



ST. MARY'S
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

November 10, 2024
The Eighth Sunday of Luke

THE DIVINE LITURGY

Commemoration

Eighth Sunday of Luke; Erastus, Olympas, Rodion, Sosipater, Quartus, and Tertios, Apostles of the 70; Orestes the Martyr of Cappadocia; Holy Father Arsenius of Cappadocia; Our Holy Father Gregory, Bishop of Assa.

Morning Gospel: John 20:19-31

Tone: Third

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, Third Tone

Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad, for the Lord has shown the mighty power of his arm. He has trampled down death by death, becoming the firstborn of the dead. He has delivered us from the depths of hell and has granted to all the world his great mercy.

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 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 the Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple, Fourth Tone

O unfailing protection of Christians, and our faithful advocate before the Creator: though we are sinners, do not ignore our entreaty; but in your goodness, grant your timely help to us who appeal to you in faith. Quickly make intercession; on our behalf make speedy supplication, O Theotokos, for you always protect those who honor you.

Epistle..... Galatians 1:11-19

Brethren, I would have you know that the gospel which was preached by me is not man's gospel. For I did not receive it from man, nor was I taught it, but it came through a revelation of Jesus Christ. For you have heard of my former life in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God violently and tried to destroy it; and I advanced in Judaism beyond many of my own age among my people, so extremely zealous was I for the traditions of my fathers. But when he who had set me apart before I was born, and had called me through his grace, was pleased to reveal his Son to me, in order that I might preach him among the Gentiles, I did not confer with flesh and blood, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me, but I went away into Arabia; and again I returned to Damascus. Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas, and remained with him fifteen days. But I saw none of the other apostles except James the Lord's brother.

Gospel..... 10:25-37

At that time, a lawyer stood up to put Jesus to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? How do you read?" And he answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You have answered right; do this, and you will live." But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him, and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was; and when he saw him, he had compassion, and went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; then he set him on his own beast and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, 'Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.' Which of these three, do you think, proved neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed mercy on him." And Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

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

Litany for the Catechumens

Deacon: Catechumens, pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Deacon: Let us, the faithful, pray for the catechumens.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Deacon: That the Lord will have mercy on them.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Deacon: That He will teach them the word of truth.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Deacon: That He will reveal to them the gospel
of righteousness.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Deacon: That He will unite them to His holy,
catholic, and apostolic Church.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Deacon: Save them, have mercy on them, help them, and
protect them, O God, by Your grace.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Deacon: Catechumens, bow your heads to the Lord.

People: To You, O Lord.

Prayer for the Catechumens

Priest: Lord our God, Who dwells on high and
watches over the humble, You sent forth
Your only-begotten Son and God, our Lord
Jesus Christ, for the salvation of the human
race. Look down upon Your servants, the
catechumens, who have inclined their necks
to You, and grant them at a proper time the
baptism of rebirth, the remission of sins, and
the garment of incorruption. Unite them to
Your holy, catholic, and apostolic Church,
and number them among Your chosen flock.

Priest: So that with us they also may glorify Your
most honorable and majestic name, of the
Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,
now and forever and to the ages of ages.

People: Amen.

Today

Prosforo is provided by **Ruta Kubits**.

40-Day Churching: **Luca**
parents: **Margarita Klikizos Schilling and Bryan Schilling**

The coffee hour today is hosted by
Hellenic Post #129 American Legion and Auxiliary
in recognition of Veterans' Day.

Welcome visitors and guests!

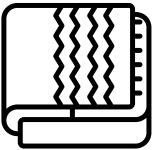
Members of our Missions and Outreach Committee are at the welcome and information table in the Great Hall after Liturgy this morning to welcome you and answer your questions about St Mary's Greek Orthodox Church and the Orthodox faith. Join us for a cup of coffee and always enjoyable refreshments.

Announcements



Urgent FOCUS Clothing Needs

FOCUS is in desperate need of men's winter clothing, including jackets, boots, warm socks, and gloves. Cold weather is coming and the men's closet is very bare of these essential articles of clothing. Please bring these needed items to church and place them by the FOCUS sign in the hallway leading to the office.



FOCUS Opportunity

The fall temperatures are unseasonably warm, but we know that the cold is coming! FOCUS drive is for all types of NEW blankets, up to the size of a full bed. Roll it up and tie it with a ribbon. Put the blanket at the church FOCUS sign by the church school doors or take to FOCUS at 550 Rice Street, St. Paul. FOCUS clients will appreciate the warmth this winter.



