



SAINT MARK'S CHURCH

An Antiochian Orthodox Parish in the Western Rite Tradition

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The Second Sunday in Lent 2008

The first Mass begins at 8:00 AM today. Visitors are welcome to join us for social hour, and attend Church School at 9:10. At 9:45 we will offer Anglican Chant Matins. Please pick up our new Matins/Mass booklet on the back table of the sanctuary. The Solemn Mass begins at 10:00 o'clock. All are invited to join us in the Parish Hall for refreshments after each of the Liturgies.

If you are a visitor looking for an Easter Service, most churches in Denver are on the new Calendar but not us. As Orthodox Christians our Easter falls on a later date than the rest of Christendom...we calculate the date of Our Lord's Resurrection after the Jewish Passover!

March is Antiochian Women's Month where we recognize the faithful service of the women of the Parish. (All the women of St. Mark's are members whether or not they attend their meetings.) Our Churchwomen have done an excellent job serving God by their charitable works both in the Church and in the wider community. The Antiochian Women have raised two million dollars toward many of our most worthwhile endeavors since they were founded in 1973. Thanks to Karen, Dianna, Laurie, and Stephanie for helping with greeting the faithful and taking up the alms collection today.

Thanks to Carol, Dana, Debbie, Jane, Karen, and Lisa for hosting the *St. Patrick's Day fund-raiser Luncheon* last Sunday. Thanks to the hostess and the following Churchwomen who brought a special dish: Ann, Matushka Deborah, Diana, Matushka Elizabeth, Gretchen, Kathryn, Kristen, Laurie, Mary, Natalie, Stephanie, Tamara, Tanya, Tracy, and others. Please, make your checks payable to the St. Mark's Churchwomen for those folks who for whatever reason chose to pay this week rather than last week for their tasty *Irish* meal.

The Churchwomen would like to host a Pot-luck luncheon on Easter Day, April 27th at Noon. Do we have a few volunteers to organize this Church Family Event?

The *St. Mark's Churchwomen* have scheduled several events and service projects which are posted on the bulletin board in the parish hall for those ladies who would like to sign up and volunteer to help. The Antiochian Churchwomen's service project for March is the *Clergy Retirement Fund*. Envelopes for your donations will be provided by the ladies on the back table of the Sanctuary.

Congratulations to the Payne family...they are expecting another beautiful baby! They need to move back to Denver so Tracy Ryan can deliver this "heavenly bundle of joy."

Emily Huft is visiting her sister Katie in Greece during Easter break...they are having a wonderful time!

The St. Tikhon Candle is in thanksgiving for the Nativity of Gretchen Haskins.

Thanks to Kristine Woolley for baking the bread of hospitality and to ? for nursery duties.

Thanks to Matushka Deborah for providing refreshments at 9 o'clock this morning and to Gretchen Haskins and Natalie Lickteig for the 11:30 social hour. If you have an upcoming birthday or an anniversary in March/April, please sign up in the parish hall to bring refreshments on one of the Sundays during the month. We have an opening for the 9 o'clock social hour next Sunday.

Thanks to Laurie, Tamara, and Karen for volunteering to work on the Churchwomen's scrapbook. If you have photos or a folder from when Kit Brown was chairing the committee, please turn them in to one of these new volunteers.

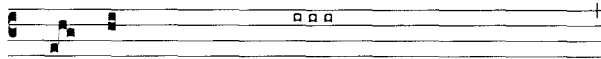
The brand new OLD and NEW TESTAMENT ORTHODOX STUDY BIBLE is on sale for the Introductory price of \$46.00 from the St. Mark's Bookstore. We also have another new book for sale from L. A. Press called *The Heresy of Formlessness* by Martin Mosebach. Cost is \$15.

This Tuesday is the Annunciation and Mass is offered at 10 AM and 7 PM for this observance of the Lord's INCARNATION. Hint, Christmass is the "Nativity."

