

Saints Mary and Martha
Orthodox Monastery
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O Lord, let Thy mercy lighten upon us, as our trust is in Thee.

— Psalm 32:22)

Our good God is so very good! He has worked His marvels for and with us. The most important – bringing the Abbess through quintuple by-pass surgery, cardio rehab and improving her quality of life.

Needless to say activity here has not been as dramatic; however, we were able to host friends for the Total Solar Eclipse, attend the visit of the miracle working icon of St. Anna at Holy Resurrection Mission, host the Clergy Wives and Fiber Retreats; attend the Synaxis of Monastic Superiors. With help of friends we were able to raise funds at the Fall and Spring flea markets and the St. Nicholas Festival at Holy Apostles. As always there are many visitors including pastors and parishioners of local churches and those using the Hermitage.

We are most grateful for the individuals, couples, parishes and students who come and work to keep up the monastery.

Again this year the monastery has been blessed to host burials for several of the parishes and missions.

It has been a joy to do services in the chapel, although it is far from complete. Currently four of the stained glass windows are installed and the remaining two (Saints Mary and Martha) are in production.

You are in our prayers and we count on yours for us,.