

February 7, 2010

St. Mary's Assumption Albanian Orthodox Church

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Sunday of the Last Judgement– Meatfare

Epistle: 1st Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians 8:8-9:2

Gospel: St. Matthew 25:31-46

HOUSE BLESSINGS

- If you would like to have Fr. Timothy bless your home, there is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board at the bottom of the stairs. Please provide your name, address and phone number. Fr. Timothy will call to schedule a time that is convenient for you. Please note that this is the last week in which homes can be blessed.

MEMORIALS

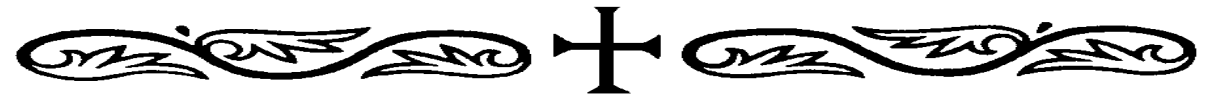
- Today there will be a 1 year Memorial for +George Vasil. The Vasil family will sponsor the coffee hour. May his Memory be Eternal!
- Next Sunday, February 14th, there will be a 1 year Memorial for +Mary Costa. May her Memory be Eternal!
- Sunday February 21st, there will be a 1 year Memorial for +Kristie Christo. The Christo family will sponsor the coffee hour. May his Memory be Eternal.

UPCOMING SERVICES

- Wednesday, February 10th- Divine Liturgy at Holy Trinity. The service begins at 9:30am. All are welcome to attend.
- Saturday, February 13th– Vespers in the Chapel at 6:00pm. Confession's can be heard by Fr. Timothy after the Great Vespers on Saturday nights or by appointment.
- Saturday, February 20th- St. Theodore Saturday– Divine Liturgy at 9:30am

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Tuesday, February 9th at 7:00pm– Women's Guild Meeting. Wine Tasting & Appetizers. Please bring your favorite appetizer and recipes to share with all. Also, wear the most creative hat you can make or find. Prizes will be awarded!
- Wednesday, February 10th at 7:00pm- Bible Study in the Sunday School wing. All who want to learn more about the Bible are welcome to attend.
- Saturday, February 13th at 5:00pm– Adult Catechism class in Albanian. All are welcome to attend



GRAND RAFFLE

- There are still tickets available for the Grand Raffle. Tickets are \$25. each or \$100. for five tickets. First prize is \$3000., Second prize is \$1000., Third Prize is \$500., Fourth Prize is \$250. and Fifth Prize is \$250. The drawing of prizes to take place on Sunday, February 14th. You can mail your check to St. Mary's or see Bob Laska in front of the 'Large Check' in the Church hall during the coffee hour.

VALENTINE'S DAY LUNCHEON

- Mark your calendars, Sunday, February 14th after the Divine Liturgy the Women's Guild will be sponsoring a Valentine's Day Luncheon. Adults: \$15., Children 12 & under \$5.00. Proceeds to benefit St. Mary's Assumption Church. Our own Chef Mark Johns will be in the kitchen preparing a wonderful meal for all. You can see Dorothy Prifti during the coffee hour to make your reservations.

ST. MARY'S WEBSITE

- Our Church's website is now fully updated with that latest news and information. You will be able to view and print past Bulletins and Newsletters. There is also a section on there for any Upcoming Events happening in and around St. Mary's. Please log onto www.stmarysalbanianchurch.org and have a look around. Please give us your feedback and let us know what you think.

NETWORKING SITE

- St. Mary's is now on Facebook! You can access information about St. Mary's upcoming services, the latest news and the Orthodox faith on our new Facebook page. Thanks to Fr. Timothy for setting this up

CHURCH CLOSINGS

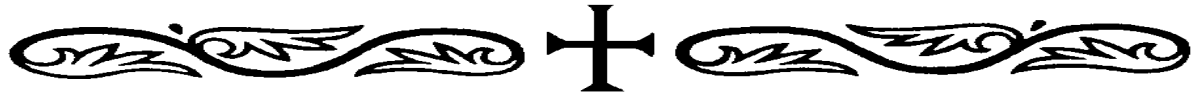
- In the event of a Blizzard or Nor'Easter, Fr. Timothy will make the decision to close the Church by 8:00am Sunday Morning. Those of you who have given us your e-mail address you will be sent an e-mail notification. For all others please listen to radio station WBZ News Radio 1030 or tune to television channel WBZ-TV 4.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- If you have an e-mail address and would like to receive information from the Church including the Sunday Bulletins and Tidings, please e-mail Lisa Gregory in the Church office at info@stmarysalbanianchurch.org. Currently we have over 130 addresses, but we know there are more of you out there that could be receiving the information via e-mail.