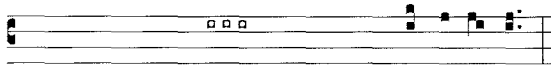
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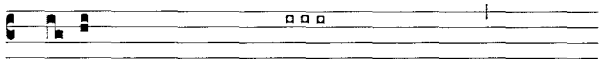
Reminiscere. Psalm xxv. 6, 3, & 22. Tone VII.



∇ *Call to remembrance thy tender mercies, O Lord,*



∇ *and thy loving kindness
which have been • ev-er of old:*

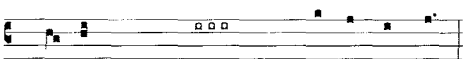


℞ O let not our enemies triumph over us: deliver us,



℞ O God of Israel, out of • all our trou-bles.

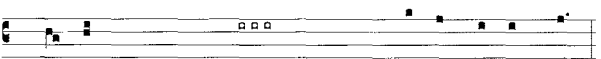
§ *Psalm. ibid. 1.*



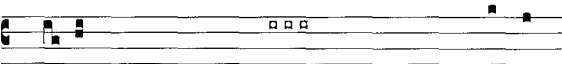
∇ *Un-to thee, O Lord, do I • lift up my soul:*



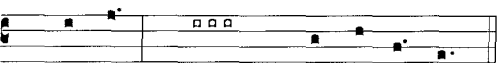
℞ my God, in thee have I trusted.
let me not • be con-found-ed.



∇ *Glo-ry be to the Father ... Son and • to the Ho-ly Ghost:*



℞ As it was in the beginning is now and • ev-er



℞ shall be, world with • out end A-men.

Cantor and Choir repeat from top to §.

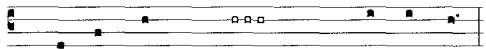
COLLECT OF THE DAY

ALMIGHTY God, who seest that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves: keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul. Through, &c. Amen.

THE LESSON: *I Thessalonians iv. 1-7.*

BRETHREN: We beseech you, and exhort you by the Lord Jesus, that as ye have received of us how ye ought to walk and to please God, so ye would abound more and more. For ye know what commandments we gave you by the Lord Jesus. For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication: that every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honour; not in the lust of concupiscence, even as the Gentiles which know not God: that no man go beyond and defraud his brother in any matter: because that the Lord is the avenger of all such, as we also have forewarned you and testified. For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but unto holiness. He therefore that despiseth, despiseth not man, but God, who hath also given unto us his Holy Spirit.

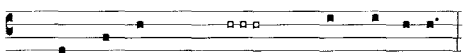
THE GRADUAL. *Psalm xxv. 17-18. Tone V.*



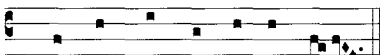
∇ *The sor-rows of my heart are • en-larg-ed:*



℞ O bring thou me out of my • trou-bles, O Lord.

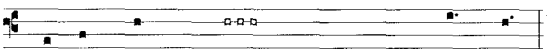


∇ *Look up-on my adversity • and mi-se-ry:*

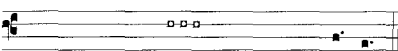


℞ and for-give me all my sin.

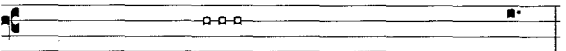
THE TRACT. *Psalm cvi. 1-4. Tone VIII.*



∇ *O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is • gra-cious:*



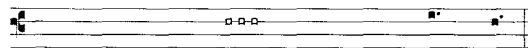
∇ *and his mercy endureth for • ev-er:*



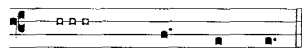
℞ Who can express the noble acts of the • Lord:



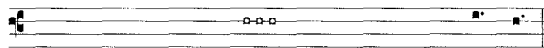
℞ or show forth • all his praise?



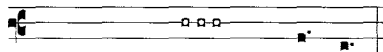
∇ Bless-ed are they that always keep • judge-ment:



∇ and do • right-eous-ness.



∇ Remember us, O Lord, according to the favour that thou bearest unto thy • peo-ple.

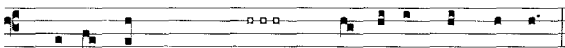


℞ O visit us with thy sal•va-tion.

