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Pastoral Reflection

As many as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ! (Galatians 3:27)

Holy Saturday is the traditional day for the Baptism of converts - catechumens - who during the 40 days of Great Lent have been focused on preparing to be received into the Church. This year, on April 19, we will be receiving a large number of catechumens at St Mary's. Throughout the country, Orthodox parishes everywhere will be receiving an unprecedented number of converts. With this great joy will come a great responsibility to provide ongoing spiritual nurture for these new Orthodox Christians.

According to the Apostle Paul, our Baptism is our unique personal participation in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. We link this Baptism with Chrismation, an anointing with a specially consecrated Holy Oil, and say that Chrismation 'completes' our Baptism. Chrismation is said to be our unique personal reception of the Holy Spirit. Baptism and Chrismation go together because Pascha and Pentecost - the Resurrection of Christ and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit - go together.

We not only celebrate these wonderful events, but we are products of them. We are made Christians not by family tradition or ethnicity or cultural inheritance, but by Baptism. We have received new life, our Christian identity, have become members of the Body of Christ, by the sacramental acts that unite us to Christ and form Him in us by the power of the Holy Spirit.

This month we will proceed through Great Lent and participate in Holy Week and celebrate Pascha. Our sacramental life, like our liturgical life, links us with the 'big picture', the grand design, the providential pattern and meaning of everything - which is found in Christ. As a community of believers, and within that community each one of us personally and uniquely, and as we accompany our catechumens and together with them, to behold the Resurrection of Christ and receive the Holy Spirit.

We see in the lives of the saints examples of those who embrace the story of salvation, or are embraced by the story, and receive the gift with thankfulness. They are witnesses to the spiritual reality of the Grace given to all of us. In their presence (and we are surrounded by them!) we are reminded that we have been given new life in order to live, to use it. And the gifts of the Holy Spirit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control, ought to be defining characteristics of how we are trying to live in light of the Resurrection.

Wishing you a 'good Pascha',

- Fr. Andrew

President's Column

I am honored to serve as your new parish president, and I look forward to working with you in faith, fellowship, and service. As I step into this role, I want to emphasize two key commitments that are my most important priorities: communication and the responsible stewardship of our church's resources.

A thriving parish is built on strong relationships, and communication is at the heart of those relationships. I am committed to keeping you informed about our parish's ministries, initiatives, and decisions. I have some ideas on how to use our current systems of communication and I also have one or two new ideas on increasing communication. Additionally, I welcome your thoughts, questions, and concerns - your voice matters, and I encourage open dialogue.

Every dollar entrusted to our parish is a blessing and a responsibility. I will do everything in my power to continue to ensure that church funds are used wisely to support our mission and maintain our facilities.

As we embark on this journey together, I ask for your prayers, support, and participation. I am excited for all that lies ahead and grateful to be part of such a devoted and faithful community.

May God bless our parish abundantly!

With gratitude and faith,

Scott Boris president@stmarysoca.org.

Safety & Security Committee Update

At the February Board of Trustees meeting, the Board approved researching the installation of security cameras at the Cathedral and Parish Center. The Safety and Security Committee will seek bids from contractors for camera systems and review policies and procedures to ensure a comprehensive approach. Parishioner feedback is greatly appreciated, especially from those with knowledge or experience in security camera systems. Your insights would be invaluable to this project.

Additionally, last Pascha, after the Blessing of the Baskets after the Sunday morning 10 a.m. service, some parishioner's baskets went missing. While it's unclear whether this was due to theft or a misunderstanding by visitors, we encourage everyone to keep an eye on their baskets during the celebration both Saturday night and Sunday morning.

Lastly, the committee has updated their email address to: safetystmarysoca@gmail.com. Committee Members: Scott Boris, Liz Corba, Susan Boris, Tim Kaseno, & Fr. Benjamin Tucci.

