

**To Our Guests and Visitors about Receiving Holy Communion:**

1. **In Orthodox churches, Holy Communion is given to and received only by members of the Orthodox Church (the baptized and chrismated who strive to live in repentance, faith, and godliness).**
2. **If you are non-Orthodox, please refrain from approaching the Chalice, but speak with Fr. Jonathan after the Liturgy. If you are Orthodox and unfamiliar to the Priest, please introduce yourself to Fr. Jonathan prior to the Liturgy, otherwise at the Chalice.**
3. **Please approach the Chalice in the following order: children first; then row-by-row from the front of Church, going to the Chalice on the side you are positioned (if there are two Chalices), returning to you place by the outside aisle past the table with the *antidoron* (bread and wine).**

**Prayers of Holy Oblation are offered for the Health of:**

Archprst. Stephen	Archprst. Elias	Mat. Marion	Archprst. John	
Archprst. Joseph	Irene	Laurie	Rose	Barbara
Tanya	Eugenia	Kevin	Nicole & Noelle	Eli
Joshua	Mark	Constance	Nick	Nina
Charles	Gregory	Ronald	Tatiana	Bradley
Nancy	Deanna	Bill	Kay	Nicholas
Lydia	Sbdn. James			

**Prayers of Holy Oblation are offered in Memory of:**

Archpr. Ian (ND)	Paul (ND)	Vera (ND)	Larry (ND)
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**November Birthdays:**

Sbdn. James Abraham (11/6)	Philip Grayton (11/9)	Moriah Hastings (11/14)
Will Brown (11/16)	Mat. Mary Roth (11/20)	Becket Button (11/21)
Helen Moroz (11/24)	Connie Insley (11/25)	Deborah Graban (11/26)
Abram Button (11/29)	Eugenia Golobov (11/30))	

**TO SPONSOR COFFEE HOUR, please sign up on the calendar book on the glass case. COFFEE HOUR.**

St. Mark is a Parish of the OCA Diocese of the South under the leadership of Metropolitan Tikhon and Archbishop Alexander. Our mission is to be a spiritual home to all who enter; to be a Christ-like community of Orthodox Christians; to be active in worship, fellowship, and witness, through participation in the Sacraments to come into close union with God.

If you are unable to attend services, but wish to continue your Stewardship contributions, send them to PO Box 1315, Bradenton FL, 34206.

**Memorial Bricks for the St. Mark Memorial Garden can be ordered at [www.thatmybrick.com/stmarkorthodox](http://www.thatmybrick.com/stmarkorthodox). You can order a 4"x 8" or 8"x8" brick with or without an Orthodox Cross, the number of characters vary accordingly. If you have any questions about the ordering process, see Fr. Jonathan.**

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**"The Messenger"**

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**This week at St. Mark**

8	Wednesday	6:00 PM	Vespers, Faith/Life
9	Thursday	9:30 AM	Divine Liturgy
9	Thursday	6:00 PM	Prayers for Peace
11	Saturday	9:30 AM	Myrrhbearers Brunch
11	Saturday	3:30 PM	Intro To Orthodoxy
11	Saturday	5:00 PM	Great Vespers
12	Sunday	9:30 AM	Divine Liturgy
12	Sunday	11:15 AM	Church School

**Sunday, November 5, 2023 Tone 5**  
**22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday After Pentecost (7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke)**  
**Martyr Galacteon and his wife Epistemis**

**Prokeimenon Tone 5 (Resurrection)**

*Thou, O Lord, shalt protect us / and preserve us from this generation forever.  
(Ps. 11:7)*

*V. Save me, O Lord, for there is no longer any that is godly! (Ps. 11:1a)*

**Galatians 6:11-18 (Epistle)**

See with what large letters I have written to you with my own hand! As many as desire to make a good showing in the flesh, these would compel you to be circumcised, only that they may not suffer persecution for the cross of Christ. For not even those who are circumcised keep the law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may boast in your flesh. But God forbid that I should boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision avails anything, but a new creation. And as many as walk according to this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God. From now on let no one trouble me, for I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.

