



# ST. MARY'S HOLY DORMITION

OCTOBER 20TH, 2024  
GREATMARTYR ARTEMIS  
17TH SUNDAY PENTECOST

## Scripture Readings

### 2 Corinthians 6:16-7:1 (Epistle)

Brethren, what agreement has the temple of God with idols? For you are the temple of the living God. As God has said: "I will dwell in them and walk among them. I will be their God, and they shall be My people." Therefore "Come out from among them and be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, and I will receive you." "I will be a Father to you, and you shall be My sons and daughters, says the LORD Almighty." Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

### Luke 16:19-31 (Gospel)

The Lord said this parable: There was a certain rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and fared sumptuously every day. But there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, full of sores, who was laid at his gate, desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man's table. Moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. So it was that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died and was buried. And being in torments in Hades, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. Then he cried and said, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame.' But Abraham said, 'Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things; but now he is comforted and you are tormented. And besides all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed, so that those who want to pass from here to you cannot, nor can those from there pass to us.' Then he said, 'I beg you therefore, father, that you would send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, that he may testify to them, lest they also come to this place of torment.' Abraham said to him, 'They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.' And he said, 'No, father Abraham; but if one goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' But he said to him, 'If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded though one rise from the dead.'"

## OCT Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 2nd - Daryl Mikita
- 3rd - Michael Hlatki
- 6th - David Rozdilsky
- 8th - Rita Evanoika
- 11th - Fr. Stephen Osburn
- 12th - Steven & Sarah Dumler
- 13th - Theo Nelson
- 16th - Kevin & Brandy Buchner
- 21st - Dan and Vickie Tipton
- 22nd - Luke Fischer
- 25th - Brady Billmire
- 27th - Brody Burnside
- 29th - Steven Dumler

## SCHEDULE

- October 23rd - Prayers for Rain (7 AM)
- October 26th - Great Vespers (5 PM)
- October 27th - Divine Liturgy (9:30 AM)

## WISDOM

*"For it is not my desire to act towards you as a man-pleaser, but as pleasing God, even as also ye please Him. For neither shall I ever have such [another] opportunity of attaining to God; nor will ye, if ye shall now be silent, ever be entitled to the honor of a better work. For if ye are silent concerning me, I shall become God's; but if you show your love to my flesh, I shall again have to run my race. Pray, then, do not seek to confer any greater favor upon me than that I be sacrificed to God while the altar is still prepared; that, being gathered together in love, ye may sing praise to the Father, through Christ Jesus, that God has deemed me, the bishop of Syria, worthy to be sent for from the east unto the west. It is good to set from the world unto God, that I may rise again to Him."*

- St. Ignatius, Epistle to the Romans, Chapter 2

## WEEKLY JOKES

*When I was a kid, bedtime was 8 pm. I couldn't wait to be a grownup so I could go to bed anytime I wanted. Turns out that is 8 pm.*

*Yesterday I wore something from 5 years ago and it fit!!! So proud of myself. It was a pair of socks, but still let's be positive here.*

*Just got 30 minutes of cardio trying to pick up an ice cube from the kitchen floor.*

# WELCOME! IT IS GOOD TO BE HERE!

**Coffee Hour: 10/20 - Potluck | 10/27 - Chili Cook Off**

**Church Cleanup: 10/20 - Hendrix | 10/27 - Brooks**

**New Carpet in Church - We will Discuss in November**

## Slavic Fest Recap

Huge thank you to everyone for all their hard work this year at Slavic Fest. While this is not an easy event to put on, it went pretty well and I was really impressed that so many younger folks stepped up with cooking, cleaning, working the lines, helping with setup and take down, and overall being available where needed. When I say younger folks, I don't just mean our adults under 60, but I mean the kids as well. Every time I came inside the hall, I saw at least 2-3 teenagers working either the food line or getting trays or taking trash out. Well done! Additionally, I had 80 at one Church Tour as well as did a 3rd tour on Saturday. It was a very fruitful event for spreading the Gospel and the Church. May God Grant our entire community Many Years!! - Fr. Stephen

