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Welcome!

March 29, 2026

St Mary of Egypt



<i>Sunday, March 29th</i> <i>St. Mary of Egypt</i>	9:00 a.m. <u><i>Divine Liturgy (In-Person/Virtual - Click for Zoom Link)</i></u> 4:00 p.m. <i>CT Deanery Mission Vespers – Holy Unction – Three Saints, Ansonia</i>
<i>Wednesday, April 1st</i>	6:00 p.m. <i>Presanctified Liturgy/Potluck Dinner</i>
<i>Friday, April 3rd</i>	6:00 p.m. <i>Akathist</i>
<i>Saturday, April 4th</i> <i>Lazarus Saturday</i>	10:00 a.m. <i>Divine Liturgy/Lenten Breakfast</i> 5:00 p.m. <i>Vespers with Litya</i>
<i>Sunday, April 5th</i> <i>Palm Sunday</i>	9:00 a.m. <u><i>Divine Liturgy (In-Person/Virtual - Click for Zoom Link)</i></u> 4:00 p.m. <i>CT Deanery Mission Vespers – Bridegroom Matins – ASOC</i>

Welcome

*Welcome to all those visiting All Saints today!
Please join us downstairs for Fellowship after Liturgy!*

Happy Birthday

Hazel Pelkey – April 1st

Thank You

Thank you to all those that attended the Church Clean-Up last Saturday and to Greg Belekewicz for coordinating the clean-up and providing a delicious Lenten Lunch! Thank you to Greg and Liam for the great job in repairing and painting both the men's and woman's rest rooms! God Bless!

Name Tag Sunday – April 5th

Get to know your brothers and sisters! Next Name Tag Sunday, April 5th and the first Sunday of every other month going forward, we will be asking everyone to wear a Name Tag, so that we can get to know one another better. Name tags and markers will be available as you enter church.

Adult Education

Please note that Adult Education will resume after PASCHA.

Theology Café

*The next gathering of the Theology Café will be April 21, 2026 - all are welcome, bring a friend - 7:30 PM at 107 Elizabeth St., Hartford CT. *Please RSVP to Amy Hayashida. Thank you!**

Fellowship Hour 2026

*2026 – New Year - Reminder that Fellowship Hour is a time to break the fast and have Fellowship with our brothers and sisters. *Please try to keep foods to finger foods, for easy setup and cleanup.* Hosts and Hostesses needed for Fellowship Hours – please see the clipboard/sign-up sheet at the coffee window – please sign up for a Sunday or two that are convenient for you! Any questions, *please see Monica Kapral. Thank you!**

Church Metrics – Memory Eternal!

Olga Faber – 3/30/00; Ann Grechko – 4/1/92; Raymond Jensen – 4/3/98; Leonid Zanevski – 4/4/83

Commemorations

Living:

Mary, Elaine, Margaret, Roger, Mark, Susan, Stephanie, Sophia, Patty Ann, Richard, David, Joseph, Andy, Marsha, Elizabeth, Eugenia, Alexander, Kristina, Maria, Jeremy, Alexei, Lewelyn, Ekaterina, Marina, Mariam, Joseph, Patricia, Patrick, Sharon, Deborah, Darlene, Frank, Harry, Caryl, Janet, James, Arielle, Heather, Jeanne

Departed:

Deacon Joseph, Mike, Alison, Argia, Wayne, Margaret, Larry, Jozef, Jozef, Raisa, Krystyna, Tedeusz, Joseph, Michael, John, Vera, Michael, Marina, Constantin, Tatiana, Sergei, Anastasia, Nicholas, Louise, Walter, Anna, Nancy, Paul, Robert, Marcia, Leonard, Josephine, Helen, Jennie, Harry, Susan, Carol, Janice

Troparion/Kontakion

Troparion — Tone 8

In you, O Mother, was preserved with exactness what was according to the image; / for you took up the Cross and followed Christ. / By so doing, you taught us to disregard the flesh, for it passes away; / but to care for the soul, since it is immortal. / Therefore, O Venerable Mary, your spirit rejoices with the Angels.

Kontakion — Tone 3

Having been a sinful woman, / you became a Bride of Christ through repentance. / Having attained the angelic life, / you defeated demons by the weapon of the Cross; / therefore, O most glorious Mary you are a Bride of the Kingdom.

