# The Scroll



## Sunday Services

Matins	9:00 a.m.
Church School	9:00 a.m.
Divine Liturgy	10:00 a.m.

# Saturday Services

Confession...... 4:30 p.m. Great Vespers...... 5:00 p.m.

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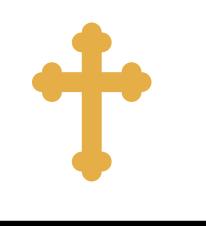
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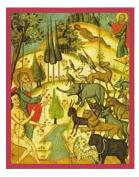
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# **Ecclesiastical New Year**

For the maintenance of their armed forces, the Roman emperors decreed that their subjects in every district should be taxed every year. This same decree was reissued every fifteen years, since the Roman soldiers were obliged to serve for fifteen years. At the end of each fifteen-year period, an assessment was made of what economic changes had taken place, and a new tax was decreed, which was to be paid over the span of the fifteen years. This imperial decree, which was issued before the season of winter, was named Indictio, that is, Definiton, or Order. This name was adopted by the emperors in Constantinople also. At other times, the latter also used the term Epinemisis, that is, Distribution (Dianome). It is commonly held that Saint Constantine the Great introduced the Indiction decrees in A.D. 312, after he beheld the sign of the Cross in heaven and vanguished Maxentius and was proclaimed Emperor in the West. Some, however (and this seems more likely), ascribe the institution of the Indiction to Augustus Caesar, three years before the birth of Christ. Those who hold this view offer as proof the papal bull issued in A.D. 781 which is dated thus: Anno IV, Indictionis LIII -that is, the fourth year of the fifty-third Indiction. From this, we can deduce the aforementioned year (3 B.C.) by multiplying the fifty-two complete Indictions by the number of years in each (15), and adding the three years of the fifty-third Indiction. There are three types of Indictions: 1) That which was introduced in the West, and which is called Imperial, or Caesarean, or Constantinian, and which begins on the 24th of September; 2) The so-called Papal Indiction, which begins on the 1st of January; and 3) The Constantinopolitan, which was adopted by the Patriarchs of that city after the fall of the Eastern Empire in 1453. This Indiction is indicated in their own hand on the decrees they issue, without the numeration of the fifteen years. This Indiction begins on the 1st of September and is observed with special ceremony in the Church. Since the completion of each year takes place, as it were, with the harvest and gathering of the crops into storehouses, and we begin anew from henceforth the sowing of seed in the earth for the production of future crops, September is considered the beginning of the New Year. The Church also keeps festival this day, beseeching God for fair weather, seasonable rains, and an abundance of the fruits of the earth. The Holy Scriptures (Lev. 23:24-5 and Num. 29:1-2) also testify that the people of Israel celebrated the feast of the Blowing of the Trumpets on this day, offering hymns of thanksgiving. In addition to all the aforesaid, on this feast we also commemorate our Savior's entry into the synagogue in Nazareth, where He was given the book of the Prophet Esaias to read, and He opened it and found the place where it is written, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, for which cause He hath anointed Me..." (Luke 4:16-30). It should be noted that to the present day, the Church has always celebrated the beginning of the New Year on September 1. This was the custom in Constantinople until its fall in 1453 and in Russia until the reign of Peter I. September 1 is still festively celebrated as the New Year at the Patriarchate of Constantinople; among the Jews also the New Year, although reckoned according to a moveable calendar, usually falls in September. The service of the Menaion for January 1 is for our Lord's Circumcision and for the memorial of Saint Basil the Great, without any mention of its being the beginning of a new year.





With Father Aaron about to become Archpriest, tell us what is your favorite characteristic of him?



Deacon James - He is a loving pastor to his people.

Amy Minks – His sense of humor.

Cliff Bragg – His humility.

Tana Salome – His orator skills – I always look forward to his homilies.

Ken Dannenberg – His ability to have empathy.

Ro Kallail - His angelic voice.

**Helen Stitt** – I love the way he explains things in such a kind and understanding way. I feel like I can ask him anything. Also it's great that he has such a wonderful sense of humor! I sure need it sometimes!

Jeremy Wagner – Graciousness.

**Michelle Shaheen** – Mike and I have often talked about how Fr. Aaron has been a blessing and a gift to our parish. His compassion, his ability to connect with others, and his strong communication skills are just a few of the gifts he brings us.

TC Wallace – His ability to be compassionate while making one feel comfortable and loved.

Darren Minks – His approachability.

Dottie Voth - He is a perfect role model for us. He is knowledgeable, compassionate, as well as a leader.

Joan Aboud - He is a true Christian man with dignity as well as many fine qualities which are more than I can name.

