



## ST. MARY ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

A PARISH OF THE ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX ARCHDIOCESE OF NORTH AMERICA

PARISH NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR NOVEMBER 3, 2019

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- The Parish Council meets today after Liturgy. Everyone interested in the business of the Council or who has questions is encouraged to attend.
- We are hosting our Spaghetti Dinner this Thursday (November 7) ... Please stop by for delicious dinner or a take-out!
- Please keep Father George and Kh. Carol in your prayers as they travel out of state for a wedding November 2-3 and attend the Clergy Synaxis (Gathering) for the Clergy of our Eastern Diocese at the Antiochian Village from November 5-8th.
- We welcome Fr. David and Kh. Anne who are serving the Liturgy on this morning!
- The Ladies Rummage Sale is now scheduled for Friday and Saturday, November 8 & 9 in the Parish Hall .... The Ladies and the Parish Council ask that everyone be very discriminating in what you bring to the Church. This event is not an outlet for unloading your heavily used, broken and/or unusable or unwearable household items or clothing. Bring only the goods or clothing we can reasonable expect someone may want to purchase and use.
- Please keep in mind **Advent** begins on Friday, November 15th. In the Orthodox Church the 40-day period of preparation preceding the Nativity is known as Advent or the Nativity Fast. The Feast of the Nativity is celebrated for twelve days culminating in the Feast of Epiphany, or Theophany. We will be holding the Advent Paraclesis Service on Wednesday evenings during Advent unless otherwise listed on the calendar or in the bulletin.
- Please also keep in mind and mark your calendars .... The **Feast of the Entry of the Theotokos** will be celebrated on the first Wednesday of Advent, November 20th, the Eve of the Feast, with Matins at 6 p.m. and Divine Liturgy at 7 p.m. Fasting for Holy Communion should be from the Noon meal.
- Our Ladies will also host the **Parish Christmas Gathering** on Sunday, December 15th at the Country Club as we did last year.
- **St. Nicholas Sunday** this year will be on Sunday, December 8th. Please make plans to have your children, grandchildren and god children in Church to greet St. Nicholas ....
- We are pleased to inform everyone that we now have a "donation" button on our website. Donations can be made directly to our Church Bank Account through the use of a credit card by clicking on this button.