Saint Mary's Digital Donation Options
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Saint Olympia Ministry Events

Saint Olympia is a ministry for young women in grades 3-12. Mark your calendars for upcoming St. Olympia activity dates:

- **Sunday, November 10:** after Sunday School: Help adorn the nave for the Nativity Fast.
- **Saturday, November 3:** after Liturgy for St. Andrew: Help decorate multiple Christmas trees around the building.
- **Saturday, January 11:** Help undecorate Christmas trees
- **Sunday, January 12:** after Sunday School: Undecorate the nave

More dates and activities to come. We are looking forward to another year of serving our parish. For more information, please contact Elena Gabor (elenagabor14@gmail.com or 952.288.3011) or Zoe Gabor (zozo4@comcast.net or 952.693.5339).



Saint Mary's Seniors' Meeting

Tuesday, November 12

Saint Mary's Seniors will meet on Tuesday, November 12, at 12:00 noon, in the Terrace Room. We will celebrate November birthdays and anniversaries followed by a group photo of celebrants, and a special cake by Terri Leckas. The Forchas family will be hosting and serving a delicious buffet luncheon in honor of Jeanne Forchas' 100th birthday! Our program will feature speaker/author Glenna Alevizos who will make a presentation on some of her past and most recent books, with some reference to family history. There will be a short meeting and announcements after the program. All St. Mary's seniors (55+) are invited to join our lively group. Dues are currently \$15 annually. For further information, please contact President Tessie Bourdamis or any current officer.



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IOCC Fundraiser

Thursday, November 14

The annual Twin Cities IOCC Fundraiser will take place at St. Mary's on Thursday, November 14, 2024, 7:00-9:00 p.m. Reservations for the event can be made through the IOCC website: ioccc.org/minneapolis.



Philoptochos News

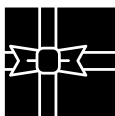


Operation Classroom Winter Clothing Drive for Bancroft Elementary School – Last Day this Weekend!

Winter is coming and many children don't have warm clothes at our partner school in South Minneapolis. Please consider donating your gently used or new winter clothes for Bancroft Elementary kids at the Philoptochos. Our drive wraps up today – if you still want to donate, please bring items to church within the next couple days Listed below are the items needed for girls and boys and the sizes needed:

- Gloves and Mittens Ages: 5-12..... All Kids Sizes
- Coats and ClothesAges: 5-12Size: 4-16
- Boots & Sneakers.....Ages: 5-12Size: 12-7
- SocksAges: 5-10Size: 8-9.5
- SocksAges: 10-12Size: 9-11
- UnderwearAges: 4-12Size: XS-XL

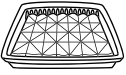
If you prefer to make a monetary donation, please make checks payable to Philoptochos, memo: Bancroft Elementary and drop off at the Philoptochos table.



Christmas Gifts for Healing House Families Begins Next Sunday

Our annual Christmas gift collection for Healing House families starts next Sunday, November 17. Healing House is a residential, Christ-centered, drug and alcohol recovery program for women and mothers with children which St. Mary's has supported for decades. This holiday season, you can buy a \$20 child's gift or a mom's \$25 Target gift card. Gifts will be distributed at the AHEPA Children's Christmas Party, to which AHEPA graciously invites the families. Stop by the Philoptochos table and pick up a gift tag, purchase a gift, and **return it by December 8**. Let's make this Christmas special for the women and children of Healing House!

Philoptochos News



Filo and Sunday Best Coffee Pick up Today

Filo and coffee orders can be picked up this Sunday in the Great Hall. Stop by the Philoptochos table in the Ministry Fair to collect your orders.



Save the Date! Philoptochos General Meeting Tuesday, November 19, 7:00 p.m.

The next Philoptochos General Meeting will take place in the Terrace Room on Tuesday, November 19, starting at 7:00 p.m. There will be a presentation followed by a brief meeting with highlights of activities coming up in December and January as well as a discussion of funds to be disbursed before the end of year. Please plan to attend this important meeting.



Nativity Advent in the Bookstore

Please come visit the bookstore for good books for Advent reading. You will also find a large selection of books, icons, and many other items for truly meaningful Christmas gift giving for people of all ages. Please note: the last date to special order icons for Christmas is Sunday, November 24. The bookstore will be having a book fair for church school families on Sunday, December 8, in the hall outside the classroom area during and after the classes. This is meant to be a convenient opportunity for parents and grandparents to find gifts that nourish their children's faith.



Daughters of Penelope Bake Sale Sunday, November 24

The Daughters of Penelope's annual Holiday Bake and Spanakopita Sale is Sunday, November 24, in the Great Hall following Liturgy. Come and stock up on a variety of gourmet treats! Sponsored by the Daughters of Penelope, with proceeds going to many benevolent projects.



