Sixth Sunday of Luke

Commemoration: The Sixth Sunday of Luke; The Holy Martyrs Marcian and Martyrius the Notaries; Tabitha, who was raised from the dead by Peter the Apostle; Chrysaphios (or Chrysaphos) the Martyr; Martyr Chrysanthe.

Morning Gospel: John 21:1-14..... Tone: 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, *Fourth Tone*

The joyful news of your resurrection was proclaimed by the angel to the women disciples. Having thrown off the curse that fell on Adam, they ran elatedly to tell the apostles: Death has been vanquished; Christ our God is risen from the dead, blessing all the world with 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 for the Saints, *Fourth Tone (Come Quickly)*

Your Martyrs, O Lord, were worthily awarded by You the crowns of incorruption, in that they contested for You our immortal God. Since they possessed Your power, they defeated the tyrants, dashing the demons' powerless displays of defiance. O Christ God, at their fervent entreaties, save 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!

Εν τῇ γενήσει τὴν παρθενίαν ἐφύλαξας, ἐν τῇ κοιμήσει τὸν κόσμον οὐ κατέλιπες,
En ti gennisi tin parthenian efilaxas en ti kimisi ton kosmon u katelipes,

Θεοτόκε. Μετέστης πρὸς τὴν ζωήν, 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 psihas imon.

Kontakion of the Theotokos, *Second 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 2:16-20

Brethren, knowing that a man is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ, and not by works of the law, because by works of the law shall no one be justified. But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we ourselves were found to be sinners, is Christ then an agent of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again those things which I tore down, then I prove myself a transgressor. For I through the law died to the law, that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

Gospel*.....*Luke 8:26-39

At that time, as Jesus arrived at the country of the Gadarenes, there met him a man from the city who had demons; for a long time he had worn no clothes and he lived not in a house but among the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him, and said with a loud voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beseech you, do not torment me." For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many a time it had seized him; he was kept under guard, and bound with chains and fetters, but he broke the bonds and was driven by the demon into the desert.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. And they begged him not to command them to depart into the abyss. Now a large herd of swine was feeding there on the hillside; and they begged him to let them enter these. So he gave them leave. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and were drowned. When the herdsmen saw what happened, they fled, and told it in the city and in the country. Then people went out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus, and found the man from whom the demons had gone, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind; and they were afraid. And those who had seen it told them how he who had been possessed with demons was healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gadarenes asked him to depart from them; for they were seized with great fear; so he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but he sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." And he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city how much Jesus had done for him.

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

Today

Prosforo is provided by **Yana Patridge.**

Stop by the Great Hall after Liturgy and enjoy the pancake brunch hosted by our Church School students and staff, then stay for the Fall Parish Assembly that begins at 11:45 a.m. also in the Great Hall.

Fall Parish Assembly Meeting

The Fall Parish Assembly of St. Mary's Greek Orthodox Church will be held today at 11:45 a.m. in the Great Hall. The official notice and agenda items were sent via e-mail in September. Additional copies will be available on the tables this morning. We encourage all members in good standing to be present at this meeting.

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 an enjoyable pancake brunch.

Announcements

Daylight Saving Time Ends

Daylight Saving Time ends on Sunday morning, November 1. Be sure to set your clocks back one hour on Saturday night, October 31.

SYNAXIS
A PARISH GATHERING

Wednesday, November 4
6:00–8:00 p.m.

Join us for an evening of prayer, fellowship, a shared meal, and education for the whole family. Each Synaxis gathering will begin with a short prayer service, followed by dinner (provided by St. Mary's) together, and conclude with an educational session for adults and families. This year's theme is Pilgrimage, as we explore what it means to journey toward holy places and how pilgrimage can deepen our life in Christ. The theme on November 4 is "What Is a Pilgrimage?" presented by Fr. Tim. Come spend an evening together as a parish family as we begin this year's journey. All are welcome!

