



ST. MARY'S HOLY DORMITION

Scripture Readings

Hebrews 9:11-14 (Epistle)

Brethren, Christ came as High Priest of the good things to come, with the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made with hands, that is, not of this creation. Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption. For if the blood of bulls and goats and the ashes of a heifer, sprinkling the unclean, sanctifies for the purifying of the flesh, how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

Mark 10:32-45 (Gospel)

At that time as they were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was going before them; and they were amazed. And as they followed they were afraid. Then He took the twelve aside again and began to tell them the things that would happen to Him: "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be betrayed to the chief priests and to the scribes; and they will condemn Him to death and deliver Him to the Gentiles; and they will mock Him, and scourge Him, and spit on Him, and kill Him. And the third day He will rise again." Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to Him, saying, "Teacher, we want You to do for us whatever we ask." And He said to them, "What do you want Me to do for you?" They said to Him, "Grant us that we may sit, one on Your right hand and the other on Your left, in Your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you ask. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They said to Him, "We are able." So Jesus said to them, "You will indeed drink the cup that I drink, and with the baptism I am baptized with you will be baptized; but to sit on My right hand and on My left is not Mine to give, but it is for those for whom it is prepared." And when the ten heard it, they began to be greatly displeased with James and John. But Jesus called them to Himself and said to them, "You know that those who are considered rulers over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. Yet it shall not be so among you; but whoever desires to become great among you shall be your servant. And whoever of you desires to be first shall be slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many."

APRIL 21ST, 2024 ST. MARY OF EGYPT FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

APRIL Birthdays & Anniversaries

3rd - Zoe Osburn
5th - Anastajia Rozdilski
7th - Ryleigh Tunink
8th - April Schulte
8th - Matt Dawson
10th - Merrick Dawson
18th - Jack Pyatt
18th - Makiya Schulte
22nd - Millie Manyik
22nd - Jennifer Billmire
22nd - Myree Hickman
23rd - Sarah Dumler
23rd - Logan Jackson
25th - Stone Stevens
26th - Kail Molner
27th - Kristen Burnside
29th - Mason Hendrix
29th - Malachi Hendrix
30th - Lilah Nelson

SCHEDULE

Apr 26th - Presanctified Liturgy (6:00 PM)

Apr 27th - Great Vespers (5:00 PM)

Apr 28th - Palm Sunday Liturgy (9:30 AM)

WISDOM

"Be my faithful witness before thy son that I will never again defile my body by the impurity of fornication, but as soon as I have seen the Tree of the Cross I will renounce the world and its temptations and will go wherever thou wilt lead me."

- St. Mary of Egypt

"I can live on 100 grams of bread. This bread is blessed by God because it is necessary, but not 110 grams. That 10 grams is cursed because it is stolen and it belongs to him who is hungry."

- St. Kosmas

WEEKLY JOKES

Why don't you play cards in the jungle? There are too many cheetahs - Submitted from anonymous Simla 1st Grader

My wife told me that if i make one more joke about numbers we're not going to be a couple anymore. I said "pair enough".

WELCOME! IT IS GOOD TO BE HERE!

Coffee Hour: 4/21 – No One | 4/28 – Hendrix

Church Cleanup: 4/21 – Guy | 4/28 – Community Cleanup

Cleanup for the parish and surrounding grounds will be next Saturday morning. Please come at 10 AM to help!

Calhan Community Highlight

Congrats to Dave Guy who was awarded the Colorado High School Coaches Association's Dick Katte Sportsmanship Award last week. This award is given to a coach who exemplifies the conduct, attitude, and dignity as a coach and role model to athletics and athletes in Colorado. Great job coach! May God Grant Dave and his family Many More Blessed Years!!

Our Lenten Act of Service for This Year

Our theme for this year's Lent is Mission. Each week we will take a special collection to the following missions (in order of weeks): St. Tikhon's in Parker, St. John the Baptist in Colorado Springs (east side mission), Annunciation of the Theotokos in Norway, St. George Orthodox Church in St. George Utah, St. Jacob Orthodox Church in Bend Oregon, St. John the Merciful Orthodox Church in Kissimmee, FL. If you are interested in sending directly, please see Fr. Stephen.

