

St Mary's Orthodox Church

Iron Mountain, MI

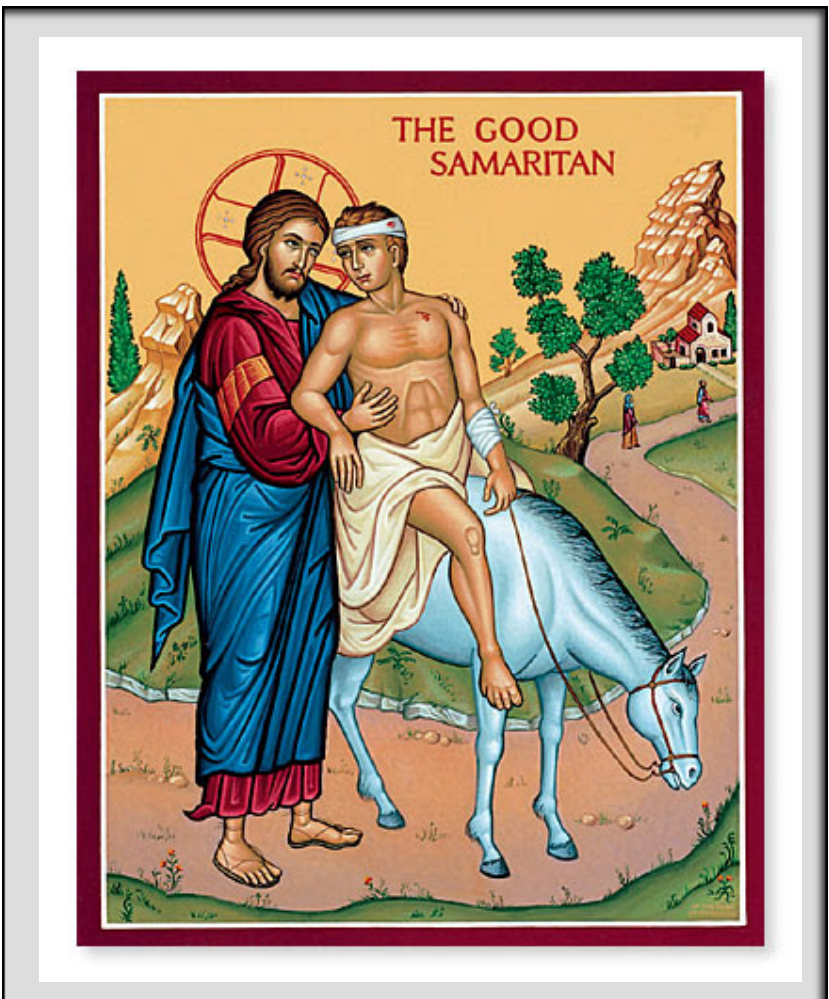
Sunday, November 13, 2011

22nd Sunday after Pentecost and St. John Chrysostom

TONE 5

Eothion 11

On this day, we commemorate: John Chrysostom, Archbishop of Constantinople; Venerable Martyrs Damaskinos and Damian of the Great Lavra on Athos



This week at St. Mary's

Monday, November 14th

Great Vespers 6pm

Beginning of advent fast

November 16th-18

Fr Mark at deanery meeting in Minneapolis

Saturday November 18th

No Vespers

Sunday, November 19th

Matins 9am

Divine Liturgy 10am

Monday November 20th

Vesperal Liturgy "Entrance of the Theotokos 6pm

Fast days this next week

Wednesday and Friday

Notice: Our Advent fast begins this week



Epistle

Hebrews 7:26-28; 8:1-2

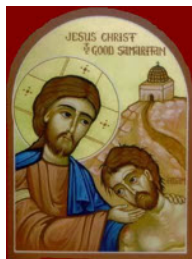
(St. John Chrysostom)

BRETHREN, it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, unstained, separated from sinners, exalted above the heavens. He has no need, like those high priests, to offer sacrifices daily, first for his own sins and then for those of the people; he did this once for all when he offered up himself. Indeed, the law appoints men in their weakness as high priest, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect for ever.

Now the point in what we are saying is this: we have such a high priest, one who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in heaven, a minister in the sanctuary and the true tent which is set up not by man but by the Lord.

Gospel

Luke 10:25-37 (8th Sunday of Luke)



At that time, a lawyer stood up to put him to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? How do you read?" And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You have answered right; do this, and you will live."

But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him, and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side.

But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was; and when he saw him, he had compassion, and went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; then he set him on his own beast and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, 'Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.' Which of these three, do you think proved neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed mercy on him." And Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."



Troparion to St. John (Tone 8)

Grace like a flame shining forth from thy mouth has illumined the universe, and disclosed to the world treasures of poverty and shown us the height of humility. And as by thine own words thou teachest

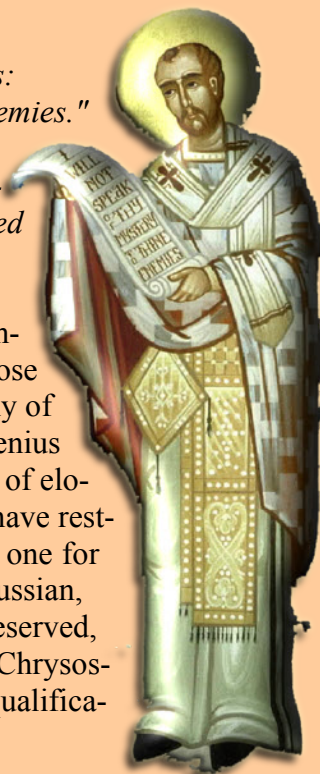
us, Father John Chrysostom, so intercede with the Word, Christ our God, to save our souls.

St John Chrysostom

*In his hands is a scroll which reads:
"I will not speak of thy mystery to thine enemies."*

This icon commemorates St. John Chrysostom's contribution to the development of the Liturgy. The Liturgy celebrated on most Sundays bears his name.

The legion of saints of the Church is comprised of men of extraordinary ability whose talents may have been dissimilar but many of whom seem to have shared a common genius for oratory. Yet out of this vast assembly of eloquent speakers, whose reputation might have rested on their gift of expression alone, the one for whom the title "Chrysostom" (in Russian, "Zlatoust"), or "golden-mouthed" was reserved, was John of Antioch, known as St. John Chrysostom, a great distinction in view of the qualifications of so many others.



To Our Visitors Concerning Holy Communion

St Mary's Orthodox Church is a parish of the [Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America](#), The Orthodox Patriarchate of Antioch and all the East- "The Disciples were first called Christians in Antioch." (Acts 11:26)

We welcome you to worship this morning and thank you for joining us. Unfortunately, one of the sad consequences of the division among Christians is that we cannot offer the Eucharist (Holy Communion) to anyone except **Orthodox Christians in good moral standing with the beliefs and practices of the Orthodox Church.** This includes preparatory prayers, fasting, and the sacrament of Holy Confession.

Orthodox Christians believe that the Holy Eucharist is a final sign of unity among all Christians and not a means by which unity is achieved.

We invite you to share in the Blessed Bread that is distributed after Communion and at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy. This Bread represents the Bread of Fellowship.