

January 11, 2026



The Divine Liturgy

Sunday after Theophany

Commemoration: Sunday after Theophany; Afterfeast of the Theophany of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ; Our Righteous Father Theodosius the Cenobiarch; Nikephoros the New Martyr of Crete; Vitalis of Gaza

Morning Gospel: John 20:19-31..... Tone: Plagal Second

VARIABLE HYMNS AND READINGS IN THE LITURGY

At the Second Antiphon

Save us, O Son of God, baptized by John in the Jordan,
we sing to you: Alleluia!

At the Small Entrance

Hymn of Theophany, First Tone

When you, O Lord, were baptized in the Jordan River, the worship of the Trinity was revealed. And the voice of the Father bore witness to you calling you his beloved Son and the Spirit in the form of a dove confirmed the Word as truth. O Christ our God, you have appeared and enlightened the world. Glory to you.

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, Plagal Second Tone

The angelic powers appeared at your tomb, the soldiers guarding it became as dead men, and Mary stood at your grave seeking, seeking your most pure body. But you made hell a captive; you were untouched by its might. You came to the virgin and granted life. O Lord, who rose from the dead, glory to you.

Repeat the Hymn of Theophany, above

Hymn for the Devout Man, Plagal Fourth Tone

With the rivers of your tears you made the barren desert bloom; and with your sighs from deep within, you made your labors bear their fruits a hundredfold; and you became a star, illuminating the world by your miracles, O Theodosius, our devout father. Intercede with Christ our God, for the salvation of our souls.

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 the Dormition of the Theotokos, (Greek)

Ἐν τῇ γενήσῃ τὴν παρθενίαν ἐφύλαξας, ἐν τῇ κοιμήσῃ τὸν κόσμον οὐ κατέλιπες,
En ti gennisi tin parthenian efilaxas en ti kimisi ton kosmon u katelipes,
Θεοτόκε. Μετέστης πρὸς τὴν ζωὴν, μήτηρ ὑπάρχουσα τῆς ζωῆς, καὶ ταῖς πρεσβείαις
Theotoke. Metestis pros tin zoin, mitir iparhusa tis zois, ke tes presvies
ταῖς σαῖς λυτρουμένη ἐκ θανάτου τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.
tes ses litrumeni ek thanatu tas psichas imon.

Kontakion of Theophany, Second Tone

You revealed yourself today on earth, O Master, and Your light was stamped on us,
who in the knowledge of the truth, O Lord, extol Your epiphany. You came; You
revealed yourself, O unapproachable Light.

EpistleHebrews 13:7-16

Brethren, remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God; consider the outcome of their lives, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever. Do not be led away by diverse and strange teachings; for it is well that the heart be strengthened by grace, not by foods, which have not benefited their adherents. We have an altar from which those who serve the tent have no right to eat. For the bodies of those animals whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest as a sacrifice for sin are burned outside the camp. So Jesus also suffered outside the gate in order to sanctify the people through his own blood. Therefore let us go forth to him outside the camp and bear the abuse he endured. For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city which is to come. Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Gospel.....Matthew 4:12-17

At that time, when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew into Galilee; and leaving Nazareth he went and dwelt in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: "The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, toward the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles, the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned." From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

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

Today

Prosforo is provided by **Presbytera Alexandra Houck** and **Maria Prassas**.

The coffee hour today is hosted by **Costas & Barbara Nichols**.

The Oath of Office will be administered to the 2026 Parish Council at the end of today's Liturgy. Members of the 2026 Parish Council are: Benjamin Amundgaard, Jennifer Coin, Vasilios (Billy) Daravingas, Louis Ellis, Andrew Gatchell, Chrissie Hoffman, Heather Koutroupas, Andrew LeRoy, Athena Mihas, Cristina Nicklow, Nicholas Santrizos, Justin Theodotou.

Seeker Sunday Q&A session with clergy will meet in the Fireside Room from 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m. This event is only for non-Orthodox Christians seeking to learn more about the faith.

Welcome Visitors and Guests!

