

May 31, 2026



The Divine Liturgy

Holy Pentecost

Commemoration:

Holy Pentecost; Hermias the Martyr at Comana; Eustathios, Patriarch of Constantinople; Eusebius and Haralambos the Monk-martyrs.

Morning Gospel: John 20:19-23

VARIABLE HYMNS AND READINGS IN THE LITURGY

At the Second Antiphon

Save us, O Good Comforter, to you we sing: Alleluia!

At the Small Entrance

Hymn of Pentecost, *Plagal Fourth Tone*

Blessed are you, O Christ our God. You made wise men of poor fishermen by sending down upon them your Holy Spirit, and through them you caught the whole world. O Lover of mankind, glory to you.

Hymn of Entrance

Be exalted, O Lord, in your strength; we will sing and chant of your mighty acts. Save us, O Good Comforter, to you we sing: Alleluia!

Repeat the *Pentecost Hymn*, above

Kontakion of Pentecost, *Plagal Fourth Tone*

When he came down and confused the tongues of men, the Most High divided the nations. But in sending forth the parted tongues of flame he called all mankind to unity that with one accord we might glorify his all-Holy Spirit.

The Baptismal Hymn (Instead of the Trisagion, "Holy God...")

As many of you as have been baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves in Christ. Alleluia.

Epistle..... *Acts 2:1-11*

WHEN THE DAY of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly a sound came from heaven like the rush of a mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared to them tongues as of fire, distributed and resting on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. Now there were dwelling

in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in his own language. And they were amazed and wondered, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontos and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians, we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God."

Gospel..... John 7:37-52; 8:12

On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and proclaimed, "If any one thirst, let him come to me and drink. He who believes in me, as the scripture has said, 'Out of his heart shall flow rivers of living water.'" Now this he said about the Spirit, which those who believed in him were to receive; for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified. When they heard these words, some of the people said, "This is really the prophet." Others said, "This is the Christ." But some said, "Is the Christ to come from Galilee? Has not the scripture said that the Christ is descended from David, and comes from Bethlehem, the village where David was?" So there was a division among the people over him. Some of them wanted to arrest him, but no one laid hands on him. The officers then went back to the chief priests and Pharisees, who said to them, "Why did you not bring him?" The officers answered, "No man ever spoke like this man!" The Pharisees answered them, "Are you led astray, you also? Have any of the authorities or of the Pharisees believed in him? But this crowd, who do not know the law, are accursed." Nikodemus, who had gone to him before, and who was one of them, said to them, "Does our law judge a man without first giving him a hearing and learning what he does?" They replied, "Are you from Galilee too? Search and you will see that no prophet is to rise from Galilee." Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world; he who follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

Megalynarion, Grave Tone

You conceived and gave birth in virginity; the Word who created all, through you became incarnate. O Mother who knew not man, Virgin Theotokos, the boundless One was held by you, the dwelling of your infinite Creator; we magnify you.

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

Communion Hymn

Your good Spirit shall lead me in the land of uprightness. Alleluia!

Instead of "We Have Seen the Light," we chant the Hymn of Pentecost on page 1 of this leaflet.

Today

Prosforo is provided by **Presvytera Alexandra Houck**.

The coffee hour today is hosted by
the Colaiani family.



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 in the Great Hall for a cup of coffee and always enjoyable refreshments.

Announcements



Senior Citizens' Meeting—Tuesday, June 9

Saint Mary's Senior Citizens will meet on Tuesday, June 9, at noon in the Terrace Room. Following our customary formalities, a luncheon will be hosted by a committee of our members. We will have a Hawaiian Luau party with entertainment by the "Ukes," a ukelele orchestra, featuring songstress/musician, Elena Biessener. A short meeting and announcements to follow. All St. Mary's Seniors (55+) are welcome to join this lively group. Current dues are \$20/yr. For further information, please contact President Tessie Bourdamis at tbourdamis@comcast.net or any current officer.



Children's Greek Dance Practices

Greek Dance registration for Sunday dance groups is now open. Sunday practices will begin on July 12 and will conclude with our Festival performances. We are offering two groups: children ages 4–6 and ages 7–9. Please register by completing the *Google Doc Response Form* by scanning the code or by contacting Lea at angelea.hoeft@gmail.com



Saint Mary's Vacation Church School

JUNE 15-19

EXPLORE
GOD'S PROMISES
IN THE GREAT NORTH

SCAN TO REGISTER

Last day to register is today, May 31



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; 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; Sarah, Ivan, Dan, Greg, Matthew, Judy, Bettsy, Mr. Berscheit; Juliana, Beth, Mia, Deb, Dean, Tia, 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, 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, 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, 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 June 7