Saint Herman's Mittel European Dinner

Saint Herman's Orthodox Church is holding its annual Mittel European Fundraiser Dinner on **Saturday, October 31**, following the 5:00 p.m. Vespers service. Enjoy Czech beef goulash, noodles, sauerkraut, salad, and homemade desserts. Cost is $20.00 for age 12 and older and $15.00 for ages 5-11. St. Herman's Church is located at 5355 – 38th Avenue South, Minneapolis.

Centennial Celebration of St. Michael's and St. George's Ukrainian Orthodox Church

Saint Michael's and St. George's Ukrainian Orthodox Church in Northeast Minneapolis will celebrate its 100th anniversary on November 7 and 8. This year marks a truly historic milestone in the life of this parish. For an entire century, the church has served as a spiritual home for generations of Orthodox Christians, preserving the holy Orthodox faith, Ukrainian heritage, and cherished traditions.
The schedule of events is:

Saturday, November 7
3:00 p.m. – Memorial Service for all departed members of the parish and all victims of the Holocaust.
4:00–6:00 p.m. – Community Gathering and Historical Parish Exhibition in our parish hall.

Sunday, November 8
9:30 a.m. – Solemn Greeting of the Bishop at the entrance to the church.
Following the Greeting – Festive Hierarchical Divine Liturgy and Blessing of the Holy Altar.
Following the Divine Liturgy – Festive Luncheon and Concert Program in celebration of our parish's 100th anniversary.
Saint Michael's and St. George's Church is located at
505 4th Street NE, Minneapolis.

Save the Date
For A Date

Friday, November 6 • 4:30 – 8:30 p.m.
Drop off your kids at church, and we'll take it from there! Philoptochos is offering parents a night out. We will provide entertainment, food, and fun for the kids! Fee for the Evening (Children up to 13 years old)
$25 – 1 child
$35 – 2 children
+$5 for each additional child
Note: Children must be 3+ years old and potty trained.
Watch for Registration to Come! Start Making Your Plans!
Contact Dena Tortorelis with questions at: DTortorelis@comcast.net

Youth News

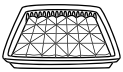
All-Youth Service Trip

Monday, November 2, 2026 — 5:00–6:30 p.m.
Feed My Starving Children
Eagan 990 Lone Oak Road, Suite 136, Eagan, MN 55121
All youth in Kindergarten through 12th Grade are invited to join us for an evening of service at Feed My Starving Children! Together, we will pack meals that will be sent to children in need around the world. This is a wonderful opportunity for our young people to serve others, spend time together, and put our faith into action! Children under 5th grade must be accompanied by an adult.
Please RSVP at the following communications Scott Rudquist at: 612.812.1216 or at scott@stmarysgoc.org
We hope you'll join us for this meaningful evening of service!

Summer Camp 2027

Important Dates for Summer Campers and Staff:
Summer Camp will be held July 3-9, 2027.
This will be our 75th year of Summer Camp! We are currently planning an anniversary celebration event on the weekend following Summer Camp 2027, tentatively scheduled for Sunday evening July 11, 2027.
The 2027 Summer Camp Staff Application Site will be open **November 1, 2026, to December 31, 2026**. The link will be posted on **https://stmaryscamp.com/summer-camp/**

Philoptochos News



Pick up Your Filo Today

Fresh filo orders are available for pick up today during the Parish Assembly brunch. Thank you for your support of Philoptochos through this sale.

FOCUS MN Meal Hosting Today

We will be serving the FOCUS meal this evening. Please ensure your items are brought to the church kitchen by 12:00 noon today. Volunteer in person (3:00-7:30 p.m.) at Christ Lutheran on Capitol Hill Church, 105 University Avenue, St. Paul. Thank you for helping to feed the hungry!



New Food Product to Our Parish Community!

Philoptochos will be selling "Its Greek to Me" seasoning packets by Market-To-Market. This gourmet seasoning packet is great to use for dips, appetizers, spreads, and in recipes! It's all natural and highly rated Gluten free, salt free, and no MSG. **Price per packet: $8.00 cash or check: $8.20 via credit card.** Yields 6 cups. Available at the Philoptochos Table today!