After Liturgy this morning, stop by the welcome and information table located between the Bookstore and Great Hall. A couple parishioners are there 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



House Blessings

During January and February, Fr. Tim and Fr. Jason will be doing house blessings. To schedule a blessing, please send an e-mail request to: stmarysgoc@stmarysgoc.org or call the parish office, 612.825.9595. Blessings will be conducted on weekdays, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (preferred), or by arrangement with a priest.

January 7-18 Southwest Quadrant

Bounded by Highway 394 on the north and 35W on the east.

January 19-24 Northeast Quadrant

Bounded by Highway 94 on the south and 35W on the west.

January 24-27: Northwest Quadrant

Bounded by Highway 394 on the south and 35W on the east.

January 28-February 4: Southeast Quadrant

Bounded by Highway 94 on the north and 35W on the west.

If the preceding dates do not work, we will have open scheduling will take place February 5-19.



Prayer Ministry

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

The family of Nick Chresand; The family of Mary Anderson; 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; FOCUS Minnesota; Our brothers and sisters serving in the Armed Forces throughout the world especially Jassir Conway; San Miguel Del Lago Orphanage; Sophia and the students, staff, and parents of Annunciation Church and School, Margaret, Kathie, Owen, Missy, Anthony, Julie, Ann, Jim, Maria, Joan, Jason, Janet (Dimitra), Andrew and Mari, Constantine James, Lauren, Anna, Kathleen Wendland and Julie Alvin, Gabriel, Linda, John and Johnny, Anastasia, Diane, Nicki, Dino, George, Billie, Nino, Kate, Elena, Mechelle, Elaine, Vonda, Andrew, Susan, Elias, Imogene, Becky, Elizabeth, Yvonne, Fran, Jim, Kathryn, Tom, Gina M., Elly K., Thomas, Panos, Connie, Sylvia, Pete, Steve A., Athena, Betty, Mark, Kostantinos & Georgia, Andreas, Jonathan, Jeanette, Mary, Marilyn, Donna, Dawn, Don, Nancy, Brad, Vangie, Jolene, Mikey, Aphrodite, James, Peter, Lyda, Michael, Jaclyn Jereczek, Dena, Chris, Joy Rose, Nick, John, Eugenia, Ron, Matt, Laura, Constance, Marina, Annali, Sofia, Juan Cruz & family, Charlie, Helena, Jennifer, John S., Becky, Noel, Stephen, Ray, Christina, Joanne, Charlie, Nuala, Pamela, Avgi, Elena, Speranta, Efstratia, Jordan, David, Nino, Joe, Donnarae, Mary K., Monte, Bethany, Mark, Estelle, Justine, Melissa, Megan, Michael, Robbie, Judi, Evonne, James, Nichole, Constantine, Theodora, Irene Maria, Olivia, Lincoln, Carole, Patty, Karris, Corina, George R., Ken, Nancy and Tim, Olga, Peter, Cora and family, Lynn, Sue & Jim, Steve, Sue, Jane, Pat, Dave, Pam, Gilbert, George P., Danielle, Jenny, John L., Presvytera Janis, Sandra, Rick, Nancy, Alex, Eryn, Vicki, Diana, Doria, Mike, Stephanie, Tyler, Ben, Amy, Christy, Karen, Anastasia, Jamie, Alex and Alexander, Toni, Gina, R.J., Allie, Vickie, Petra, Bob, Joseph, Christopher, Elizabeth, Judi, Bodil, Ole, and others known to you.

Food Shelf Needs for January 18



***Canned Meal – large cans
(e.g. Chili, Pork and Beans)***

January's recipient is Joyce Uptown Food Shelf

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

Calendar of the Week

Sunday, January 11: Sunday after Theophany; Godparents' Sunday

8:30 a.m. – Matins; 9:30 a.m. – Divine Liturgy; Vasilopita Service
12:00 noon – Seekers' Meeting, *Fireside Room*

Tuesday, January 13

6:15 p.m. – Parish Council Meeting, *Fireside Room*
6:30 p.m. – Byzantine Chant Class, *Classroom*

