

**To Our Guests and Visitors about Receiving Holy Communion:**

1. 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).
2. One must properly prepare to receive Communion, and there are negative consequences for improper reception. Also, the Priest administering Communion is responsible for the well-being of those receiving Holy Communion (see 1 Cor. 4:1-2; 11:27-32; Heb. 13:17).
3. *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          | Nicholas        | Christopher | Paisley       | Willard |
| Sunnie            | Siobhan         | Moriah      |               |         |

**Prayers of Holy Oblation are offered in Memory of:**

|                  |               |            |             |
|------------------|---------------|------------|-------------|
| Met. Herman (ND) | Priest Andrew | Roger (ND) | Joseph (ND) |
| Sophia (ND)      |               |            |             |

**November Birthdays**

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| Sbdn. James Abraham (11/6) | Moriah Hastings (11/14) |                        |
| Helen Moroz (11/24)        | Connie Insley (11/25)   | Deborah Graban (11/26) |
| Eugenia Golubov (11/30)    |                         |                        |

**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 OCA Diocese of the South under the leadership of Metropolitan Tikhon and Archbishop Alexander. 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.thatmybrick.com/stmarkorthodox](http://www.thatmybrick.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"**

V. Rev. Fr. Jonathan Cholcher  
Rector

V. Rev. Fr. Stephen Plumlee  
Attached

Rev. Fr. Nicholas Roth  
Attached

Sub-Deacon James Abraham

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**This week at St. Mark**

|              |         |   |
|--------------|---------|---|
| 16 Wednesday | 6:00 PM | Vespers/Faith & Life Class                  |
| 17 Thursday  | 9:30 AM | Divine Liturgy                              |
| 17 Thursday  | 6:00 PM | Holy Unction Service                        |
| 19 Saturday  | 1:00 PM | Baptism/Chrismation of the<br>Button Family |
| 19 Saturday  | 3:30 PM | Intro. To Orthodoxy                         |
| 19 Saturday  | 5:00 PM | Great Vespers                               |
| 20 Sunday    | 9:30 AM | Divine Liturgy                              |

Adult Bible Study Sunday following Divine Liturgy.

**Sunday, November 13, 2022**

**22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday After Pentecost 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke Tone 5  
St. John Chrysostom, Archbishop of Constantinople**

**Prokeimenon Tone 5 (Resurrection)**

*Thou, O Lord, shalt protect us / and preserve us from this generation forever.  
(Ps. 11:7)*

*V. Save me, O Lord, for there is no longer any that is godly! (Ps. 11:1a)*

**Galatians 6:11-18 (Epistle)**

See with what large letters I have written to you with my own hand! As many as desire to make a good showing in the flesh, these would compel you to be circumcised, only that they may not suffer persecution for the cross of Christ. For not even those who are circumcised keep the law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may boast in your flesh. But God forbid that I should boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision avails anything, but a new creation. And as many as walk according to this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God. From now on let no one trouble me, for I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus. Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.

**Luke 10:25-37 (Gospel)**

And behold, a certain lawyer stood up and tested Him, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What is your reading of it?" So he answered and said, "'You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind,' and 'your neighbor as yourself.'" And He said to him, "You have answered rightly; do this and you will live." But he, wanting to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Then Jesus answered and said: "A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, who stripped him of his clothing, wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a certain priest came down that road. And when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. Likewise a Levite, when he arrived at the place, came and looked, and passed by on the other side. But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was. And when he saw him, he had compassion. So he went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; and he set him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. On the next day, when he departed, he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said to him, 'Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, when I come again, I will repay you.' So which of these three do you think was neighbor to him who fell among the thieves?" And he said, "He who showed mercy on him." Then Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Fr. Jonathan is publishing weekly meditations on the St. Mark website (stmarkorthodox.org). Please take some time to read them.
- Please keep in mind that Liturgy is not officially over until the reading of the Post-Communion prayers. It is important that we stay respectful during the reading of these prayers by maintaining silence.
- Faith and Life classes will be studying St. Paul's Epistle to the Romans. Classes are held Wednesdays following Daily Vespers.
- Introduction to Orthodoxy class will meet at 3:30 PM on Saturdays prior to Vespers. We will discuss the basics of Orthodox Faith and Practice. All are invited, especially those considering becoming Orthodox, or those relatively new to the Faith.
- November's charity is Women's Resource Center of Bradenton. Donations between \$5.00 and \$500.00 will be matched.
- Parish Council has adopted a ***Parish policy regarding the posting of informational materials*** either in the St. Mark Church building (e.g. on a bulletin board on the welcome desk of the Church) or on St. Mark Church social media platforms such as Facebook or our Parish website. All such materials or postings must be pre-approved by the Parish Council or Fr. Jonathan prior to posting.
- Fr. Jonathan will be out-of-town November 9-15. Fr. Nicholas will be serving the weekend of the 12<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup>
- We would like to take this opportunity to thank our men and women veterans. Thank you for your service.
- The 40-day Nativity Fast begins this Tuesday, November 15, the 40th day before Christmas. Also called Advent ("arrival"), the Nativity Fast is a season of spiritual attention wherein we focus on purifying our hearts through fasting, prayer, and works of mercy. With few days of exception, we are encouraged to abstain from meats, dairy products, olive oil, and alcoholic drinks until Christmas, to humble our bodies and souls in the worship of God.
- Holy Unction at 6:00 PM on Thursday, November 17, is a service of repentance and healing. Being a mystery, or sacrament, of the Church, Orthodox Christians intending to be anointed must be prepared by Confession and Communion prior to the service. Holy Unction assumes the priority of the Eucharist, and the Eucharist is further worked out in Holy Unction.

**Troparion      Tone 5      (Resurrection)**

Let us, the faithful, praise and worship the Word,  
co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit,  
born for our salvation from the Virgin;  
for He willed to be lifted up on the Cross in the flesh,  
to endure death,  
and to raise the dead//  
by His glorious Resurrection.

**Troparion      Tone 8      (St. John)**

Grace shining forth from thy lips like a beacon has enlightened the universe.  
It has shown to the world the riches of poverty.  
It has revealed to us the heights of humility.  
Teaching us by thy words O Father John Chrysostom,//  
intercede before the Word Christ our God, to save our souls!

**Kontakion      Tone 5      (Resurrection)**

Thou didst descend into hell, O my Savior,  
shattering its gates as Almighty,  
resurrecting the dead as Creator,  
and destroying the sting of death.  
Thou hast delivered Adam from the curse, O Lover of man,//  
and we cry to Thee: “O Lord, save us!”

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

**Kontakion      Tone 6      (St. John)**

Having received divine grace from heaven,  
with thy mouth thou dost teach all men to worship one God in Trinity.  
All-blessed and venerable John Chrysostom,//  
we worthily praise thee, for thou art our teacher, revealing things divine.

**Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen**

**Theotokion      Tone 6**

Steadfast Protectress of Christians  
Constant Advocate 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!

**Troparion**                      **Tone 4**                      **(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

**Kontakion**                      **Tone 2**                      **(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

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