

The Messenger

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St. Mary's

Mission Statement

To proclaim, celebrate, and share
the good news of salvation in
Jesus Christ in accordance
with the Orthodox Tradition.

The Five Tasks of Our Parish Vision

Hear
Pray
Grow
Serve
Share



METROPOLIS
OF CHICAGO



Thank You!

A huge thank you to all who made this year's
Greek Festival a huge success!

The efforts on everyone's part made it all possible.

From those who began meeting and planning in early spring,
to the committees who met regularly,

as well as all the bakers, cooks, and cleaners,

our financial supporters listed on the banners around the grounds,

the set up crews, boutique organizers, volunteer coordinators,

church tour guides, greeters, the clean up crew,

and those came back Monday morning to help pack up

the equipment for next year and scrub the kitchen . . .

and to everyone who helped and/or attended the Festival

(we hope we didn't miss anyone!)

Thank You!



Our Life Together

Marriages

John Paulson to Emilia Marinkovic
August 20, 2022

Theo Beauchamp to Audrey Ingram
August 27, 2022

Death

Bryn Hartwig
August 18, 2022
May his memory be eternal.



Share YourShelf

October's recipient of Share Your-Shelf contributions is Simpson Food Pantry.

Sunday, October 2

Canned meals – large cans
(e.g. chili; pork and beans)

Sunday, October 9

Potatoes
boxed, instant, or canned

Sunday, October 16

Pancake mix and syrup

Sunday, October 23

Hygiene items
(e.g. toothpaste, soap, shampoo, etc.)

Sunday, October 30

Pasta
(e.g. Creamettes, egg noodles, spaghetti)

"Make us worthy, Lord, to serve those throughout the world who live and die in poverty or hunger. Give them, through our hands, this day their daily bread; and by our understanding love, give peace and joy. Amen." — Mother Teresa

Memorial Prayers

Sunday, October 2

Anna Barakos (1 year),
mother of Nick Barakos
Saleh Canavati (1 year)

Sunday, October 9

Bryn Hartwig (40 days)
==Joan Spell (40 days)
Peters family members

Our Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to the family of Nicholas Santrizos, uncle of Nick Santrizos, who passed away on July 25, 2022, in Washington DC. May his memory be eternal.

We extend our sympathy to Nick J. and Pamela Boosalis and Jon Klein on the passing of John Felegy, father of Pamela and grandfather of Jon, who passed away on August 20, 2022. May his memory be eternal.



New Online Giving Platform and Text-to-Give



Saint Mary's is moving to a new online giving platform and introducing Text-to-Give! Beginning October 1, the link to the giving site will be changed to direct people to the new site. We hope you will find it easier to use! In addition, we are offering Text-to-Give. You will soon be able to make a donation from your smart phone! Simple instructions will be in the Sunday bulletin each week. We hope you will appreciate these new giving options and opportunities!

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Education • Fellowship • Worship

Fellowship and Study Groups

Intercessory Prayer

On break until November.

Men's Fellowship

Friday, October 7

The Book of Numbers

Friday, October 14

(note date change due to MEA)

Psalm 119

7:00 a.m., Fireside Room

Saturday Bible Study

Every Saturday

9:00 a.m., Fireside Room

Women's Bible Study

On break until November.

Koinonia

Edina Koinonia

Thursday, October 27, 7:00 p.m.

St. Mary's

Akathist to the Mother of God

Given the spiritual challenges facing our youth, we are asking anyone interested to join us as we pray the Akathist to the Mother of God "Nurturer of Children."

We will meet in the Nave on the first and third Monday of each month, beginning October 3, at 9:15 a.m. and October 17, at 7:00 p.m.

The Akathist prayer booklet may be purchased in the bookstore. All are welcome! Questions...call Cindy Karos 612.701.7320 or Popie Rakes 952.393.4180

Coffee Hour Hosts

A number of upcoming Sundays are open for coffee hour hosts. Those Sundays are:

October 16 and 23

November 20 and 27

All Sundays in December

If you would like to host one of these Sundays, please contact the Church Office.



