



St. Mary Orthodox Church

WEEKLY BULLETIN | SEPTEMBER 6, 2026

14th Sunday after Pentecost

Commemoration of the Miracle of the Archangel Michael at Colossae

Today's Schedule

9:30am — Hours

10:00am — Divine Liturgy

Following the service:

Fellowship Hour Sponsored by Group

A-Dua

This Week At St. Mary's

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

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

Festal Vespers | 7-8pm

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

Nativity of the Theotokos

Festal Liturgy | 10-11am

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Philokalia Book Study | 3-4pm

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Matins & Divine Liturgy | 9-11:30am

Annual All Parish Picnic | After Liturgy

Episcopate Congress (Office Closed) - Sept. 9-12



****Updated* Fellowship Hour Hosting Groups:***

Week 1: A-Dua

Week 2: Dub-Ki ****Parish Picnic Next Week!****

Week 3: Kn-Robe

Week 4: Robi-Z

Week 5: Entire Parish *

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HYMNS OF THE DAY

Tone 5. Troparion of the Resurrection

LET us, the faithful, praise and wor-
ship 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.

Tone 4. Troparion of the church

TODAY the faithful celebrate the feast
with joy * illumined by your coming,
O Mother of God. * Beholding your
pure image, we fervently cry to you:
* Encompass us beneath the precious
veil of your protection. * Deliver us
from every form of evil, * by entreating
Christ, your Son and our God, // that
He may save our souls!

Tone 4. Troparion of the Archangel

O MICHAEL, commander of the
heavenly hosts, * we who are unwor-
thy beseech you: * by your prayers
encompass us beneath the wings of
your immaterial glory, * and faithfully
preserve us who fall down and cry out
to you: // “Deliver us from all harm, for
you are the commander of the Powers
on high!”

Tone 5. Kontakion of the 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. Tone 2. Kontakion of
the Archangel Michael*

O MICHAEL, commander of God’s
armies * and minister of the divine
glory, * prince of the bodiless angels *
and guide of mankind; * ask for what
is good for us, and for great mercy,
// as the supreme commander of the
Bodiless Hosts.

Both now. *Tone 3. Kontakion of the Church*

THE Virgin is present today in the
Church * And with the fellowship of
saints she prays to God on our behalf.
* The angels and the bishops worship!
* The apostles and the prophets make
glad! // For the Theotokos makes sup-
plications for us to the everlasting
God!

PROKEIMENON

In the fifth tone: Thou, O Lord, shalt
protect us and preserve us from this
generation for ever!

✠ *Save me, O Lord, for there is no lon-
ger any that is godly.*

EPISTLE

*The Reading is from Second Epistle of
St. Paul to the Corinthians (1:21-2:4)*

Brethren, He who establishes us with
you in Christ and has anointed us is
God, who also has sealed us and given
us the Spirit in our hearts as a guar-
antee. Moreover I call God as witness
against my soul, that to spare you I
came no more to Corinth. Not that we
have dominion over your faith, but

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

Romanian: Sfinte Dumnezeule, Sfinte Tare, Sfinte Fără de moarte, Miluieste-ne pe noi
Church Slavonic: Svyati Bozhe, Svyati Krepki, 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

are fellow workers for your joy; for by faith you stand. But I determined this within myself, that I would not come again to you in sorrow. For if I make you sorrowful, then who is he who makes me glad but the one who is made sorrowful by me? And I wrote this very thing to you, lest, when I came, I should have sorrow over those from whom I ought to have joy, having confidence in you all that my joy is the joy of you all. For out of much affliction and anguish of heart I wrote to you, with many tears, not that you should be grieved, but that you might know the love which I have so abundantly for you.

Alleluia, Tone 5:

- ✠ *I will sing of Thy mercies, O Lord, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim Thy truth from generation to generation.*
- ✠ *For Thou hast said: Mercy will be established forever; Thy truth will be prepared in the heavens.*

GOSPEL

The Reading is from the Holy Gospel According to St. Matthew (22:1-14)

The Lord spoke this parable, "The kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who arranged a marriage for his son, and sent out his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding; and they were not willing to come. Again, he sent out other servants, saying, 'Tell those who are invited, "See, I have prepared my dinner; my oxen and fatted cattle are killed, and all things are ready. Come to the wedding."' But they made light of it and went their ways, one to his own farm, another to his business. And the rest seized his servants, treated them spitefully, and killed them. But when the king heard about it, he was furious. And he sent out his armies, destroyed those

murderers, and burned up their city. Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy. Therefore go into the highways, and as many as you find, invite to the wedding.' So those servants went out into the highways and gathered together all whom they found, both bad and good. And the wedding hall was filled with guests. But when the king came in to see the guests, he saw a man there who did not have on a wedding garment. So he said to him, 'Friend, how did you come in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the servants, 'Bind him hand and foot, take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

THE LORD'S PRAYER

(IN UKRAINIAN)

*Otche nash, shcho yesy na nebesakh,
Отче наш, що єси на небесах,
Nekhai svyatytsya Im'ya Tvoye.
Нехай святитись Ім'я Твоє.
Khai pryide Tsarstvo Tvoye,
Хай прийде Царство Твоє,
nekhai bude volya Tvoja
нехай буде воля Твоя
Yak na nebi, tak i na zemli
Як на небі, так і на землі
Khlib nash nasushchnyi dai nam sohodni.
Хліб наш насущний дай нам сьогодні.
I prosty nam provyny nashi,
І прости нам провини наші,
yak i my proshchayemo vynuvsyamyam
нашим.*

як і ми прощаємо винуватцям
нашим.

