



ST. MARY'S

GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

June 11, 2023 — *The Sunday of All Saints*

THE DIVINE LITURGY

Commemoration:

The Sunday of All Saints; Bartholomew the Holy Apostle; Barnabas the Holy Apostle; Revelation of the Hymn Axion Estin to a monk on Mt. Athos by the Archangel Gabriel Alexander and Antonina the Martyrs; Timothy, Bishop of Proussa; Theophanes and Pansemne of Antioch; Our Holy Father Gregory, Bishop of Assos; The Holy Martyrs of China.

Morning Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

Tone: Plagal Fourth

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

Resurrection Hymn, Plagal Fourth Tone

From on high you descended, O merciful Lord. You accepted the cross and three days in the tomb to free us from the bondage of sin,
O our life and resurrection. Glory to you, O Lord.

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!

Repeat the Resurrection Hymn, above.

Hymn of All Saints, Fourth Tone

Throughout the world your Church is adorned with the blood of the martyrs as with royal purple and fine linen. Through them she cries out to you, Christ our God: Grant your lasting peace to all the world and bestow on our souls your great mercy.

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!

Kontakion of All Saints, Plagal Fourth Tone

To you, O Lord, Creator of the universe, the world offers the
God-bearing martyrs as the first fruits of creation. Through their
prayers, and through those of the Theotokos, keep your
church in perfect peace, O Savior rich in mercy.

Epistle..... Hebrews 11:33-12:2

Brethren, all the saints through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, received promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, that they might rise again to a better life. Others suffered mocking and scourging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were tempted, they were killed with the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, ill-treated - of whom the world was not worthy - wandering over deserts and mountains and in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, though well attested by their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had foreseen something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect. Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.

Gospel.....Matthew 10:32-33; 37-38; 19:27-30

The Lord said to his disciples, "Every one who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven; but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny him before my Father who is in heaven. He who loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and he who loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and he who does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me." Then Peter said in reply, "Lo, we have left

everything and followed you. What then shall we have?” Jesus said to them, “Truly, I say to you, in the new world, when the Son of man shall sit on his glorious throne, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And every one who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or lands, for my name’s sake, will receive a hundredfold, and inherit eternal life. But many that are first will be last, and the last first.”

The Communion Prayers are found on page 40 of the hymnal.

Communion Hymn

Exalt, you just, in the Lord. Exalt, you just, in the Lord; from the upright praise is fitting. Alleluia!



Today

Prosforo is provided by Yana Patridge.

40-Day Churching: *Marianna*, parents: Andrew & Megan Twito

The coffee hour today is hosted by Naira Istephanous.

Prayer Ministry

Please remember the sick, the suffering, and those in need, especially:

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; Annali, Alicia, Sofia, George K., Juan Cruz & family, Kristina, Charlie, Stan, Helena, Byrdie, Jennifer, John S., Becky, Noel, Stephen, John K., Alexey, Alexandra, Ray, Christina, Joanne, Athena, the Muñoz family, Charlie, Nuala, Pamela, Avgi, Elena, Speranta, Maria, Dave Ruesink, Liz, Efstratia, Jordan, David, Nino, Joe, Tom, Gigi, Zossima, Donnarae, Samira, Mary K., Monte, Bethany, Mark, Owen, Chrysanthy, 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, Rick, Nancy, Alex, Eryn, Phil, Karen, Dorla, Linda, Fr. Elias, Vicki, Bill, Diana, 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.



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Calendar of the Week

Sunday, June 11: All Saints

8:30 a.m. – Matins; 9:30 a.m. – Divine Liturgy

Monday, June 12

8:45 a.m. – Vacation Church School

Tuesday, June 13

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6:15 p.m. – Parish Council Meeting, Fireside Room

Wednesday, June 14

8:45 a.m. – Vacation Church School

2:00 p.m. – Baklava Assembly

6:15 p.m. – Senior GOYA Mini Golf, Centennial Lakes

8:30 p.m. – Webinar: Practical Tips for Parenting in the Digital Age

Thursday, June 15

8:45 a.m. – Vacation Church School

Friday, June 16

7:00 a.m. – Men's Fellowship, Fireside Room

8:45 a.m. – Vacation Church School

Saturday, June 17

9:00 a.m. – Bible Study, Fireside Room and on Zoom

Sunday, June 18: Second Sunday of Matthew; Father's Day

8:30 a.m. – Matins; 9:30 a.m. – Divine Liturgy

11:30 a.m. – Missions/Outreach, Fireside Room

Sacraments This Week

Baptism

Congratulations to Megan Workman who will be baptized today!