Pan-Orthodox Women's Tea

The Fourteenth Twin Cities Pan-Orthodox Tea will be hosted by St. Mary's Orthodox Cathedral, 1701 Fifth Street NE, Minneapolis, on Saturday, October 22, 10:00-11:30 a.m. Those attending are invited to bring an appetizer or dessert to share!

All guests are welcome! Come for fellowship and help with the humanitarian project for those in need. The Parish Center is handicap accessible through the Fifth Street entrance. Please contact Susan Boris for questions or if you would like to donate to the project.

Susan.Boris10@gmail.com

612.258.6481

Weekend Schedule

Saturday

Great Vespers – 5:00 p.m.

Sunday (live-streamed)

Orthros – 8:30 a.m.

Divine Liturgy – 9:30 a.m.

Weekday Schedule

Saturday, October 1

Holy Protection of the Theotokos

Divine Liturgy – 9:00 a.m.

Liturgy will be at St. Mary's Orthodox Cathedral in Northeast Minneapolis.

We join with our brothers and sisters at the Cathedral as they celebrate their patronal feast day.

Tuesday, October 18

Saint Luke

Divine Liturgy – 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, October 26

Saint Demetrios

Divine Liturgy – 9:30 a.m.



Stay Connected



Scan the QR code to follow St. Mary's on social media.

Learn about upcoming events and the richness of the Orthodox Christian faith.



Parish News & Events

Twin Cities Marathon

Sunday, October 2

The Twin Cities Marathon will take place Sunday, October 7, starting at 8:00 a.m. in downtown Minneapolis. The route will run along the west side of Lake of the Isles and Lake Calhoun to the William Berry Parkway and south along the east side of Lake Harriet to the Minnehaha Parkway.

If your drive to church takes you along this Marathon route, you should consider an alternate route to Church.

Testimonial Dinner for Tessie Bourdamis

Saturday, October 22

Everyone is invited to attend the Testimonial Dinner for Tessie Bourdamis on Saturday, October 22, 6:30 p.m., at the Bloomington Hilton Hotel, 494 and France Avenue South, Edina. Tessie is being honored as the National Daughters of Penelope Penelope of the Year. The cost for the event is \$60.00. Please make your check payable to **DOP Chapter 35**, and mail to 813 - 145th Street E., Burnsville, MN 55337. Please RSVP no later than Friday, October 14.

Blessing of the Animals

Saturday, October 29

God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

—Genesis 1:25

Gather up the pets, grab the kids, and come to the church on Saturday, October 29, for the Blessing of the Animals at 10:00 a.m. in the south parking lot. We'll begin with a beautiful service of blessing, followed by treats and socializing. You won't want to miss it! All pets (and people) are welcome.

Fall General Assembly

Sunday, October 30

Saint Mary's Fall General Assembly will be held Sunday, October 30, 2022, 11:30 a.m., in the Great Hall. The agenda will consist of the following items of business: Approval of Spring General Assembly Minutes; Approval of the 2023 Ministries and Operational Budget, Clergy-Laity Review, Elect Board of Electors, Elect Board of Auditors, Stewardship Update. A detailed agenda will be available later in October.

Members in Good Standing

The following are selected sections from the 2019 Amended Special Regulations and Uniform Parish Regulations of the Archdiocese. The complete document may be found on the Archdiocesan website.

Section 1

Any person, eighteen years of age or over, who was baptized according to the rites of the Church, or was received into the Church through chrismation, who lives according to the faith and canons of the Church, who has met his or her stewardship obligation (part of which is to meet his or her stewardship financial obligation to the Parish) and abides by the regulations herein and the by-laws of the Parish, is a member in good standing of the Parish, except that a person under twenty-one shall not serve on the Parish Council when such service is contrary to local law.

Section 3

No person shall be accepted for membership in good standing in a Parish while retaining membership in an Orthodox Parish which defies the jurisdiction or the ecclesiastical authority of the Archdiocese, or a non-Orthodox church, or any Christian denomination, or in a non-Christian religion who deliberately disregards and transgresses the moral law as may be determined by a spiritual court.

