SAINT MARY ORTHODOX CHURCH

The Self-Ruled Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America

"The disciples were first called Christians in Antioch." (Acts 11:26)

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November 24th, 2019

Twenty Third Sunday after Pentecost & Thirteenth Sunday of Luke

After-Feast of the Entrance of the Theotokos

الأحد الثالث والعشرون بعد العنصرة والأحد الثالث عشر من لوقا

الاحد بعد عيد دحول السيدة

Weekly Schedule of Services:
Saturday Great Vespers 5:00pm
Sunday Orthros 8:45am followed by Divine Liturgy 10:00am
Wednesday Morning Prayers followed by Arabic Bible Study 10:00am
Check our website for feast day services and all other services

Welcome to St. Mary Orthodox Church! We extend our warmest and heartfelt greetings to you and your family. If this is your first time with us, we pray that you feel at home. After all, we are gathered together in our Father's house. For more information, please see one of the ushers at the end of the service for a "Welcome Packet." May God bless you and give you many healthy years in His service.

Changes in the Liturgy
تغييرات في القداس

First Antiphon

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised: in the city of our God and in His holy mountain. Glorious things are spoken of thee, O city of God.

Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Saviour, save us.

God is known in her palaces for a refuge. As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the Lord of hosts, in the city of our God.

Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Saviour, save us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Saviour, save us.

عَظِيمٌ هُوَ الرَّبُّ وَمُسَبَّحٌ جِدّاً، في مَدِينَةِ إِلَهِنَا عَلَى جَبَلِ قُدْسِهِ. فِيكِ قِيلَتِ المَفَاخِرُ يَا مَدِينَةَ الله.

بشفاعاتِ والدةِ الإلهِ يا مخلصُ خلصنا.

اللهُ مَعْرُوفٌ في قُصُورِها بِأَنَّهُ نَصِيرُها. مِثْلَمَا سَمِعْنَا، كَذَلِكَ رَأَيْنَا في مَدِينَةِ رَبِّ القُوَّاتِ، في مَدِينَةِ إِلَهِنا.

بشفاعاتِ والدةِ الإلهِ يا مخلصُ خلصنا.

المجدُ للآبِ والإبنِ والروحِ القدس، الآنَ وكلَّ أوانٍ وإلى دهرِ الداهرينَ. آمين.

بشفاعاتِ والدةِ الإلهِ يا مخلصُ خلصنا.

Second Antiphon

The Most High hath sanctified His tabernacle. Holiness and majesty are in His sanctuary.

Save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead, who sing to Thee, Alleluia!

This is the gate of the Lord, the righteous shall enter in thereat.

Save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead, who sing to Thee, Alleluia!

Holy is Thy temple, and wonderful in righteousness.

Save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead, who sing to Thee, Alleluia!

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Now and ever, and unto ages of ages.

O only-begotten son and word of God…

العَلِيُّ قَدَّسَ مَسْكِنَهُ. الحَمْدُ وَالبَهَاءُ قُدَّامَهُ. القَدَاسَةُ وَالجَلالُ في مَقْدِسِهِ.

خلصنا يا ابن الله يا من قام من بين الأموات، لنرتل لك, هللويا!

هذا هو بابُ الربِّ ومنهُ يدخلُ الصديقونَ.

خلصنا يا ابن الله يا من قام من بين الأموات، لنرتل لك, هللويا!

مِنْ قَدَاسَةِ هَيْكَلِكَ، أَنْتَ عَجِيبٌ في عَدَالَتِكَ.

خلصنا يا ابن الله يا من قام من بين الأموات، لنرتل لك, هللويا!

المجدُ للآبِ والإبنِ والروحِ القدس، الآنَ وكلَّ أوانٍ وإلى دهرِ الداهرينَ، آمين.

يا كلمةَ اللهِ الابنِ الوحيد...

Third Antiphon

Even the rich among the people shall entreat thy favor. The King's daughter is all glorious within: clothed in a robe of gold, adorned in varied colors. Virgins shall be brought to the King after her: her companions shall be brought unto Thee.

Today the Virgin is the foreshadowing of the pleasure of God, and the beginning of the preaching of the salvation of mankind. Thou hast appeared in the Temple of God openly and hast gone before, preaching Christ to all. Let us shout with one thrilling voice, saying, Rejoice, O thou who art the fulfillment of the Creator's dispensation.