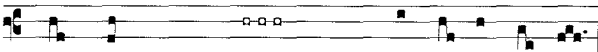
THE HOLY GOSPEL: *St. Matthew xv. 21-28.*

At that time: Jesus went thence, and departed into the coasts of Tyre and Sidon. And, behold, a woman of Canaan came out of the same coasts, and cried unto him, saying, Have mercy on me, O Lord, thou son of David; my daughter is grievously vexed with a devil. But he answered her not a word. And his disciples came and besought him, saying, Send her away; for she crieth after us. But he answered and said, I am not sent but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel. Then came she and worshipped him, saying, Lord, help me. But he answered and said, It is not meet to take the children's bread, and cast it to dogs. And she said, Truth, Lord: yet the dogs eat of the crumbs which fall from their masters' table. Then Jesus answered and said unto her, O woman, great is thy faith: be it unto thee even as thou wilt. And her daughter was made whole from that very hour. *Creed chanted.*

THE OFFERTORY *Psalm cxix. 47-48. Tone II*



∇ My de-light shall be in thy commandments, which I have • lov-ed ex-ceed-ing-ly:

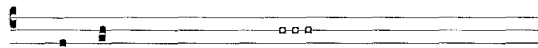


℞ my hands also will I lift up unto thy commandments, • which I have lov-ed.

THE SECRET

WE beseech thee, O Lord, mercifully to have respect unto these our sacrifices: that they may increase our devotion, and set forth our salvation. Through. *Amen.*

THE COMMUNION. *Psalm v. 2-4. Tone I.*



∇ Con-sid-er my meditation: O hearken thou unto



∇ the voice of my calling, my • King and my God:



℞ for un-to thee will I • make my pray'r, O Lord.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

WE humbly beseech thee, almighty God: that as thou dost refresh us with thy sacraments, so thou wouldest vouchsafe unto us to do thee worthy and acceptable service. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ORDER OF SERVICE

The Litany	Harris Mass
The Introit	
The Summary of the Law	<i>BCP. 69</i>
Kyrie eleison:	Harris Mass
Collect of the Day	
The Lesson	<i>BCP p. 126</i>
The Gradual and Tract	
The Holy Gospel	
Nicene Creed:	<i>St. A - 370</i>
Blessings, Notices, Sermon	
The Offertory	
Offertory:	"TBA" - Stuart
Doxology:	1940 - 277
The Secret	
Prayer for the Church	<i>BCP. 74</i>
The Invitation, Confession,	
Absolution.	<i>BCP. 75</i>
The Preface	<i>BCP. 76</i>
Sanctus / Benedictus:	Harris Mass
Canon,	<i>BCP. 80-81.</i>
Our Father:	1940 - 722
Agnus Dei:	Harris Mass
Prayer of Humble Access	<i>BCP. 82</i>
The Communion	
Communion Hymns:	<i>St. A - 87, 148, 163</i>
Post Communion Prayers	
Thanksgiving Collect	<i>BCP. 83</i>
Dismissal, Blessing & Closing Hymn:	<i>St. A - 86</i>

The Wednesday Evening Class will meet this week at 6:30 PM. They will continue with Chapter 5 of *The Orthodox Way* by Bishop Ware.

The Saturday morning book study is replaced by the Benedictine Oblate Retreat at St. Columba's following the usual Saturday program of Rosary, Matins, & Mass at St. Mark's.

The Altar Guild has begun taking donations for Easter Flowers for memorials and thanksgiving. (Envelopes are in the Church pews) Easter Candles for the sanctuary windows are available, too. (Please sign-up for Window candles, Altar candles, and the Pascha candle in the parish hall.)

Fr. John is offering Mass Services everyday during Lent. Please, see the schedule below for the service times. Lent is a time to practice fasting, prayer, and alms-giving. It is the most concentrated time of the year to draw closer to the One Holy Undivided Trinity. See Father John if you need help with this Lenten Orthodox discipline.

The Sacrament of Confessions will be offered before and after Saturday Evensong or by appointment. All Orthodox Christians are asked to make time during Lent to make their Confession to Fr. John or to another Orthodox priest. We recommend *Confession for Christians* (L. A. Press) for those who want to learn more about contrition. Cost \$5.

