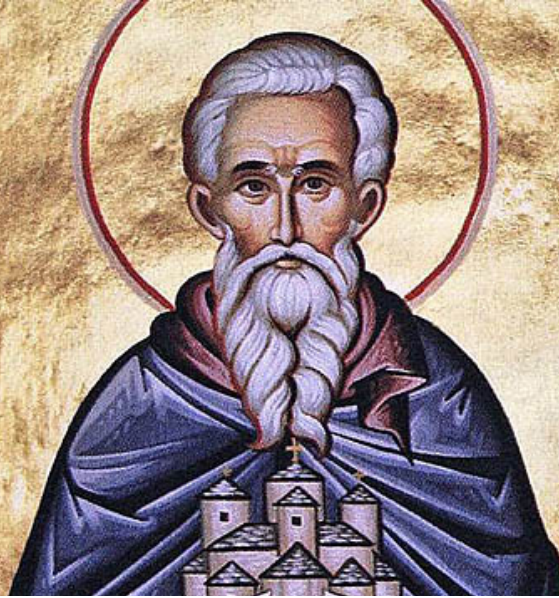


Ο ἅγιος Εὐθύμιος  
ὁ ἐν περικτεραῖς



# ST. MARY'S HOLY DORMITION

## Scripture Readings

**Epistle: 2 Corinthians 11:31-12:9**

Brethren, the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is blessed forever, knows that I am not lying. In Damascus the governor, under Aretas the king, was guarding the city of the Damascenes with a garrison, desiring to arrest me; but I was let down in a basket through a window in the wall, and escaped from his hands. It is doubtless not profitable for me to boast. I will come to visions and revelations of the Lord: I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago – whether in the body I do not know, or whether out of the body I do not know, God knows – such a one was caught up to the third heaven. And I know such a man – whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows – how he was caught up into Paradise and heard inexpressible words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter. Of such a one I will boast; yet of myself I will not boast, except in my infirmities. For though I might desire to boast, I will not be a fool; for I will speak the truth. But I refrain, lest anyone should think of me above what he sees me to be or hears from me. And lest I should be exalted above measure by the abundance of the revelations, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, a messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I be exalted above measure. Concerning this thing I pleaded with the Lord three times that it might depart from me. And He said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

**Gospel: Luke 8:5-15**

The Lord said this parable: “A sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some fell by the wayside; and it was trampled down, and the birds of the air devoured it. Some fell on rock; and as soon as it sprang up, it withered away because it lacked moisture. And some fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up with it and choked it. But others fell on good ground, sprang up, and yielded a crop a hundredfold.” When He had said these things He cried, “He who has ears to hear, let him hear!” Then His disciples asked Him, saying, “What does this parable mean?” And He said, “To you it has been given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God, but to the rest it is given in parables, that ‘Seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand.’ Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. Those by the wayside are the ones who hear; then the devil comes and takes away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved. But the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, who believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away. Now the ones that fell among thorns are those who, when they have heard, go out and are choked with cares, riches, and pleasures of life, and bring no fruit to maturity. But the ones that fell on the good ground are those who, having heard the word with a noble and good heart, keep it and bear fruit with patience.

October 15th, 2023

## VEN EUTHYMIUS THE NEW OF THESSALONICA

### OCT Birthdays & Anniversaries

2nd – Daryl Mikita  
3rd – Michael Hlatki  
6th – David Rozdilsky  
8th – Rita Evanoika  
11th – Fr. Stephen Osburn  
12th – Steven & Sarah Dumler  
13th – Theo Nelson  
16th – Kevin & Brandy Buchner  
21st – Dan and Vickie Tipton  
22nd – Luke Fischer  
25th – Brady Billmire  
27th – Brody Burnside  
29th – Steven Dumler

### SCHEDULE

Oct 21st – Great Vespers (5:00 PM)  
Oct 22nd – Nelson Baptism (8:30 AM)  
Divine Liturgy (9:30 AM)

### WISDOM

“Lord Jesus, let me know myself and You, and desire nothing save only You. Let me hate myself and love You. Let me do everything for the sake of You. Let me humble myself and exalt You. Let me think of nothing except You. Let me die to myself and live in You. Let me accept whatever happens as from You. Let me banish myself and follow You, and ever desire to follow You. Let me flee from myself and take refuge in You, that I may deserve to be defended by You. Let me fear for myself. Let me fear You, and let me be among those who are chosen by You. Let me distrust myself and put my trust in You. Let me be willing to obey for the sake of You. Let me cling to nothing but You, and let me be poor because of You. Look upon me, that I may love You. Call me that I may see You, and forever rejoice in You. Amen.  
– St. Augustine of Hippo

### WEEKLY JOKES

A Chinese baby was recently born premature. His parents named him Sudden Lee.

