

SAINT MARY'S GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

August 21, 2022

Tenth Sunday of Matthew

The Divine Liturgy

Commemoration: Tenth Sunday of Matthew; The Holy Apostle Thaddaeus; The Holy Martyr Bassa and Her Sons: Theognis, Agapius, and Pistus; Athanasios Patellaros, Patriarch of Constantinople; After-feast of the Dormition of our Most Holy Lady the Theotokos and Ever Virgin Mary.

Morning Gospel: Tenth

Tone: First

Variable Hymns and Readings in the Liturgy

At the Second Antiphon

Save us, O Son of God, who rose from the dead, save us who sing to you: Alleluia!

At the Small Entrance

Hymn of the Dormition of the Theotokos, First Tone

In giving birth, you preserved your virginity, O Theotokos; in falling asleep you did not forsake the world. You passed over into life, O Mother of Life; and by your prayers you deliver our souls from death!

Hymn of Entrance

Come, let us worship and bow down before Christ. Save us, O Son of God, who rose from the dead, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!

Resurrection Hymn, First Tone

Although your tomb was sealed with a stone, O Savior, and your most pure body was guarded by the soldiers, you rose on the third day giving life to all the world. Therefore, O giver of life, the powers of heaven praise you: Glory to your resurrection, O Christ. Glory to your kingdom. Glory to your saving wisdom, O only lover of mankind.

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Kontakion for the Dormition of the Theotokos, Plagal Second Tone

She is our vigilant intercessor, the Theotokos, our sure hope and protection. Neither death nor tomb held any power over her, for as the Mother of Life, she was taken into life by that very one who deigned to dwell in her ever virgin womb.

Epistle..... I Corinthians 4:9-16

Brethren, God has exhibited us apostles as last of all, like men sentenced to death; because we have become a spectacle to the world, to angels and to men. We are fools for Christ’s sake, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honor, but we in disrepute. To the present hour we hunger and thirst, we are ill-clad and buffeted and homeless, and we labor, working with our own hands. When reviled, we bless; when persecuted, we endure; when slandered, we try to conciliate; we have become, and are now, as the refuse of the world, the off-scouring of all things. I do not write this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. For though you have countless guides in Christ, you do not have many fathers. For I became your father in Christ Jesus through the gospel. I urge you, then, be imitators of me.

Gospel..... Matthew 17:14-23

At that time, a man came up to Jesus and kneeling before him said, “Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic and he suffers terribly; for often he falls into the fire, and often into the water. And I brought him to your disciples, and they could not heal him.” And Jesus answered, “O faithless and perverse generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him here to me.” And Jesus rebuked him, and the demon came out of him, and the boy was cured instantly. Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, “Why could we not cast it out?” He said to them, “Because of your little faith. For truly I say to you, if you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, ‘Move hence to yonder place,’ and it will move; and nothing will be impossible to you. But this kind never comes out except by prayer and fasting.” As they were gathering in Galilee, Jesus said to them, “The Son of man is to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him, and he will be raised on the third day.”

The Communion Prayers are found on page 4 of this leaflet.

Stewardship Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, our God, accept our offerings as You have accepted the gifts of Your people throughout the ages. We offer these gifts to Your glory, for the support of the ministries of Your holy Church, for the alleviation of suffering and hunger, and for the proclamation of Your Gospel to the whole world.

Grant us Your blessing, Lord our Savior, that we may always be faithful stewards, continuing to share the gifts you have given us, by the power of Your grace, mercy, and love. May Your name be glorified forever. Amen.

Today

Prosforo is provided by Ruta Kubits.

40-Day Churching: **Frank**, parents: Christopher & Erin Grammas

The coffee hour today is hosted by the Greek Festival Committee.