Visitation Coordinator Needed

The church is looking for a Visitation Coordinator to help organize two key activities with volunteers:

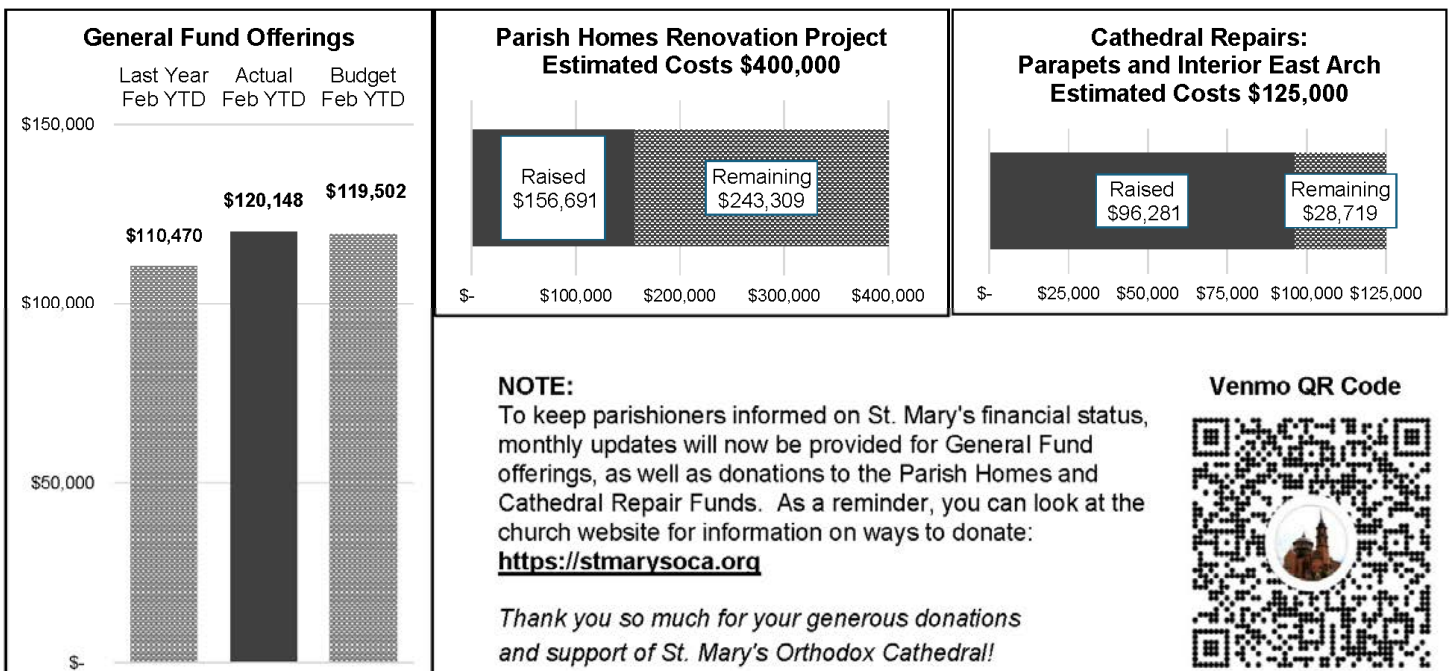
1. Easter Visits – Coordinating visits to homebound/shut-in members and delivering flowers.
2. Christmas Visits – Organizing visits during the holiday season and delivering poinsettias.

Additionally, sending birthday cards to our homebound members is a thoughtful way to stay connected. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact me. For more information, you can also reach out to Deb Manzoni. Thank you for considering this meaningful opportunity! Scott Boris President@stmarysoca.org.

Help Wanted - Office Assistant

St. Mary's Orthodox Cathedral is looking for an Office Assistant. The Office Assistant is responsible for the administration of the church office when the full-time Office Administrator is absent. The person will support the pastors and church staff, prepare communications, and provide a welcoming office atmosphere. Proficiency with Microsoft Word, Microsoft Publisher, & Microsoft Excel is desired. This position is as-needed, Monday – Friday days, for approximately 160 hours a year, up to two weeks at a time, but usually a day or two every month or two. Interested individuals should send a message to Parish Human Resource Committee Chairperson Karen Varian at: kvar121@gmail.com.

ST. MARY'S FINANCIAL RECAP AS OF FEBRUARY, 2025



Choir Notes

We begin the month of April just over halfway through Great Lent. The Hymns of St. Ephraim have *hopefully* filled us with an awareness of our current state of needing God; His love, His mercy, and His Grace. Lent is a time when we strive to weaken the hold the world has on us, while strengthening our bonds to Christ. Practically speaking, the weakening takes on the appearance of fasting from various foods, and hobbies; denying ourselves and the passions that have their grip on us. While the strengthening takes action in the forms of almsgiving, forgiveness, prayer, finding the silver lining in a situation even when it's just the humility it gives us or when it forces us to realize we have to trust in God. And, let us not forget, attending more church services, and doing even more there.