وأغنياء الشعوب يبتهلون إليكِ. ابنة الملك كلّها بهاءٌ في خدرها، مكتسيةٌ بألبسةٍ مذهّبةٍ حواشيها. بأرديةٍ مطرَّزةٍ يؤتى بها إلى الملك، في إثرها العذارى صواحبها.

اليوم البتول التي هي مقدمة مسرة الله وابتداء الكرازة بخلاص البشر. قد ظهرت في هيكل الله علانية, وسبقت مبشرة الجميع بالمسيح. فلنهتف نحوها بصوت عظيم قائلين, افرحي يا كمال تدبير الخالق.

Entrance Hymn

O Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ.
Save us, O Son of God, who art risen from the dead, who sing to Thee: Alleluia!

هلمُ لنسجد ونركع للمسيح ملكنا والهنا، خلصنا يا ابن الله يا من قام من بين الاموات، لنرتل لك هللويا!

Troparion of the Resurrection (Tone Six)

When Mary stood at Thy grave looking for Thy sacred body, angelic powers shone above Thy revered tomb, and the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men. Thou led hades captive and wast not tempted thereby, Thou didst meet the virgin and didst give life to the world, O Thou who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to Thee.

إن القواتِ الملائكيةَ ظهروا على قبرِكَ الْمُوَقَّرِ. والحراسُ صاروا كالأمواتِ. ومريمُ وقفتْ عند القبرِ طالبةً جسدَكَ الطاهِر. فسبيتَ الجحيمَ ولم تجرَّب منها وصادَفْتَ البتولَ يا مانِحاَ الحياة. فيامن قُمْتَ من بين الأمواتِ ياربُّ المجدُلَكَ.

Troparion of the Presentation of the Theotokos (Tone Four)

Today the Virgin is the foreshadowing of the pleasure of God, and the beginning of the preaching of the salvation of mankind. Thou hast appeared in the Temple of God openly and hast gone before, preaching Christ to all. Let us shout with one thrilling voice, saying, Rejoice, O thou who art the fulfillment of the Creator's dispensation.

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Troparion of the Dormition (Tone One)

In thy birth giving O Theotokos, thou didst keep and preserve virginity; and in thy falling asleep thou hast not forsaken the world; for thou wast translated into life, being the Mother of Life. Wherefore by thine intercessions, deliver our souls from death.

في ميلادِكِ حفِظْتِ البتوليةَ وصنتِها وفي رقادِكِ ما أهمَلْتِ العالمَ وتركتِهِ يا والدةَ الإله. لأنكِ انتقلْتِ إلى الحياة بما أنك أمٌّ الحياة. فبشفاعاتِكِ أنقذي من الموتِ نفوسَنا.

Kontakion of the Entrance of the Theotokos (Tone Four)

The all-pure temple of the Savior, the most precious bridal chamber and Virgin, the treasure-house of the glory of God, today enters the Temple of the Lord, bringing with her the grace which is in the Divine Spirit, whom also the angels of God do celebrate in song; for she is the heavenly tabernacle.

إن الهيكَلَ الكليَّ النقاوةِ هيكَلُ المخلِّص. البتولُ الخدرُ الجزيلُ الثمنِ والكَنْزُ الطاهرُ لمجدِ الله. اليومَ تَدْخُلُ إلى بيتِ الربِّ وتُدخِلُ معها النعمةُ التي بالروحِ الإلهي فلتسبِحْهَا ملائكةُ اللهِ لأَنَها المظلة السماوية.

Epistle for the Twenty Third Sunday after Pentecost

الرسالة للأحد الثالث والعشرين بعد العنصرة

O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance!
To Thee, O Lord, have I cried, O my God!

The Reading is from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Ephesians (2:4-10).

Brethren, God, Who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up with Him, and made us sit with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, that in the coming ages He might show the immeasurable riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith; and this is not your own doing, it is the gift of God—not because of works, lest any man should boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

خَلِّصْ يا ربُّ شعبَكَ وبارِكْ ميراثَكَ!

إليكَ يا ربُّ أصْرُخُ, يا إلهي!

فصْلٌ من رسالةِ القديسِ بولسَ الرسول إلى أهلِ أفسس (٢:٤-١٠).

