



# ST. MARY'S HOLY DORMITION

## Scripture Readings

### Acts 9:32-42 (Epistle)

Now it came to pass, as Peter went through all parts of the country, that he also came down to the saints who dwelt in Lydda. There he found a certain man named Aeneas, who had been bedridden eight years and was paralyzed. And Peter said to him, "Aeneas, Jesus the Christ heals you. Arise and make your bed." Then he arose immediately. So all who dwelt at Lydda and Sharon saw him and turned to the Lord. At Joppa there was a certain disciple named Tabitha, which is translated Dorcas. This woman was full of good works and charitable deeds which she did. But it happened in those days that she became sick and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in an upper room. And since Lydda was near Joppa, and the disciples had heard that Peter was there, they sent two men to him, imploring him not to delay in coming to them. Then Peter arose and went with them. When he had come, they brought him to the upper room. And all the widows stood by him weeping, showing the tunics and garments which Dorcas had made while she was with them. But Peter put them all out, and knelt down and prayed. And turning to the body he said, "Tabitha, arise." And she opened her eyes, and when she saw Peter she sat up. Then he gave her his hand and lifted her up; and when he had called the saints and widows, he presented her alive. And it became known throughout all Joppa, and many believed on the Lord.

### John 5:1-15 (Gospel)

At that time at the feast of the Jews, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, which is called in Hebrew, Bethesda, having five porches. In these lay a great multitude of sick people, blind, lame, paralyzed, waiting for the moving of the water. For an angel went down at a certain time into the pool and stirred up the water; then whoever stepped in first, after the stirring of the water, was made well of whatever disease he had. Now a certain man was there who had an infirmity thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there, and knew that he already had been in that condition a long time, He said to him, "Do you want to be made well?" The sick man answered Him, "Sir, I have no man to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; but while I am coming, another steps down before me." Jesus said to him, "Rise, take up your bed and walk." And immediately the man was made well, took up his bed, and walked. And that day was the Sabbath. The Jews therefore said to him who was cured, "It is the Sabbath; it is not lawful for you to carry your bed." He answered them, "He who made me well said to me, 'Take up your bed and walk.'" Then they asked him, "Who is the Man who said to you, 'Take up your bed and walk?'" But the one who was healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had withdrawn, a multitude being in that place. Afterward Jesus found him in the temple, and said to him, "See, you have been made well. Sin no more, lest a worse thing come upon you." The man departed and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had made him well.

MAY 26TH, 2024

## PARALYTIC SUNDAY 4TH SUNDAY OF PASCHA

### 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 27th - Grave Blessings (10:00 AM)
- June 1st - Great Vespers (5:00 PM)
- June 2nd - Divine Liturgy (9:30 AM)

## WISDOM

*"For to forgive sins is a very much greater act than to heal the body, greater in proportion as the soul is greater than the body. For as paralysis is a disease of the body, even so sin is a disease of the soul."*

- St. John Chrysostom

## WEEKLY JOKES

*Due to inflation you may now eat food that has been on the floor for up to 8.3 seconds.*

*Don't argue with Left handed people, they are never right.*

# CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED HE IS RISEN!

**Coffee Hour: 5/26 - Hendrix/Denson | 6/2 - No One**

**Church Cleanup: 5/26 - Community | 6/2 - Stevens**

Thank you to everyone for stepping up cleaning this week, especially the kids, Bodie, Evan, and Zoe! May God Grant everyone in the Parish Many Years! Additionally, there is the new sign up sheets for July to December in the Hall and Narthex.

## Congrats to our Amazing Graduates!

To our High School Grads, Ryleigh and Trevor and our 8th Grade Grads, Evan, Jack, and Leilah, congratulations! Ryleigh will be going to Colorado State University and Trevor will be going to Oklahoma State University later in the summer. They (our middle school AND high schoolers) have all done amazing work in their respective schools and we are looking forward to seeing the amazing things they do next. We want to wish them all an enjoyable summer as well as to ask that God Grant them all Many Blessed Years!

## Meals for the Gardners

While Carolyn and Larry are not members of our parish (though their son Jeremy is), they are what Fr. Stephen likes to call "Extended Family". Both of them are some of the most wonderful people you will ever meet. Please consider signing up and taking them a meal. Link is here: <https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/znmoky>  
If you'd like help with this, please contact Karen Rau: 719-313-8076

## Grave Blessings (Today & Tomorrow)

Today 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.

## Community Hall Dance (Tonight 8 PM-1AM)

Our own Mikey and Trevor are putting on a community hall dance tonight for any who is interested in something to do this evening. There is no cost and it is open to all ages. It starts at 8 PM and ends at 1 AM. There will be Lemonade and Coffee but you want to bring a drink to share, you must bring it yourself. Join us!

## Adult Class (June 1st - Next Saturday)

## Parish Council Will be Later In June (On the 23rd)

Due to Father's travels and it being Father's day the following week from his return, Parish Council will be meeting on the 23rd. We need someone to sign up for Coffee Hour on the 9th (the 16th has been taken). The 23rd will be a community potluck.

## 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. If you are interested, please speak to Fr. Stephen today after Liturgy. 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 Paralytic

Many Old Testament miracles involve water, such as Moses turning the Nile to blood and parting the Red Sea for the Hebrews to escape their pursuers. In Exodus, when the Israelites faced thirst in Rephidim, Moses struck a rock, and water flowed. Gideon's fleece collected dew, and Christ healed a paralyzed man at the Sheep Pool in Jerusalem during Passover, an event commemorated in the Church. Christ's miracles often involved water, symbolizing Baptism's cleansing power. Unlike the Sheep Pool's once-a-year healing, Baptism offers salvation to countless souls. Additionally, Baptism, like in the case of Saint Vladimir, can heal physical ailments. The Church's liturgy invokes Archangel Michael, identified as the one who troubled the water at the Sheep Pool. Prayers ask for protection from worldly temptations and guidance on the path to salvation. Reflecting on these miracles, believers seek Christ's mercy to heal their souls paralyzed by sin.

## 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, Frances, James

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

## Departed:

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

## Youth:

### TBA:

We will announce the June youth activity next Sunday. If you have any ideas for something fun for the kids to do, please share with Fr. Stephen.

## St. Ambrose Donations

Please continue to donate.

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