This being an article on the Choir Notes page, you might not be surprised to read that doing more at church could involve singing in the choir. If you are interested, keep an eye out for some upcoming "Open Choir Sundays" when you are free and welcome to come up and see what it's like to sing in the choir. There are enough of the regulars that we shouldn't get too off track, and they can manage the pages of the binders so all you have to do is sing.

Of course, there are a few ground rules to being in the choir loft that should be mentioned. The big one is to, as much as possible, not be disruptive. We'll want to limit movement during singing, and certainly limit chatting to a soft whisper and only when necessary. Our focus in the loft is to work with the clergy, and we can't do that if we can't hear them. Hopefully not being disruptive doesn't sound scary, it's what we're all already doing in church anyway.

If, after this foray into the choir loft you're not scared away and traumatized, reach out to me and let me know so we can talk about how we can get you more involved. I know, I know, I look scary with my perpetual frown and angry demeanor, but I'm probably just thinking about cheeseburgers and will be happy for the distraction.

Also this month, we will arrive at the Feast of Feasts, Pascha! And right before that, on Holy Saturday, we'll hear fifteen Old Testament readings that are wonderful and edifying and rich and ripe for a member of the clergy to tell you all about them! For my part, I just want to say that these readings have historically (and traditionally!) been read by the youth in our parish. If your youth, or youths, are interested in reading/chanting for the church, definitely let me know and keep an eye out for more information regarding these Old Testament readings.

The youth have been doing a fantastic job reading for Great Vespers almost every Saturday since December. It has been

a real treat to see and hear them grow in confidence and ability. I know that at times they can be hard to hear, so I ask for your forgiveness in that regard and also ask for your patience. It takes courage to stand up and chant in front of many people, and after a few positive experiences, confidence begins to grow and then things really take off. If we want good readers down the road, it means we may have to put up with a few times when we can't hear so well. Speaking of finding silver linings, these times could be excellent opportunities to take out your prayer rope and say a few extra prayers. Pray for the young readers, that they may grow strong in their faith and become valiant defenders and leaders of the church.

Sing praises to our God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!

- Mark Wesche

April Schedule

- **Wednesday, April 2 - Choir Rehearsal at 7:00 p.m.**
- **Wednesday, April 9 - Choir Rehearsal at 7:00 p.m.**
- **Saturday, April 12 - Lazarus Saturday Clean-up at 11 a.m.**
- **Wednesday, April 16 No Choir Rehearsal (Holy Wed.)**
- **Sat. April 19/Sunday, April 20 - Pascha (Nocturns at 11:00 p.m., Procession, Matins, & Liturgy to follow)**
- **Sunday, April 20 - 2nd Paschal at 10:00 a.m.**
- **Sunday, April 20 - Paschal Vespers at 4:00 p.m.**
- **Wednesday, April 30 - Choir Rehearsal at 7:00 p.m.**

April Birthdays

May God Grant you Many Years!

6 - Irene Lanchava

21 - Lynn Bjornnes

9 - Lorraine Parlow

29 - Joanie Balach

Saints Friday Night Lenten Dinners

Please join us for food and fellowship on Fridays: April 4; and April 11. Dinners will be served immediately following Pre-Sanctified Liturgy. There will be a speaker each week and family-friendly activities available for the youth. Dinner includes our famous salad bar each week plus a surprise entree (soup, veggie chili, pasta...), bread, and dessert. All prepared by the St. Mary's Saints Youth Group and various adult volunteers. Cost \$10 Adults, \$5 youth, free for under five years old. There is a price cap of \$30 for a family. If you just want dessert & a beverage \$3 for Adults and \$1 for Kids. All proceeds from the dinners will benefit our Saints youth program. Please contact Chris Gulachek at (612) 889-2079 if you are able to help. Thank you!

