

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	
Lydia	Nicholas	Mary		

Prayers of Holy Oblation are offered in Memory of:

Archpr. Ian	Paul	Vera	Larry
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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.thatsmybrick.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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Office Hours: W, Th, F 10:00 AM – Noon

This week at St. Mark

25 Saturday	5:00 PM	Great Vespers
26 Sunday	9:30 AM	Divine Liturgy
26 Sunday	11:15 AM	Church School

[No services for the Feast of the Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple (Nov. 21) or Thanksgiving Day (Nov. 23) will be served as Fr. Jonathan will be out of town. Next weekend, the 25th and 26th, Fr. Nicholas Roth will be serving in Fr. Jonathan's absence.]

Sunday, November 19, 2023 Tone 7
24th Sunday After Pentecost (9th Sunday of Luke)
Prophet Obadiah
Martyr Barlaam of Caesarea
(Parable of the Good Samaritan)

Prokeimenon Tone 7 (Resurrection)

The Lord shall give strength to His people. / The Lord shall bless His people with peace. (Ps. 28:11)

V. Offer to the Lord, O you sons of God! Offer young rams to the Lord! (Ps. 28:1a)


Ephesians 2:14-22 (Epistle)

For He Himself is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of separation, having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two, thus making peace, and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity. And He came and preached peace to you who were afar off and to those who were near. For through Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father. Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone, in whom the whole building, being fitted together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord, in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

Luke 12:16-21 (Gospel)

Then He spoke a parable to them, saying: “The ground of a certain rich man yielded plentifully. And he thought within himself, saying, ‘What shall I do, since I have no room to store my crops?’ So he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build greater, and there I will store all my crops and my goods. ‘And I will say to my soul, “Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years; take your ease; eat, drink, and be merry.”’ But God said to him, ‘Fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided?’ So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God.”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Our Parish website is www.bradentonorthodox.org. Please check it out and give any feedback you might have to Fr. Jonathan or a Council member. You can also find Saint Mark online at www.facebook.com/St.MarkOrthodoxChurch.
- 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!
- **A COFFEE HOUR SPONSOR SHEET** is located on the glass bookstore case in the Narthex. As we draw near to the end of this calendar year, please consider sponsoring Coffee Hour in 2024. Speak with Marsha Blazso for more information.
- **Each Thursday evening at 6:00 PM** we gather for a *Prayer Service for Peace and Protection* 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.
- **Immediately following each Divine Liturgy as we venerate the Cross, we pray the Post-Communion Prayers. Please maintain quiet until the prayers are completed.** 
- **ANGEL TREE GIFTS FOR CHILDREN:** in the Narthex you will find little Christmas trees with boy and girl recipients for gifts this coming Christmas season. To provide a gift for a child in Manatee County, take a boy or girl from a tree and give it to Marsha Blazso who will supply the name of the child. Unwrapped gifts need to be returned to the Church by December 1. The Angel Tree program is administered by the Salvation Army and coordinated here by our Myrrhbearers. THANK YOU for giving this season!
- Fr. Jonathan will be out-of-town this week (until Monday, Nov. 27); therefore, ***no mid-week services will be served this coming week.*** The Feast of the Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple occurs this Tuesday, Nov. 21, and Thanksgiving Day is this Thursday, Nov. 23. Remember to thank God for His gifts for our salvation!

Hymns after the Entrance with the Gospel:

Troparion Tone 7 (Resurrection)

By Thy Cross Thou didst destroy death.

To the thief Thou didst open Paradise.

For the Myrrhbearers Thou didst change weeping into joy,

and Thou didst command Thy disciples, O Christ God,

to proclaim that Thou art risen,//

granting the world great mercy.

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 4 (St. Barlaam)

Armed with youthful fervor,

thou didst endure martyrdom in old age and didst glorify Christ.

Thou didst offer Him thy right hand as a whole burnt offering

and thy holy soul as a blameless sacrifice//

Intercede that all that be granted forgiveness, Great-martyr Barlaam.

Kontakion Tone 7 (Resurrection)

The dominion of death can no longer hold men captive,

for Christ descended, shattering and destroying its powers.

Hell is bound, while the Prophets rejoice and cry:

“The Savior has come to those in faith://

enter, you faithful, into the Resurrection!”

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 3 (St. Barlaam)

Though weak with old age thou didst vanquish the Evil One
in thy mighty contest, O Barlaam.

Thou didst endure the rack like one without a body,

and didst steadfastly endure the burning of thy hand.//

Therefore, God the Word has crowned thee with a crown of glory.

Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen

Theotokion Tone 6

Steadfast Protectress of Christians

Constant Advocate before the Creator

Despise not 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!