



# ST. MARY'S HOLY DORMITION

MAY 19TH, 2024

## MYRRHBEARING WOMEN 3RD SUNDAY OF PASCHA

### Scripture Readings

#### Acts 6:1-7 (Epistle)

Now in those days, when the number of the disciples was multiplying, there arose a complaint against the Hebrews by the Hellenists, because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution. Then the twelve summoned the multitude of the disciples and said, "It is not desirable that we should leave the word of God and serve tables. Therefore, brethren, seek out from among you seven men of good reputation, full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business; but we will give ourselves continually to prayer and to the ministry of the word." And the saying pleased the whole multitude. And they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit, and Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolas, a proselyte from Antioch, whom they set before the apostles; and when they had prayed, they laid hands on them. Then the word of God spread, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.

#### Mark 15:43-16:8 (Gospel)

At that time, Joseph of Arimathea, a prominent council member, who was himself waiting for the kingdom of God, coming and taking courage, went in to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Pilate marveled that He was already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him if He had been dead for some time. So when he found out from the centurion, he granted the body to Joseph. Then he bought fine linen, took Him down, and wrapped Him in the linen. And he laid Him in a tomb which had been hewn out of the rock, and rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. And Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James observed where He was laid. Now when the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, that they might come and anoint Him. Very early in the morning, on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb when the sun had risen. And they said among themselves, "Who will roll away the stone from the door of the tomb for us?" But when they looked up, they saw that the stone had been rolled away - for it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man clothed in a long white robe sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He is risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid Him. But go, tell His disciples - and Peter - that He is going before you into Galilee; there you will see Him, as He said to you." So they went out quickly and fled from the tomb, for they trembled and were amazed. And they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

### MAY Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 1st - Christopher Rozdilski
- 2nd - Leonard Volosin
- 3rd - Jeb & Jennifer Billmire
- 5th - Austin Jackson
- 5th - Colleen Hendrix
- 7th - Vickie Tipton
- 8th - Victor Volosin
- 8th - Nadia Sisneros
- 10th - Ben & Linda Hendrix
- 10th - Makenzie Schulte
- 11th - Lauren Nelson
- 13th - Madeleine Hlatki
- 14th - Joshua Sisneros
- 16th - Butch & Helen Sakala
- 18th - Dee Eurich
- 19th - Abigail Heuberger
- 24th - Rachel Stevens
- 25th - Bill & Colleen Hendrix
- 26th - Betty Eurich
- 27th - Harry Mikita
- 27th - Josh & Lacie Leithead
- 28th - Tori Jackson
- 29th - Kaleb Ritter
- 29th - Matt & Libbie Dawson
- 29th - Fr. Stephen & Mat. Lindsey Osburn
- 30th - Brock Burnside

### SCHEDULE

- May 23rd - Community Clean Up (5:00 PM)
- May 25th - Great Vespers (5:00 PM)
- May 26th - Divine Liturgy (9:30 AM)

### WISDOM

*"The pure hearts of the myrrh-bearing women could feel the holiness of the Savior and his love of people and responded to him with the same strong and passionate love."*

- Archimandrite Kirill (Pavlov)

### WEEKLY JOKES

*Saw a burglar kicking his own door in. He must have been working from home.*

*Doctor: You have Tom Jones Syndrome. Me: Is that common?  
Doctor: It's not unusual.*

# CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED HE IS RISEN!

**Coffee Hour: 5/19 – Potluck | 5/26 – Hendrix/Denson**

**Church Cleanup: 5/19 – Britton | 5/26 – Community**

Thank you to everyone for stepping up and signing up for clean ups and coffee hour. Keep it up! Also, the parish wide clean up for Memorial Day will happen on Thursday at 5 PM. We will clean the hall and cemeteries. If you want to get a jump on things, please feel free to do so and let Fr. Stephen know. Thank you!

## Parish Council (Today)

Due to Calhan HS graduation and the Easter Egg Hunt, Parish Council will be meeting very briefly in the Church after Liturgy.

## Grave Blessings (May 26th & 27th)

We will bless the graves as usual Memorial Day Weekend. Next week we will bless the graves for Calhan, Simla, Ramah, Sakala, and Sproch's after Coffee Hour and then the Chapel graves on Memorial Day as normal.

## Adult Class (June 1st)

## Save the Date – Youth Camp (July 22nd–25th)

The Rocky Mountain Orthodox Youth Camp will be happening again this year back at the old site in Buckhorn Camp. The Rose Marie Ladies are covering the costs again so the only thing that your kids need to do is fill out the forms and let Fr. Stephen know so he can get those over to Fr. Tony. Forms are available and need to be returned before the end of the month. One note, this is happening the week after the El Paso Fair so if you are worried about it conflicting, no need because they are happening opposite weeks.

## Sunday of the Holy Myrrhbearing Women with the Noble Joseph

The Myrrh-bearing women are those women who followed the Lord, along with His Mother. They remained with her during the time of the saving Passion, and anointed the Lord's body with myrrh. Joseph and kdmos asked for and received the Lord's body from Pilate. They took it down from the Cross, wrapped it in linen cloths and spices, then they laid it in a tomb, and then they placed a great stone over the entrance of the tomb.

According to the Evangelist Matthew (27:57–61) Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Joses (Mark 15:40) were there sitting opposite the sepulchre, and they saw where He had been laid. This other Mary was the Mother of God. Not only were these present, but also many other women, as Saint Luke says (24:10).

Today the Church honors Saints Mary Magdalene (July 22), Mary the wife of Cleopas (May 23), Joanna (June 27), Salome, mother of the sons of Zebedee (August 3), Martha and Mary, sisters of Lazarus (June 4), and the Most Holy Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary, who was the stepmother of her husband Joseph's sons James (October 23) and Joses (October 30). Today we also remember Saint Joseph of Arimathea (July 31), who was a secret disciple (John 19:38), and Saint kdmos, who was a disciple by night (John 3:3; 19:38).

The holy right-believing Queen Tamara of Georgia is honored twice during the year: on May 1, the day of her repose, and also on the Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women.

On this day the Church also remembers All Saints of Thessalonica, Saint Seraphim Bishop of Phanar (December 4, 1610), the New Martyr Elias Ardunis (January 31, 1686), and the New Martyr Demetrios of the Peloponnesos (April 13, 1803).

## 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, 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, Georgianna, Clint, Murl, Carolyn, Millie, Earnie, child Charlotte, Cathy, Michael, Daniel

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

## Departed:

Royce, Mark, Lonnie, Paul, Steve Sr, infant Dorthy, Vladimir, James

## Youth:

### Easter Egg Hunt (Today):

We will have our annual Easter Egg hunt today during Coffee Hour.

## St. Ambrose Donations

Please continue to donate.

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