

ST. MARY'S **HOLY DORMITION**

APOSTLE BARTHOLOMEW 9TH SUNDAY PENTECOST

Scripture Readings

1 Corinthians 3:9-17 (Epistle)

Brethren, we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, you are God's building. According to the grace of God which was given to me, as a wise master builder I have laid the foundation, and another builds on it. But let each one take heed how he builds on it. For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if anyone builds on this foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw, each one's work will become clear; for the Day will declare it, because it will be revealed by fire; and the fire will test each one's work, of what sort it is. If anyone's work which he has built on it endures, he will receive a reward. If anyone's work is burned, he will suffer loss; but he himself will be saved, yet so as through fire. Do you not know that you are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you? If anyone defiles the temple of God, God will destroy him. For the temple of God is holy, which temple you are.

Matthew 14:22-34 (Gospel)

At that time, Jesus made His disciples get into the boat and go before Him to the other side, while He sent the multitudes away. And when He had sent the multitudes away, He went up on the mountain by Himself to pray. Now when evening came, He was alone there. But the boat was now in the middle of the sea, tossed by the waves, for the wind was contrary. Now in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went to them, walking on the sea. And when the disciples saw Him walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out for fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Be of good cheer! It is I; do not be afraid." And Peter answered Him and said, "Lord, if it is You, command me to come to You on the water." So He said, "Come." And when Peter had come down out of the boat, he walked on the water to go to Jesus. But when he saw that the wind was boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink he cried out, saying, "Lord, save me!" And immediately Jesus stretched out His hand and caught him, and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. Then those who were in the boat came and worshiped Him, saying, "Truly You are the Son of God." When they had crossed over, they came to the land of Gennesaret.

AUGUST Birthdays & Anniversaries

4th - Taytam Robinson

5th - Kelly Glover 7th - Gary & Georgianna Glover

7th - Emmary Britton

7th - Mat. Lindsey Osburn

10th - Robert & Tatiana Boyd

11th - Sheila Mikita

13th - Denise Mikita

13th - Trey & Lauren Nelson

15th - Debbie Molner

16th - Kade Pyatt

17th - Daniel Tipton

17th - Scott Mikita

17th - Ken & Lore Denson

18th - Juston Scott

23rd - Joey Gdovin

27th - Logan & Abigail Bourg

28th - Ernie Mikita

31st - Dave & Carrie Guy

31st - Rodney & Kelly Glover

August 28th - Readers Prayers for Rain (7 AM) August 31st - Readers Vespers (5 PM) September 1st - Divine Liturgy (9:30 AM)

"And since the holy Virgin hath borne after the Flesh God united personally to the Flesh, therefore we do say that she is also Mother of God, not as though the Nature of the Word had the beginning of Its existence from flesh, for It was in the beginning and the Word was God, and the Word was with God [John 1:1], and is Himself the Maker of the ages, Co-eternal with the Father and Creator of all things.

- St. Cyril of Alexandria

EEKLY JOKES

That's a nice ham you got there. It'd be a shame if someone put a S in front and an E at the end.

What's the opposite of ground beef? High steaks.

WELCOME! IT IS GOOD TO BE HERE!

Coffee Hour: 8/25 - No One | 9/1 - No One

Church Cleanup: 8/25 - Becky | 9/1 - No One

We are in dire need of folks to step up for Coffee and Church Clean up. Signing up for Church Clean Up and Coffee Hour is vital in our community. We foster a real sense of community and shared responsibility when we all step up. Please, please consider signing up for one or both of these ministries in our parish. Neither requires much. For Coffee Hour, you don't have to go crazy with coffee hour, bagels and a mixed fruit tray are enough. For Clean Up, it only requires 30 minutes of your time during the week. There is a list of what needs to be done and everything is at the ready for cleaning. You can come any time during the week before Saturday. Thank you.

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.

Mrs. Hart - Calhan Principal Meal Train

Jennifer Hart was in an accident on Saturday morning when someone ran a light at Judge Orr and Elicott. She is currently in stable condition and maintains good spirits despite this challenging situation. Tina Glaser has setup a Meal Train if you'd like to help. While all the dates are currently filled but you can still purchase a gift card to help.

Here is the link: https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/97y055

Father and Family Away (August 16th-31st)

Fr. Stephen and family are away for a Wedding and a family reunion. Welcome to Fr. James Worth! It is good to have him back. If anything comes up while Fr. Stephen is away, please contact him as usual.

Adult Class (On Hold Until September)

Return of the Relics of the Apostle Bartholomew from Anastasiopolis to Lipari

The Transfer of the Relics of the Apostle Bartholomew took place at the end of the sixth century. His martyrdom is remembered by the Church on June 11. The Apostle Bartholomew was martyred in Armenian Albanus (now Baku) in 71 AD, where his relics remained, performing numerous miracles and converting many unbelievers to Christ. During the reign of Emperor Anastasius (491–518), his relics were moved to the newly constructed city of Anastasiopolis, where they stayed until the city was captured by the Persian Emperor Chozroes.

Christians fleeing Anastasiopolis took the chest containing Bartholomew's relics to the shores of the Black Sea. Pagan priests, overtaking them, threw the chest and four others containing the relics of Martyrs Papian, Lucian, Gregory, and Acacius into the sea. Miraculously, the chests floated and reached Italy. The chest with Bartholomew's relics landed on the island of Lipari, while the others reached various parts of Italy: Papian's relics stopped in Sicily, Lucian's in Messina, Gregory's in Calabria, and Acacius's in Askalon.

Bishop Agathon of Lipari, guided by a divine revelation, retrieved Bartholomew's relics and placed them in a church. Myrrh flowed from the relics, healing many. The relics stayed in Lipari until the ninth century when pagans captured the island. Christian merchants then moved Bartholomew's relics to Beneventum, near Naples, where they were venerated and placed in the main church of the city.

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, Lindý, 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, Darrell, Timothy, child Kylie, Jennifer

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

Departed:

Infant Gus, Shelly

Youth:

TBA in September

The Next Youth Activity will be announced when Fr. Stephen is back.