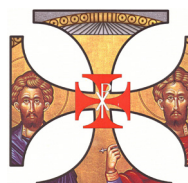
Section 5

When transferring from one Parish to another, the Parishioner shall present to the Priest of the new Parish a certificate of transfer signed by his or her former Priest, which shall include all the pertinent information herein before recited in Section 4 of this Article.

Section 6

The religious, moral and social duties of a parishioner are to apply the tenets of the Orthodox faith to his or her life and activities, to seek personal spiritual growth, to attend the divine liturgy and other services of worship faithfully on Sundays and holy days, to keep the rules and fasts of the Orthodox tradition, to receive frequently the sacraments of Penance and Holy Communion, to train and teach the young according to the faith and spirit of Orthodoxy, to respect the clergy, the ecclesiastical authority, and all governing bodies of the Church, to be obedient in matters of faith and ecclesiastical order, and to cooperate in every way towards the welfare and prosperity of the Parish and the success of its sacred mission.

Philoptochos



Philoptochos meetings for October

Board Meeting

Tuesday, October 18, 6:30 p.m., Fireside Room

General Meeting

Tuesday, October 25, 7:00 p.m., Terrace Room

Watch for more posting of the event in the church weekly bulletins and sign up to come.

Serve Meal at FOCUS Minnesota Sunday, October 2

Philoptochos will provide dinner for FOCUS Minnesota on SUNDAY, October 2.

FOCUS reports that 200 to 250 meals are being served each Sunday evening, punctuating the need in the community at large. In addition, with the abatement of COVID, FOCUS is planning to serve dinners inside the facility this fall, and will likely also provide carry-out dinners.

Due to the increasing numbers and the serving format, Philoptochos is adapting its menu and food preparation process. This time we will serve Greek chicken and potatoes or rice and carrots, toss salad, rolls, cookies.

Volunteers will prepare the entrée, vegetable and salad in St. Mary's kitchen on Saturday and Sunday. That food will be provided for the cooks. We are asking for donations of rolls and cookies to be dropped off either October 1 or 2 in the kitchen. Our volunteer/donation request follows:

- 7 volunteers to prepare the entrée, salad and vegetable in St. Mary's kitchen on Saturday, October 1.
- 7 volunteers to finish baking the entrée and vegetable and prepare the salad on Sunday, October 2.
- 6 volunteers to bring four dozen rolls to the kitchen on Saturday or Sunday, October 1 or 2.
- 16 volunteers to bring 4 dozen cookies (homemade or store-bought) to the kitchen on Saturday or Sunday, October 1 or 2.
- Up to 8 volunteers to transport food, dish out food and serve dining guests at FOCUS.

Please help if you can and sign up at our table after church or by using the Sign-Up Genius link provided in the weekly parish email. Questions? Contact Carol Smith, 952.210.8618, or smithzcl@gmail.com.

Women's Book Club Discussion

The Women's Book Club will meet on Thursday, October 6, 7:00-8:30 p.m. The location is yet to be decided. This month's book is *Mere Christianity* by C. S. Lewis and is available in the bookstore.

Upcoming Events

The Fall Filo Sale is coming up in October. Watch for sign up and dates.

Family Camp: October 7-9

Service Sunday: October 23

Help church school kids on special projects. Service Sunday will take place in the Terrace Room.

Operation Classroom Project

Date and project TBD. Watch for more information.

Philoptochos Sunday: October 30

Save the date! We are looking for an artoclasia baker. There will be a special collection and we are hosting the coffee hour. General Assembly follows coffee hour.

Testimonial Dinner for Tessie Bourdamis: Saturday, October 22

Tessie Bourdamis was named the National Daughter of Penelope of the Year (Congrats, Tessie!) at the National AHEPA/Daughters of Penelope Convention this past summer. Please see **Parish News and Events** page for more information.

Thank you...



Thank you everyone for helping in making our Festival baking a great success. A very special thanks to our chairpersons Cathy Forchas and Paulette Hastings.

Thank you to our Social Committee for putting on Fall Kick Off Meeting on Tuesday, September 27, and to all the ladies that helped to make the evening a huge success!

