



St. Mary Orthodox Church

WEEKLY BULLETIN | MAY 10, 2026

5th Sunday of Pascha

Sunday of the Samaritan Woman

Today's Schedule

9:00am — Matins & Churching

10:00am — Divine Liturgy

Following the service:

Mother's Day Lunch

Fellowship Hour sponsored by Men's

Fellowship and Group Do-Ke

No Church School

This Week At St. Mary's

Daily 3rd & 6th Hours — Mon–Fri @ 7:30am-8am online

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13

Unction @ St. Andrew | 7-8:30pm

Town Hall Series: Church School |
7-8pm

FRIDAY, MAY 15

Womens' Bible Study | 6:30-8pm

SUNDAY, MAY 17

Matins & Divine Liturgy | 9-11:30am

SATURDAY, MAY 16

Great Vespers with Group Confession
| 5-6pm

Last Day of Church School | 12-1pm

Nats Game Outing | 1:35pm-4pm

Office Closed - May 11th-15th



Fellowship Hour Hosting Groups:

Week 1: A-Di

Week 2: Do-Ke

Week 3: Kh-P ← **Next Week's Host**

Week 4: Q-Z

Week 5: Entire Parish

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HYMNS OF THE DAY

Tone 4. Troparion of the Resurrection

WHEN the women disciples of the Lord * learned from the angel the joyous message of Thy Resurrection, * they cast away the ancestral curse * and elatedly told the apostles: * “Death is overthrown! * Christ God is risen, //granting the world great mercy!”

Tone 8. Troparion of the Midfeast

IN the middle of the feast, O Savior, * fill my thirsting soul with the waters of piety, as You cried to all: * “If anyone thirst, let him come to Me and drink!” // O Christ God, Fountain of our life, glory to You!

Gloria. *Tone 8. Kontakion of the Samaritan Woman*

THE Samaritan Woman came to the well in faith; * she saw You, the Water of wisdom and drank abundantly. // She inherited the Kingdom on high, and is ever glorified!

Both Now. *Tone 4. Kontakion of the Samaritan Woman*

CHRIST GOD, the Creator and Master of all, * cried to all in the midst of the feast of the Law: * “Come and draw the water of immortality!” * We fall before You and faithfully cry: // “Grant us Your mercies, for You are the Foun-
tain of our life!”

PROKEIMENON

In the third tone: Sing praises to our God, sing praises! / Sing praises to our King, sing praises!

✠ *Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy!*

EPISTLE

The Reading is from the Acts of the Holy Apostles (11:19-26, 29-30)

In those days, those apostles who were scattered after the persecution that arose over Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia, Cyprus, and Antioch, preaching the word to no one but the Jews only. But some of them were men from Cyprus and Cyrene, who, when they had come to Antioch, spoke to the Hellenists, preaching the Lord Jesus. And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number believed and turned to the Lord. Then news of these things came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent out Barnabas to go as far as Antioch. When he came and had seen the grace of God, he was glad, and encouraged them all that with purpose of heart they should continue with the Lord. For he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a great many people were added to the Lord. Then Barnabas departed for Tarsus to seek Saul. And when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. So it was that for a whole year they assembled with the church and taught a great many people. And the disciples were first called Christians in Antioch. Then the

— **The Trisagion in Other Languages (Transliterated)** —

Romanian: Sfinte Dumnezeule, Sfinte Tare, Sfinte Fără de moarte, Miluiește-ne pe noi

Church Slavonic: Svyati Bozhe, Svyati Kreпки, Svyati Bessmertni, pomiluy nas

Arabic: Qudduson illah, Qudduson ilqawi, Qudduson illadhi, la yamoot urhamna

Greek: Agios O Theos, Agios Eeskhios, Agios Athanatos, eleison imas

Spanish: Santo Dios, Santo Fuerte, Santo Inmortal, ten piedad de nosotros

disciples, each according to his ability, determined to send relief to the brethren dwelling in Judea. This they also did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul.