*Canned Meal – large cans
(e.g., chili / pork and beans)*

June's recipient is Simpson Food Pantry

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

Calendar of the Week

Sunday, May 31: Holy Pentecost

8:30 a.m. – Matins; 9:30 a.m. – Divine Liturgy
after Liturgy – Hope for Our Neighbors Food Packing, *Great Hall*
after Liturgy – Church School Teachers’ Recognition Lunch, *Terrace Room*
5:00 p.m. – Kneeling Vespers of Pentecost

Monday, June 1: Monday of the Holy Spirit

9:30 a.m. – Divine Liturgy
after Liturgy – Baklava Assembly, *Kitchen*
6:00 p.m. – Greek Dance Practice, *Great Hall*

Tuesday, June 2

11:00 a.m. – Intercessory Prayer, *Nave*
11:30 a.m. – Senior Citizens’ Bible Study, *Fireside Room*

Wednesday, June 3

10:00 a.m. – Baklava (cut and clove), *Kitchen*
10:00 a.m. – Housekeeping
6:00 p.m. – Summer Chant Seminar, *Fireside Room*

Thursday, June 4

9:00 a.m. – Baklava (only if needed – call the church office for update.)

Friday, June 5

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

Sunday, June 7: Sunday of All Saints

“*The Messenger*” *News Item Deadline.*
8:30 a.m. – Matins; 9:30 a.m. – Divine Liturgy

Philoptochos News



Scan to
Sign Up

2026 Taste of Greece—The Baking Continues!

We are stocking the freezer with cookies and pastries for the 2026 Taste of Greece Bake Sale! Co-chairs Paulette Hastings, Tina Menter and Photine Saar have been making plans along with the cookie captains. Up next, we have:

Baklava:

- Monday, June 1, 10:00 a.m.-7:30 p.m.
(assembly - bring a saucepan and pastry brush)
- Wednesday, June 3, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
(cut, clove, and syrup - Bring a sharp knife)
- Thursday, June 4, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. (if needed)

You can sign up here (scan the QR code or use this URL:
<https://bit.ly/4csN1SZ>) or at the Philoptochos table. Thank you!

2026 RESTORATION PROJECT CAMPAIGN UPDATE

FOR THE DOME



\$40,000
still needed

\$960,000
in commitments

TARGETED GOAL: \$1M

Thank you to everyone who has pledged a contribution to the building improvements project. We have received **\$960,000** in commitments towards our goal of raising **\$1M**. In order for us to begin the dome restoration project, we need to secure a remainder of **\$40,000**. We invite every member of our community to join this sacred effort through *prayer, participation, and giving*. Please prayerfully consider *if* and *what* you can donate to help restore this blessed and treasured landmark.

Questions? Reach out to Nick Santrizos at: nsantrizos@gmail.com



Electronic payment donations can be made by scanning the code.

All contributions for this project will be placed into the Saint Mary's Capital Improvements Reserve.

www.stmarysgoc.org/For-The-Dome

Bring Hope to Our Neighbors *Spring & Summer Season*



BRING in JUNE

SIMPSON FOOD PANTRY

Check the weekly bulletin to see what food items to bring each week!



JOYCE UPTOWN FOOD SHELF

- *Toothbrushes & Toothpaste*
- *Diapers & Wipes*

PACK each Month

After Divine Liturgy to support our partners addressing food insecurity.



- *Sunday, May 31st — for FOCUS*
- *Sunday, June 28th*
- *Sunday, July 26th*

Join us today after the Divine Liturgy for the *Hope for Our Neighbors Food Packing* in the Great Hall!

A beautiful event to celebrate the feast of Holy Pentecost and help support FOCUS Minnesota.

CONNECT each Month



Sign up to deliver Food Packs to our local partners.

Together we can continue to bring HOPE to our neighbors with ACTION.



Quick Links

Stay in Contact



To join our mailing list or update your contact information, scan the code.

Digital Donation



To make a donation or stewardship offering, scan the code.

Daily Bible Readings

Monday, June 1: Monday of the Holy Spirit

Ephesians 5:8-19 • Matthew 18:10-20

Tuesday, June 2

Romans 1:1-7, 13-17 • Matthew 4:23-25; 5:1-13

Wednesday, June 3

Romans 1:18-27 • Matthew 5:20-26

Thursday, June 4

Hebrews 7:26-28; 8:1-2 • John 10:1-9

Friday, June 5

Romans 2:14-28 • Matthew 5:33-41

Saturday, June 6

Romans 1:7-12 • Matthew 5:42-48

Sunday, June 7: Sunday of All Saints

Hebrews 11:33-40; 12:1-2 • Matthew 10:32-33; 37-38; 19:27-30



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