يا إخوةُ إنَّ اللهَ لكونِهِ غَنِيّاً بالرحمةِ ومِنْ أجْلِ كثرةِ محبتِهِ التي أحبَّنا بِهَا* حينَ كُنّا أمْواتاً بالزَلّاتِ أحيانا مَعْ المسيح. (فإنَّكُمْ بالنعمةِ مُخلَّصُونَ)* وأقامَنَا مَعَهُ وأجلَسَنا معَهُ في السماوِيَّاتِ في المسيحِ يسوع* ليُظْهِرُ في

الدُهورِ المستقبَلَةِ فرْطَ غِنَى نِعْمَتِهِ باللُّطْفِ بِنَا في المسيحِ يسوعَ* فإنَّكُم بالنعمةِ مُخَلَّصُونَ بواسطةِ الإيمان. وذلِكَ ليس منكُمْ إنَّمَا هو عَطيَّةُ الله* وليسَ من الأعمالِ لئلاَّ يفتَخِرَ أحَدٌ* لأنَّا نَحْنُ صُنعُهُ مخلوقينَ في المسيحِ يسوعَ للأعمالِ الصالِحَةِ التي سَبَقَ اللهُ فأعدَّها لِنَسْلُكَ فيها.

Gospel for the Thirteenth Sunday of St. Luke

الإنجيل للأحد الثالث عشر من لوقا

The Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke (18:18-27).
At that time, a man came testing Jesus and asking, "Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call Me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'Do not commit adultery. Do not kill. Do not steal. Do not bear false witness. Honor your father and mother.'" And the man said, "All these I have observed from my youth." And when Jesus heard it, he said to him, "One thing you still lack. Sell all that you have and distribute to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me." But when the man heard this he became sad, for he was very rich. Jesus, seeing him sad, said, "How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God! For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." Those who heard it said, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus said, "What is impossible with men is possible with God."

فصل شريف من بشارة القديس لوقا الإنجيلي البشير, التلميذ الطاهر (١٨:١٨-٢٧).

في ذلكَ الزمانِ، دنا إلى يسوعَ إنسانٌ مجرّباً لهُ وقائلاً: أيُّها المعلّمُ الصالِحُ ماذا أعمَلُ لأرثَ الحياةَ الأبدية؟* فقالَ لهُ يسوعُ: لماذا تَدْعوني صالِحاً وما صالحٌ إلاَّ واحدٌ وهوَ الله؟* إنَّكَ تَعْرِفُ الوصايا: لاتزنِ. لا تَقتُل. لا تَسرِق. لا تَشهَد بالزُّورِ. أَكْرِمْ أباكَ وأمَّكَ* فقالَ: كلُّ هذا قَدْ حَفِظْتُهُ مُنْذُ صِباي* فَلَمّا سَمِعَ يسوعُ ذلكَ، قالَ لهُ: واحِدةٌ تَعْوَزُكَ بَعدُ. بِعْ كُلَّ شَيءٍ لكَ وَوَزِّعْهُ على المَساكينِ، فيكونَ لكَ كَنْزٌ في السَّماءِ، وتَعالَ اتْبَعْني* فَلَمَّا سَمِعَ ذلكَ، حزِنَ لأنَّهُ كانَ غَنِيّاً جداً* فلمَّا رآهُ يسوعُ قد حَزِنَ قالَ: ما أَعْسَرَ على ذَوي الأموالِ أنْ يَدخُلُوا مَلَكوتَ اللهِ* إنَّهُ لَأَسْهَلُ أنْ يَدخُلَ الجَمَلُ في ثَقبِ الإبْرَةِ مِنْ أنْ يدخُلَ غَنِيٌّ مَلَكوتَ الله* فقالَ السَّامعونَ: فمَنْ يَسْتَطيعُ إذَنْ أنْ يَخْلُصَ؟* فقالَ: ما لا يُسْتَطاعُ عِنْدَ الناسِ، مُستَطاعٌ عِنْدَ الله.

REMINDER

In an effort to eliminate distractions, collection baskets will not be passed during the Divine Liturgy. Instead, we kindly ask you to make your donation or pledge before or after service by placing it in the **donation box** at the entrance of the church. Envelopes are available on both sides of the donation box. Please keep this in mind since we depend on your contributions. Thank you for your generosity!

A Prayer of Thanksgiving

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

O Lord, accept our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us. We thank you for the splendor of the whole creation, for the wonder of life, and for the mystery of your love.

We thank you for the blessing of family and friends, and for the loving care which surrounds us on every side.

We thank you for our successes, which satisfy and delight us — but also for the disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone.