MEMORIAL SERVICES AND SACRAMENTS

- If you would like to arrange a Memorial Service, Baptism, Wedding or rent the hall, please call the church office Monday through Friday between 10:00 am and 2:00 pm and speak with our Secretary Lisa regarding scheduling of your event. The Church Office number is 508 756-1690. For ordering memorial wheat (Grure) please call Gloria Simo at 508 791 -0177. To sponsor a Coffee Hour, call Catherine Weiss at 508 852-5296.



BEKIMI I SHPISË

- Nëse do të dëshironit që At Timothy t'ju bekojë shtëpinë tuaj, ju lutemi plotësoni formularin që ndodhet në tabelën e buletinit, i cili ndodhet në fund të shkallëve (përballë). Shkruani emrin, adresën dhe numrin tuaj të telefonit. At Timothy do t'ju kontaktojë për të caktuar ditën dhe orën që është e përshtatshme për ju.

SHËRBIME TË ARDHSHME

- Të Mërkurë më 10 Shkurt, Liturgia do të bëhet në Shën Trini. Shërbesa do fillojë më 9:30 në mëngjes. Të gjithë janë të mirëpritur.
- Njerzit që dëshirojnë të rëfelen, do të dëgjojnë nga At Timothy (Thimi) mbas Mbrëmësorës së Madhe çdo të Shtunë në darkë ose mund të lini një orë të caktuar për tu takuar

LAJME TË ARDHSHME

- Studime mbi Biblën – Të Mërkurë, 10 Shkurt, 2010 nga ora 7:00 mbasdite në dhomën ku zhvillohet Shkolla e së Dielës. Të gjithë ju që dëshironi të mësoni më shumë mbi Biblën jeni të mirëpritur të merrni pjesë.



LLOTARIA

- Ende ka bileta të pashitura për llotarinë e madhe. Biletat kushtojnë \$25,00 secila ose \$100,00 për pesë bileta. Çmimi i parë është \$3000,00, Çmimi i dytë është \$1000,00, Çmimi i tretë është \$500,00, Çmimi i katërt është \$250,00 dhe Çmimi i pestë është \$250,00. Të Dielë më 14 Shkurt do të tërhiqet shorti. Mund të postoni çekun në kishë ose të takoni Bob Laskën në sallën e Kishës gjatë orës së kafesë.

DREKË PËR DITËN E SHËN VALENTINIT

- Shënoni kalendarin ditën e Dielë më 14 Shkurt, mbas Liturgjisë së Shenjtë, Shoqata e Gruas "Women's Guild" do të sponsorizojë drekën me rastin e ditës së Shën Valentinit. Për të riturit bileta është \$15,00, për fëmijët në moshën 12 e poshtë bileta është \$ 5,00. Të ardhurat do ti jepen Kishës së Shën Marisë. Kuzhinieri ynë, Mark Xhons do të jetë në kuzhinë për të përgatitur ushqimet e mrekullueshme për të gjithë ne.

FAQJA E INTERNETIT

- Tashmë Shën Maria ndodhet dhe në Facebook! Ju mund të merrni informacione në lidhje me Kishën e Shën Marisë, shërbimet e saj të ardhshëm, lajmet e fundit dhe rreth besimit ortodoks në faqen tonë të re në Facebook. Falenderojmë At.. Timotheun për krijimin e kësaj faqeje.

MBYLLJA E KISHËS

- At Timothy do të vendosë të mbyllë kishën në orën 8:00 të mëngjezit të Dielave, nëse do të kemi stuhi me dëborë. Të gjithë njerzit të cilëve ua kemi adresat e e-mail-it, do të njoftohen nëpërmjet e-mail-it. Gjithë të tjerët, ju lutemi dëgjoni në radio të Shtunë në mëngjes emisionin "WBZ News Radio 1030 am", ose shikoni kanalën televiziv WBZ-TV4.

