

**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 (ND)	Paul (ND)	Vera (ND)	Larry (ND)
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**November Birthdays:**

Sbdcn. 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](http://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.**

**St. Mark Orthodox Church**

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*"The Messenger"*

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Rev. Fr. Nicholas Roth  
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**This week at St. Mark**

29	Wednesday	6:00 PM	Vespers, Faith/Life
30	Thursday	9:30 AM	Divine Liturgy
30	Thursday	6:00 PM	Prayers for Peace
2	Saturday	3:30 PM	Intro to Orthodoxy
2	Saturday	5:00 PM	Vespers
3	Sunday	9:30 AM	Divine Liturgy
3	Sunday	11:30 AM	Sunday School

**Sunday, November 26, 2023 Tone 8**

**25<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost (10<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke)**

**Ven. Alypius the Stylite of Adrianopolis**

**Prokeimenon Tone 8 (Resurrection)**

*Pray and make your vows / before the Lord, our God! (Ps. 75:10a)*

*V. In Judah God is known; His Name is great in Israel. (Ps. 75:1)*

***Ephesians 4:1-6 (Epistle)***

**I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called, with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love, endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.**

***Luke 13:10-17 (Gospel)***

Now He was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. And behold, there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bent over and could in no way raise herself up. But when Jesus saw her, He called her to Him and said to her, "Woman, you are loosed from your infirmity." And He laid His hands on her, and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God. But the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation, because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath; and he said to the crowd, "There are six days on which men ought to work; therefore come and be healed on them, and not on the Sabbath day." The Lord then answered him and said, "Hypocrite! Does not each one of you on the Sabbath loose his ox or donkey from the stall, and lead it away to water it? So ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has bound – think of it – for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath?" And when He said these things, all His adversaries were put to shame; and all the multitude rejoiced for all the glorious things that were done by Him.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Our Parish website is [www.bradentonorthodox.org](http://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](https://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!



*Hymns after the Entrance with the Gospel:*

**Troparion      Tone 8      (Resurrection)**

Thou didst descend from on high, O Merciful One!  
Thou didst accept the three day burial to free us from our sufferings!//  
O Lord, our Life and Resurrection, glory to Thee!

**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      (Ven. Alypius)**

Thou wast a pillar of patient endurance,  
having imitated the forefathers, O Venerable One:  
Job in suffering and Joseph in temptations.  
Thou didst live like the Bodiless Ones while yet in the flesh, Alypius, our father//  
Beseech Christ God that our souls may be saved!

**Kontakion      Tone 8      (Resurrection)**

By rising from the tomb, Thou didst raise the dead and resurrect Adam.  
Eve exults in Thy Resurrection//  
and the world celebrates Thy rising from the dead, O greatly Merciful One!

**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 8      (Ven. Alypius)**

The Church glorifies and praises thee today, O Alypius,  
as a perfect example of virtue and the boast of ascetics//  
Through thy prayers, grant remission of sins to all who venerate thy life and thy struggles!

**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!