**Luke 8:41-56 (Gospel)**

And behold, there came a man named Jairus, and he was a ruler of the synagogue. And he fell down at Jesus' feet and begged Him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter about twelve years of age, and she was dying. But as He went, the multitudes thronged Him. Now a woman, having a flow of blood for twelve years, who had spent all her livelihood on physicians and could not be healed by any, came from behind and touched the border of His garment. And immediately her flow of blood stopped. And Jesus said, "Who touched Me?" When all denied it, Peter and those with him said, "Master, the multitudes throng and press You, and You say, 'Who touched Me?'" But Jesus said, "Somebody touched Me, for I perceived power going out from Me." Now when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling; and falling down before Him, she declared to Him in the presence of all the people the reason she had touched Him and how she was healed immediately. And He said to her, "Daughter, be of good cheer; your faith has made you well. Go in peace." While He was still speaking, someone came from the ruler of the synagogue's house, saying to him, "Your daughter is dead. Do not trouble the Teacher." But when Jesus heard it, He answered him, saying, "Do not be afraid; only believe, and she will be made well." When He came into the house, He permitted no one to go in except Peter, James, and John, and the father and mother of the girl. Now all wept and mourned for her; but He said, "Do not weep; she is not dead, but sleeping." And they ridiculed Him, knowing that she was dead. But He put them all outside, took her by the hand and called, saying, "Little girl, arise." Then her spirit returned, and she arose immediately. And He commanded that she be given something to eat. And her parents were astonished, but He charged them to tell no one what had happened.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Our Parish website is [www.bradentonorthodox.org](http://www.bradentonorthodox.org). It contains information about Orthodoxy and our Parish! Please check it out and give any feedback you might have to Fr. Jonathan or a Council member.
- Parish Council is no longer utilizing PayPal as the service charge is lessening the donation.
- **Quarterly Charity (Oct.-Dec.): Tommy's Angels**, a foundation established to research pancreatic cancer and provide relief for those families needing assistance.
- **A volunteer sign-up** sheet for various weekly helping jobs is located on the table in the Narthex. If you are able, please give of your time to help keep our Church neat and clean. Routine jobs include: taking out trash, sweeping and vacuuming where needed, picking up table cloths, putting away Coffee Hour tableware, etc. Thank you for your help!
- **Prayer Service for Peace and Protection:** each Thursday evening at 6:00 PM, especially in these times of unrest and war. May God grant to us and our leaders the faith and wisdom to conduct ourselves in the peace of Christ.
- **During the Veneration of the Cross after Liturgy we pray the Post-Communion Prayers. Please be mindful and maintain quiet for the prayers.**
- **The Myrrhbearers are hosting a PRE-ADVENT WOMEN'S BRUNCH** at Denise Jacob's home from 9:30 AM until Noon on Saturday, November 11. Please RSVP to Denise (906-396-7716) or Marsha Blazso (941-704-1340) by today (Nov. 5) if you plan to attend. All ladies of the Church are invited!
- **ST. MARK'S MEN'S GROUP** will meet at the home of Bob Matzkevich at 6:30 PM on **Tuesday, November 14**. All men of the parish are included for fellowship and discussion.
- We are participating in the **ANGEL TREE** gift-giving Christmas program through the Salvation Army, coordinated by our Saint Mark's Myrrhbearers. In the Narthex you will see little Christmas trees with "angel" recipients on them. To provide a gift for a boy or girl, take one of the angels to Marsha Blazso, and she will provide the boy or girl for whom you can get a gift. Then, return that unwrapped gift in a bag to Church by December 1.

*Hymns of the Day after the Entrance with the Gospel:*

**Troparion      Tone 5      (*Resurrection*)**

Let us, the faithful, praise and worship 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.

**Troparion      Tone 4      (*St. Mark*)**

From your childhood the light of truth enlightened you, O Mark  
And you loved the labor of Christ the Savior  
Therefore you followed Peter with zeal  
And served Paul well as a fellow laborer//  
And you enlighten the world with your Holy Gospel

**Troparion      Tone 1      (*Martyrs*)**

Let us the faithful honor these two betrothed athletes:  
Galacteon and modest Epistemis.  
Their ascetic labors blossomed into martyrdom,  
Therefore we cry to them:  
“Glory to Him Who has strengthened you!  
Glory to Him Who has crowned you!//  
Glory to Him Who through you grants healing to all!”

**Kontakion      Tone 5      (*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!”

**Kontakion      Tone 2      (*St. Mark*)**

You did receive the grace of the Spirit from on high  
Destroying the snares of the orators  
You did hunt all the nations O Apostle  
And led them to your Master//  
O glorious Mark the preacher of the Gospel of God

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,**

**Kontakion      Tone 2      (*Martyrs*)**

You are numbered among the hosts of martyrs  
for you were illustrious in mighty contests.  
Galacteon, together with Epistemis, thy faithful wife and companion in struggle,//  
unceasingly intercede to the one God for us all!

**Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen**

**Theotokion      Tone 6**

Steadfast Protectress of Christians  
Constant Advocate before the Creator  
Do not despise the cries of us sinners  
But in your goodness come speedily to help us who call on you in faith  
Hasten to hear our petitions and to intercede for us, O Theotokos//  
For you always protect those who honor you!