Announcements

Food Shelf Needs for June 18

Cereal (Hot or Cold)

June's recipient is Simpson Food Pantry.

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

Festival Baking ~ Baklava

Join the *Baklava Brigade!* We have baklava work sessions on several days...Wednesday, June 14, Monday, June 19, Tuesday, June 20, and Wednesday, June 21. Go to the sign up site (link is in the Friday e-mail) and offer your help!

Senior Citizens' Meeting

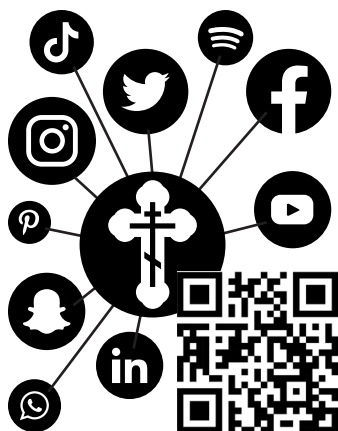
Saint Mary's Seniors' meeting and social will be held Tuesday, June 20 (note the date change to the third Tuesday of the month), at noon in the Terrace Room. We will celebrate June birthdays and anniversaries with a group photo, a luncheon, and delicious cake from Queen of Cakes. We will be entertained afterwards with a musical performance by the Minnesota Mandolin Orchestra. A short meeting and announcements will follow. All St. Mary's seniors (55+) are welcome to join our lively group. Dues are \$15. For further questions, please contact President Tessie Bourdamis.

Upcoming Webinar

Understanding Social Media From an Orthodox Perspective: Practical Tips for Parenting in the Digital Age

Wednesday, June 14 – 8:30 p.m.

Join us for a presentation focusing on how we, as Orthodox Christians, can better use social media, and help our children develop healthy relationships with these platforms.



To register, scan the code or email cooper@duck.com



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Are you on Realm Connect?

If you haven't set up your profile, now is the time. Do you need help getting started? Perhaps setting up your profile? Stop by our table at coffee hour after Liturgy this Sunday for a bit of help, and check out what's happening on Realm Connect.

Sign Up for Harvest Pack!

St. Mary's Missions and Outreach Ministry is sponsoring a meal pack event on Sunday, June 25, 2023, in the Terrace Room. We can use your help to pack 15,000 meals. This has been a good way to get together, while helping those who struggle to put food on the table.

Your help is needed:

- 8:00 a.m. Setup (8 folks) - We need a few folks to help us unload the truck and set up the packing lines.
 - 9:30 a.m. - Liturgy
 - 11:15 a.m. (after Liturgy) - Pizza in Meeting Room 1
 - 11:30 a.m. (pack, 50 folks) - Pick your spot in the Terrace Room
- Instructions on how to pack, pack the meals! We expect to wrap up about 1:30 p.m.*

The sign up link is in the Friday e-mail, stop by the Welcome Table today and let them know you'll help, or scan the code to the right.



Seeking Hostas

The church is wanting to put some more plants in our rain garden. If you have any extra hostas (any type) in your own garden that you would like to donate to the church, please text or call Annette Legeros to schedule drop off of your plants.

Watch Your Step

We have had a floor crack in the hallway outside the bookstore for some time. It has occurred where the original building and the new construction of the Great Hall meet. We are addressing the issue and hope to come up with a solution soon. In the meantime, we ask everyone to use caution when walking through that area.

From the Desert Mothers...

“It is a struggle and very hard work for those who are drawing closer to God—at first. But then comes indescribable joy. Those who want to light a fire first get assailed by smoke and weep and, by doing this, obtain the desired fire; in the same way we too have to kindle the divine fire for ourselves with tears and afflictions since it says, ‘Our God is a consuming fire (Heb. 12:29).’”

—*Amma Syncletica of Alexandria*

Daily Bible Readings

Monday, June 12

Romans 2:28—3:18 • Matthew 6:31-34; 7:9-11

Tuesday, June 13

Romans 4:4-12 • Matthew 7:15-21

Wednesday, June 14

Romans 4:13-25 • Luke 4:22-30

Thursday, June 15

Romans 5:10-16 • Matthew 8:23-27

Friday, June 16

Romans 5:17—6:2 • Matthew 9:14-17

Saturday, June 17

Romans 3:19-24 • Matthew 7:1-8

Sunday, June 18

Second Sunday of Matthew

Romans 2:10-16 • Matthew 4:18-23



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