Above all, we thank you for your Son, Jesus Christ — for the truth of his Word and the example of his life.

We thank you for his death, resurrection, and ascension into heaven, through which we are delivered from death and raised to life eternal in your Kingdom.

May we — at all times and in all places — give thanks to you in all things.

For every good and perfect gift is from above, and comes down from you, the Father of Lights, and unto you we ascribe glory, thanksgiving, and worship: to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Parish News

Honoring your loved ones: Please consider signing up for one or more Sundays to provide Holy Bread and Coffee hour. It's this gift of Holy Bread that we use to prepare communion and to share with our parishioners at the end of the service. *What better way to honor your loved ones on their birthday, anniversary, graduation or memorial*. It takes minimal effort, and it encourages fellowship among our community.

Holy Bread and Coffee Hour

11/24: Hasan and Saeda Sweis & Family

12/01: Awan and Hanna Sweis & Family

12/08: Ghaleb and Rita Sweis & Family

Epistle Reading

11/24: Marram Salman & Danny Haddad

12/01: Murad Salman & Norma Tadros

Pledge Envelopes

Please pick up your 2020 pledge envelopes from the back of the church after Liturgy today.

Holy Bread & Coffee Hour

The sign up sheet for 2020 Holy Bread and Coffee Hour is posted in the Fellowship Hall kitchen.

IOCC Sunday | 11.24.19 | iocc.org/dayofsharing

Each year on the Sunday before Thanksgiving, Orthodox faithful across the US thank God for the privilege of serving the least of our brethren through IOCC. The Assembly of Bishops has named it *A Day of Sharing*. On this day, we consider IOCC's global work and the ways you sustain it: by providing food, water, shelter, and medicine to refugees, offering economic opportunity to farmers in northern Greece, training healthcare workers in Ethiopia, and so much more. Please consider giving a gift of compassion today.

Upcoming Events

Thurs Nov 21	9:00am	Orthros for the Entrance of the Theotokos
	10:00am	Liturgy for the Entrance of the Theotokos
	5:00pm	Nativity Compline
Fri Nov 22	6:00pm	Antiochian Women Meeting
Sat Nov 23	10:45am	Arabic School
	3:00pm	Feed My Starving Children
	5:00pm	Great Vespers
	6:30pm	Chai Chat
Sun Nov 24	8:45am	Orthros
	10:00am	Divine Liturgy
Mon Nov 25	7:00pm	Open Gym
Tues Nov 26	5:00pm	Nativity Compline
Thurs Nov 28	9:00am	Liturgy for Thanksgiving
	5:00pm	Nativity Compline
Sat Nov 30	10:45am	Arabic School
	5:00pm	Great Vespers
	6:30pm	Sunday School/Christmas Cards for Hospitalized Children
Sun Dec 1	8:45am	Orthros
	10:00am	Divine Liturgy
	10:00am	Sunday School
Mon Dec 2	7:00pm	Open Gym
Tues Dec 3	5:00pm	Nativity Compline
Wed Dec 4	10:00am	Liturgy for St. Barbara and St. John of Damascus
	11:00am	Arabic Bible Study
	6:30pm	Teen SOYO Night

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Thurs. Nov 28th	9:00am	Liturgy for Thanksgiving
	5:00pm	Nativity Compline
Tues. Dec 3rd	5:00pm	Nativity Compline
Thurs. Dec 5th	5:00pm	Nativity Compline
Fri. Dec 6th	10:00am	Liturgy for St. Nicholas
Tues. Dec 10th	5:00pm	Nativity Compline
Thurs. Dec 12th	10:00am	Liturgy for St. Spyridon
	5:00pm	Nativity Compline
Tues. Dec 17th	5:00pm	Nativity Compline
Thurs. Dec 19th	5:00pm	Nativity Compline
Fri. Dec 20th	10:00am	Liturgy for St. Ignatius
Tues. Dec 24th	10:00am	Royal Hours and Typika for the Nativity
	4:30pm	Orthros for the Feast of the Nativity of Christ
	6:00pm	Liturgy for the Feast of the Nativity of Christ

Upcoming Events

YAM

November 23rd - Chai Chat at Helena Janinah's House

December 14th - Theology and Iconography

Annual Christmas Toy Drive

If you signed up for the Christmas Toy Drive .

ALL GIFTS ARE DUE ASAP

You can also drop off your gifts at the church office during regular business hours: Monday - Friday, 10am - 3pm

"Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God." (Hebrews 13:16)

Advent Fast & Christmas Reminder!