Philoptochos Meeting This Tuesday

The next Philoptochos meeting will be **Tuesday, October 27, 7:00 p.m.**, in the Terrace Room. Our guest speaker will be Deanna Klein, speaking on SAD, Seasonal Affective Disorder. Treats will be provided. We hope to see you all there.

Celebrating Philoptochos Sunday

November 1

Next Sunday is Philoptochos Sunday. After Liturgy a special collection will be received at the rear of the nave for the Ecumenical Patriarchate. Please join us for coffee hour next Sunday in the Great Hall as we share more about our mission and highlight the important work of Philoptochos.



Operation Classroom: Winter Clothing Drive for Bancroft Elementary School

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 table during November. We will be collecting outerwear as well as other clothing on Sundays, November 1-23. Listed below are items needed for girls and boys: **Coats, boots, gloves and mittens, socks, underwear**

Sizing as follows:

ITEM	AGES	SIZE
Clothes	5 to 12	4-16
Boots & Sneakers	5 to 12	12-7
Socks	5 to 10 and 10 to 12	8-9.5 and 9-11
Underwear	4 to 12	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 in November. We will also accept credit card or Venmo payments at the table.



Mark Your Calendars
22nd Annual Twin Cities Pan-Orthodox Tea

Saturday, November 7, 2026, 2:30-4:30 p.m.
Hosted by St. Sava Serbian Orthodox Church
357 2nd Avenue South
South St. Paul, MN, 55075

Come together for fellowship and share ideas toward our common goals to learn from each other, share ideas from our parishes to be Christ-like. The tea will include a short presentation on the Serbian Orthodox Church. Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share. For any questions, text Nada Spasojevic at 952.201.2594. Church and hall are not handicap accessible. Access by stairs only.

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; Brook, Lydia, Ina, Joe & Linda; Lukas N., Jolene, Sarah, Ivan, Greg, Matthew, Judy, Bettsy, Mr. Berscheit, Naira, Juliana, Beth, Mia, Deb, Dean, Tia, Kathie, Owen, Missy, Anthony, 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, Emebet, Billie, Nino, Mechelle, 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, Karrisa, 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 November 1



Oatmeal or Cream of Wheat
November's recipient is FOCUS Minnesota
Please do not bring opened packages. They will be discarded.

Calendar of the Week

Sunday, October 25: Sixth Sunday of Luke

8:30 a.m. – Matins; 9:30 a.m. – Divine Liturgy
after Liturgy – Pancake Brunch hosted by the Church School, *Great Hall*
11:45 a.m. – Parish Assembly, *Great Hall*

Monday, October 26: Saint Demetrios

9:30 a.m. – Divine Liturgy

Tuesday, October 27

6:30 p.m. – Philoptochos General Meeting, *Terrace Room*

Wednesday, October 28

6:00 p.m. – Chant Rehearsal, *Music Office*
6:30 p.m. – Choir Rehearsal, *Nave*

Saturday, October 31

8:30 a.m. – Women's Bible Study, *Patty Christopulos' home*
9:00 a.m. – Bible Study, *Fireside Room and on Zoom*
Set your clocks back one hour tonight.

Sunday, November 1: The Holy Unmercenaries Saints Cosmas and Damianos, Patron Saints of Philoptochos