Speaker Schedule

- April 4 - Part 1 of the 100 year celebration of the repose of St. Tikhon who consecrated the walls of our parish and Patriarch of Russia. Video and presentation by Rdr. David Lucs.
- April 11 - Part 2 of the 100 year celebration of the repose of St. Tikhon. Video and presentation by Fr. Andrew Morbey

APRIL 2025		
APRIL 4	Evening	Lenten Dinners, <i>Saints</i> (Grade 6+), Parish Center
APRIL 5	7:00 am-4:00 pm	Women's Club: BREAD BAKING
APRIL 6	10:30 am	Women's Club: BAKE SALE
APRIL 7	100th Anniversary of the Repose of St. Tikhon	
APRIL 11	Evening	Lenten Dinners, <i>Saints</i> (Grade 6+), Parish Center
APRIL 12 Saturday	8:15 am	2nd Grade First Confessions , Cathedral
	8:30 am	Lazarus Saturday - Youth come early to sing parts of service
		Church Clean Up, Cathedral
APRIL 13	9:00 am	PALM SUNDAY Youth Procession with Palms during Liturgy
	10:30 am Immediately following liturgy	Altar Server & Communion Assistant Annual Photo Cathedral
APRIL 20	PASCHA No Church School	
APRIL 21	Bright Monday Paschal Liturgy 9:00 am	
APRIL 27	11:45-1:30	Parish Pascha Party , Parish Center



ST. MARY'S CAMP

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Saturday, June 28 – Friday, July 4, 2025

Camp Wapogasset • Amery, Wisconsin

A tradition of faith, fellowship, and joy.

By God's Grace, St. Mary's Summer Camp program has made a profoundly joyful impact on the lives of campers and staff. It is one week out of the year that provides a rare opportunity to live in true Orthodox community. Youth entering school grades 3 through 12 in the fall of 2025 are eligible to attend.

CAMP REGISTRATION WINDOW: MARCH 1-APRIL 15, 2025

Early Bird Registration Fee March 1 –15	\$575 + Processing Fees* / Camper
Regular Rate Registration Fee March 16 –31	\$600 + Processing Fees* / Camper
Late Rate Registration Fee April 1 –15	\$640 + Processing Fees* / Camper

- The true cost of camp is \$640 per camper
- Registration will close on April 15 at 11:59 p.m.

*Reduce fees by paying with an Electronic Check (ACH):
Electronic Check (ACH) Fee: 1.5% + \$0.50 per registrant versus
CampDoc Credit Card Fee of 3.95% + \$0.30 per registrant

For more information and to register, visit:

stmaryscamp.com



f Follow us @stmaryscamp on Facebook for updates
Email Questions to: camp@stmaryscamp.com

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ST. MARY'S
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

Minneapolis, Minnesota

Presanctified Liturgies

We will serve the Presanctified Liturgy through Great Lent on Wednesday mornings at 9:00 a.m., Friday mornings at 9:00 a.m., and Friday evenings at 6:00 p.m. On Friday evening the Presanctified Liturgy is preceded by 9th Hour starting at 6:00 p.m.

Confession

We continue to hear confessions by appointment during Lent. We will also hear confessions before Presanctified Liturgy on Wednesdays from 8:30-9:00 a.m., after the Akathist service (6:15 p.m.) on Wednesday evenings, before Presanctified Liturgy on Friday nights from 5:30-6:00 p.m., and before Vespers on Saturdays starting Saturday, March 22, from 4:30-5:00 p.m.

Pascha Bread Baking & Bake Sale

The Women's Club Pascha Bread Baking & Bake Sale will be on Saturday, April 5, starting at 8:00 a.m. All are welcome to help! Skilled bakers, novice bakers, or no baking experience at all, men, women, young and old, PLEASE come join in the fun! We set up assembly-line style and we learn from those who have been baking forever. We generally work from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. or so. Dough prep, filling prep, rolling, braiding, baking, cooling, packaging, pricing, presentation, dishes, LUNCH, and LAUGHTER! Please bring a rolling pin if you have one! Come for the whole time or come for a few hours. Our sale will be held the following morning on Sunday, April 6, during Coffee Hour. Thank you everyone! Questions? Please call or text Chris Gulachek at 612-889-2079.

Lazarus Saturday Church Cleaning

The time for our Annual Cathedral Cleanup is nearing! We need YOU to join us. With the work that is being done on the arch repair, we will need more help than ever to beautify the space before Pascha. Grab the work gloves, release the elbow grease, lasso your old brasso and come on down! All ages are welcome! **Date: Lazarus Saturday, April 12; Time:** Following Liturgy with a goal to be done by 3:00 p.m.; **Sign Up:** Sign up at the link here: <https://bit.ly/3DHHIG1> or find the committee at coffee hour. If you are not available to help on April 12, watch for other opportunities to contribute. Thank you in advance – Anna Memorich, Sara Ann Pogorely, Mary Varian & Sarah Varian.