Mission & Outreach

Missions and Outreach Events at St. Mary's

Hello and can you believe it – October 2022 is here! There are many wonderful blessings happening at St. Mary's.

Take Heart: October 2



Reminder: St. Mary's Missions and Outreach Annual Missions Fundraiser

is set for Sunday, October 2, after Liturgy. Please RSVP for our Take Heart event by contacting the Church Office (david@stmarysgoc.org).

Take Heart will present how they help persecuted Christians by working alongside villages for up to three years and local partners for five years with 100% of donations given to the field which includes Iraq, Syria, Egypt, and Nigeria. Take Heart administrative costs are paid by a separate donation.

Newcomers Mixer: October 16

It is a privilege to welcome newcomers to St. Mary's. Many of you were sent invitations to a "Mixer" on Sunday October 16, 2022. This is way to meet other newcomers and ambassadors.

The mixer is a small group just for you.

1. Connect names with faces.
2. Ask others about their experiences and learn of some ways to volunteer.

People often look through the Missions and Outreach ministries display case or the Sunday Missions and Outreach table for an introduction to all the new, newer, or those considering Orthodoxy to talk with ambassadors about St. Mary's.

Isn't this wonderful and such a blessing to meet the newcomers and to share and learn more about Orthodoxy.

Harvest Pack: December 4



Lastly, put on your calendar, December 4, for a Harvest Pack Event. The meals packed will be very helpful for those with food insecurity and especially as the cold months come along.

A healthy breakfast of oatmeal will be helpful for many individuals and families.

"Harvest Pack listened when food shelves said they urgently need nutritious breakfasts, and we formulated the most nutrient-rich oatmeal out there. Our oatmeal provides daily essential vitamins and minerals, is a soy and GMO-free, flavorful, and comes in easily recognizable pouches with cooking tips." Please mark your calendar and sign up.

In the past two years, we have distributed more than 124,000 meals to local food shelves. You can help with a monetary contribution to St. Mary's and Harvest Pack in the memo line.



FOCUS Minnesota Donations Request

FOCUS Minnesota is not currently collecting clothing. When you bring bags of clothing to the church, those items become the responsibility of the office staff and then they must find a charity that accepts clothing and deliver the items personally. Please help us by only bringing needed/requested items to the church for distribution. Thank you.



Stewardship

Time & Talent Spotlight

Presbytera Alexandra Houck – The Children's Word Author

When did you first start publishing the *The Children's Word* bulletin?

I started the Children's Word bulletin in February 2013. I have just finished my 500th issue!

What initially helped you come up with this idea?

At the time, my oldest daughter, Lydia, was just starting to learn to read, and I wanted to give her something to have at church while the grown-ups had their own bulletins. I feel that we should always make children feel welcome at church, and this was one small way I could try to do it.



Where do you get your inspiration for each weekly issue?

First, I read the Gospel and epistle for the upcoming Sunday. I try to think of some aspect that might especially speak to children. The challenge is condensing the reading into just a couple paragraphs for the children's bulletin. Sometimes I read a little commentary from the Church fathers and somehow present it in a way that kids can understand. If I still can't think of anything, then I ask my husband!

Do you have a favorite memory or bulletin issue that stands out over the years?

I do not have a specific one, but I especially enjoy writing about some of the more "obscure" saints, or the ones most people have never heard of. I think it is a special blessing to tell readers about a saint, who might become somebody to whom a reader might pray. It is like introducing somebody to a special friend.

Is *The Children's Word* used at any other churches?

Yes! I never know exactly where it is printed, but I know of many in the United States and some in Canada. A Greek Orthodox church in Australia uses it each week, too! It is distributed each week online through the Orthodox Christian Network.

If someone else was interested in helping with this ministry, could they contact you to learn more?

I always love to hear suggestions and ideas.

Saint Mary's 2022 Stewardship Campaign Update

Our Church, Our Spiritual Home

Thank you for your participation in our 2022 Stewardship Campaign and your on-going support of St. Mary's through your gifts of time, talent, and treasure.

A Reminder: The goal this year is to cover all the Church ministries and operating costs through Stewardship contributions without relying on rental and festival income to cover the gap. The experience of the pandemic impact during the past two years reminds us how important it is not to rely on the rental and festival income to cover the costs of our ministries and operations of the church.