Prayer Ministry

Please remember the sick, the suffering, and those in need, especially: The family of Bryn Hartwig; Those suffering from COVID-19 and those who care for them; for the people of Ukraine; our brothers and sisters living through the aftermath of disaster; for the victims of violence; Metro Hope Ministries; Orthodox Christian Prison Ministry; Families Moving Forward; FOCUS Minnesota; Our brothers and sisters serving in the Armed Forces throughout the world especially John Ellis; San Miguel Del Lago Orphanage; the Muñoz family, Nuala, Pamela, Avgi, Elena, Speranta, Maria, Dave Ruesink, Liz, Efstratia, Jordan, David, Nino, Joe, Tom, Gigi, Zossima, Donnarae, Samira, Mary K., Dreux, Monte, Bethany, Mark, Owen, Chrysanthi, Estelle, Justine, Melissa, Megan, Dallas, Lenzie, Lisa, Michael, Robbie, Judi, Evonne, James, Nichole, Constantine, Theodora, Mary, Irene Maria, Marion, Apostolos, Olivia, Lincoln, Carole, Patty, Karrisa, Corina, Tom, George R., Ken, Nancy and Tim, Olga, Peter, Cora and family, Bo, Tom, Lynn, Deb, Sarah, Maia, Travis, Kassie, Tahnlee, Lois, Kalli, Annie, Sue & Jim, Steve, Sue, Jane, Rifka, Pat, Nancy, Dave, Pam, Gilbert, George P., Danielle, Jenny, John L., Steven E., Julia, Presvytera Janis, Sandra, Sophia, George, Rick, Bryn, Nancy, Alex, Eryn, Phil, Karen, Dorla, Linda, Fr. Elias, Vicki, Bill, Diana, Elpis Fotini, Doria, Mike, Stephanie, Tyler, Ben, Amy, Christy, Karen, Anastasia, Jamie, Alex and Alexander, Toni, Gina, Julie, R.J., Allie, Vickie, Petra, Bob, Joseph, Christopher, Elizabeth, Jaxon, Judi, Bodil, Ole, and others known to you.

THE COMMUNION PRAYERS

I believe and confess, Lord, that You are truly the Christ, the Son of the living God, who came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the first. I also believe that this is truly Your pure Body and that this is truly Your precious Blood. Therefore, I pray to You, have mercy upon me, and forgive my transgressions, voluntary and involuntary, in word and deed, known and unknown. And make me worthy without condemnation to partake of Your pure Mysteries for the forgiveness of sins and for life eternal. Amen.

Behold, I approach for Divine Communion. O Maker, burn me not as I partake, for You are fire consuming the unworthy. But cleanse me from every stain.

Receive me today, O Son of God, as a partaker of Your mystical supper; for I will not betray Your mysteries to Your enemies, nor give You a kiss as did Judas, but as the thief I confess You: Remember me, O Lord, in Your kingdom.

Tremble, O man, as you behold the divine Blood. It is a burning coal that sears the unworthy. The Body of God both deifies and nourishes me: It deifies the spirit and wondrously nourishes the mind.

You have smitten me with yearning, O Christ, and by Your divine eros You have changed me. But burn up my sins with spiritual fire, and grant me to be filled with delight in You, so that, leaping for joy, I may magnify, O Good One, Your two comings.

How shall I, who am unworthy, enter into the splendor of Your saints? If I dare to enter into the bridal chamber, my clothing will accuse me, since it is not a wedding garment; and being bound up, I shall be cast out by the angels. In Your love, Lord, cleanse my soul and save me.

Loving Master, Lord Jesus Christ, my God, let not these holy Gifts be to my condemnation because of my unworthiness, but for the cleansing and sanctification of soul and body and the pledge of the future life and kingdom. It is good for me to cling to God and to place in Him the hope of my salvation.

Approaching to receive, each makes a reverence and says:

✠ Behold I approach Christ, our immortal King and God.

Welcome, Fr. Schroedel

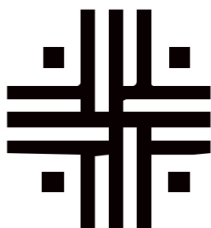
Covering at St. Mary's and Holy Anargyroi in Rochester

Father John Schroedel currently serves at St. Mary's OCA Cathedral in Minneapolis. As an attached priest, he has helped out at many parishes in Minnesota and Iowa. He graduated from St. Vladimir's Seminary in 2002, and was OCF campus chaplain at the University of Chicago for six years while attached to Christ the Savior Church in downtown Chicago. He was pastor of St. Juvenaly Mission and Holy Ascension Mission on the Big Island of Hawaii. After ten years in Hawaii, he moved to Minnesota in the summer of 2018. His wife, Presbyteria Jenny (Genevieve), is a bereavement counselor with Presbyterian Homes. They have two daughters, Anna and Natalie.

Sacraments This Week

Marriage

John Paulson to Emilia Marinkovic, August 20, 2022



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Greece to Minneapolis.



SEPT. 9, 10, & 11

Enjoy authentic Greek food, music, and cultural experiences while supporting philanthropy!