Prayer Ministry

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

All victims of wars throughout the world; 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 and Jassir; San Miguel Del Lago Orphanage; Karen, Steve A., Athena, Betty, Sean, Krisanne, Ann, Mark, Kostantinos & Georgia, Andreas, Jonathan, Jeanette, Mary, Ann, Marilyn, Donna, Betty, Dawn, Don, Nancy, Brad, Vangie, Jolene, Mikey, Aphrodite, James, Peter, Lyda, Owen, Michael, Johnny, Jaclyn Jereczek, Dena, Chris, Joy Rose, Nick, John, Demos and Eugenia, Kristina, Ron, Maria, Matt, Laura, Susan, Elias, Constance, Marina, Dion, Annali, Sofia, Juan Cruz & family, Charlie, Stan, Helena, Byrdie, Jennifer, John S., Becky, Noel, Stephen, Alexey, Alexandra, Ray, Christina, Joanne, Charlie, Nuala, Pamela, Avgi, Elena, Speranta, Liz, Efstratia, Jordan, David, Nino, Joe, Donnarae, Samira, Mary K., Monte, Bethany, Mark, Owen, Chrysanthy, Estelle, Justine, Melissa, Megan, Lisa, Michael, Robbie, Judi, Evonne, James, Nichole, Constantine, Theodora, Irene Maria, Olivia, Lincoln, Carole, Patty, Karrisa, Corina, Tom, George R., Ken, Nancy and Tim, Olga, Peter, Cora and family, Bo, Lynn, Sue & Jim, Steve, Sue, Jane, Pat, Dave, Pam, Gilbert, George P., Danielle, Jenny, John L., Presvytera Janis, Sandra, Rick, Nancy, Alex, Eryn, Phil, Karen, Linda, 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, Judi, Bodil, Ole, and others known to you.

Food Shelf Needs for November 17



Boxed Pasta / Pasta Sauce

November's recipient is FOCUS MN.

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

Calendar of the Week

Sunday, November 10: Eighth Sunday of Luke; Stewardship Sunday

8:30 a.m. – Matins; 9:30 a.m. – Divine Liturgy
after Liturgy – Ministry Fair, *Great Hall*
after Liturgy – Decorate the Nave for Advent

Tuesday, November 12

12:00 noon – Senior Citizens' Meeting, *Terrace Room*
6:15 p.m. – Parish Council Meeting, *Fireside Room*
6:30 p.m. – Byzantine Chant Class, *Classroom #2*
6:30 p.m. – Philoptochos Board Meeting, *Meeting Room 1*

Wednesday, November 13: Saint John Chrysostom

9:30 a.m. – Divine Liturgy
6:15 p.m. – Choir Rehearsal, *Nave*

Thursday, November 14: Saint Philp the Apostle

9:30 a.m. – Divine Liturgy
7:00 p.m. – IOCC Fundraiser, *Terrace Room*

Friday, November 15: Nativity Fast Begins

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

Saturday, November 16: Saint Matthew

9:00 a.m. – Bible Study, *Fireside Room and on Zoom*
10:00 a.m. – Divine Liturgy
5:00 p.m. – Great Vespers

Sunday, November 17: Ninth Sunday of Luke; Stewardship Sunday

8:30 a.m. – Matins; 9:30 a.m. – Divine Liturgy
after Liturgy – Parish Council Elections, *Great Hall*
11:30 a.m. – Missions and Outreach Committee Meeting, *Fireside Room*
12:30 p.m. – HOPE and JOY Basketball Practice, *Great Hall*

“Do not be upset when people only remember you when they need you. Feel privileged that you are like a candle that comes to their mind during their most darkest hours.”

— *Saint Nektarios of Pentapolis and Aegina*

Daily Bible Readings

Monday, November 11

II Corinthians 4:6-15 • Luke 14:1, 12-15

Tuesday, November 12

II Corinthians 9:6-11 • Matthew 5:14-19

Wednesday, November 13: Saint John Chrysostom

Hebrews 7:26-28; 8:1-2 • John 10:9-16

Thursday, November 14: Saint Philip the Apostle

I Corinthians 4:9-16 • John 1:43-51

Friday, November 15: Nativity Fast Begins

Colossians 2:1-7 • Luke 16:15-18; 17:1-4

Saturday, November 16: Saint Matthew

Romans 10:11-21; 11:1-2 • Matthew 9:9-13

Sunday, November 17: Ninth Sunday of Luke

Galatians 2:16-20 • Luke 12:16-21



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