## Diocesan Assembly Recap

This past week at the Diocesan Assembly in Milwaukie, Oregon, was an interesting assembly to say the least. We were joined not just by our own diocesan archbishop, but also by His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon who announced that Archbishop Benjamin has made plans to retire at next year's All American Council in Phoenix, AZ. A successor for His Eminence is in the works and there is a plan for potential candidates that will be announced in the coming months. All of this will be posted on both the OCA's website as well as our own diocesan website once more has been "revealed". I don't know who will be his successor but I ask that everyone pray for those involved in selecting his replacement. Archbishop Benjamin has faithfully served our diocese for over 20 years and it will be a challenge for the diocese to adjust to a new bishop. Pray for all of them and pray for His Eminence. - Fr. Stephen

## Chili Cook Off (Next Sunday)

It is that time of year to start thinking about the Chili Cook Off. If you are interested in competing, please see Mat. Lindsey. We will also be having our annual Trunk or Treat that day as well.

## Adult Class (On Hold)

## Greatmartyr Artemius at Antioch

Saint Artemius of Antioch was a distinguished military leader during the reigns of Emperor Constantine the Great and his son, Constantius. He earned numerous awards for his service and was appointed viceroy of Egypt, where he worked to strengthen and spread Christianity. Under Constantius, he was tasked with bringing the relics of Apostles Andrew and Luke to Constantinople, where they were placed in the Church of the Holy Apostles. For this, Constantius rewarded him with authority over Egypt.

When Julian the Apostate succeeded Constantius, his efforts to revive paganism led to widespread persecution of Christians. Saint Artemius openly rebuked Julian for his impiety, resulting in his imprisonment and brutal torture. Despite suffering greatly, Artemius remained steadfast in his faith, bolstered by a vision of Christ promising him heavenly reward. Refusing to renounce Christianity, he continued to endure torment until Julian finally ordered his beheading.

After his death, Artemius' prophecy about Julian's demise was fulfilled. During a failed campaign against the Persians, Julian was mortally wounded by an unseen force and acknowledged his defeat with the famous words, "You have conquered, Galilean!" Saint Artemius' relics were later transferred to Constantinople, and he is venerated as a martyr, especially invoked by those suffering from hernias.

## 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:

**Clergy:** Abp. Benjamin, Abp. Nathaniel, Abp. Alexander, Met. Isaiah, Fr. Dennis, Fr. Matthew

**Community:** Meryl, Harold, Tammy, Litsa, child Lilliana, Carl, Christina, Lindy, Alicia, Iryland, Patricia, Danny, Jerry, Roberta, Wendy, Judy, Michael, Jill, Beverly, Jackie, Trisha, Stella, Lee, Carol, Kodiak, John, Miriham, Cheri, April, Madalyn, McKenzie, MaKiya, Hannah, Haylee, Keith, Samantha, Christina, Jake, Ashton, Jeanie, Jetlyn, Murl, Millie, Earnie, Cathy, Michael, Frances, Jim, Anna, Chris, Cindy, Nate, Ryan, Dusty, Natalie, Micah, Georgiana, Margret, Darrell, child Kylie, Jennifer, Kayla, Kelly, Terri, Kyle, Matti, Debbie

**Those with child:** Lily, Alisha, Amber, Anna, Hannah, Cassi, Abigail, Kelly, Brittany, Lauren, Sabrina

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

**And all of those who are suffering throughout our community and the world who are in need of prayers.**

**And for the building up of all of our churches, including St. John's in Colorado Springs and all missions throughout the USA.**

### Departed:

Mat. Anne, Charles, Lloyd, Frank, Margaret, Suzannah

## Youth:

### Trunk or Treat (Next Sunday)

Our Annual Trunk or Treat will be the last Sunday of October.

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