# 5 Quotes To Make You Smile

"Did you hear about the guy who lost his left side? He's alright now."

"What did the pirate say when he turned 80? Aye matey!"

"Did you hear about the person who went to an underwater gym? He pulled a mussel!"

"What's really in the pot at the end of a rainbow? Rain probably.

"What's the difference between a guitar and a fish? You can tune a guitar but you can't tunafish!"



# From the Ministry Teams

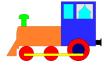
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# **MEAL TRAIN**



The St Mary Meal Train ministry was formed in 2016 to serve the families in our parish immediately following the birth of a child. After the birth of a child, what to eat for dinner is not usually at the forefront of new parents' minds. Instead, new parents are focused on the new life they have created and finding their new normal between dirty diapers, seemingly near-constant cries, and many feedings.

Our goal is to provide the evening meal every day for a week. The meals have been a mixture of home cooked, frozen, and store-bought meals as well as restaurant gift cards. We also provide a supply of paper products such as plates, napkins, cutlery, and cups to reduce the workload of the family. Being part of this ministry does not mean that you have to be involved every time a request is sent out. Each of us has our own commitments and are sometimes unable to help. Any help at all is much appreciated by the families we are serving. If you would like to be part of this ministry, please contact Jessica Lessman Miriam121406@live.com) to get on the mailing list.



The Lord's Diner exists to combat hunger in the community. The Diner's singular mission is to serve a nutritious meal with dignity and respect to anyone who is hungry. The Lord's Diner serves an evening meal 365 days a year. The Lord's Diner serves an average

THE LORD'S DINER of 2,500 meals nightly at two dining facilities (one in downtown Wichita and one in CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF WICHITA south Wichita) and three food trucks (one in northwest Wichita, and one in southeast Wichita, and one in northeast Wichita) to any guest who needs a nutritious meal, 60 percent of which are families.

St. Mary volunteers serve at The Lord's Diner on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. We gather at the downtown location, Central and Broadway, at 5:15 p.m. We are usually finished by 8:00 p.m, so come join us. All volunteer sign up is now taking place on SIGN UP GENIUS. For more information, contact Vicki Jones at 650-0658 or vawj55@gmail.com.

# **ST. MARY**



"St. Mary On the Go" is an adult fellowship for the St. Mary parishioners. All adults are invited to participate in planned activities scheduled at least 4 times a year: March, June, September, and December. There is no theme or purpose to this ministry team other than to enjoy each other and have social time together.

on the Go!

# From the Ministry Teams

# **CHURCH SCHOOL**



We're so excited to announce church school begins Sunday, September 12, 2021, at 9 am. Your teachers for the 2021-2022 school year are: Sophia Jacobs: Preschool

Tanya Husselman: Kindergarten-3<sup>rd</sup> grade Laura Stanley: 4th-7<sup>th</sup> grade Dennis Fairbanks: 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade

Megan Taylor Gilstrap: Children's Choir. Thank you to them for dedicating themselves to the ongoing learning of our St. Mary children and teens! In addition, we are bringing back the children's choir Any questions about church school, please see Justine Nightingale. PLUS: Mark your calendars now: the Fall Festival is Sunday, October 17, 2021, from 5-7 pm.

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# of Greater Wichita

Family Promise of Greater Wichita unites hearts and hands to provide compassionate hospitality and empower homeless families with children to achieve sustainable independence.

# **Our Uniqueness**

Our customized case management allows us to walk beside families in life, partnering with them to achieve their goals. This allows high-quality, high-impact care.

There are three phases to our **Sustainable Independence Program (SIP)**:

Phase 1: Support Services

Families are assisted with urgent/crisis needs for homelessness prevention, as we have resources.

# Phase 2: Hospitality/Lodging

Our Rotation Program, to work towards sustainability. Other programs revolve around this.

## Phase 3: Mentoring/Aftercare

For families who have participated in/graduated from our Rotation Program.

At this time, all families are sheltering in place. Host congregations, like St. Mary, are providing food to the families at each location. The staff and board of Family Promise locally and nationally continue to monitor the COVID 19 situation. Changes to how families are cared for will evolve as the situation changes. THANK YOU to all parishioners who've donated food and time to these vulnerable families. Vicki Jones 650-0658



**THE BELLES** The Belles have been hosting "Ladies Nights Out" during the summer months. We will resume our regular monthly meetings in September. We will also be preparing for our upcoming Holiday Bake Sale.

If you would like to be on the Belles email list, please see Robbie or Shanna. Watch the weekly Bulletin for our announcements.