During Lent, we invite all to participate in the Stations of the Cross at 7 PM every Friday. This is a wonderful devotion to *Our Lord's Passion*. (Every parishioner should make an effort to come to at least one Station's service) The Lenten suppers will be served to the faithful between at 6:00 and 6:30 PM. Those who would like to host one of the Friday suppers will need to provide a Vegetarian meal (for example, soup and salad) for about 15-25 people. If you plan to come, please let us know so that our hosts can have an idea of how much food to prepare. (We have a sign up sheet.) Thanks to John and Dottie Eklund for providing the delicious Vegetarian Chili last Friday evening. Mrs. Kristen Woolley will host this Friday's Lenten Supper.

This Lent, area parishes will be hosting Vespers services for the greater Orthodox Christian community. The schedule for Pan-Orthodox Vespers with reception will be at Transfiguration of Christ Cathedral at 5:00 PM tonight. Their address is 349 East 47 Avenue in Globeville. (303-294-0938) The schedule for the following weeks is St. Catherine's Church on 3/30, Sts. Peter & Paul Church on 4/6, and at St. Herman's Church on 4/13.

The Assumption Greek Cathedral has invited the Churchwomen officers of St. Mark's Church along with

women from other Orthodox parishes to join them in promoting Orthodox-Unity on Wednesday, April 2nd at 1:00 PM. (Pie and coffee will be served) If you have any questions, please see Carol McCabe and or Debbie St. Clair.

There will be a Men's Lenten Retreat "The Life & Teachings of St. John of Kronstadt" with His Grace, Bishop Basil in Victoria, KS on April 4-6. Several men from St. Mark's are going.

The same week-end there will be a Lenten Retreat with Fr. Chad Hatfield, Dean of St. Vladimir Seminary here in the Metro-Denver area. If you want to learn more about the retreat, please see flyers in the parish hall.

There will be a *St. Raphael Camper's fund-raiser Brunch* on Sunday, April 13th. Mrs. Tamara McCrossen will host the event along with help from some of the teens. Following the brunch the Churchwomen will have a brief meeting at noon.

The St. Mark's Churchwomen are planning a Women's Lenten Retreat on "*Holy Icons*" presented by Mary Gay Coit on Saturday, April 19th at 1 PM. Thanks to Matushka Elizabeth, Laurie, Lisa, and Penny for hosting the retreat. The hostess will provide sandwiches and snacks at noon for those ladies who come early in the day to make Palm Crosses.

The Antiochian Parish Life Conference will be held at the Hilton Dallas Hotel and sponsored by Sts. Constantine and Helen Church on June 18 - 22. Please, look for your packets in the mail or go to www.dowamapl.org web-site for more information. We have a Conference Schedule posted in our Parish hall as well as a Sign up sheet for those who would like to attend. We have scholarships available to cover the conference registration fees. See Carol McCabe for more information.

Thanks to Dottie, John, and Jane for helping Matushka Deborah during the time she was locked out of the Church.

Do we have a volunteer to spruce on the Church grounds? We need the trash picked up and a little pruning here and there. See Matushka Deborah if you would like to help.

MONDAY: MATINS 9:30 AM, MASS 10:00 AM

TUESDAY: ANNUNCIATION 10 AM & 7:00 PM

WEDNESDAY : MATINS 7 AM, MASS 7:30 AM, MASS 12 NOON,
EVENSONG 5 PM, THEOLOGY 6:30 PM

THURSDAY: MATINS 7AM, MASS 7:30AM, EVENSONG 5PM

FRIDAY : MATINS 7 AM, MASS 7:30 AM, **EVENSONG 5 PM, LENTEN SUPPER 6PM, STATIONS 7 PM**

SATURDAY : ROSARY 8 AM, MATINS 8:30 AM, LATIN MASS
9:00 AM, AND THE **OBLAGES' RETREAT AT S. COLUMBA'S AT**
ABOUT 10:30 AM. CONFESSIONS 3-5 PM, EVENSONG 5 PM