Alleluia, Tone 4:

- ✠ *Go forth, prosper and reign, for the sake of meekness, righteousness and truth!*
- ✠ *For Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest iniquity.*

GOSPEL

The Reading is from the Holy Gospel According to St. John (4:5-42)

At that time, Jesus came to a city of Samaria which is called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Now Jacob's well was there. Jesus therefore, being wearied from His journey, sat thus by the well. It was about the sixth hour. A woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give Me a drink." For His disciples had gone away into the city to buy food. Then the woman of Samaria said to Him, "How is it that You, being a Jew, ask a drink from me, a Samaritan woman?" For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans. Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water." The woman said to Him, "Sir, You have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep. Where then do You get that living water? Are You greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, as well as his sons and his livestock?" Jesus answered and said to her, "Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing

up into everlasting life." The woman said to Him, "Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw." Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." The woman answered and said, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You have well said, 'I have no husband,' for you have had five husbands, and the one whom you now have is not your husband; in that you spoke truly." The woman said to Him, "Sir, I perceive that You are a prophet. Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, and you Jews say that in Jerusalem is the place where one ought to worship." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe Me, the hour is coming when you will neither on this mountain, nor in Jerusalem, worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we know what we worship, for salvation is of the Jews. But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to Him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When He comes, He will tell us all things." Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am He." And at this point His disciples came, and they marveled that He talked with a woman; yet no one said, "What do You seek?" or, "Why are You talking with her?" The woman then left her waterpot, went her way into the city, and said to the men, Come, see a Man who told me all things that I ever did. Could this be the Christ? Then they went out of the city and came to Him. In the meantime His disciples urged Him, saying, "Rabbi, eat." But He said to them, "I have food to eat of which you do not know." Therefore the disciples said to one another, "Has anyone brought Him anything to eat?"

Jesus said to them, “My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me, and to finish His work. Do you not say, ‘There are still four months and then comes the harvest’? Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look at the fields, for they are already white for harvest! And he who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, that both he who sows and he who reaps may rejoice together. For in this the saying is true: ‘One sows and another reaps.’ I sent you to reap that for which you have not labored; others have labored, and you have entered into their labors.” And many of the Samaritans of that city believed in Him because of the word of the woman who testified, “He told me all that I ever did.” So when the Samaritans had come to Him, they urged Him to stay with them; and He stayed there two days. And many more believed because of His own word. Then they said to the woman, “Now we believe, not because of what you said, for we ourselves have heard Him and we know that this is indeed the Christ, the Savior of the world.”

INSTEAD OF IT IS TRULY MEET

The Angel cried to the Lady, full of grace: * “Rejoice, O pure Virgin! * Again, I say: Rejoice, * your Son is risen from His three days in the tomb! * With Himself He has raised all the dead.” * Rejoice, O ye people!

Shine, shine, O new Jerusalem! * The glory of the Lord has shone on you. * Exult now, and be glad, O Zion! * Be radiant, O pure Theotokos, * in the Resurrection of your Son!

THE LORD'S PRAYER (IN SPANISH)

Padre nuestro, que estás en los cielos, santificado sea tu nombre.

Venga tu reino.

Hágase tu voluntad, en la tierra como en el cielo.

El pan nuestro de cada día, dánoslo hoy.

Perdónanos nuestras deudas, como también nosotros perdonamos a nuestros deudores.

No nos metas en tentación, sino líbranos del mal.

[Porque Tuyo es el reino, y el poder, y la Gloria, del Padre, del Hijo, y del Espíritu Santo, ahora y siempre por los siglos de los siglos, amen.]

COMMUNION HYMNS

- ✠ *Receive the Body of Christ; taste the fountain of immortality!*
- ✠ *Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him from the highest!*
- ✠ *Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*



"To those who are celebrating the joy of motherhood; to those who long to be mothers and are bearing the grief of infertility; to those who mourn the loss of children, born and unborn; to those who are remembering their own mothers in simple or complicated ways; and to those missing their mothers today, God be with you."

*--Adapted from Under the Laurel Tree
by Nicole M. Roccas*

Save the Date

Services, holidays, and other events

MAY

Great Vespers with Group Confession | May 16 @ 5pm

Town Hall Series: Church School (Last Session) | May 16 @ 7pm

Last Day of Church School | May 17

Nats Game Outing | May 17 @ 1:35pm

Parish Council | May 18 @ 7pm

Festal Vespers | May 20 @ 7pm

Festal Liturgy | May 21 @ 10am

Baptism: Jones | May 23 @ 10am

Wedding: Knight-Jangmanee | May 23 @ 2-4pm

Memorial Liturgy | May 30 @ 10am

Festal Matins, Liturgy, and Kneeling Vespers | May 31 @ 9am-12pm

JUNE

Divine Liturgy | June 1 @ 7am

Baptism: Burk | June 6 @ 11am

Church School Recognition Day & Ice Cream Truck | June 7 @ 11:30am

Divine Liturgy | June 9 @ 7am

Parish Council | June 15 @ 7pm

Divine Liturgy | June 24 @ 7am

Office Closed | June 25 - July 6

JUNE

Vacation Church School | July 27-31

Fellowship Hour Groups & Leaders



Week 1: A-Di — Jon C. & Matt C.

