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SUNDAY, AUGUST 4, 2019
ST. MARY MAGDALENE
SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Epistle Readings

Romans 15:1-7
1 Corinthians 9:2-12

Gospel Readings

Matthew 9:27-35
Luke 8:1-3

**CHRIST IS IN OUR MIDST!
HE IS AND EVER SHALL BE!**

Troparion for the Myrrhbearer and Equal of the Apostles Mary Magdalene

By keeping His commandments and laws, holy Mary Magdalene, you followed Christ, Who for our sake was born of the Virgin, and in celebrating your most holy memory today, we receive forgiveness of sins by your prayers.

Kontakion

Standing before the Cross of the Savior, suffering with the Mother of the Lord, the most glorious Mary Magdalene offered praise with tears. She cried out: "What is this strange wonder? He Who holds the whole creation in His hand chooses to suffer. Glory to Your power, O Lord."

Memory Eternal

Grant rest eternal with the Saints, in blessed repose, O Lord, to the souls of Thy departed servants: Cana Marjanovic, forty days since her falling asleep in the Lord, Fr. John's mother, Nadia Vitko on her seventh anniversary, and for John and Elizabeth who are Cindy Volosin's brother and daughter. Večnaja pamjat +

August Fasting and Holy Days

- Wed. August 14 - Tues. August 27 - The Fast for the Dormition of the Theotokos
- Sunday, August 18 – 10:30AM Festal Liturgy for the Transfiguration of Our Lord
- Wed., August 28 – 7PM Vespers Liturgy for the Dormition of the Theotokos

Welcome to Our Guests

We offer a warm welcome to all guests who are with us today. Please join us for Coffee Hour after Divine Liturgy. We look forward to meeting you and answering any questions you may have about the Orthodox Faith and St. Luke parish life. You are always welcome in our worship, fellowship, study and charity outreach.

First Sunday of the Month – Today

- **Potluck Coffee Hour:** The hospitality of everyone who brought food and beverages to share after Liturgy is most appreciated.
- **Food for the Needy:** Thank you to those who donated non-perishable food and monetary gifts for the needy. It is especially welcomed in the summer months. Our thanks to Fr. Dn. Patrick for making the delivery to SERVE.

Back-to-School Drive – Final Day is Today

- Our Faith in Action Team is partnering with Northern Virginia Family Services (NVFS) on their campaign to provide backpacks and school supplies to low income students in the local area. The items received will be delivered to NVFS tomorrow to help meet the needs of vulnerable students. God bless them in their 2019-2020 school year.
- NVFS accepts monetary donations as well. Thanks to special wholesale pricing, NVFS can stretch your dollars farther. Please make checks payable to NVFS with "Back-to-School" in the memo line and submit to Sue Mamula or Donna Karabin or go online to <https://www.nvfs.org/support/back-to-school/donate/>
~ Can we exceed last year's cash and check total of \$515? ~

Vespers and Orthodoxy 201 – Wednesday, August 7 - 7-8:30PM

Wednesday Vespers begins at 7PM. Afterwards Fr. John will lead a discussion on the book, "The Gospel of Mark: The Suffering Servant" by Fr. Lawrence Farley. Come learn about "Christ's public ministry as a journey to the Cross."

Saint Luke Men's Prayer Breakfast – Saturday, August 10

Our men are invited to gather this Saturday from 9-11AM for food, fellowship and discussion on the topic of the day.

Fr. John and Popadija Kitty's 10th Anniversary at St. Luke - Sunday, August 11

Everyone is invited to a celebration next Sunday to honor Fr. John's and Popadija Kitty's arrival to our parish in July of 2009. Following Divine Liturgy, a picnic will take place in our hall and church yard. Plan to attend and enjoy this special appreciation day.