

**St. Mary's Orthodox Church**  
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**Sunday, November 10, 2024**

Reader Hours: Mat. Lisa  
Reader Epistle: Michael Ropitsky



**20<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Tone 3.**

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We welcome all our visitors today! We want to let you know that we are so glad you came to pray with us. Please come again; join us after the Divine Liturgy in the parish hall for fellowship. If you do not have a home church, we invite you to become a part of our parish family. **Only those Orthodox Christians who have prepared themselves through strict Fasting on the morning of the Liturgy, recent Confession and at peace with each other may approach the Chalice and receive Holy Communion.**

**SERVICES:**

Sunday, November 10 9:30 AM: Divine Liturgy, **Parastas: All Departed Veterans**  
Church School, Fellowship Hour, Start of Adult Education

Friday, November 15 **Beginning of the Nativity Fast**

Saturday, November 16 3:30 PM: Parastas:  
Eleanor Funk offered by Barb Birosik  
Cynthia Mann offered by Barb Birosik  
Nicholas Teno offered by family

Saturday, November 16 4:00 PM: Great Vespers, Confessions

Sunday, November 17 9:30 AM: Divine Liturgy, Church School, Fellowship Hour,  
**Short Parish Council Meeting**

Wed., November 20 5:00 PM: Vespers, Litya

Thurs., November 21 9:30 AM: Divine Liturgy (**Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple**)

Saturday, November 23 4:00 PM: Great Vespers, Confessions

Sunday, November 24 9:30 AM: Divine Liturgy, Church School, Fellowship Hour

Thurs., November 28 Moliben of Thanksgiving: followed by our Thanksgiving Meal

**Prayer List\*: Mat. Lisa**

Robert Boguski, Jeanne Cannon, Stephanie Chmel, Kaitlyn & Shannon Dmytrow, Anna Eltgroth, Julia Forte, Jose Garcia, Julia Harahus, Karen & Rose Harkins, Nancy King, Olga Kushnir, Anna Marie Mantey, Dorothy Macenka, Paul Macenka, Olga Martsyniv, Dave Mazaika, Tom McCarthy, Ron Pierce, Odess Remington, Millie O'Shura, Melissa Schmitt, Olga Sidoriak, Jolie Skelton, Peter Weremedic, Marie Yurchak

\* Names will cycle off approximately every 30 days. You may request to have your name or the name of a loved one placed back on the list at any time by contacting Fr. James directly.

**If anyone is in need of a priest, please call Fr. James Weremedic at 570-645-2772.**  
 Visitation of the Sick and Infirm: If you are going into the hospital for any reason, please inform Fr. James at the Rectory. Emergency Calls: Please call the Rectory (570-645-2772) anytime (day or night) in an emergency.

**Candles (November 10)**

7-day Vigils-Altar: In health of **Robert Boguski** offered by Edward Pierson  
 Altar Candles: In memory of **Rosella Garbecki** offered by Julia Forte  
 Eternal Lamp: In memory of **Olga Hebda** offered by Raymond & Mary Jo Danchak  
 7-day Vigils-Tetrapod: In memory of **Helen Butts** offered by Raymond & Mary Jo Danchak  
 Decorated Candles: In memory of **Nestor Scarloss** offered by Stephanie Chmel

**November Birthdays:** 1- Nicholas Teno, Jr., 2- Justin Babinetz, 4- Lena Marie Berezniak, 11- Nancy King, 17- Irene Puschak, Victoria Weremedic, 18- Amelia Buchanan, 26- Barbara Birosik, Helen King, 27- Chris King, Walter Rosahac

**November Anniversaries:** 13- Walter & Louise Rosahac

**Financials 11/03/2024: Operating Acct:** Envelopes \$675, Non-envelope \$35, Holy Day \$55, Altar Candles \$10, Candles \$60, Donations \$475, Cemetery \$20

**If you have any Redner receipts, please call or get them to Helen King.**  
**Please use your Boyer's card when shopping at Boyers; if you need one call Helen King.**

**Fellowship Hour Hosts:**

11/10 R & L Berezniak    11/17 Russell King    11/24 Mike Tatusko    12/01 John Evetushick  
 12/08 R & L Berezniak

