



## February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2026

### Sunday of the Prodigal Son — Tone 2

### Afterfeast of the Meeting

## Scripture Readings

### 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 (Epistle 135)

All things are lawful for me, but all things are not helpful. All things are lawful for me, but I will not be brought under the power of any. Foods for the stomach and the stomach for foods, but God will destroy both it and them. Now the body is not for sexual immorality but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God both raised up the Lord and will also raise us up by His power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a harlot? Certainly not! Or do you not know that he who is joined to a harlot is one body with her? For "the two," He says, "shall become one flesh." But he who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with Him. Flee sexual immorality. Every sin that a man does is outside the body, but he who commits sexual immorality sins against his own body. Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own? For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's.

### Luke 15:11-32 (Gospel 79)

Then He said: "A certain man had two sons. And the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the portion of goods that falls to me.' So he divided to them his livelihood. And not many days after, the younger son gathered all together, journeyed to a far country, and there wasted his possessions with prodigal living. But when he had spent all, there arose a severe famine in that land, and he began to be in want. Then he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country, and he sent him into his fields to feed swine. And he would gladly have filled his stomach with the pods that the swine ate, and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you, and I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Make me like one of your hired servants."' And he arose and came to his father. But when he was still a great way off, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and fell on his neck and kissed him. And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and in your sight, and am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his servants, 'Bring out the best robe and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand and sandals on his feet. And bring the fatted calf here and kill it, and let us eat and be merry; *(continued on back)*

## Many Years!

### birthdays

1<sup>st</sup> - Libbie Meier  
3<sup>rd</sup> - Alicia Glover  
3<sup>rd</sup> - Carly Carneal  
6<sup>th</sup> - Robert Hertneky  
7<sup>th</sup> - Trey Nelson  
7<sup>th</sup> - Jared Mitchell  
8<sup>th</sup> - Paul Robinson  
13<sup>th</sup> - Daniel Rozdilski  
20<sup>th</sup> - Myrle Hlatki  
20<sup>th</sup> - Bill Hendrix  
20<sup>th</sup> - Ben Hendrix  
25<sup>th</sup> - Josh Tunink  
25<sup>th</sup> - Richard Molner  
26<sup>th</sup> - Harold Eurich  
29<sup>th</sup> - Rodger Mikita

## Calendar

February 11<sup>th</sup> Moleben|Adult Class  
— *Wednesday 6:30p*

February 14<sup>th</sup> Panikhida  
— *Memorial Saturday 9:30a*  
*St. Tikhon's*

February 14<sup>th</sup> Vespers  
— *Saturday 6:30p*

February 15<sup>th</sup> Divine Liturgy  
— *Sunday 9:30a*

February 15<sup>th</sup> American Orthodox  
— *12 noon*

*Movie screening in the hall*  
*following Divine Liturgy*

*(continued from front)* for this my son was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found! And they began to be merry. Now his older son was in the field. And as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. So he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and because he has received him safe and sound, your father has killed the fatted calf.' But he was angry and would not go in. Therefore his father came out and pleaded with him. So he answered and said to his father, 'Lo, these many years I have been serving you; I never transgressed your commandment at any time; and yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might make merry with my friends. But as soon as this son of yours came, who has devoured your livelihood with harlots, you killed the fatted calf for him.' And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that I have is yours. It was right that we should make merry and be glad, for your brother was dead and is alive again, and was lost and is found.'"

## Mission Vespers 2026 Schedule

In Great Lent it is our tradition to travel around neighboring Orthodox parishes in Southern Colorado on Sunday evening. Each Vesper service is followed by a short talk by one of our local priests, and then a simple meal hosted by the parish. Here is this year's schedule. St. Mary's will host on March 8<sup>th</sup> for St. Gregory Palamas Sunday.