The Nativity Fast (Advent) begins Friday, November 15th and will end December 24th (after Christmas Eve Liturgy). We are to fast from meat and dairy. In order for fasting to be effective, it must be accompanied with prayer and acts of mercy and love. St. John Chrysostom reminds us: "What good is it to fast from meat and dairy, if we devour and eat one another. "Please remember to love and forgive in this special time in which we prepare for the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ.

Important: Mark your Calendars for Christmas Liturgy

Important! Please mark your calendars for the Christmas Liturgy. It will begin at 6pm, Tuesday December 24th. How can we truly celebrate Christmas if we skip out on Christmas Liturgy? The Christmas season is a very busy time, & we have plans to be with friends & family. But, we must learn to set our priorities straight, so schedule your gatherings around the Christmas Liturgy. Can you imagine having a birthday party without the birthday boy?! That's exactly what we do when we don't attend Christmas Liturgy. Let us begin to change the secularization of Christmas & bring Christ back into the picture by remembering the reason for the season. We look forward to seeing you at Christmas Liturgy. God bless!

HOPE
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FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN
MOBILEPACK™

Help Feed My Starving Children spread HOPE this holiday season.

Our goal is to raise $220,000 and pack 1 million meals. We cannot do this without your help! We encourage businesses, churches, families and local communities groups to join us in these efforts. Please consider supporting our event and making a difference in the lives of starving children around the world.

Join us this holiday season to bring HOPE to children like Jane.

In Uganda, 1-year-old Jane was suffering. She'd been left in the care of her uncle who had other children and little food to share with his niece. Jane grew weaker and unresponsive. Her uncle felt helpless. Thankfully our food partner had nourishing FMSC MannaPack meals for Jane's uncle. Jane grew stronger. Now Jane is crawling and healthy!

"I never thought a change this beautiful could happen because of food." –Jane's uncle

Jane before MannaPack

Jane after MannaPack™

A volunteering event like no other - pack alongside 500 other volunteers!

Hope Filled Holiday Illinois
Saturday November 23, 2019
3:00 PM - 5:00 PM
at the
Renaissance Schaumburg Convention Center
1551 N Thoreau Dr N, Schaumburg, 60173

ST. MARY'S YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY INVITES YOU TO A

Chai Chat

Join us after vespers for tea, refreshments, and wholesome discussion

NOVEMBER 23, 2019 | 6 PM | THE JANINAH RESIDENCE:
15641 114TH AVE, ORLAND PARK, IL

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

YAM Christmas Retreat!

Topic: Iconography

- Join us for a day of education, fellowship, and worship with special guest speaker Fr. Stephen Vernak from Pennsylvania!
- Engage in spiritual and educational talks!
- Enjoy Christmas themed refreshments and activities!

Dec. 14, 2019 | Cost: $30
9:00am to 5:00pm
St. Mary's Orthodox Church
6330 W 127 St. Palos Heights, IL

Wear your ugliest Christmas sweater!

Project Mexico
& St. Innocent Orphanage

Building Hope for Boys Without Families and Families Without Homes

~ FALL NEEDS LIST ~

Food Needs:

- Cereal (low sugar)
- Oatmeal
- Granola
- Pancake Mix
- Honey
- Canned Corn
- Sugar
- RICE
- Canned fruit
- Canned vegetables
- Spices (Garlic, Pepper, Salt)
- Chicken Bouillon(Knorr, Chicken broth)
- Flour
- Wheat Flour
- Spaghetti
- Spaghetti sauce
- Tomato puree
- Dry fruit (Banana, Pineapple, Almonds, Cranberries)
- Olive Oil
- Canola Oil
- Cooking Spray
- Mayonnaise
- Ketchup
- Clamato
- Canned Soups (Mushroom, clam, corn)
- Cooking spray
- Jam
- Yeast
- Gatorade
- Nestea/Minute Maid
- Nesquick (Chocolate Milk Mix)
- Canned Tuna, Salmon, Mushrooms, Chicken & Albacore
- Popsicles (Otter Pops)
- Granola bars
- Hot Chocolate
- Granulated Coffee
- Juice & Juice boxes
- Brown Sugar
- Bottled Water
- Ramen Soup
- Parmesan Cheese
- Cookies
- Saltine Crackers
- Dressings (Ranch, Blue Cheese)
- Sweetened Condensed Milk