My wife and I laugh at how competitive we are. But I laugh more.

# WELCOME! IT IS GOOD TO BE HERE!

## No Adult Class Until November

## Nelson Baptism Next Sunday at 8:30 AM before Liturgy

## MVEA Meeting/Dinner (October 26th - 5:30 PM)

MVEA sent out some of their cards to the wrong addresses. In case you did not get yours, the Lamplighter meeting for MVEA is confirmed for October 26th at 5:30. RSVP to 719-494-2528 or by e-mail: [communications@mvea.coop](mailto:communications@mvea.coop) with first and last name, total Adult Guests, and name of guests, special dietary considerations.

## Chili Cook Off / Trunk or Treat (October 29th)

The Chili Cook Off is already upon us. There will be great prizes again for both the best chili and car trunks. Please let Mat. Lindsey know if you are going to compete so she can get an accurate number of cups ready. It's going to be a ton of fun! We can't wait.

## Venerable Euthymius the New of Thessalonica, and Monk of Mount Athos

Saint Euthymius the New of Thessalonica and Mt Athos, in the world was named Nicetas, and he was a native of the city of Ancyra in Galatia. His parents, Epiphanius and Anna, led virtuous Christian lives, and from childhood their son was meek, pious and obedient. At age seven he was left fatherless and he soon became the sole support of his mother in all matters. Having entered military service, Nicetas married, on the insistence of his mother. After the birth of a daughter, he secretly left home in order to enter a monastery. For fifteen years the venerable Euthymius lived the ascetic life on Mount Olympus, where he learned monastic deeds from the Elders.

The monk went to resettle on Mount Athos. On the way he learned that his mother and wife were in good health. He informed them that he had become a monk, and he sent them a cross, calling on them to follow his example. On Mt Athos he was tonsured into the Great Schema and lived for three years in a cave in total silence, struggling with temptations. Saint Euthymius also lived for a long time as a stylite, not far from Thessalonica, instructing those coming to him for advice and healing the sick.

The monk cleansed his mind and heart to such an extent that he was granted divine visions and revelations. At the command of the Lord, Saint Euthymius founded two monasteries in 863 on Mount Peristeros, not far from Thessalonica, which he guided for 14 years, with the rank of deacon. In one of these his wife and mother received monastic tonsure. Before his death he settled on Hiera, an island of Mt Athos, where he reposed in 898. His relics were transferred to Thessalonica. Saint Euthymius is called "the New" to distinguish him from Saint Euthymius the Great (January 20).

## 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, Met. Isaiah, Fr. Anthony, Fr. Dennis, Meryl, Harold, Tammy, Daron, Steve Sr, Litsa, Leilani, child Lilliana, Carl, Christina, Lindy, John, Natalie, Jeremy, Alicia, Iryland, Patricia, Danny, Christina, Jerry, Roberta, Leonard, Wendy, Judy, Haily with child, Michael, child Maisyn, Beverly, Lyndi with child, Venette, Dani with child, Lily with child, Abigail with child, Infant Dominic, Kristina, Jaime, child Carolina, child Chloe, child Aubrey, child Andrew, Jill, Donna, Kalee with child, Joseph, Alisha with child, Jackie, Hameeda, Azrah

Those who are confined: Casey, Basil, Mark, Johnny, Hannah

### Departed:

Kh. Sue, Mat. Priscilla, Rdr. Stephen, Brooks, Francis, Richard, Savva, Judy, James, Michael

## Youth:

Trunk or Treat (Oct 29)  
Movie Night: TBA (Nov 4)

## 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!