Pascha Party Donations

Please consider donating some of the following items for the Pascha Party Family Event on Sunday, April 27.

- Peanut-free candy
- Cookies and crackers in individual snack bags
- Individually wrapped and store-bought rice crispy treats
- Granola bars, fruit bars, & fruit snacks

Please bring items to Fr. Benjamin's office by April 22. Questions? Contact Fr. Benjamin at frbenjamin@stmarysoca.org.

Holy Week Service Schedule 2025

Holy Monday, April 14

- 11:30 AM Presanctified Liturgy
- 7:00 PM Bridegroom Matins

Holy Tuesday, April 15

- 11:30 AM Presanctified Liturgy
- 7:00 PM Bridegroom Matins

Holy Wednesday, April 16

- 11:30 AM Presanctified Liturgy
- 6:00 PM Matins of Holy Thursday
- 7:00 PM Anointing Service

Holy Thursday, April 17

- 10:00 AM Vespertal Liturgy
- 7:00 PM Matins of Holy Friday (12 Gospels)

Holy Friday, April 18, (Strict Fast Day)

- 8:00 AM Royal Hours
- 2:00 PM Vespers (Procession of the Shroud)
- 7:00 PM Matins of Holy Saturday & Lamentations

Holy Saturday, April 19

- 11:00 AM Vespertal Liturgy
- 11:00 PM Nocturnes
- 11:30 PM Procession

Great & Holy Pascha, April 20

- 12:00 AM Paschal Matins & Liturgy (basket blessings & Agape meal to follow)
- 10:00 AM 2nd Paschal Liturgy (basket blessings to follow)
- 4:00 PM Paschal Vespers with Procession

Bright Monday, April 21

- 9:00 AM Paschal Liturgy

Paschal Basket Blessings

At the Cathedral, Paschal baskets will be blessed:

1. After the midnight Paschal Matins (gym)
2. After the 1st Paschal Liturgy (dining room)
3. After the 2nd Paschal Liturgy (10 am service)

Baskets can be placed on tables in the Parish Center gym and the dining room.

Pascha Volunteer Sign-Up

- ❖ **Processions – Persons needed to carry banners, etc. in the processions on Holy Friday evening, Pascha midnight, and for the Pascha afternoon Vespers Service. To sign-up for processions please see the sign-up sheets posted on the bulletin board in the Cathedral accessibility entrance area. If you have questions about volunteering please contact Deb or Ron Sterzinger.**
- ❖ **Vigil Watch – 2-hour shifts, 2 people per shift, to keep watch in Church from 4:00 p.m. on Holy Friday through 10:30 p.m. on Holy Saturday. To sign-up for Vigil Watch please see the sign-up sheets posted on the bulletin board in the Cathedral upstairs entrance area.**
- ❖ **Readers by the Tomb of Christ – 1-hour shifts, 2 people (or a family) per shift, to read the Psalms and the Acts of the Apostles from 4:00 p.m. on Holy Friday through 11:00 p.m. Holy Saturday. To sign-up to read by the Tomb of Christ please see the sign-up sheets posted on the bulletin board in the Cathedral upstairs entrance area. **Please limit sign-up to (2) one-hour shifts.****

Perohi Update

We will be making perohi on **April 7 & 8**. We will reevaluate when to start resuming public sales. Please consider helping when you can on Mondays and Tuesdays. We especially need volunteers on Mondays in March. Set-up and dough-making begins at 7:30 a.m. and cooking, filling, pinching, and bagging at 9:00 a.m. We will need volunteers willing to sell to the public. Please contact Janice Strauss (jjmbstrauss@gmail.com) with questions.

Grief & Loss Support Group

Our next meeting is on Wednesday, April 9, from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m., at St. Mary's OCA parish center. Questions? Please email Joni at stmarysgriefgroup@gmail.com.

Upcoming Catechism Class

Join us on select Sundays for Catechism classes.

- Sunday, April 13, at **11:00 a.m. (meeting during coffee hour)** - Baptism: Dying and rising with the Lord.