Miscellaneous:

- Auto Oil 10W-40
- Windshield Wiper Fluid
- Blue Paper Towels (for cars)
- Batteries (AA, AAA, C & D)

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~ FALL NEEDS LIST~

Cleaning/Kitchen Supplies:

- Laundry detergent
- Dishwashing Liquid Soap
- Silverware (sets)**
- Tupperware (containers)
- "Easy Off" Cleaner
- Lysol degreaser
- Liquid hand soap
- Hand Sanitizer
- Pine Sol
- Fabuloso Cleaner
- Air fresheners
- Bathroom Cleaner
- Windex
- Trash bags (10, 30, 45 & 55 gal)
- Dusters
- Insecticide
- Wax Paper
- Aluminum Foil
- Plastic Paper
- Plastic Cups & Bowls
- Stain Steel Cleaner
- Grill Cleaning Stone
- Bicarbonate
- Fly Catchers
- Brooms
- Mops & Mop Bucket

Animals

- Dog Food
- Fish Food
- Cat Food

Paper Goods:

- Plates**
- Bowls
- Cups
- Paper Towels
- Forks & spoons
- Napkins
- Ziploc bags (sandwich & large size)
- Toilet Paper**
- Styr Coffee Cups

Medicinal:

- Talcum powder
- Body Lotion
- Scope Mouthwash
- Pepto-Bismol
- Foot cream
- Athlete foot spray
- Nyquil/Dayquil
- Sunscreen
- Rubbing Alcohol
- Vick Vaporub
- Disposable razors
- Paracetamol (Bayer Pills)
- Diarrhea pills
- Shampoo
- Combs/Hairbrush

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“Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all things shall be added unto you.” Matthew 6:33

SOYO MEMBERS ARE INVITED
TO OUR 14TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS RETREAT!

Guest Speaker: Bishop Nicholas of Miami

Ages: 13 - 18 years old
When: Friday, December 27th to Sunday, December 29th
Where: Dickson Valley Camp and Retreat Center
8250 Finnie Rd., Newark, IL 60541
Cost: $150.00

Teens will enjoy Outdoor Laser Tag, Gauntlet, Tubing, Wall Climbing and many more fun activities.

DEADLINE: December 15, 2019

December 27th departure time 8:30am
December 29th arrival at church 7:00pm

For Information Contact: Fr. Jacob Andoun, at 908-370-8632 or youthpastor@stmaryoc.org

For Scholarship or Financial Assistance.
Please Contact Fr. Jacob Andoun Directly

Annual General Assembly Meeting and Parish Council Nominations

If you are interested in nominating yourself or another person for St. Mary's Parish Council, please let any member of the Parish Council know by Saturday, December 14th. Nominations will not be considered after that date.

Our Annual General Assembly Meeting will take place Sunday, January 12th immediately following the Divine Liturgy. Mark your calendars and make every effort to attend.

Please make sure your 2019 pledge is paid in full by Tuesday, December 31st, so that you can participate in the General Assembly.

Thanks and God bless!

Weekly Synaxarion

On November 24 in the Holy Orthodox Church we continue to celebrate the Entrance of the Theotokos into the Holy of Holies, and we commemorate our father among the saints Clement, bishop of Rome. Clement was born in Rome of royal lineage. His family had become lost at sea, so Clement, at age 24, went east to find them. In Alexandria, he met the Apostle Barnabas and, afterward, joined the Apostle Peter whom Clement's two brothers, Faustinus and Faustinian, were already following. By God's providence, the Apostle Peter came upon Clement's mother as an aged beggar woman, and then found his father as well. Thus, the whole family was reunited, and all returned to Rome as Christians. Clement served as third bishop of Rome, bringing a great number of unbelievers to Christ. He ordered seven scribes to write the lives of the Christian martyrs who were suffering at that time for their Lord. The Emperor Trajan banished him to Cherson, where Clement found about 2,000 exiled Christians who received him with great joy. In one year, 75 churches were built there. The authorities drowned Clement in the sea in the year 101. His miracle-working relics emerged from the sea in the ninth century. On this day, we also commemorate the Hieromartyr Peter, bishop of Alexandria; Hermogenes, bishop of Agrigentum; Martyrs Philoumenos and Christopher; and Martyr Alexander of Corinth. By their intercessions, O Christ God, have mercy upon us. Amen.