

St. George Melkite-Greek Catholic Church

1617 West State Street Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53233-1246

"An Eastern Church in communion with the Church of Rome"

Office Voicemail: (414) 342-1543
Benjamin Newman, Administrator

Parish website: byzantinemilwaukee.com
Facebook page: fb.me/ByzantineMilwaukee

September 8, 2019 — Birth of the Theotokos

Intention: Health of ROSE MARIE Koury (req. by Fr. Philaret)

Troparia:

1. *Resurrection (tone 4)*, p. 74
2. *Of Nativity*, see insert
3. *Kontakion of the Nativity*, see insert

Prokeimenon: O Lord, save Your people / and bless Your inheritance.

Epistle: Galatians 6:11-18 (Today: George Baho. Next Sunday: Jon Rebholz)

Gospel: "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son", John 3:13-17

Ushers: Said Audi, Anthony Geiger (Next Sunday: George Baho, Mark Spankowski)

Prayer List

Please remember—All those who are sick and in need: John & Alice Herro, Bill Koutris, Nick Langenfeld, Henry Look, Fr. Frank Milienevicz (former pastor), Barb & Bruce Moden (sister- and brother- in-law of Jan Taylor), Eva Nora (niece of the Noras), Bob Peterson, Joe Radanovich, Beth Rodwell, Eva Saseen (Theresa and Janelle Herro's niece), Leah Schwalenberg, Jan Taylor, Kathy Tomaz, Espe Villasenor, John Zambo and Kathy Zambo.

Stewardship

Last Sunday: candles=\$23; ordinary collections=\$1220; stole offerings=\$70; donations=\$1775. Thanks for your generosity!

Upcoming Events

September 28th and 29th: **Doors Open Milwaukee**

Sunday, September 29, 2019, noon-2:00pm, **Middle Eastern Dinner**

Adults \$15.00, Children (age 12 and under) \$8.00

Our tempting menu includes: kafta (beef, parsley, onion, spices) riz bi Djaaj (chicken, rice, spices), fowl moudammas (fava beans, parsley, onion, garlic, lemon), hummus and middle-eastern salad.

Schedule for This Week

Monday: 7:30am Morning Prayer: First Hour

Tuesday: 7:30am Morning Prayer: Third Hour

Wednesday: 7:30am Morning Prayer: First Hour

Thursday: 7:30am Morning Prayer: Third Hour

Friday: 7:30am Morning Prayer: First Hour
5pm Great Vespers

Saturday: *Exaltation of the Holy Cross*
8:45am Third Hour
9am Divine Liturgy or Typika
5pm Great Vespers

Sunday: *Sunday after the Exaltation of the Cross*
9:45am Orthros (Matins)
10:30am Divine Liturgy

Congratulations and Happy Birthday to Kathy Solis (9/10) and Christopher Warner (9/13). May God grant you many years!

From the Fathers on the Nativity

"Thus the immaculate fruition issuing forth from the womb occurred from an infertile mother, and then the parents, in the first blossoming of her growth brought her to the temple and dedicated her to God. The priest, then making the order of services, beheld the face of the girl and of those in front of and behind, and he became gladdened and joyful, seeing as it were the actual fulfillment of the Divine promise. He consecrated her to God, as a reverential gift and propitious sacrifice and, as a great treasury unto salvation, he led her within the very innermost parts of the temple. Here the Maiden walked in the upright ways of the Lord, as in bridal chambers, partaking of heavenly food until the time of betrothal, which was preordained before all the ages by Him Who, by His inscrutable mercy, was born from her, and by Him Who before all creation and time and expanse Divinely begat Him, ..." — St. Andrew of Crete, Homily on the Nativity of the Theotokos

"A vow was given by those who marvelously begot her to return her that was given to the Giver; so accordingly the Mother of God strangely changed her dwelling from the house of her father to the house of God while still an infant. She passed not a few years in the Holy of Holies itself, wherein under the care of an angel she enjoyed ineffable nourishment such as even Adam did not succeed in tasting; ..." — St. Gregory Palamas, Homily on the Dormition of the Theotokos