



ST. MARY'S HOLY DORMITION

JULY 28th, 2024

70 APOSTLES & DEACONS
5TH SUNDAY PENTECOST

Scripture Readings

Romans 10:1-10 (Epistle)

Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is that they may be saved. For I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge. For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and seeking to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted to the righteousness of God. For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes. For Moses writes about the righteousness which is of the law, "The man who does those things shall live by them." But the righteousness of faith speaks in this way, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?' (that is, to bring Christ down from above) or, 'Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith which we preach): that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

Matthew 8:28-9:1 (Gospel)

At that time, as the Lord Jesus came to the other side, to the country of the Gergesenes, there met Him two demon-possessed men, coming out of the tombs, exceedingly fierce, so that no one could pass that way. And suddenly they cried out, saying, "What have we to do with You, Jesus, You Son of God? Have You come here to torment us before the time?" Now a good way off from them there was a herd of many swine feeding. So the demons begged Him, saying, "If You cast us out, permit us to go away into the herd of swine." And He said to them, "Go." So when they had come out, they went into the herd of swine. And suddenly the whole herd of swine ran violently down the steep place into the sea, and perished in the water. Then those who kept them fled; and they went away into the city and told everything, including what had happened to the demon-possessed men. And behold, the whole city came out to meet Jesus. And when they saw Him, they begged Him to depart from their region. So He got into a boat, crossed over, and came to His own city.

JULY Birthdays & Anniversaries

1st - Kylie Jackson
2nd - Lorene Denson
6th - Rodney Glover
7th - Bron Burnside
7th - Jonathan Mikita
8th - Brianna Pyatt
8th - Carrie Ann Guy
13th - Wyatt Mikita
15th - Linda Hendrix
16th - LD Meier
17th - Harry & Polly Mikita
17th - Bryan Hlatki
17th - Haylee Schulte
17th - Hannah Schulte
18th - Jeremy and Meagan Gardner
18th - Brooklyn Billmire
19th - Grady Leithead
19th - Evie Stevens
20th - Ernie & Jeanie Mikita
21st - Whitney Tunink
22nd - Luke Meier
22nd - Bill & Rachel Stevens
23rd - Marcellus Rozdiłski
27rd - Brayden Glover
29th - Jason Mikita

SCHEDULE

July 31st - Prayers for Rain (7 AM)

August 3rd - Great Vespers (5 PM)

August 4th - Divine Liturgy (9:30 AM)

WISDOM

"Why can you be annoyed with a person; why can you be angry with him? Because you consider yourself superior to him." - St. Ambrose of Optina

WEEKLY JOKES

At the office barbecue, I grilled some rare steak for our boss, and he said, "I like it well done." I said, "Thanks. That means a lot."

For the 10th year in a row, my coworkers voted me "the most secretive guy" in the office. I can't tell you how much this award means to me.

WELCOME! IT IS GOOD TO BE HERE!

Coffee Hour: 7/28 - BBQ Contest | 8/4 - Community Potluck

Church Cleanup: 7/28 - Britton | 8/4 - No One

Special Collection

On May 28, St Theodosius Orthodox Cathedral in Cleveland, Ohio was destroyed by a fire. We had meant to take a special collection weeks ago but due to the busyness of Church life, we somehow missed this. We will be taking a collection this weekend and the next few weeks, sending a check. If you would like to donate directly you can here: <https://www.sttheodosius.org>

Blood Donation at the Lutheran Church

Donating blood is safe and simple, and it contributes to the well being of the larger community through the recipients. Please consider donating blood, this time in honor of our recently passed friend, Carolyn Gardner. Carolyn lived with blood cancer before her last days, and we can remember her by giving this precious resource to others. Sign up off the Link on our Facebook or go to <https://www.redcrossblood.org/> and search by Zip Code.

New Carpet in Church - Update

The Bid presented to us was over \$52k and we are looking for new bids. If anyone wants to offer to help in looking for a more reputable / better company, the Parish Council would greatly appreciate it. See Fr. Stephen if you can help.

Slavic Fest Parish Meeting (Today)

Please stay after Liturgy for a quick 15 minutes.

BBQ Contest (Today)

Adult Class (August 3rd)

Parish Council (August 4th - Next Sunday)

Community Dance (August 10th - 8 PM)

We will be having another community dance on the 10th. Please tell your friends and family. BYOB.

Palisade Peaches and Pears Order (Due August 11th)

St. Michael Catholic Church is selling Peaches and Pears again. If you are interested in buying some, all orders must be received by Sunday, August 11th. Please contact Michael at 719-351-6751 if you are interested.

Holy Apostles of the Seventy and Deacons: Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, and Parmenas

Ss. Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon and Parmenas, Apostles of the Seventy were among the first deacons in the Church of Christ. In the Acts of the Holy Apostles (6:1-6) it is said that the twelve Apostles chose seven men: Stephen, Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas and Nicholas, full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom, and appointed them to serve as deacons. They are commemorated together on July 28, although they died at various times and in various places. At first, St. Prochorus accompanied the holy Apostle Peter, who made him bishop in the city of Nicomedia. After the Dormition of the Most Holy Theotokos, Prochorus was a companion and coworker of the holy Apostle John the Theologian and was banished with him to the island of Patmos. There he wrote down the Book of Revelation concerning the final fate of the world. Upon returning to Nicomedia, St. Prochorus converted pagans to Christ in the city of Antioch, where he suffered martyrdom. Although St. Nicanor suffered on the same day that the holy Protomartyr Stephen (December 27) and many other Christians were killed by stoning, he is also commemorated on December 28. St. Timon was later appointed by the Apostles as bishop of the city of Bostra in Arabia and suffered from the Jews and pagans for preaching the Gospel. He was thrown into a furnace, but by the power of God he came out of it unharmed. The tradition of the Roman Church says that St. Timon died by crucifixion. St. Timon is also commemorated on December 30. St. Parmenas zealously preached Christ in Macedonia. He died after being afflicted with an illness. Some say that St. Parmenas suffered martyrdom under Trajan (98-117) in the final year of his reign.

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, Fr. Matthew, 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, Alisha with child, Jackie, Amber with child, Anna with child, Joan, Trisha, Stella, Lee, Carol, Ethan, infant AdaLynn, Austin, Kodiak, Miriham, Cheri, April, Madalyn, McKenzie, MaKiya, Hannah, Haylee, Keith, Samantha, Christina, Jake, Ashton, Jeanie, Jetlyn, Murl, Millie, Earnie, child Charlotte, Cathy, Michael, Frances, Jim, Anna, Chris, Cindy, Margret, Nate, Ryan, Dusty, Hannah with child, Natalie, Kelly with child, Micah, Sabrina with child, Georgiana

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

Departed:

Fr. James, infant Gus, Carolyn

Youth:

Elitch Gardens (August 11th)

We moved the date a week to accommodate the Elbert Fair kids. Liturgy will be at 8:30 AM that day and we will leave afterward to head up. Please note the time and date change for Liturgy. Everyone is welcome!

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