Cathedral East Arch Repair Project

Repair of the water damage to the Cathedral East Arch is in progress. The repair work includes:

- Erection of scaffolding and protective tarping
- Removal of Icon canvases
- Stenciling of existing decorative vine work.
- Removal of damaged plaster & apply new plaster
- Primer and painting

- Restoration of original decorative vine work
- Reinstallation of Icon canvases

The project is expected to take 6-8 weeks at a cost of \$27,700.00. Thank you for your patience and understanding during the project. And thank you for your continued financial support of the Cathedral's Renovation and overall needs.



**MINNESOTA PAN-ORTHODOX
LENTEN VESPERS**

Sundays at 5:00 p.m. During Great Lent
After each service we will gather for a Lenten meal & fellowship.

- **Sunday, April 6 - St. George Antiochian**
(1250 Oakdale Ave, West St Paul)
- **Sunday, April 13 - St. Herman's Orthodox Church**
(5355 38th Ave S. MPLS)

Borris-Hansen Scholarship Applications Coming Soon!

Beginning Sunday, April 27th Orthodox Christians who fit one of the categories noted below are encouraged to apply for a Borris-Hansen Scholarship.

Applications will be available outside the church school office or by visiting the parish website at <https://stmarysoca.org/youth/scholarships/borris-hansen.html>

- High school graduate enrolling in a college or university
- High school student enrolling in a vocational or technical school
- Current college or university student
- Current vocational or technical school student
- Graduate or advanced degree (e.g. law or medicine)
- Adult Education (continuing education, professional development, etc.)

Application deadline is Monday, June 9, 2025.

The Nineteenth Twin Cities Pan-Orthodox Tea

Saturday, May 17th, 2025 at 3:30pm-5:30pm,

Vespers at 6pm

Hosted by St. Panteleimon Russian Orthodox Church

- 2210 Franklin Avenue, SE, Minneapolis, MN 55414



Come together for fellowship and share ideas toward our common goals to learn from each other, share ideas from our parishes and to serve to be Christ-like. A service project grew out of our fellowship to serve those in need.

Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share.

For any questions, contact Ellada at email: ellada_agadjanova@yahoo.com

St. Mary's Charity Golf Tournament



Sunday, July 27, 2025

Open to all ages and skill levels!

Join us for a great day of golfing and fellowship to support St. Mary's Cathedral.

We're excited to announce the return of the Awards Dinner this year! More details to follow.



Youth & Family Pascha Party

SUNDAY, APRIL 27TH - AFTER LITURGY

ST. MARY'S PARISH CENTER & GYM

*Lunch Provided - Free Will Offering \$5 per person
Food, Games, and Prizes*

Volunteers Needed! Please contact Fr. Benjamin
at frbenjamin@stmarysoca.org





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ST. MARY'S ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL

Sponsors

We are now looking for personal and business sponsors to help make our festival dream a reality. If you would like to donate or on behalf of your business, please fill out a form located in the dining hall.

Marketplace

Are you creative? Do you have products you'd like to share? Then consider joining our marketplace on September 27th! Forms can be found in the dining hall.

We need YOUR help

We're looking for members to join or take up several positions. **The sponsors team**, which looks for external and internal sponsors. We are looking for someone to lead this team as well! **Volunteer coordinator** helps solicit internal and external volunteers. **Advertising coordinator** which helps promote our festival online and throughout the Twin Cities!

QUESTIONS?

Contact Joe Dmowski at jdmowski@comcast.net or at (612) 516-6110



September 26th and 27th

Planning is underway within the festival committee! Our core committee has been formed, permits are being submitted, food arranged, and we are excited to bring St. Mary's another year of the festival since covid. This is a chance for every parishioner to share our cathedral with our neighbors, friends, and family outside the church. With that being said this September invite everyone you can, **save the date**, this is our festival!

We are still looking for some key players to help with the planning of the festival, please see chairman Joe Dmowski for details on the positions or teams listed on the side of this article.

Our Goal

Per your suggestions proceeds generated from the festival will be used to help fund a specific involvement in our church! If you would like to see the money generated towards something specific, inside or outside operating costs, please drop your suggestion using the engagement form in the dining hall!



Article deadline for the
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 is **Tuesday, April 15.**

Property Maintenance

You can now notify the property maintenance committee of any maintenance issues you see around the Cathedral properties (Cathedral, Parish Center, Cemetery Chapel, etc.) by emailing us at maintenance@stmarysoca.org.