We are not required to bring a tenth of our income to the Church; we can bring twenty, thirty, or even one-hundred percent, as did the poor widow (*Mark 12:42-43*). But we can start with a small step. We can at least bring as much as the Old Testament Hebrews, at least the ten percent that rightly belongs to God and not us. But if we don't have as much zeal for the temple of God as the Old Testament people had, then the Lord will accept and bless even seven or five percent or any other amount offered with a pure heart. **We must begin somewhere!** On Tithing | A Russian Orthodox Church Website ([pravmir.com](http://pravmir.com))

**How much is my tithe?!**

Weekly Income	10%	5%	4%	2%
\$200	\$20	\$10	\$8	\$4
\$500	\$50	\$25	\$20	\$10
\$750	\$75	\$38	\$30	\$15
\$1,000	\$100	\$50	\$40	\$20
\$1,500	\$150	\$75	\$60	\$30
\$2,000	\$200	\$100	\$80	\$40

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**John 20:19-31 (9<sup>th</sup> Matins Gospel)**

Then, the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in the midst, and said to them, "Peace be with you." When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side.

*Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. So Jesus said to them again, "Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you."*

**And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."**

Now Thomas, called the Twin, one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. The other disciples therefore said to him, "We have seen the Lord." So he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe." And after eight days His disciples were again inside, and Thomas with them. Jesus came, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, "Peace to you!" Then He said to Thomas, "Reach your finger here, and look at My hands; and reach your hand here, and put it into My side. Do not be unbelieving, but believing." And Thomas answered and said to Him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Thomas, because you have seen Me, you have believed.

Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.

**Tone 3 Troparion (Resurrection)**

Let the heavens rejoice! Let the earth be glad! For the Lord has shown strength with His arm. He has trampled down death by death. He has become the first born of the dead. He has delivered us from the depths of hell, and has granted to the world // great mercy.

**Tone 3 Kontakion (Resurrection)**

On this day You rose from the tomb, O Merciful One, leading us from the gates of death. On this day Adam exults as Eve rejoices; with the Prophets and Patriarchs // they unceasingly praise the divine majesty of Your power.

**Tone 3 Prokeimenon (Resurrection)**

Sing praises to our God, sing praises! / Sing praises to our King, sing praises!  
V. Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy!

**Galatians 1:11-19 (Epistle)**

But I make known to you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached by me is not according to man. For I neither received it from man, nor was I taught it, but it came through the revelation of Jesus Christ. For you have heard of my former conduct in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God beyond measure and tried to destroy it.

And I advanced in Judaism beyond many of my contemporaries in my own nation, being more exceedingly zealous for the traditions of my fathers. But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb and called me through His grace, to reveal His Son in me, that I might preach Him among the Gentiles, I did not immediately confer with flesh and blood, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me; but I went to Arabia, and returned again to Damascus. Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to see Peter, and remained with him fifteen days. But I saw none of the other apostles except James, the Lord's brother.

### **Tone 3**

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

V. In You, O Lord, have I hoped; let me never be put to shame!

V. Be a God of protection for me, a house of refuge in order to save me!

#### ***Silent Prayer before the Gospel:***

Illumine our hearts, O Master Who lovest mankind, with the pure light of Thy divine knowledge. Open the eyes of our mind to the understanding of Thy gospel teachings. Implant also in us the fear of Thy blessed commandments, that trampling down all carnal desires, we may enter upon a spiritual manner of living, both thinking and doing such things as are well-pleasing unto Thee. For Thou art the illumination of our souls and bodies, O Christ our God, and unto Thee we ascribe glory, together with Thy Father, Who is from everlasting, and Thine all-holy, good, and life-creating Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages.

#### **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."

### **Pennsylvania Department of Human Services Liheap Season 2024-2025**

Fr. James has several Liheap applications for the 2024-2025 Liheap season. Any old applications from last year are not valid, so dispose of them. Please contact Ms. Kristine Barron at 570-621-3090 or Joseph Cuthie at 570-621-3018 if you have questions.