# **GREETER MINISTRY TEAM**



The primary purpose of the Greeter Ministry Team is to make all of our visitors to St. Mary feel welcome in our parish home. To welcome the stranger is not just a nice or courteous thing to do, but is in fact one of the things mentioned by our Lord by which we will be judged: "For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and

you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me." To welcome the stranger is a great blessing to them and to us. The Greeter Ministry Team strives to fulfill this scriptural command together with our parish family. One responsibility of greeters is to greet visitors before liturgy. After liturgy, greeters will seek out the visitors and introduce to at least one other person in church, introducing them to Fr. Aaron and Deacon James, offer to give a tour of the facility, and show them the rack of educational pamphlets in the foyer. If you would like to join the this team, please contact Vicki Jones at 316-650-0658 or vawj55@gmail.com

# From the Ministry Teams

## **DILLON'S REWARDS**

#### How to Register a Digital Account

Creating a digital account is as simple as 1,2,3! Simply visit <u>http://www.dillons.com/,</u> <u>http://www.bakersplus.com, http://www.gerbes.com</u> or download the Kroger mobile application from the appropriate app store for your device and follow these directions.



Please make sure that you add your card number or create a virtual card number while registering your Digital Account. This is required for the Community Rewards program so that your transactions apply towards the program.

#### Once you are signed in...

- Search for your organization that you wish to support.
- Change View by Type to "ALL"





**\*IN PERSON OR VIRTUALLY ON THE DAY OF THE EVENT** 





Funds rest from the Labor Run will the The Treehouse increase the trumber of moms and babies served; while expanding the depth of service for our current families.

# FOR MORE INFO 316.686.2600 wichitatreehouse.org

\* We are hopeful to have the Labor Run as normal, but will follow guidance from our local government and health authorities. If the Labor Run is unable to be held in person, a virtual run will take place. Details will be provided at a later date on how to participate virtually. SEDGWICK COUNTY PARK PLUM SHELTER 8:30AM NEXT TO BOUNDLESS PLAYGROUND

EVENT LOCATION

- TOP TIME PRIZES FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH, & ADULT
- **ALL AGES WELCOME**
- PROFESSIONALLY CHIP-TIMED
- VARIETY OF FAMILY ACTIVITIES AT REGISTRATION SITE

BE A HERO FOR A MOM COSTUME CONTEST



# What is The Treehouse?

Founded in 2002, The Treehouse is a non-profit organization that serves hundreds of women in Wichita, KS each year. Women are referred to The Treehouse from over 60 local social service agencies. These moms have given birth in difficult circumstances, and have material, emotional, and spiritual needs.

# 2019 statistics



YOUR SUPPORT HELPS PROVIDE PARENT SKILLS CLASSES LIFE SKILLS CLASSES HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS SPIRITUAL GROWTH INCREASED # OF MOMS SERVED WHILE IMPROVING THE WELL BEING OF CHILDREN NURTURING MOMS SO BABIES CAN BLOOM

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# Cook's Corner



**Poppy Seed Chicken** 

Time: 45 minutes Yield: 4 servings

This delicious twist on a classic, creamy chicken casserole is one your whole family will love! No canned goods required. Serve with a side of rice, pasta salad, or a garden salad for a delightful dinner!

Ingredients

- 3 cups chicken, cooked and shredded
- 1 1/2 tablespoons poppy seeds
- 1 onion diced
- 1 clove garlic minced
- 1/4 teaspoon poultry seasoning
- 6 tablespoons butter, divided
- 3 tablespoons flour
- 1 cup chicken broth
- 3/4 cup light cream
- 4 ounces cream cheese
- 1/3 cup sour cream
- 1/2 cup crushed cornflakes or buttery round crackers
- green onions, for garnish

Directions Step 1 Begin by preheating your oven to 375 degrees F.

## Step 2

Melt 3 tablespoons of butter in a saucepan over medium heat. Cook onion, garlic, and poultry seasoning until the onion is translucent. Add flour and stir for 1-2 minutes. Gradually add broth and cream and stir until smooth. Add cream cheese and sour cream. Stir until melted and fully combined.

## Step 3

Remove saucepan from heat. Combine chicken, poppy seeds, cream sauce, and salt and pepper, to taste. Add contents to a baking dish. Combine crushed cornflakes and the remaining 3 tablespoons of melted butter and sprinkle over top of the baking dish. Bake in the oven for 20-25 minutes until hot and bubbling. Serve immediately.