FRIDAY: 2pm-9pm, SATURDAY: Noon-9pm, SUNDAY: Noon-5pm

Greek Dancing • Live Greek Music • Greek Boutique • Greek Pastry Sale • Church Tours • Orthodox Bookstore
Food Drive to Support Local Food Shelf— Donate 3 Non-perishable Food Items and Receive a Complimentary NA Beverage

We are now a cashless event. Credit and debit cards only.

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Volunteer sign up is underway - stop by the Festival table in the Great Hall this morning to find out where you can help ... or go to our sign up site found in the Weekly Update e-mail to volunteer.



New This Year *Gift Cards!*

This year, for security reasons, we are a cash-less Festival. At the various venues we will be accepting credit and debit cards only.

We are offering gift cards for you to give as gifts to your family, friends, neighbors, co-workers, clients, and anyone else you'd like to give something a little special to! You can purchase the cards in any amount you wish. They are used just like a debit card during the Festival. This year's food prices run from \$6.00 for small items to \$13.00 for dinners and pastries are in the \$1.00-\$8.00 range. The cards are available at the Festival table in the Great Hall this morning.

~ Publicize the Festival ~

The Festival publicity posters and flyers have arrived.

Stop by the Festival table and grab a few items and display them around town!



A Taste of Greece

Friday, September 9 — 2:00-9:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 10 — 12:00 noon-9:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 11 — 12:00 noon-5:00 p.m.

———— Calendar of the Week ————

Sunday, August 21: Tenth Sunday of Matthew

- 8:30 a.m. – Matins; 9:30 a.m. – Divine Liturgy
- 11:30 a.m. – Missions and Outreach Meeting, Fireside Room
- 12:00 noon – Bus leaves St. Mary's for Twins game

Monday, August 22

- 6:00 p.m. – Greek Dance Practice, Great Hall
* *Note updated start time*
- 6:00 p.m. – Greek Festival Meeting, Fireside Room

Tuesday, August 23

- 9:00 a.m. – Thiples Frying, Kitchen
- 4:00-7:00 p.m. – Visitation for Kathy Hoff, Trisagion Service at 6:30 p.m.
Washburn-McReavy Edina Chapel
- 6:00 p.m. – Church School Teachers' Meeting, Classroom
- 6:00 p.m. – Adult Open Gym, Great Hall

Wednesday, August 24

- 10:00 a.m. – FAITH Playgroup, Central Park of Maple Grove
- 11:00 a.m. – Funeral Service for Kathy Hoff, Visitation from 10:00
St. Mary's Church

Thursday, August 25

- 7:00 p.m. – Edina Koinonia, Meeting Room 1
- 7:00 p.m. – Stewardship Committee, Fireside Room

Saturday, August 27

No Bible Study during August

Sunday, August 28: Eleventh Sunday of Matthew

- 8:30 a.m. – Matins; 9:30 a.m. – Divine Liturgy
- after Liturgy – Altar Servers' Retreat (*Please register by August 25*)
- 12:00 noon – Fill salad dressing cups for Festival, Kitchen

Announcements

Food Shelf Needs for August 28

Baby formula

*Urgently needed is pasta sauce, ground coffee,
canned fruit (peaches, mixed fruit),
and any hygiene items such as toothpaste, toothbrush,
bar soap, razors, and shampoo*

Please do not bring opened packages. They will be discarded.

FAITH Playgroup Gathering

Wednesday, August 24 • 10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon

Join the FAITH Playgroup at Central Park of Maple Grove, 12000 Central Park Way, Maple Grove. Meet at the picnic tables by the shelter at 10:00 a.m.

There's a playground and splash pad! Bring a swimming suit if you want to play in the splash pad. Also, bring your own picnic lunch. Contact *Kyrsten Theodotou*, 641.629.0181, with questions.

Blessing of the Backpacks...

To help you be fully ready to return to school!

Bring your school bag or backpack to church to have it blessed next Sunday, August 28. At the end of the Divine Liturgy, students (pre-school through college) will be invited to the solea with their backpacks for a sprinkling of holy water and a prayer for a successful school year.

Men's Retreat at the Karos' Cabin

September 16-18

A few spaces still remain for this year's Men's Retreat at the Karos' cabin. Our speaker will be Fr. Cyprian Sas, brother of Fr. Tim Sas. This year's retreat dates are September 16-18 and is for all men of St. Mary's over the age of 18. Your check for \$75, made payable to St. Mary's (memo: men's retreat), is your confirmed spot for the weekend.

Sunday Church School

Mark your calendars for the start of Church School!

