

CONCERNING HOLY COMMUNION

*** In Orthodox churches, Holy Communion is given to and received only by members of the Orthodox Church (the baptized and chrismated who strive to live in repentance, faith, and godliness).**

*** If you are non-Orthodox, please speak with Fr. Jonathan after Liturgy without approaching the Chalice. If you are Orthodox, please introduce yourself to Fr. Jonathan, if possible, prior to the Liturgy, otherwise, at the Chalice.**

Prayers of Holy Oblation are offered for the Health of:

Archprst. Stephen	Archprst. Elias	Mat. Marion	Dn. Michael	Irene
Laurie	Rose	Barbara	Tanya	Thomas
Kristi	Nina	Diane	Kevin	Cody
Nicole & Noelle	John	Athanasios	Mary Patricia	Frances
Vladimir	Christopher	Eva	Paisley	John

Prayers of Holy Oblation are offered in Memory of:

Archimandrite Frank (ND)	Radmila (ND)	Angela	Stacey
Mary	John		

August Birthdays:

Jonathan Taleff (8/1)	Cara Kulikowski (8/2)	Patrice Taleff (8/5)
Peter Taleff (8/6)	Nadya Golubov (8/10)	Diane Koory (8/13)
Maggie Taylor (8/16)	Robert Koory (8/22)	Trudy Telychka (8/31)

TO SPONSOR COFFEE HOUR, please sign up on the calendar book on the glass case. Keep it simple – donuts, coffee cake, bagels, etc. IF NO ONE SIGNS UP, THERE WILL BE NO COFFEE HOUR.

St. Mark is a Parish of the Diocese of the South of the Orthodox Church in America (OCA) under the leadership of Metropolitan Tikhon and Archbishop Alexander, our Diocesan Bishop (Head Pastor). Our mission is to be a spiritual home to all who enter; to be a Christ-like community of Orthodox Christians; to be active in worship, fellowship, and witness, through participation in the Sacraments to come into close union with God.

If you are unable to attend services, but wish to continue your Stewardship contributions, send them to PO Box 1315, Bradenton FL, 34206.

MEMORIAL BRICKS for the St. Mark Memorial Garden can be ordered at www.thatsmybrick.com/stmarkorthodox. You can order a 4"x 8" or 8"x8" brick with or without an Orthodox Cross, the number of characters varying accordingly. If you have any questions about the ordering process, see Fr. Jonathan.

St. Mark Orthodox Church

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"The Messenger"

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THIS WEEK AT ST. MARK

21 Sunday	9:30 AM	Divine Liturgy & Coffee Hour
24 Wednesday	6:00 PM	Daily Vespers and Faith & Life Class
25 Thursday	9:30 AM	Divine Liturgy
	6:30 PM	Parish Council
27 Saturday	4:30 PM	Choir Practice
	5:00 PM	Great Vespers
28 Sunday	9:30 AM	Divine Liturgy & Coffee Hour

Choir practice immediately following Liturgy/Coffee hour.
Adult Bible Sunday following Divine Liturgy will resume in September.

Sunday, August 21, 2022
10th Sunday After Pentecost Tone 1
Afterfeast of the Dormition
Apostle Thaddeus of the Seventy

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prokeimenon Tone 1 (Resurrection)

Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us / as we have set our hope on Thee. (Ps. 32:22)

V. Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous! Praise befits the just! (Ps. 32:1)

Prokeimenon Tone 2 (Song of the Theotokos)

My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior. (Lk. 1:46-47)

1 Corinthians 4:9-16 (Epistle)

For I think that God has displayed us, the apostles, last, as men condemned to death; for we have been made a spectacle to the world, both to angels and to men. We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ! We are weak, but you are strong! You are distinguished, but we are dishonored! To the present hour we both hunger and thirst, and we are poorly clothed, and beaten, and homeless. And we labor, working with our own hands. Being reviled, we bless; being persecuted, we endure; being defamed, we entreat. We have been made as the filth of the world, the offscouring of all things until now. I do not write these things to shame you, but as my beloved children I warn you. For though you might have ten thousand instructors in Christ, yet you do not have many fathers; for in Christ Jesus I have begotten you through the gospel. Therefore I urge you, imitate me.