Flower Chart 2025

The 2025 flower chart to sign-up for Sunday flowers is available online at: <https://bit.ly/flowersignup>. When signing up, enter your contact information (name & email), and for whom or what the occasion is (ex. in memory of John Doe). You may order flowers from your favorite florist and have them delivered (before 3 p.m.) on the Friday before to St. Mary's Parish Center, 1701 5th St NE, or you may bring the flowers to Saturday Vespers or before Sunday Liturgy.

2025 Paschal Greeting Listing

Looking for a way to send your best wishes for a glorious Pascha to your friends and family at St. Mary's Orthodox Cathedral? Just print your family listing on the form below and submit it with a \$20 payment to St. Mary's Orthodox Cathedral, 1701 Fifth Street N.E., Minneapolis, MN 55413, by **Sunday, April 13**, and your listing will appear in both the Pascha Messenger and the May Monthly Bulletin.

Sample listings would read: *The Thomas Smith Family*, or *Mr. & Mrs. John Doe*, or *Jane Doe*, or *Jim and Jane Doe*. Proceeds from this Pascha Greeting Page will be placed in the General Fund of our Cathedral.

Name _____

Amount Enclosed:

_____ cash _____ check

New Member Applicants

In accordance with the Bylaws, Article IV, Section 3: Notice of the new member application shall be published in the next monthly *Bulletin*. The following individual(s) have submitted an application for membership to St. Mary's: *Roberto Toro, Luke & Juliana Kneefe, Alexis MacArthur, Viktor Boris, Joe Musolf*. If you have any comment pertaining to any applicant, please submit it to any Board member during this 45-day period, which began with the publication of this *Bulletin*.

Visitation Ministry

The Visitation Ministry is continually updating its list of parishioners who are homebound or in nursing homes and would like to be on our Visitation List. If you or a loved one is a member of St. Mary's and physically unable to attend church and church activities and would enjoy a visit or telephone call from a member of our Visitation Committee, please notify the Church Office (612-781-7667).

Update Contact Information

Moving or have a change of phone number or email? Please contact the Church Office with your new address contact information (office@stmarysoca.org or 612-781-7667).

Church Envelopes

Please contact the Church Office if you want to: (a) receive envelopes weekly or monthly; (b) stop envelopes; (c) combine envelopes (e.g., to receive only one set per household); (d) correct information on the envelope (including the title, e.g., from Mrs. to Mr. & Mrs.).

Special Contributions

GENERAL FUND

In memory of Joe Peregrin

From: Family & Friends

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From: Family & Friends

* If you would like a donation or memorial you've made to be published, please be sure to write "to be published" or "publish" on the donation. In the event that a memorial or donation that you requested to be published has not been published, please contact the Cathedral Office.

St. Mary's Orthodox Cathedral

April 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 7:30 am Perohi Set-Up 9:00 am Perohi Making	2 9:00 am Presanctified Liturgy 6:15 pm Akathist & Confessions 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	3 6:30 pm Women's Club Meeting 7:30 pm Adult Bible Study (via Zoom)	4 9:00 am Presanctified Liturgy 6:00 pm 9 th Hour Prayers & Presanctified Liturgy 7:30 pm Saints Lenten Dinner	5 8:00 am Woman's Club Pascha Bread Baking 5:00 pm Great Vespers
6 St. Mary of Egypt 7:45 am Matins 9:00 am Divine Liturgy 10:30 am Saints Meeting 10:30 am Coffee Hour 11:00 am Church School 6:15 pm Vespers	7 Repose of St. Tikhon 7:30 am Perohi Set-Up 9:00 am Perohi Making 9:00 am Presanctified Liturgy 7:00 pm Board Meeting	8 7:30 am Perohi Set-Up 9:00 am Perohi Making	9 9:00 am Presanctified Liturgy 6:15 pm Akathist & Confessions 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm Grief Group	10 6:00 pm Orthodox Guys' Night 7:30 pm Adult Bible Study (via Zoom)	11 9:00 am Presanctified Liturgy 6:00 pm 9 th Hour Prayers & Presanctified Liturgy 7:30 pm Saints Lenten Dinner	12 Lazarus Saturday 8:15 am 2 nd Grade First Confessions 9:00 am Festal Liturgy 11:00 am Cathedral Clean-Up 4:00 pm General Confession 5:00 pm Great Vespers
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