LAJMËRIM

- Nëse ju keni një adresë e-mail dhe dëshironi të merrni informacion nga Kisha duke përfshirë Buletinet e së Dielës si dhe Tidings ju lutemi dërgoni një e-mail Lisa Gregory në zyrën e Kishës në adresën info@stmarysalbanianchurch.org. Aktualisht ne kemi mbi 130 adresa, por ne e dimë që janë shumë më tepër ata që do të kishin dëshirë të marrnin këtë informacion nëpërmjet e-mail-it.

SHËRBIME PËR PËRKUJTIMORE DHE SAKRAMENTE

- Nëse ju keni nevojë të bëni një Shërbesë Përkujtimore, Pagëzim, Dasmë ose të merrni me qera sallën e Kishës ju lutemi telefononi në zyrën e Kishës nga e Hëna në të Premte midis orëve 10:00 pd dhe 2:00 md dhe flisni me sekretaren tone Lisan për të planifikuar evenimentin tuaj. Numri i telefonit është 508-756-1690. Për të porositur grure ju lutemi telefononi Gloria Simo në 508-791 -0177. Për të sponsorizuar orën e kafesë, telefononi Catherine Weiss në 508 852-5296.

*St. Mary's Women's Guild
Celebrating their 55th Anniversary in 2010*



Your are cordially invited to a Valentine's Day Luncheon

Sponsored by St. Mary's Women's Guild

Sunday, February 14, 2010

Immediately following the Divine Liturgy

St. Mary's Church Hall

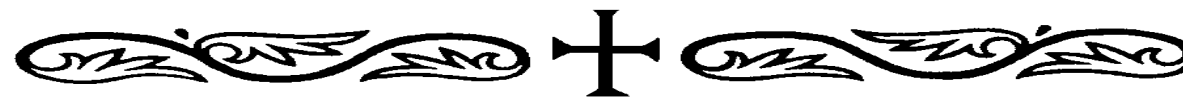
Adults: \$15.00 Children 12 & Under: \$5.00

For reservations please contact

Jean George at 508-852-0277 or Dorothy Prifti at 508-829-9339

*Checks can be made payable to St. Mary's Women's Guild and mailed to
Dorothy Prifti 82 Harvest Circle Holden, MA. 01520*

Proceeds to benefit St. Mary's Assumption Albanian Orthodox Church



THE EPISTLE

(For Sunday of the Last Judgment)

The Lord is my strength and my praise.

The Lord chastising hath chastised me, but He hath not delivered me over to death.

The Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (8:8-9:2)

Brethren, food will not commend us to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. Only take care, lest this liberty of yours somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. For if any one sees you—a man of knowledge—at table in an idol's temple, might he not be encouraged, if his conscience is weak, to eat food offered to idols? And so by your knowledge this weak man is destroyed, the brother for whom Christ died. Thus, sinning against your brethren and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of my brother's falling, I will never eat meat, lest I cause my brother to fall. Am I not free? Am I not an apostle? Have I not seen Jesus our Lord? Are not you my workmanship in the Lord? If to others I am not an apostle, at least I am to you; for you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord.

THE GOSPEL

(For Sunday of the Last Judgment)

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (25:31-46)

The Lord said, "When the Son of man comes in His glory, and all the angels with Him, then He will sit on His glorious throne. Before Him will be gathered all the nations, and He will separate them one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and He will place the sheep at His right hand, but the goats at the left. Then the King will say to those at His right hand, 'Come, O blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave Me food, I was thirsty and you gave Me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed Me, I was naked and you clothed Me, I was sick and you visited Me, I was in prison and you came to Me.' Then the righteous will answer Him, 'Lord, when did we see Thee hungry and feed Thee, or thirsty and give Thee drink? And when did we see Thee a stranger and welcome Thee, or naked and clothe Thee? And when did we see Thee sick or in prison and visit Thee?' And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me.' Then He will say to those at his left hand, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave Me no food, I was thirsty and you gave Me no drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome Me, naked and you did not clothe Me, sick and in prison and you did not visit Me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see Thee hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to Thee?' Then He will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it not to one of the least of these, you did it not to Me.' And they will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."