Matthew 17:14-23 (Gospel)

And when they had come to the multitude, a man came to Him, kneeling down to Him and saying, "Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic and suffers severely; for he often falls into the fire and often into the water. So I brought him to Your disciples, but they could not cure him." Then Jesus answered and said, "O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I bear with you? Bring him here to Me." And Jesus rebuked the demon, and it came out of him; and the child was cured from that very hour. Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?" So Jesus said to them, "Because of your unbelief; for assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith as a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you. However, this kind does not go out except by prayer and fasting." Now while they were staying in Galilee, Jesus said to them, "The Son of Man is about to be betrayed into the hands of men, and they will kill Him, and the third day He will be raised up." And they were exceedingly sorrowful.

- **The First Sunday of every month** will now be a regular coffee hour. All following Sundays will include Adult Bible Study at the same time as Sunday School for our youngsters, beginning Sunday, September 11.
- Fr. Jonathan is publishing weekly meditations on the St. Mark website: www.stmarkorthodox.org. The weekly bulletin, monthly calendar, and other resources are also available on our website.
- **Choir practice** will take on Saturdays at 4:30 PM before Vespers specifically for learning the music of the Vespers service.
- Please keep in mind that Liturgy is prayerfully concluded with the reading of the Post-Communion prayers during the veneration of the Cross. Please be respectful during the reading of these prayers by praying along quietly.
- **Faith and Life Class** takes place Wednesday evenings following Daily Vespers. Last week (Aug. 17), we began working our way through St. Paul's Letter to the Romans. Come and join the discussion!
- We are taking donations for our Altar and Proskomedia Table to send to Nativity of the Theotokos Church in Waterbury, CT, their church of origin. Please consider contributing to thank our brothers and sisters in the Faith for their gifts to us.
- **Thank you, thank you**, to all who helped trench and lay rock around the outside perimeter of the Church building. Since we don't have gutters on the edge of the roof, we hope this rock bed will prevent mud from splashing up on the sides of the Church.
- Next week Monday (August 29, the Beheading of St. John the Baptist) we will begin serving **Matins prior to Divine Liturgy on Feast Days**. Together with the service of Vespers, the bulk of the theological meaning of the feasts is contained and prayed in the verses of Matins.
- By way of reminder because we are still in the Afterfeast of Dormition, the term **Dormition** (Lat.) means "falling-asleep," that is the departure of the soul from, and death of, the body, which happened to the Virgin Mary Theotokos.

HYMNS OF THE DAY

After the Entrance with the Gospel:

Tone 1 Troparion (Resurrection)

When the stone had been sealed by the Jews,
while the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body,
Thou didst rise on the third day, O Savior,
granting life to the world.
The powers of heaven therefore cried to Thee, O Giver of Life:
“Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ!
Glory to Thy Kingdom!//
Glory to Thy dispensation, O Thou Who lovest mankind!”

Tone 1 Troparion (Dormition)

In giving birth thou didst preserve thy virginity.
In falling asleep thou didst not forsake the world, O Theotokos.
Thou wast translated to life, O Mother of Life,//
and by thy prayers thou dost deliver our souls from death.

Tone 4 Troparion (St. Mark)

From your childhood the light of truth enlightened you, O Mark,
and you loved the labor of Christ the Savior.
Therefore you followed Peter with zeal
and served Paul as a fellow laborer,//
and you enlighten the world with your Holy Gospel

Tone 3 Troparion (St. Thaddeus)

Holy Apostle Thaddeus,
entreat the merciful God//
to grant our souls forgiveness of transgressions.

Tone 1 Kontakion (Resurrection)

As God, Thou didst rise from the tomb in glory,
raising the world with Thyself.
Human nature praises Thee as God, for death has vanished.
Adam exults, O Master!
Eve rejoices, for she is freed from bondage and cries to Thee://
“Thou art the Giver of Resurrection to all, O Christ!”

(over)

Tone 2 Kontakion (St. Mark)

You did receive the grace of the Spirit from on high
destroying the snares of the orators.
You did hunt all the nations, O Apostle,
and led them to your Master,//
O glorious Mark, the preacher of the Gospel of God.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit

Tone 4 Kontakion (St. Thaddeus)

The Church sees thee as a shining star, O Apostle Thaddeus,
and is enlightened by thy wonders.//
Save those who honor thy memory in faith!

Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Tone 2 Kontakion (Dormition)

Neither the tomb, nor death, could hold the Theotokos,
who is constant in prayer and our firm hope in her intercessions.
For being the Mother of Life,//
she was translated to life by the One Who dwelt in her virginal womb.

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Tone 6 Theotokion

Steadfast Protectress of Christians,
constant Advocator before the Creator,
do not despise the cries of us sinners,
but in your goodness come speedily to help us who call on you in faith.
Hasten to hear our petitions and to intercede for us, O Theotokos,//
for you always protect those who honor you!