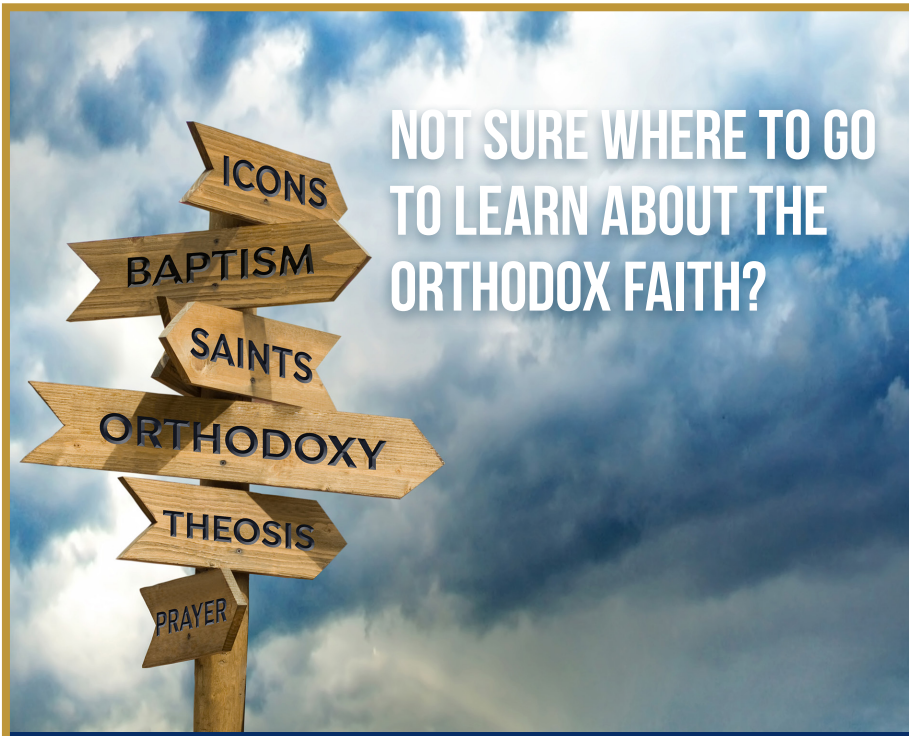
8:30 a.m. – Matins; 9:30 a.m. – Divine Liturgy
after Liturgy – Project Hope Food Packing, *Great Hall*
12:00 noon – Grades 7-12 Basketball, *Great Hall*
1:30 p.m. – Boys' Basketball, *Great Hall*





"Some say, 'Why do they [demons] possess people?' I answer those who wish to have this explained that the reason of these things is very deep. Somewhere one of His saints addressed God by saying, 'Your judgments are a vast abyss.' As long as we bear this in mind, we will perhaps not miss the mark."

—Saint Cyril of Alexandria



NOT SURE WHERE TO GO TO LEARN ABOUT THE ORTHODOX FAITH?

SEEKER SUNDAY

November 8

11:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m., Fireside Room

For those who want to learn more about the Orthodox Christian faith. If you are brand new to St. Mary's, we are here to help guide you. Attend one of our monthly Q&A sessions with clergy on the second Sunday of the month after Divine Liturgy. Feel free to get refreshments at Coffee Hour, then meet us in the Fireside Room.

▶ ***If you would like to send a question in advance, send it to: welcome@stmarysgoc.org***

St. Mary's Parish Council and **Stewardship Committee**
cordially invite you to attend the complimentary

APPRECIATION GLENDI



Saturday, November 14, 2026

6:00–10:00 p.m. ~ St. Mary's Great Hall

Enjoy an evening with dinner, dancing, and great company in appreciation of your pledged gifts of Time, Talent, and Treasure to Saint Mary's. This year we welcome our honored guest, **His Eminence Metropolitan Nathanael**. RSVP below using the QR code.

VOLUNTEER TO HELP

We are looking for help with a variety of projects throughout the day, from set up in the morning through dishwashing at night. We have something for everyone! Scan the code to sign up or use this URL: ***https://bit.ly/4kastCR***

RSVP HERE

by November 2

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, October 26: Saint Demetrios
II Timothy 2:1-10 • John 15:17-27; 16:1-2

Tuesday, October 27
Colossians 2:20-23; 3:1-3 • Luke 11:1-10

Wednesday, October 28
Hebrews 9:1-7 • Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28

Thursday, October 29
Colossians 4:2-9 • Luke 11:14-23

Friday, October 30
Colossians 4:10-18 • Luke 11:23-26

Saturday, October 31
Romans 16:1-16 • Luke 8:16-21

Sunday, November 1: The Holy Unmercenaries Saints Cosmas and Damianos, Patron Saints of Philoptochos
I Corinthians 12:27-31; 13:1-8 • Luke 16:19-31

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