Sunday, September 18

Philoptochos News

Summer Baking Sessions

Festival baking continues! As a parish community, working together is fun and essential in order for the Festival bake sale to be a success, so we're asking for your help. Bake sale sessions are scheduled as follows:

Diples – Tuesday, August 23, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. (*fry*)

Friday, September 2, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. (*honey*)

Final Prep: Cut baklava, honey melomakarona, set up bake sale areas

Tuesday, September 6, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 7, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Sign up at the Philoptochos table after Sunday Liturgy or on Sign Up Genius.

September Metropolis Luncheon Raffle Tickets

The Metropolis September Luncheon and Raffle on September 24 in Chicago is the biggest fundraiser of the Metropolis Philoptochos. Raffle tickets are available for purchase this morning at the Philoptochos table. The grand prize is \$1,000 with four smaller cash prizes. Donation is \$10 per ticket or three for \$25. The raffle benefits Hellenic College/Holy Cross, St. Iakovos Retreat Center, and Metropolis philanthropic endeavors. Everyone is invited to support the work of Philoptochos by purchasing raffle tickets!

Altar Servers

We are updating our records and looking for boys who would like to begin serving in the altar as well as those planning to continue serving. Please send your updated contact information to David in the Church Office. We want to add new altar servers as well as to verify those who want to continue serving.

Altar Server Retreat

A retreat for our altar servers is planned for next Sunday, August 28, following the Divine Liturgy. New servers should plan to attend and those currently serving are encouraged to join us. Please contact the Church Office *by Thursday, August 25*, to register for the retreat.

Family Camp 2022

Prayer!

October 7-9

Family Camp Registration is open! Don't miss out!

Whether you are a past Family Camp Family or are just curious, take a minute today to check out the Family Camp web page. There you will find information about our speakers, what a typical weekend would look like, what the facility has to offer and much more!

Family Camp has been essential offering to families who want to take a break from the world, enjoy a northern Minnesota experience and add life-long Orthodox friends to their lives.

Adult-aged Family Camp past attendees have told us that some of their closest friends have been made at Family Camp!

And, who doesn't need a bit of a tune up on their PRAYER life?



Fr. Andrew Jaye
Holy Myrrhbearers
Orthodox Church
St. Cloud, MN



David Benson
Twelve Holy Apostles
Greek Orthodox Church
Duluth, MN

To register, visit our website: <https://stmaryscamp.com/family-camp/>

Upcoming Church Festivals

Saints Kosmas and Damianos Greek Orthodox Church

703 West Center Street, Rochester

August 26-28

<https://greekfestrochester.com/>

Saint Mary's Coptic Orthodox Church

501 Sixth Avenue South, South St. Paul

Saturday, August 27: 11:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

Sunday, August 28: 11:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

Saint Mary's Romanian Orthodox Church - Taste of Romania

854 Woodbridge Street (189 Atwater Street) St. Paul

Saturday, September 17: 12:00 noon-5:00 p.m.

LOMCP Gala on the Farm

Don't miss the annual *Lyn Olson Medical Crisis Program* fundraiser
Gala on the Farm.

Korluka Equestrian Farm in Stillwater

Sunday, September 18, 2022

3:00 - 6:00 p.m.

An exciting day is planned for you! New this year is a professional Spanish horse show, performed by *Fredy Castano* and *Manuel Vargas*.

This is a family friendly event!

Adults are \$30 and accompanying kids under 18 are free.

Lyn Olson Medical Crisis Program supports individuals and families who are suffering financially due to a medical crisis.



From the Fathers...on Jesus Christ

Look for him who is above time —
the Timeless, the Invisible, who for our sake became visible.

—*Saint Ignatius of Antioch*

Daily Bible Readings

Monday, August 22

II Corinthians 2:3-15 • Matthew 23:13-22

Tuesday, August 23

Leave-Taking of the Dormition of the Theotokos

Philippians 2:5-11 • Luke 10:38-42, 11:27-28

Wednesday, August 24

II Corinthians 3:4-11 • Matthew 23:29-39

Thursday, August 25

Titus 1:1-5; 2:15; 3:1-2, 12-15 • Matthew 5:14-19

Friday, August 26

Hebrews 10:32-38 • Matthew 24:27-33, 42-51

Saturday, August 27

I Corinthians 1:3-9 • Matthew 19:3-12

Sunday, August 28

Eleventh Sunday of Matthew

I Corinthians 9:2-12 • Matthew 18:23-35

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