

# Saint Mary Orthodox Christian Church

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**Tone 7**

**Sunday, October 2, 2011**

**Eothinon 5**

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## *16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost*

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### **Resurrectional Apolytikion in Tone 7**

Thou didst shatter death by Thy Cross, Thou didst open paradise to the thief; Thou didst turn the sadness of the ointment-bearing women into joy. And didst bid Thine Apostles proclaim a warning, that Thou hast risen O Christ, granting to the world the Great Mercy.

### **Apolytikion of St. Cyprian the Confessor in Tone 4**

By choosing the Apostles' way of life, thou hast succeeded to their throne. Inspired by God, thou didst find the way to divine contemplation through the practice of virtue. After teaching the Word of Truth without error, thou didst defend the Faith to the very shedding of thy blood, O Hieromartyr Cyprian. Entreat the Lord our God to save our souls.

### **Apolytikion of the Nativity of the Theotokos in Tone 4**

Thy nativity, O Theotokos, has proclaimed joy to the whole universe; for from thee shone forth the Sun of Justice, Christ our God; annulling the curse and bestowing the blessing, abolishing death and granting us life everlasting!

### **Kontakion of the Theotokos in Tone 2**

O protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the Creator most constant, O despise not the suppliant voices of those who have sinned; but be thou quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession, and speed thou to make supplication, thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

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**THE READING IS FROM THE SECOND EPISTLE OF ST. PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS  
(6:1-10)**

**The Prokeimenon:** *The Lord will give strength to His people. Ascribe to the Lord, O sons of God, ascribe to the Lord honor and glory.*

Brethren, working together with Him, then, we entreat you not to accept the grace of God in vain. For He says, "At the acceptable time I have listened to you, and helped you on the day of salvation." Behold, now is the acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. We put no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, tumults, labors, watching, hunger; by purity, knowledge, forbearance, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold we live; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

**The Alleluarion:** *It is good to give praise unto the Lord, and to chant unto Thy Name, O Most High. // To proclaim in the morning Thy mercy, and Thy truth by night.*

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**THE READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. LUKE  
(6:31-36)**

The Lord said: "As you wish that men would do to you, do so to them. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for He is kind to the ungrateful and the selfish. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful."

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**Holy Bread (Prosphora) Offerings**

**Holy Bread (Prosphora) & Coffee Hour offered by:** Jerry & Helen Stitt

**The Orthodox servants of God, that they may have mercy, life, peace, health, salvation and visitation:** Jerry, Helen, Jackie, Jason, Logan, and Emily, Brian, Wanda.

**The Orthodox servants of God, that they may have mercy, life, peace, health, salvation and visitation:** George, Alice, Jimmy, Shukry, Adeeba, Elias, Ausma, John, and Jerrold, JoEllen.

**Trisagion Prayers of Mercy** *will be offered today for the repose of the souls of the servants of God George and Alice Bayouth. May their memory be eternal!*



**YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED**

*Juliette Abdayem, Jim Aboud Jr., Mara Brown, Joe Carroll, Louise Casey, Tom Ellis, Evelyn Ferris, Maria Greene, Randa Haddad-Stevens, Esther Henry, Beverly Hink, Peggy Kolb, Marcus Kosjer, Shirley Kosjer, Andy Labosky, JoAnn Labosky, Marla Laham, Ray Lamone, Judy Lockwood, Donna Namee, Ernest Namee, Yvonne Nassif, Yevgeny Novikov, Carl Rogers, Duane Rosenbaum, Niki Salome, Annika Stanton, Anita Stevens, Lailani VandeWall, Autumn Volhein, Kim Volhein, Jack Von Achen, Carole Willett, Victor.*

***May God remember all of them and us in His Kingdom.***

**Humanitarian Food Pantry Items needed for the Week of October 9<sup>th</sup>**

*Fruit, Vegetables, Soups.*

## **Announcements.....**

**Birthday & Anniversary Celebrations:** Dio Kaufman (Oct 2), Darcy Laham (Oct 5), Michael Shaheen (Oct 5), Rachel Zarich (Oct 7). God grant them good health and many years!

### **October is Seminary Month**

October is "Seminary Month" in the Antiochian Archdiocese. Please read Metropolitan Philip's letter in this bulletin about the importance of supporting our theological seminaries. If you would like to make a donation to support the five seminaries in the United States, please make a check payable to St Mary Orthodox Church, earmarked: Seminary Month. We thank you in advance for your generosity.