Epistle: Hebrews 9:11-14

But Christ came as High Priest of the good things to come, with the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made with hands, that is, not of this creation. Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption. For if the blood of bulls and goats and the ashes of a heifer, sprinkling the unclean, sanctifies for the purifying of the flesh, how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

Gospel according to Mark 10:32-45

Now they were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was going before them; and they were amazed. And as they followed they were afraid. Then He took the twelve aside again and began to tell them the things that would happen to Him: "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be betrayed to the chief priests and to the scribes; and they will condemn Him to death and deliver Him to the Gentiles; and they will mock Him, and scourge Him, and spit on Him, and kill Him. And the third day He will rise again." Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to Him, saying, "Teacher, we want You to do for us whatever we ask." And He said to them, "What do you want Me to do for you?" They said to Him, "Grant us that we may sit, one on Your right hand and the other on Your left, in Your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you ask. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They said to Him, "We are able." So Jesus said to them, "You will indeed drink the cup that I drink, and with the baptism I am baptized with you will be baptized; but to sit on My right hand and on My left is not Mine to give, but it is for those for whom it is prepared." And when the ten heard it, they began to be greatly displeased with James and John. But Jesus called them to Himself and said to them, "You know that those who are considered rulers over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. Yet it shall not be so among you; but whoever desires to become great among you shall be your servant. And whoever of you desires to be first shall be slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many."

Sunday of St Mary of Egypt

Saint Zosimas (April 4) was a monk at a certain Palestinian monastery on the outskirts of Caesarea. Having dwelt at the monastery since his childhood, he lived there in asceticism until he reached the age of fifty-three. Then he was disturbed by the thought that he had attained perfection, and needed no one to instruct him. "Is there a monk anywhere who can show me some form of asceticism that I have not attained? Is there anyone who has surpassed me in spiritual sobriety and deeds?"

Suddenly, an angel of the Lord appeared to him and said, "Zosimas, you have struggled valiantly, as far as this is in the power of man. However, there is no one who is righteous (Rom 3:10). So that you may know how many other ways lead to salvation, leave your native land, like Abraham from the house of his father (Gen 12:1), and go to the monastery by the Jordan." Abba Zosimas immediately left the monastery, and following the angel, he went to the Jordan monastery and settled in it.

These words frightened Saint Zosimas even more. With tears he said to her, "O Mother! It is clear that you live with God and are dead to this world. You have called me by name and recognized me as a priest, though you have never seen me before. The grace granted you is apparent, therefore bless me, for the Lord's sake." Yielding finally to his entreaties, she said, "Blessed is God, Who cares for the salvation of men." Abba Zosimas replied, "Amen." Then they rose to their feet. The woman ascetic again said to the Elder, "Why have you come, Father, to me who am a sinner, bereft of every virtue? Apparently, the grace of the Holy Spirit has brought you to do me a service. But tell me first, Abba, how do the Christians live, how is the Church guided?"

Abba Zosimas answered her, "By your holy prayers God has granted the Church and us all a lasting peace. But fulfill my unworthy request, Mother, and pray for the whole world and for me a sinner, that my wanderings in the desert may not be useless." The holy ascetic replied, "You, Abba Zosimas, as a priest, ought to pray for me and for all, for you are called to do this. However, since we must be obedient, I will do as you ask. The saint turned toward the East, and raising her eyes to heaven and stretching out her hands, she began to pray in a whisper. She prayed so softly that Abba Zosimas could not hear her words. After a long time, the Elder looked up and saw her standing in the air more than a foot above the ground. Seeing this, Zosimas threw himself down on the ground, weeping and repeating, "Lord, have mercy!"

Outreach Opportunitites

The Village (See attached flyer)

The Village, our neighbor on Albany Avenue, is in need of baby items for their upcoming Community Baby Shower on May 8th, for 70 new moms! Are you looking to make a difference in our community? We are looking for donations of the following items: *Diapers, Wipes, Diaper Rash Cream, Pacifiers, Bibs, Bottles, Baby Hats, Booties, Socks, Onesies, Baby Blankets, Burping Cloths.*

Please leave your donations in the marked boxes on the "Donation Table" in the Church Hall. We will be collecting, until May 1st. Any questions, please contact Cathy Vargas. *Thank you for your donations!*

Reminder – Feed a Friend – Sunday – April 5th

Please put your lunches into refrigerator in the Church Hall (Thank You!)

Help the poor, the hungry, the homeless, and the victims of domestic abuse here in the Greater Hartford region by giving them something that's hard to come by: A Free Lunch! We'll deliver bagged lunches to Loaves and Fishes in Hartford, beginning today and every second Sunday of each month, who has numerous men, women, and children, who will appreciate the food you provide and the love that you show in making it. This is a great opportunity to get your kids to help and discuss with them the words of Christ: "When I was hungry, you fed me...."