As of September 12, 2022, we have covered 51% of this year's budget for ministries and operating expenses.

Offering Income received to date is behind by \$60,188 compared to where we were last year at this time. We encourage parishioners to make regular contributions throughout the year to ensure we are covering our expenses each month. Prayerfully consider also increasing your Stewardship contribution this year to help us reach our goal. Your stewardship giving to St. Mary's is one way to exhibit the principle of generosity.

Offering Income Year-to-Date as of September 12, 2022

Offering Income as of Sept. 12, 2022	2022 YTD Actual	2022 Annual Budget	Additional Needed by December 31
Payments Received	\$644,608	\$1,269,800	\$625,192

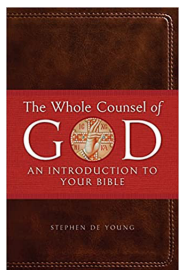
Offering Income as of Sept. 12, 2022	2022 YTD Actual	2021 YTD Actual	Decrease vs. Prior Year
Payments Received	\$644,608	\$704,796	(\$60,188)
Average per Week	\$17,906	\$19,578	(\$1,672)
Average per Month	\$77,592	\$84,837	(\$7,245)

Stewardship graphs are found on the bottom of the next page.

In the Bookstore

by Rebecca Myerly

bookstore@stmarysgoc.org



Father Stephen De Young, known to many for his podcasts on Ancient Faith Radio, has written *The Whole Counsel of God: An Introduction to Your Bible*. This book is actually a guidebook to how the Bible came to be—and the story is fascinating.

Father Stephen traces the histories of both the Old and New Testaments and the Apocrypha in five succinct chapters: "What Is the Bible?", "What Is in the Bible?", "How Did the Bible Get to Me?", "Which Bible Should I Read?", and "How Should I Read My Bible?". Rooted strongly in the Orthodox tradition, this is an informative book to help one understand and appreciate the Bible in and through this tradition.

Father Stephen is gifted in being able to explain the complicated remarkably simply. For example, the evolution and development of the Old Testament obviously involved thousands of years as well as several cultures, languages, and traditions. He breaks down this development into understandable and sometimes surprisingly clearly delineated segments, piecing them together almost seamlessly. He does the same, albeit differently, with the New Testament canon which was written in a relatively short period of time.

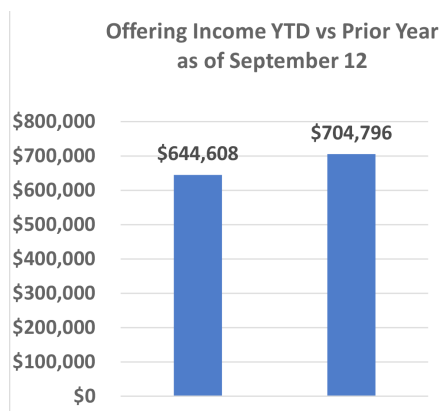
One of the most interesting aspects the author addresses is the Greek Old Testament tradition. He notes: "Roughly 70 percent of the Old Testament quotations in the New Testament come from the Old Greek." (53) At the time of the early years of the Church

The Old Greek translation of the Hebrew Scriptures had proved a remarkable success and had found acceptance in Jewish communities all over the world. This Greek translation was the only version of the Scriptures allowed to be read in the synagogue other than the original. Because Hebrew was virtually unknown in Jewish communities outside of Judea, the Scriptures were read in Greek in most synagogues of the Jewish diaspora, even in regions as close to Judea as Galilee. This is the primary reason that the Greek renderings of these texts are most commonly quoted in the New Testament. As the vast majority of the texts that make up the New Testament were written to Christian communities outside of Judea, the authors quote the version of the text that was familiar to their hearers, both Jew and Gentile. (53-54)

The Whole Counsel of God is a helpful resource for anyone in dialog with Jewish people and Christians of other traditions as well as for people within the Orthodox Church in discussions about the Bible and in Bible studies. In fact, this book is for anyone interested in knowing how the Bible came to be.

