

St. Gregory the Great Orthodox Church Silver Spring, Maryland

H Mestern Rite Congregation of the Hntiochian Orthodox Christian Hrchdiocese

Che Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ 24 December 2024

Carols at 8:30PM (see insert)

Che Liturgy of St. Gregory Solemn Mass at 9PM

Prelude

"Of the Father's love begotten"

F. Peeters

The order for Mass begins on page 195 of The Orthodox Missal; the propers for the day begin on page 42.

V. Let us go forth / in peace.

R. In the Name of Christ, /Amen.

Hymn at the Procession 55

O Come, All Ye Faithful

Station at the Icon of the Nativity

V. The Word was made flesh and dwelt among / us.

R. The Savior, Christ / our Lord!

Kyrie eleison & Gloria in excelsis (Hymnal 353, 354) Missa Marialis

The Lesson: Titus 2:11-15

Missal, p. 42

The Gospel: Luke 2:1-14

Missal, p. 43

The Homily

The Nicene Creed

Hymnal 371

Hymn at the Offertory 56

Of the Father's Love Begotten

The Liturgy continues on page 203 of the Missal.

Sanctus and Benedictus (Hymnal 355)

Missa Marialis

The Canon of the Mass Missal p. 205

Our Father (Hymnal 369)

Agnus Dei (Hymnal 356) Missa Marialis

Duly prepared Orthodox Christians wishing to receive Holy Communion should stand before the altar. If you wish to receive the priest's blessing instead, please indicate this by bowing your head slightly. We invite our non-Orthodox friends and visitors to come forward to receive the priest's blessing. Antidoron (blessed bread which is offered to all in a spirit of Christian Fellowship) will be distributed following the Liturgy.

The Liturgy continues on p. 211 of the Missal

Communion Hymn 48 Every creature, by Thee made

The Dismissal (Hymnal 357)

Hymn 46 Angels, We Have Heard on High

Prayer List: for the departed, Ashley, Flora; for the sick, the suffering & those in need, Sharon, Melinda, the Priest David, Lauren, John, Geronimo, Stephen, John, Bernt; for all catechumens, Eric and Max; for those who are traveling; for those in the Armed Forces and all in civil authority; for all missionaries and all monastics; for peace in the Middle East, Ukraine, and throughout the world.

Service Schedule: Wednesday, December 25 - Christmas Day - Matins at 9:30AM, Mass at 10AM; Saturday, December 28 - Vespers at 6PM. Sunday, December 29, The Sunday in the Octave of Christmas - Matins at 9AM, Mass at 9:30AM.

Please continue to bring canned goods for the Food for Hungry People program.

Flowers and other decorations are given: in memory of Subdeacon Jerome, Carol Hannah Lackman, Fr. Joachim & Kh. Margaret Kunkel, Bernie Taylor, James Wright & Bryan Puterbaugh by the parish; in thanksgiving for my family by Monica Burnett; in memory of Lois and Henry and in thanksgiving for God's blessings by Sharon Green; in memory of Horace & Louise, and in thanksgiving for the people of St. Gregory's Church by Fr. Nicholas & Kh. Rebecca Alford.

St. Gregory's Orthodox Church is a Western Rite congregation of the Antiochian Archdiocese. We welcome you to join us for worship, study, and fellowship. St. Gregory's mailing address 804 E. Randolph Rd., Silver Spring, MD 20904. In case of emergency call Fr. Nicholas at 703-618-2348. E-mail: FrNicholas@aol.com. Web page: www.stgregoryoc.org