**The Scroll Deadline** ~ the next issue will cover November/December, 2011 and January, 2012.

The deadline for that issue is: October 16. Send news items to: [thescrollnews@yahoo.com](mailto:thescrollnews@yahoo.com).

### **Belles 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

The Belles of St. Mary will celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year. Please save the date of October 16<sup>th</sup> for a special anniversary banquet honoring the past and present members of the Belles. The banquet will immediately follow the Divine Liturgy that Sunday. If you have any photos, minutes, lists of members, or any other historic information regarding the Belles, please contact Robbie Namee.

### **NEW Visitations Ministry Team**

The Parish Council has established a new ministry team. The Visitations Ministry Team will ensure our parishioners who are shut-in, hospitalized, or in nursing homes are visited by parishioners on a regular basis. Each ministry team member will be expected to make one visitation per month to their assigned parishioner for that month. If you are interested in participating in this ministry team, please contact the Visitations Ministry Team Chairman, Deacon James Kallail ([kkallail@att.net](mailto:kkallail@att.net) or 258-2301).

### **A Lebanese New Year's Eve Gala to benefit The Treehouse**

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday 12/31/2011 at St. George Orthodox Christian Cathedral beginning at 8 p.m. Details to follow: An all-inclusive event with babysitting available. Tickets available after October 20th; however, you can call The Treehouse today to reserve your ticket at 686-2600.

# **GENERAL PARISH ANNOUNCEMENT**

Beloved Faithful of St. Mary,

It is our pleasure to announce to you that St. Mary Orthodox Christian Church will hold its ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY on **Sunday November 6<sup>th</sup> immediately following liturgy** with the Parish Council hosting Coffee Hour in the Parish Fellowship Hall. This annual meeting gathers all members of the parish to discuss the past year, to plan for the future year, and to glorify God through the various ministries enacted by our Parish Family.

Please note that **voting members** of the parish are defined as stated in the Parish Constitution, Article 3, Section 1:

“The voting membership shall consist of all persons eighteen (18) years of age and over, regardless of sex, who have been baptized and accepted into the membership of the Holy Orthodox Church according to its teachings, who accept, profess, and practice its faith and discipline and who subscribe to the temporal maintenance of this Church through payment of such dues, pledges, assessments, as are prescribed by the Parish Council.”

We invite and encourage you to attend the General Assembly and to help us all plan for a bright future for our Parish Family!

**LOOKING AHEAD AT SAINT MARY .....**

<b>Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<i>12:00 p.m. Floyd Franz Presentation</i>
<b>Tuesday, October 4<sup>th</sup></b>	<i>5:00 p.m. DUI Victim Center Panel Volunteer</i>
<b>Wednesday, October 5<sup>th</sup></b>	<i>7:00 a.m. Matins 11:00 a.m. Bible Study ~ Luke</i>
<b>Thursday, October 6<sup>th</sup></b>	<i>7:00 p.m. Society of Simple Souls Book Club</i>
<b>Friday, October 7<sup>th</sup></b>	<i>7:00 a.m. Matins DOWAMA SOYO OKC Retreat</i>
<b>Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup></b>	<i>DOWAMA SOYO OKC Retreat 4:30 p.m. Confession 5:00 p.m. Great Vespers St. George Dinner</i>
<b>Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<i>9:20 a.m. Church School 9:30 a.m. Matins 10:30 a.m. Liturgy <b><u>Holy Bread &amp; Coffee Hour offered by:</u></b> AVAILABLE <b><u>Greeters:</u></b> David Shippy and Zach Oller <i>12:30 p.m. Bible Study ~ Genesis St. George Dinner</i></i>
<b>Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<i>12:00 p.m. Men's Lunch @ La Galette (1017 W. Douglas) 6:30 p.m. Belles Meeting at the home of Cheryl Jantz, (720 N. Anna).</i>

**A WARM WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS**

Welcome to Saint Mary Orthodox Christian Church. We thank you for worshipping with us today and pray that your visit has been a blessing. Please fill out the Visitors Card, give it to one of the ushers before the end of today's service, and tell us how we may serve you further. Please join us for coffee and fellowship in our parish hall so we may offer you hospitality and have the joy of greeting you properly. If you would like to learn more about the Orthodox Faith, please ask – we'll be happy to share our Faith with you!