

Glory to Jesus Christ!
Слава Иисусу Христу!

St. Mary ~ Holy Protection
Byzantine Catholic Church

Glory Forever!
Слава на вики!

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17 AUGUST 2025 / 7533 TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Post-festive Day of the Dormition. The Holy Martyr Myron.



LITURGY SCHEDULE:

Sat. Aug 16 17:00 Vigil: **TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

Suffrages for + **Susan Dusecina** – son, Rev. Regis

Sun. Aug 17 10:30 **TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

Suffrages pro populo

Sat. Aug 23 17:00 Vigil: **ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

Suffrages for + **Paul & Margaret Kern** – daughter Margaret

Sun. Aug 24 10:30 **ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

Suffrages pro populo

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08 / 10 / 2025
COLLECTION
ATTENDANCE

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Adults: \$752
Spec. Don.: \$1000
Sat. 11 + 2

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Candles: \$77
TOTAL: \$1954
Sun. 23 + 3

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Holy Day: \$125

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The One Who gave the Law on Sinai and Who administered it from Zion, our God, summoned His Ark of Sanctification to be brought home from Zion to Himself, just as David her ancestor had said of her in a psalm, «*Go up, O Lord, to the place of your rest, You and Your Ark of Sanctification.*» She is not carried like Moses' ark of old, drawn by oxen, but she is escorted and surrounded by an army, heavens holy angels. She is not an Ark made by hands, not plated with gold, but is God's spiritual handiwork, resplendent all over with the radiance of the holy and life-giving Spirit, Who descended upon her. She does not contain the vessel of manna and the tablets of the covenant, but the Lord Who provided both the manna and the eternal blessings promised in the Old and New Covenants, and Who was born as her child – He Who freed from the curse of the Law those who have faith in Him. She does not contain the rod of Aaron, nor is she crowned with glorious cherubim, but rather the incomparably more glorious rod of Jesse, revealed by the prophet and overshadowed by the almighty power of the Father on High. She does not move before the Hebrew people, like the former Ark, but follows the God Who had appeared on earth in the flesh furnished by her; she is called blessed by angels and by mankind, for the glory of the One Who magnified her above all ranks of heaven and earth, as she cries out her holy words, «*My soul glorifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.*»

An Encomium on the Dormition by Our Holy Father Modestus, Patriarch of Jerusalem (+ ca. a. D. 634)

What a wonder! The Source of Life Itself is placed in a tomb; the grave becomes a ladder to heaven. Rejoice, Gethsemane, holy chamber of the Theotokos. As for us, O faithful, let us cry out with Gabriel, the prince of angels: Rejoice, O woman full of grace, the Lord is with you! The Lord, Who because of you bestows great mercy on our souls.

Lady, marvelous are your mysteries. You have become the throne of the Most High, and today are taken from earth to heaven. Your glory shines forth with the radiance of divine grace and surpasses every other splendor. Rise up to the heavens, all you virgins, together with the Mother of the King, and cry out: Rejoice, O woman full of grace, the Lord is with you! The Lord, Who because of you bestows great mercy on our souls.

Behold, all the heavenly hosts: The Dominions, the Thrones and Principalities, the Virtues, Powers, Cherubim and Seraphim sing a hymn of glory to your Dormition. The entire human race rejoices at your glory; and kings sing out to you, together with the Angels and Archangels: Rejoice, O woman full of grace, the Lord is with you! The Lord, Who because of you bestows great mercy on our souls.

Stichera of the Dormition, Vigil Divine Liturgy



~ Announcements ~

- **ETERNAL MEMORY!** The parish extends its deepest condolences and prayers to the DeFlorio family, whose mother Helen, fell asleep in the Lord on Friday, August 8th. *In blessed repose, grant, O Lord, eternal rest to the soul of Your departed servant, Helen, and remember her forever. БѢЧНАА ПАМЯТЬ!*
- **THANK YOU!** The parish is most grateful for a very generous donation given by a «diaspora» member of St Mary Church who still feels strong ties to this Temple of the Lord.
- **THE 91st ANNUAL MT. SAINT MACRINA PILGRIMAGE – Theotokos: Icon of Hope** – in honor of our Lady of Perpetual Help will take place the weekend of **August 30 - 31**. A complete schedule of all services and events is posted in the Narthex and on the monastery's website at <https://sistersofstbasil.org>.