It should be noted that Father Stephen takes liberties in this book that, while making the content more readable, is academically questionable. Footnotes are rare, even when discussing material that would benefit from acknowledging his sources. He also does not include a bibliography. While this shows his confidence with his subject matter and makes this book more conversational in tone, it does not make for firm academic authenticity.

Stewardship, concluded.



Children & Youth

Our Children and Youth Mission Statement

To cultivate a safe and welcoming environment for kids by nurturing healthy relationships within the church family. We will teach the youth by building a strong foundation of knowledge, and together, we will experience the Orthodox tradition by following the four circles of youth ministry: **Liturgia** (Worship), **Diakonia** (Service), **Martyria** (Witness), and **Koinonia** (Fellowship), leading our youth to develop, by their own free will, a personal relationship with God and to pursue union with Him.

Youth Program Registration

As we began the 2022-2023 school year, we would like everyone who is participating in any youth activity to complete this all-inclusive registration form for the year. Please note that we will use this one form for nursery through 12th grade. It is for all youth activities sponsored by St. Mary's, such as Church School, HOPE, JOY, Junior GOYA, Senior GOYA, etc. Looking forward to a great year!
<https://linktr.ee/stmarysgoya>

FAITH Group

0-5 Year Olds and Parents

- ▶ Wednesday, October 5, and Thursday, October 20
9:30-11:00 a.m.
Great Hall and Terrace Room
Playtime in the Great Hall; a lesson and treat in the Terrace Room

HOPE and JOY

Kindergarten-Grade 2 and Grades 3-5

- ▶ Wednesday, October 19: 6:15-8:00 p.m.
HOPE/JOY at Parish Night, beginning in the Nave
- ▶ Sunday, October 30: 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
HOPE/JOY in the Youth Room during the General Assembly
To RSVP, please go to: <https://linktr.ee/stmarysgoya>

Junior GOYA

Grades 6-8

- ▶ Wednesday, October 5: 6:15-8:00 p.m.
Junior GOYA in the Terrace Room/Great Hall
To RSVP, please go to: <https://linktr.ee/stmarysgoya>
- ▶ Wednesday, October 19: 6:15-8:00 p.m.
Junior GOYA at Parish Night, beginning in the Nave

Senior GOYA

Grades 9-12

- ▶ Wednesday, October 12: 6:15-8:00 p.m.
Senior GOYA Service Project (off-site - location tbd.)
To RSVP, please go to: <https://linktr.ee/stmarysgoya>
- ▶ Wednesday, October 19: 6:15-8:00 p.m.
Senior GOYA at Parish Night, beginning in the Nave

Parish Night

Kindergarten-12th grade and all adults

Parish Night is a parish-wide event for kindergarteners -12th graders and all adults from our parish. It occurs monthly on a Wednesday from October through May, taking a hiatus during Great Lent.

The evening begins at 6:15 p.m. with a brief prayer service in the Nave, followed by dinner in the Terrace Room and breakout sessions for the adults and kids. Parish Night ends by 8:00 p.m.

The theme this year is *Living a Sacramental Life*.

Parish Night schedule: Wednesdays, October 19, November 16, December 21, January 18, February 15, and May 17.

Youth Feedback

If you have any comments, suggestions, or concerns regarding our youth program(s) please let us know. To access our formal feedback process, go to our St. Mary's home page-Click on "Youth," then "Youth Program Feedback." Your comments will be forwarded to a member of the Parish Council and will be reviewed for follow up.



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The grass withers,
the flower fades;
but the word of our God will stand forever.
— *Isaiah 40:8*



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 Second Sunday of Luke "The Messenger" Deadline 8:30am-Orthros 9:30am-Divine Liturgy after Liturgy-Take Heart Fundraiser FOCUS Meal Preparation	3 9:15am-Akathist	4 6:00pm-Adult Open Gym	5 9:30am-FAITH Play Group 6:15pm-Junior GOYA 6:30pm-Choir Rehearsal	6	7 7:00am-Men's Fellowship Family Camp	8 9:00am-Bible Study 5:00pm-Great Vespers Family Camp
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