

August 9, 2020



SAINT MARY BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH  
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**Confessions:** 10.00-10.30  
on Sundays or by appointment  
**Sunday Liturgy:** 10.30AM  
**Sick Calls:** As scheduled,  
or anytime in case of an emergency  
**Readings and Music on August 9:**  
1 Corinth 4:9-16; Matthew 17:14-23  
Proper tone of Transfiguration

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

We welcome all new members to our parish family and hope you will become an active part of our parish community by participating fully in our spiritual and social life. We are delighted to welcome you! With faith, hope, and love as we continue our journey together,

Fr. Gregory and parish family

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE AUGUST 9-16

**Sunday August 9** - Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

8.00am - Divine Liturgy, for parish families of St John's and St Mary's (St John's)  
10.30am - Divine Liturgy, +James and Anne Kaulker, w Panachida, by Mary and Betty Bendick (St Mary's)

**Friday August 14** - Translation of the Relics of Theodosius of the Cave

12.00pm - Divine Liturgy, parishioners' intentions (St Mary's)  
1.00pm - Paraklesis (St Mary's)  
7.00pm - Paraklesis (St John's)

**Saturday August 15** - Dormition of the Theotokos

9.00am - Divine Liturgy, +Veronica Cervenak, w Panachida by Joseph Cervenak (St Mary's)  
4.00pm - Divine Liturgy, special intention (St John's)

**Sunday August 16** - Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

8.00am - Divine Liturgy, parish families of St John's and St Mary's (St John's)  
10.30am - Divine Liturgy, +John Salapka, w Panachida, by Michael Salapka (St Mary's)

AUGUST 2, 2020 COLLECTIONS

Sunday.....\$286.00    Donations.....\$615.00    Candles.....\$752.00  
**Total.....\$1,653.00**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Paraklesis during the Dormition Fast.** During any fast the prayer life can be intensified as a proper way to live this spiritual time. On two days, Wednesday August 5 at 7pm and Friday August 14 at 1pm, there will be the prayer of Pakraklesis. It is a service of supplication for the welfare of the living. It is addressed to a specific Saint or to the Most Holy Theotokos whose intercessions are sought through the chanting of the supplicatory canon together with psalms, hymns, and litanies. You are very welcome to attend these services.
- **300 club.** 5<sup>th</sup> week winner is RIPPY.
- **The tour with the miraculous icon.** As announced at the beginning of the year 2020, the miraculous icon Albazhinskaya will travel to our parish and will be exposed for the veneration from August 27<sup>th</sup> through September 10<sup>th</sup>. A special service will be held on Wednesday, September 2, at 7pm. This icon is especially known as Helpers of Mothers, but we can pray for any need in front of this icon.
- **The blessing of the fruits** on the feast of the **Transfiguration** will take place on Sunday August 9<sup>th</sup> after the Divine Liturgy.

SPIRITUAL REFLECTION

*An Old Man Lived in the Village*

An old man lived in the village. The whole village was tired of him; he was always gloomy, he constantly complained and was always in a bad mood. The longer he lived, the viler he became and more poisonous were his words. People did their best to avoid him because his misfortune was contagious. He created the feeling of unhappiness in others.

But one day, when he turned eighty, an incredible thing happened. Instantly everyone started hearing the rumor: "The old man is happy today, he doesn't complain about anything, smiles, and even his face is freshened up."

The whole village gathered around the man and asked him,  
"What happened to you?"

The old man replied, "Nothing special. Eighty years I've been chasing happiness and it was useless. And then I decided to live without happiness and just enjoy life. That's why I'm happy now."