Choir Rehearsals (Every Week until Holy Week)

Holy Week Schedule 2024

Holy Week Schedule has been printed in large font format and is with the bulletins in the Narthex. There are plenty of copies, so feel free to take one.

Holy Saturday Readings

Readings have been handed out. We still have one more left if anyone wants to do it. In the meantime, parents, help your kids practice a little each day and remember that don't have to be perfect. God is happy to hear their effort. They also can just read and not chant. May God bless all our youth!

Father Away (April 19th-24th)

Fr. Stephen and family will be away this weekend on personal matters. Thank you to Fr. Joseph Sharman for subbing while Fr. Stephen is away. May God Grant Fr. Joseph and his family Many Years!

Presanctified Liturgy Friday not Wednesday this week

Presanctified is on Friday at 6 PM, not Wednesday as Fr. Stephen will not be back until late Wednesday night. This is the last one of the year. Please try and attend.

Adult Class (April 27th)

5th Sunday of Great Lent: St. Mary of Egypt

This week of Great Lent, the Church celebrates the memory of St. Mary of Egypt. The story of St. Mary is the story of a repentant harlot. Why does the Church find this story so important? Why does the whole Orthodox world remember this woman? Her life tells us about how, from her early youth, she carried on an extremely debauched life and then, more like a tourist than a pilgrim, decided to go to Jerusalem for the feast of the Exaltation of the Honorable Cross of the Lord. But a mysterious power would not let her into the church until she became conscious of her sins and called out to the Mother of God and to the Lord for mercy. Then she was able to enter the church, and shaken to the core, resolved to spend the rest of her life in prayer and repentance. Many years later, the saintly monk Zosimas met her in the desert; it is from him that we know her story.

What message—across centuries and countries—does her life give us? It is the story of finding hope. Mary had a reality, which, for the time being, suited her. As the poet said, "wine and men were her atmosphere." But she had no future; she only had what one prefers not to think about. Soon her charms would wilt—especially soon due to her unhealthy lifestyle—and men would lose all interest in her, turning their attention to new victims with social temperaments, and she would become lonely, cast off, and lacking means for sustenance. But in turning to God she found hope—hope not only that her earthly life would be filled with dignity and meaning, but most importantly that before her is eternal life.

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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. Nathaniel, Abp. Alexander, Met. Isaiah, Fr. Dennis, Meryl, Harold, Tammy, Steve Sr, Litsa, child Lilliana, Carl, Christina, Lindy, John, Alicia, Iryland, Patricia, Danny, Jerry, Roberta, Wendy, Judy, Michael, Jill, Beverly, Lily with child, Infant Dominic, Tayla with child, Joseph, Alisha with child, Jackie, Amber with child, Anna with child, Joan, Trisha, Stella, Lee, Carol, Ethan, infant AdaLynn, Nauvlet, Leilah, Austin, Brian, Josh, Mother Magdalena, Kodiak, Miriham, Cheri, infant Gus, April, Madalyn, McKenzie, MaKiya, Hannah, Haylee, Keith, Samantha, Christina, Jake, Ashton, infant Sophie, Jeanie, Jetlyn, Lauren, Bob, Taylee with child, Georgianna, Clint, Murl, Carolyn, Millie, Earnie

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

Departed:

Fr. Anthony, Vladimir, James, Larry, Vontae, Ken, Ron, Carol, Leilani

Youth:

Mario Kart Tourney(Next Sunday):

On you mark! Get set! Letsa Go! We will once again be hosting a Mario Kart Tournament for the kids to enjoy after Liturgy on Palm Sunday. There will be prizes for different age groups. We are requesting that any kids (or Austin) bring their Switch controllers so we have enough for 4 person races.

St. Ambrose Donations

Please continue to donate.