To participate - Make & bring a brown-bag lunch to Church which includes all of the following:

- 1) Sandwich,
- 2) Piece of Fruit
- 3) Bag of Chips/pretzels
- 4) Canned/Bottled Drink &
- 5) Desert (pudding, cookie, etc.)

Important Note: For the purpose of uniformity, please include all/only the items above.

Also PLEASE write type of sandwich (and the presence of any allergens) on bag.

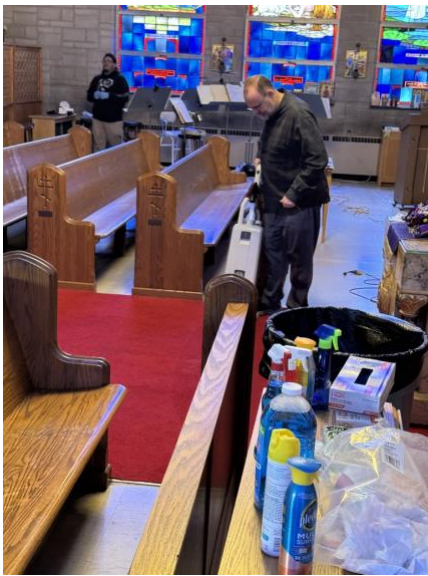
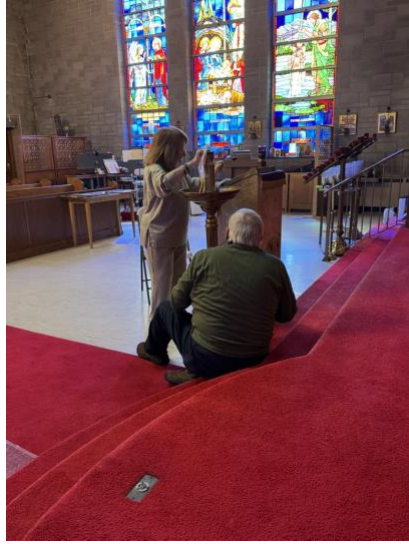
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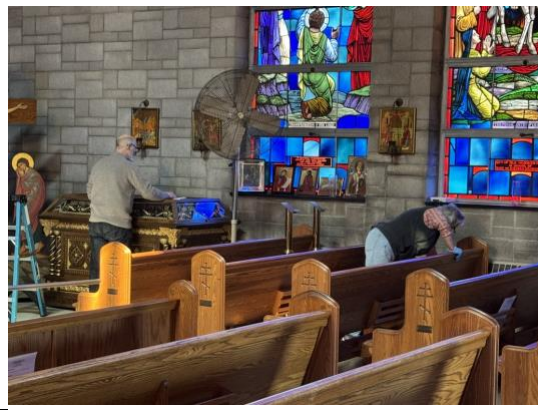
There is a basket for donations of nonperishable food items for Foodshare in the "Donations Corner" in the Church Hall! We are also in need of brown bags with handles. Also, please avoid food items in glass containers. *Please remember to thank God for your blessings by helping those in need. God Bless and Thank you!*

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

<i>April 5th Palm Sunday</i>	9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 4:00 p.m. Bridegroom Matins at All Saints
<i>April 6th, Monday</i>	6:00 p.m. Bridegroom Matins
<i>April 7th, Tuesday</i>	6:00 p.m. Bridegroom Matins
<i>April 8th, Wednesday</i>	6:00 p.m. Presanctified Liturgy/Washing of Feet
<i>April 9th, Thursday</i>	8:30 a.m. Vespereal Liturgy 6:00 p.m. Matins/Passion Gospels
<i>April 10th, Friday</i>	6:00 p.m. Vespers/Matins
<i>April 11th, Saturday</i>	9:30 a.m. Vespereal Liturgy/Small Blessing of Baskets 9:30 p.m. Nocturns, Paschal Procession, Matins, Divine Liturgy, Basket Blessing, Agape
<i>April 12th, PASCHA</i>	12:00 p.m. Paschal Vespers

Church Clean-Up!





Feast of the Annunciation



Please Note

Any photos taken at Church events may be used on the Church website or Facebook page. If you have any questions on this, please see or contact Father Constantine. <https://www.o.ca.org/files/PDF/official/2018-1024-socialmediaguidelines-clergyvayleaders.pdf>



For more than 200 years, The Village has been dedicated to building a community of strong, healthy families who protect and nurture children.

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