk attracted many disciples, and he played a crucial role in the development of Christian monasticism. His teachings emphasized a life of prayer, self-denial, and contemplation, serving as a foundation for the monastic tradition that would flourish in the centuries to come. Venerable Theoctistus's legacy endures through the profound impact he had on the spiritual life of early Christianity, as he helped shape the monastic movement that remains a vital part of Christian tradition to this day.

The Come and See Challenge:

Have you brought someone NEW this month or brought someone back?

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, Met. Isaiah, Fr. Anthony, Fr. Dennis, Meryl, Harold, Vern, Tammy, Corbin, Ryan, Daron, Steve Sr, Litsa, Jill, Leilani, child Lilliana, Carl, Christina, Lindy, John, Johnny, Jeremy, Mark, Alicia, Richard, Iryland, Patricia, Casey, Bruce, Alice, Danny, Christina, Jerry, Roberta, Leonard, Annabelle, Devin, Georgianna, Morgan with child, Natalie, Wendy, Judy, April with child, Greg, Haily with child, Anita, Joseph, Michael, Allison, child Maisyn, Beverly, Lyndi with child, Venette, Janie, Dani with child, Lily with child, Austin, Nicole, Steve, Emmy, John, Ronald, Gene, Mariah with child, Abigail with child, Infant Dominic

Departed:

Met. Danial (of Japan), Judy, James

Youth:

Rockies Game (September 30th):

After speaking with folks, it sounds like the Rockies game on the 30th is the one everyone wants to go to. If you are interested in going, please see Fr. Stephen this weekend to let him know you would like to go. He will order tickets first weekend in September.

St. Ambrose Donations

Bin in the hall. Please donate.

Volunteers Needed

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