BIRTHDAYS



## September

- 9 Elanor Wagner
- 11 Tana Salome
- 11 Joelle Steinbrink
- 15 Marina Grubb
- 18 Joan Ferris
- 18 Shirley Kosjer
- 18 Pam Haratsis
- 22 Tony Abdayem
- 25 Bruce Ferris
- 25 Natasha Cook
- 25 Jay Haratsis
- 26 Claire Dannenberg
- 27 David Shippy
- 28 Photinos Eugene Kambiotis
- 30 Bill Almy

### October

- 5 Michael Shaheen
- 6 Osama Nikoula
- 10 Michelle Shaheen
- 12 Owen Hewitt
- 12 Connor Shippy
- 13 Colin Eaton
- 15 James Laham
- 16 Joan Aboud
- 18 Sophia Salome
- 19 Dottie Voth
- 19 Jesse Nightingale
- 21 Albert Busada
- 22 Helen Stitt
- 23 Donna Namee
- 26 Emmelia Warwick
- 27 Connie Stevens
- 28 Elham Laham





# ANNIVERSARIES



## September

September 19 Jay and Pam Haratsis

## October

October 13 Bill and Barb Almy October 14 Cliff and Dee Ann Bragg October 26 Christopher Wilcox and Sondra Clark









Kirby Jantz, founder and owner of a hardscape and construction company since 1990, retired January 1, 2021. His son, Chad, presently owns and operates the company. Kirby is available for consulting. Following Kirby's retirement from Heartstone, he and a friend formed a materials and excavating company. Kirby is actively involved daily. He and his wife Cheryl are active members of St. Mary. They are parents to Chad (Alicia), Tressa(Tom) Patten, grandparents to Parker, Lexi, Christian, and Amanda, great grandparents to Camilla.

Congratulations and Many Years!



# BITS & PIECES



With mixed feelings, the Plastic Surgery Center announced the retirement of their much beloved and appreciated, Dr Bruce Ferris. A hardworking, compassionate, and highly skilled plastic surgeon, they said it is difficult for them, if not impossible, to sum up his achievements over his 45 years of dedicated service.

Through his cosmetic and reconstructive work at the Plastic Surgery Center, his time as the president of the St. Francis Medical Staff and Chairman of the Surgery Department of St. Francis, his leadership of the Wichita Area Cleft Lip and Palate Clinic where he was able to help generations of children, and his HCA Wesley Frist Humanitarian Award, Dr. Ferris has exemplified service, care, and professionalism.

The Plastic Surgery Center honors his more than 30 mission trips throughout the world with Operation Smile and Partners in Health where for a month each year he provided free reconstructive surgeries for children and adults. He has also given much of his time to not only train surgical residents in the Wichita area, but he has trained Rwandan surgical residents in the area of plastic and reconstructive surgery for many years.

In his HCA Wesley Frist Humanitarian Award, he was chosen because of his ability to show "remarkable concern for the welfare and happiness of patients, demonstrate an extraordinary commitment to community service, motivate others to care for the community and people in need, and lastly, demonstrate modesty and genuine humility."

This sums up Dr. Ferris and the many years of his career. As the practice says goodbye to Dr. Ferris, we know he will thrive in his retirement enjoying time spent with his family, backpacking, golfing, gardening, skiing, caring for others, and trekking all over the world.





Brendan Wagnor serving as altar boy on June 9. He is the son of Jeremy and Sarah Wagnor. *Congratulations and Many Years!* 

Finnian Bragg serving on June 13. He is the son of Cliff and Dee Ann Bragg. *Congratulations and Many Years!* 



# BITS & PIECES



A new tabernacle and icon was purchased in memory of Joseph Doueihy in a memorial fund from his families. He is the father of Jocelyn and George Laham and uncle of Dottie Voth and great uncle of Ro and Deacon James. *May His Memory Be Eternal*!





Belles Ladies Night Out August 9, 2021









# About The Scroll

**The Scroll** is the news magazine of St. Mary Orthodox Christian Church, 344 S. Martinson, Wichita, KS, 67213. It was first published in March of 1974 as a newsletter and has evolved to its present magazine-style format. **The Scroll** includes information about our Orthodox Christian faith as well as news of our parish community. Deadline dates for publication are listed in each issue of **The Scroll** and also in the weekly church bulletins.

Inquiries and news items should be sent to: rokallail@att.net or to the above church address C/O The Scroll.

All news must be received by the announced deadline dates. Submitted material may be edited for content and space limitations. All submitted items should include the name of the person sending the material as well as identifying the original source of previously published pieces.

> The Scroll Ministry Team Claire Dannenberg Deacon James Kallail Ro Kallail Amy Minks



# LOOKING AHEAD

September 1 Church New Year

September 8 Nativity of the Theotokos

September 12 Hierarchical Divine Liturgy with Bishop BASIL and Elevation of Fr Aaron to Archpriest

> September 14 Elevation of the Holy Cross

> > October 9 Scroll deadline

October 17 Fall Festival 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

> October 18 St. Luke

October 23 St. James, brother of the Lord

October 26 Great Martyr Demetrius