Week 2: Do-Ke — Allison J. & Vacancy

Week 3: Kh-P — Melanie K. & Tom P.

Week 4: Q-Z — Nathan & Charity W. & Dylan S.

Week 5: Entire Parish — Dsa. Irene L., Alyssa M.

Join Realm Today!

Our parish uses [Realm](#) (available on browser or app) to share real-time updates on activities, ministries, and other church activities. If you're not yet on Realm, please reach out to Lacie Faber during Fellowship Hour (or email lacie@stmaryorthodox.org) and we'll get you set up!

Visit stmaryorthodox.org/calendar for complete and updated listings!

Upcoming Events & Outings

Grab an Ice Cream on Church School Recognition Sunday on June 7th

We'll gather in the nave for a short, joyful program celebrating our students and teachers, along with a brief look ahead to the coming year. To make the day festive, a Mister Softee ice cream truck will join us! All Church School students and teachers receive a complimentary treat, and others are welcome to purchase as well (11:30am–1:30pm). Rain or shine, come celebrate the close of the Church School year and the start of summer together!



Philokalia Group Summer Read: God, Where is the Wound?

The Philokalia Group is taking a short break from the Philokalia to read *God, Where Is the Wound?* by Siluana Vlad. Based on three talks, the book explores a simple but profound question: Why are we wounded? Mother Siluana suggests that the deepest wound is not external—events or circumstances—but within us, in a distorted inner life. She points toward healing through a renewed relationship with God. All are welcome to join our Zoom sessions on Fridays at 3 p.m. Ask to join Philokalists Anonymous group on Realm for more details.

**SAVE
THE
DATE**

Oct. 23-25, 2026

**Fellowship of St.
Moses The Black 33rd
Annual Conference**

Saints Peter & Paul
Romanian Orthodox Church
Dearborn Heights, MI



Parish News & Announcements



The Meal Train Rolls on!

Extended friend of the parish Joyce recently had surgery to alleviate a painful hip condition, and Father David is coordinating this meal train to assist with her recovery. If you wish to cook meals, you can deliver them directly to Joyce in Arlington or bring them to St. Mary and Father will deliver them himself. Visit <https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/1r7zmz> or scan code to sign up. Thank you for assisting this woman in need!



We are pleased to announce that Adeline Linette Randolph was born Monday, April 27th! Please consider supporting mother Jessica, and family, as they adjust to life as a family of four! Please see meal train details here: Visit <https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/ryo64w> or scan below:



For Those Attending the Nats Game

For those attending the Battle of the Beltway next week, please read the email that Christina Z. messaged you as it contains important information about tickets and logistics. Please let Christina know any questions before the day of the game since attendees will be leaving right after church.



Submit items for the weekly bulletin or *The Veil*

Contact Lacie Faber at lacie@stmaryorthodox.org

Newsletter deadline | Monday, May 25 (for June Issue)

Weekly bulletin deadline | by end-of-day Wednesday each week

God Grant You Many Years!



Birthdays Opal B., Catherine D., Leah F., Nathaniel K., Megan M.
Namedays Martyr Alexander of Rome
Anniversaries Cindy & Brian S. .

From the Pastor's Desk

Need to chat? Whether you're seeking a home blessing, pastoral guidance and care, exploring Orthodoxy, or simply need a place to share what's on your heart, let's talk.

Visit <https://calendly.com/frdavid-p308/>, scan the QR, or email frdavid@stmaryorthodox.org to get on Fr. David's calendar!



Giving to St. Mary's

We are a percentage-based giving parish on the way to tithing. Please consider identifying a percentage of your monthly income as your designated, recurring gift. There are three easy ways to give:

- in the collection bowl in the narthex
- in the collection plate in the nave as you exit for the Fellowship Hall
- scan this QR code with your phone to [give online](#)

Thank you for your generosity!

Are you visiting? Welcome to St. Mary's!

We're delighted that you've joined us! Please feel free to watch, participate, or ask the person next to you if you have any questions. Check out the Connections Corner in the fellowship hall to learn more about us or Orthodoxy, to pick up a copy of our newsletter and ministry brochure, or to just meet a few friendly faces!

We try to avoid entering or exiting the nave during readings, processions, or the sermon. Please note that to receive Holy Communion in our church, one must be baptized Orthodox, recently-confessed, and at peace with one's fellows. At the end of the service, everyone is welcome to come up to kiss the Cross, greet the priest, and receive blessed bread.

Please join us for fellowship hour downstairs in the fellowship hall after liturgy. We'd love to meet you!