Wednesday, January 14

Choir rehearsal resumes next week, January 21

Thursday, January 15

6:30 p.m. – Koinonia (Tia Muchulas, coordinator), *Fireside Room*

Friday, January 16

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

Saturday, January 17: Saint Anthony the Great

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

Sunday, January 18: Twelfth Sunday of Luke; Saints Athanasios and Cyril

8:30 a.m. – Matins; Prayers for the Unborn; 9:30 a.m. – Divine Liturgy



Healing House Dinner Volunteers Needed

The first Healing House meal and Bible study for 2026 will be held this coming Saturday, January 17. We could use a few more helping hands to provide the meal, supplies and most of all fellowship with the Healing House children and moms. The hours are 5:00-7:30 p.m. and we usually serve about 25-30 people (many are children). After meal the children go to the playroom and moms attend a Bible study. If you are able to help, please contact Sandra Anderson, 612.940.8933, or email asformess69@gmail.com.



Vasilopita (New Year's Bread) Sale Continues Today

Vasilopita sales wrap up today after the Liturgy. The price is \$15 via cash or check (to Philoptochos) and \$15.50 via credit card.



Philoptochos Membership Drive

All women of the parish should have received a letter inviting them to Step Up! Make a Difference! with Philoptochos as a new or returning member. Let's renew and strengthen our efforts together, united in our mission to serve "the least of them." Membership dues are self-determined, with the first \$22 supporting our Metropolis and National Philoptochos, and the remainder directly benefiting our local chapter. To learn more, join us on Sunday, January 25, in the Terrace Room at 11:45 a.m. at our first General Membership Meeting of 2026.



Save the Date...General Meeting January 25

Mark your calendars! Our first General Meeting of 2026 will be on Sunday, January 25, at 11:45 a.m. in the Terrace Room. We will be discussing and approving the budget for the year and need your vote for approval. We will also discuss upcoming events and Philoptochos needs.



Little Orthodox Library

Thank you to everyone who has helped with the Little Orthodox Library this past year. Your generosity in donating books and your time to keep the library stocked is appreciated very much! It's time to schedule for 2026. If you would like to sign up to help monthly, please go to the Philoptochos table during coffee hour. All you need to do is check the library box weekly (during your month) to remove any books that are not Orthodox then replenish the supply (kept behind the stage), putting a bookmark in each book.



Upcoming Events

- **Prosforo Workshop** – Friday, January 23, 6:00-9:00 p.m.
Registration for the prosforo workshop closes on Sunday, January 18.
 - **Sitari (Memorial Wheat) Workshop** – Friday, February 13, 6:00-9:00 p.m.
Registration for the sitari workshop closes on Sunday, February 8.
- ** Sign up at the Philoptochos table for any of these events. ****



Saint Mary's to Host the 2026 West Region Basketball Tournament!

January 30 - February 1, 2026 • Minneapolis, MN

We are thrilled to announce that St. Mary's is hosting this year's Metropolis Basketball Tournament! This is one of the largest family and youth events of the year and we need our whole parish community to make it a success.



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Players and Volunteers Needed!

Whether you're playing, coaching, helping with hospitality, working the score table, or assisting with logistics, your participation is essential.

Sponsorship Needed!

Want to support the Tournament? There will be a table set up during the coffee hour where you can sign up for sponsorship. Make sure to stop by.



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Want to Learn More About the Basketball Tournament?

Scan the code to visit our website. There you can learn more about the weekend schedule, meal tickets, hotel reservations, and more!



NEW IN THE BOOKSTORE

The Ultimate Building Project: The Human Person by Paul Karos, published by St. Vladimir's Seminary Press.

Icons of the mosaics of the Theotokos and Christ with the Theotokos at St. Mary's—photography and design by Patrick Wehr; made by Saint Paul's Icons.



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SAVE THE DATE: JUNE 15-19, 2026

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Daily Bible Readings

Monday, January 12

Acts 18:22-28 • John 10:39-42

Tuesday, January 13

Galatians 3:23-29; 4:1-5 • Luke 20:1-8

Wednesday, January 14

Acts 2:38-43 • Luke 4:1-15

Thursday, January 15

Galatians 5:22-26; 6:1-2 • Luke 12:32-40

Friday, January 16

Acts 12:1-11 • John 21:14-25

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Hebrews 13:17-21 • Luke 6:17-23

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