I ne vvedy nas u spokusu,

І не введи нас у спокусу,

ale vyzvoly nas vid lukavoho.

але визволи нас від лукавого.

COMMUNION HYMNS

✠ *Praise the Lord from the heavens!*
Praise Him in the highest!

✠ *Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*



ST. MARY'S 2026 ANNUAL
DINNER DANCE

SATURDAY, OCT 3
@ ST. LUKE'S IN MCLEAN
6:00-10:00PM

- COCKTAIL HOUR
- CANDLELIT DINNER
- SILENT AUCTION
- DESSERT AUCTION

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO VISION
2030 CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FUND!

SCAN TO REGISTER:

2026 Annual
ALL-PARISH PICNIC

DATE
September 13, 2026
After Divine Liturgy

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS:

- Parish Cookout • Lawn Games • Children's Treats • Temporary Tattoos • Face Painting • Music & Fellowship • Family-Friendly Activities • Rain-or-Shine Fun

SCAN HERE TO SIGN-UP
FOR A POTLUCK DISH



***Updated* Fellowship Hour Groups & Leaders**

Week 1: A-Dua — Jon C. & Matt C.

Week 2: Dub-Ki — Allison J. & Ryan K.

Week 3: Kn-Robe — Melanie K. & Vacancy

Week 4: Robi-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!



Save the Date

Services, holidays, and other events

SEPTEMBER

Annual All-Parish Picnic | Sept. 13

Divine Liturgy | Sept. 17 @ 7-8am

'26-'27 Adult Catechism Begins | Sept. 19

Church School Begins | Sept. 20

Divine Liturgy | Sept. 24 @ 7-8am

OBOA Parish Family Retreat | Sept. 26 @ 8:30am-2:30pm

OCTOBER

Akathist: Inexhaustible Cup | Oct. 1

Financial Peace University Begins | Oct. 3 @ 10am

Ranch Glam Dinner Dance | October 3 @ 6pm

Divine Liturgy of St. James | Oct. 23 @ 10am

NOVEMBER

Doxacon | November 6-7 @ Catholic University

Nativity Fast | Nov. 15-Dec. 24th

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

Upcoming Events & Outings



Young Adult Game Night

Join us Saturday, September 12 at 5:00 PM at St. Mary's for an evening of dinner, fellowship, and games! Food will be provided, and you're welcome to bring a favorite game to share. Please RSVP and let us know about any dietary restrictions so we can plan accordingly. Questions or RSVP: YAM@stmaryorthodox.org!

Parish Family Retreat: Building Bridges of Understanding

Join us on Saturday, September 26 from 8:30 AM–2:30 PM for St. Mary's On Behalf of All Parish Family Retreat. Together, we will explore how our parish can better welcome, support, and include all members of the Body of Christ, including children with disabilities. The day will focus on hospitality, accessibility in faith education, compassionate accompaniment, and recognizing the gifts of every parishioner. Childcare and meals will be provided. All are welcome!



Save the Date: Reel Women Move Night!

Join us the evening of Tuesday, September 15th for our next Reel Women gathering! Movie options will be posted in the Realm group the week before—don't forget to login on Realm and vote for your pick in our group.

Unique Opportunity to be Professionally Coached

One of our parishioners, Jenni S., is currently training to acquire professional coach certification. The organization that certifies professional coaches requires 500 hours of coaching experience and stipulates that 450 of those hours must be “paid”, but it defines “paid” very liberally. Basically, Jenni can accept absolutely anything in return for her coaching services, including a meal, a cup of coffee, any services you provide, a LinkedIn testimonial about her coaching, money (of course), or anything else you have to give. That means that, for a limited time, we can all get a service that usually costs \$150–\$250 an hour for whatever we can afford to “pay”. To learn more about coaching and how to get in touch with Jenni, scan here:



Parish News & Announcements

Vision 2030: A Home for Generations Has Begun!

Last week, St. Mary officially launched A Home for Generations: Vision 2030—our season of prayer, preparation, and generosity as we work toward a future parish home. Now, let's build some momentum! Our October 3 Dinner Dance is the first major fundraiser of the campaign, with 100% of proceeds benefiting the Capital Campaign Fund.

- Buy your tickets and join us for the celebration!
- Help make our Silent Auction spectacular! Donate an item, experience, professional service, vacation stay, gift certificate—or something uniquely you.

This is more than a great night out. It's an opportunity to enjoy one another's company, celebrate the parish God has given us, and help make room for generations to come. Scan to get tickets or submit a silent auction donation!



Dinner Dance
Tickets:



Dinner Dance
Auction Donation:



Join us for the Doxacast Remix!

Join the Doxacast Remix for a discussion of the year's most controversial film: "Coming to Himself in Christopher Nolan's The Odyssey," featuring Dn. Nicholas Kotar and Amy Browning-Dill. For recaps and links to the most recent episodes, visit doxacon.org/#podcast



Submit items for the weekly bulletin or *The Veil*

Contact Lacie Faber at lacie@stmaryorthodox.org

Newsletter deadline | Monday, Sept. 21st (for October Issue)

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

God Grant You Many Years!



Birthdays Alexandra B., Julia M., Steve S., Fr. David S.

Namedays St. Anna, St. Kassiani the Hymnographer, Nativity of the Theotokos, St. David of Egypt

Anniversaries Nicholas & Melanie K., Dn. Ken & Dsa. Irene L.

*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!