## MISSION VESPERS 2026

All services begin at 6.00pm each Sunday evening

**Theme:** "Regaining our Attention in the Age of Distraction: An Orthodox Vision for Spiritual Life and Salvation"

**Charity:** International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC)

March 1	<i>Sunday of Orthodoxy</i>	Holy Theophany (OCA) Colorado Springs
March 8	<i>St. Gregory Palamas</i>	Holy Dormition (OCA) Calhan
March 15	<i>The Precious Cross</i>	Archangel Michael (GOA) Colorado Springs
March 22	<i>St. John Climacus</i>	Archangel Michael (OCA) Pueblo
March 29	<i>St. Mary of Egypt</i>	St. John the Baptist (OCA) Colorado Springs

### Troparion | Tone 2 (Resurrection)

*When Thou didst descend to death, O Life immortal, Thou didst slay hell with the splendor of Thy Godhead. And when from the depths Thou didst raise the dead, all the powers of heaven cried out: "O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to Thee!"*

### Troparion | Tone 1 (Feast)

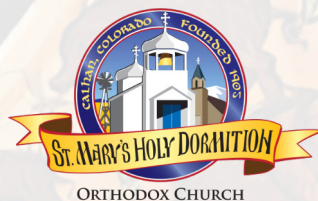
*Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos, Full of Grace! From thee shone the Sun of Righteousness, Christ our God, enlightening those who sat in darkness. Rejoice and be glad, O righteous Elder, thou didst accept in thine arms the Redeemer of our souls, Who grants us the Resurrection!*

### Kontakion | Tone 3 (Triodian)

*I have recklessly forgotten Thy glory, O Father; and among sinners I have scattered the riches which Thou hadst given me. Therefore I cry to Thee like the Prodigal: "I have sinned before Thee, O compassionate Father; receive me a penitent, and make me as one of Thy hired servants!"*

### Kontakion | Tone 1 (Feast)

*By Thy Nativity Thou didst sanctify the Virgin's womb and didst bless Simeon's hands, O Christ God. Now Thou hast come and saved us through love. Grant peace to all Orthodox Christians, O only Lover of Man!*



## Prayer List

**Living:** Met. Tikhon, Abp. Benjamin, Bp. Vasily, Fr. Andreas, Fr. Anthony, Fr. Zechariah, Fr. Dennis, Fr. Silouan, Mother Cassiana, Combs Family

Michael, Harold, Libbie and the Infant Lawrence, Toni Dell, Tyler, David, Victor, Kyla, Tony, Diane, Betty, Muriel, Child Gerhard ✕ Meryl, Tammy, Litsa, Lillian, Carl, Christina, Lindy, John, Alicia, Patricia, Danny, Jerry, Roberta, Wendy, Judy, Jill, Beverly, Infant Dominic, Joseph, Jackie Joan, Trisha, Lee, Carol, Ethan, infant AdaLynn, Navvlet, Leilah, Austin, Brian, Josh, Mother Magdalena, Kodiak, Miriham, Cheri, infant Gus, April, Madalyn, Makenzie, MaKiya, Hannah, Haylee, Keith, Samantha, Christina, Jake, Jetlyn, Lauren, Bob, Georgianna, Clint, Murl, Carolyn, Millie, child Charlotte, Cathy.

**Departed:** Alana Dee Eurich

**Those with child:** Mka. Lindsey

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

## Commemorations

SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON — Tone 2. Afterfeast of the Meeting. Greatmartyr Theodore Stratelates ("the General"—319). Prophet Zachariah (ca. 520 B.C.). St. Sava II, Archbishop of Serbia (1269).

## New Leadership

Many Years to those who prayerfully volunteered for positions within both the executive board and our parish council. New leadership positions that were filled are given in **bold** below:

**Starosta** - Michael Hlatki  
Secretary - Becky Fischer  
Treasurer - Carrie Guy

**Council** - Herman Bever  
**Council** - Jeremy Gardner  
Council - Lacie Leithead  
Council - Scott Mikita  
Council - Butch Sakala  
Council - Josh Sisneros  
Council - Terri Volosin

**Auditor** - Doreen Himelrick  
**Auditor** - Debby Hlatki  
Auditor - Lori Meier

## American Orthodox

We have been blessed with an opportunity to screen the movie: American Orthodox - Following liturgy on February 15<sup>th</sup>.

Travel to California's coastal Fort Ross, where an icon mysteriously washed ashore, sparking a legacy of faith. Encounter St. Peter the Aleut, a Native American saint who courageously planted the seeds of Orthodoxy and gave his life as a martyr. Through the lives of early saints, the film American Orthodox reveals the hidden stories and sacred connections that continue to shape America's spiritual landscape.