

**St. Mary's Orthodox Church  
(Dormition of the Mother of God)**

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*Sunday May 21, 2017*

***Sunday of the Blind Man***

Saints Constantine and Helen, Equals to the Apostles and rulers of the Roman Empire; Martyrs Polyeuctus, Victorinus, and Donatus, at Caesarea in Cappadocia; Hieromartyr Secundus and those with him, in Alexandria (356); Saint Adolphos, Bishop of Onouphis, in Byzantine Egypt (ca.362 or ca.431); Saint Boros, monk; Saint Christopher I, Patriarch of Antioch (967); Hieromartyrs Timothy, Polius and Eutychius, deacons, in Mauretania Caesariensis (Morocco); Hieromartyr Valens and Companions, Bishop who was martyred in Auxerre in France along with three children; Martyr Secundinus, in Cordoba in Spain under Diocletian (ca.306); Saint Hospitius the Hermit of Nice (Hospicius of Trier), Wonderworker (581); Saint Barrfoin (Bairrfhionn, Barrindus) of Killbarron (6th c.); Saint Gollen (Collen, Colan) of Denbighshire, a saint who has given his name to Llangollen in Wales (7th c.); Saint Isberga (Itisberga) of Aire, reputed sister of Charlemagne, nun at Aire (Aria) in the Artois, of which she is the patroness (ca.800); Saint Ageranus (Ayrán, Ayrman) of Beze, a monk at Bèze in France, martyred by the Vikings (888); Saint Theobald (Thibaud), Archbishop of Vienne (970-1001); Blessed Constantine (Yaroslav), prince, and his children Saints Michael and Theodore, Wonderworkers of Murom (1129); Saint Cyril II (Kirill), Bishop of Rostov (1262); Saint Basil of Ryazan, Bishop (1295) (see also April 12); Saint Helen of Decani, Serbia, Princess (ca. 1350); Saint Cassian the Greek, monk of Uglich and Wonderworker (1504); Saint Agapitus of Markushev (Vologda) the Hieromartyr, Abbot (1584); Saint Constantine the Fool-for-Christ, of Novotorzanin, Russia (ca.16th c.); New Martyrs King Constantine Brancoveanu of Wallachia and his four sons: Constantine, Stephen, Radu, and Matthew, and his counsellor Ianache (1714) (see also August 16); Righteous New-Martyr Pachomius of Patmos (Mount Athos) (1730); Synaxis of Hieromartyrs of Karelia; Synaxis of Hieromartyrs of Ufa; **Other Commemorations:** Synaxis of the "Vladimir" Icon of the Most Holy Theotokos (1521) (also June 23 and August 26); Synaxis of the "Virgin of Tenderness" Icon of the Most Holy Theotokos from Pskov-Pechersk (1524) (also June 23, August 26, October 7 and the 7th Sunday of Pascha); Uncovering of the relics (1998) of St. Andrew Ogorodnikov, Fool-for-Christ of Simbirsk (1841); Repose of Elena Pavlova of Chepel, Kharkov (1885); Repose of Elder Isaac of Dionysiou Monastery of Mount Athos (1932);

***Services for the week of May 21***

Wednesday, May 24: 6:30 pm Vigil for the Great Feast of the Ascension of the Lord

Thursday, May 25: 9:00 am Divine Liturgy for the Feast of the Glorious Ascension

Saturday, May 27: 6:00 pm Great Vespers

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## Parish News

**WELCOME:** to all of our guests today. We are so glad that you have come to enjoy our Orthodox worship. We invite you to come for coffee and sweets in our church hall and to enjoy fellowship with us. May God bless you!

**OFFERINGS:** April 23: \$1431.00 April 30: \$1319.91 May 7: \$548.00 May 14: \$998.00

**FATHER MARK** and his family would like to thank all of you for your prayers concerning safe travel. Our pilgrimage was a great blessing and a joy. We are very grateful to all of you and to God for holding His protecting hand over us. Pani Lisa and the kids are attending a wedding in PA and Liturgy in our diocesan church in Monongahela, Pa. They look forward to seeing you next week!

**A HUGE THANK YOU** to Fr. Elias Crowder for serving Divine Liturgy for all three Sundays while Fr. Mark was away. This is a great blessing for our parish. Thanks to all from our Subdeacon James and Reader Stephen to all our parishioners for attending the divine services. God keep you all.

**ETERNAL MEMORY** to Raymond Nicholas Peters who reposed during Fr. Mark's travels. Fr. Matthew Stagon came to serve the funeral and many prayers were also sent up in Russia. May the Lord console his family.

**PLEASE REMEMBER** Herb (Mark) Ellison Sr. (hospice care), Janet Mikel and Martha Smith. May God place His hand of blessing on them all!

**THIS WEEK** marks the Leavetaking of Pascha and the Great Feast of the Ascension. Please make it a point to come to the Vigil or the Liturgy in order to partake of the Divine Grace of this Feast.