

# Church Saints



## St. Mary



On Pashons 1st (9th of May) the church celebrates the birth of the pure virgin St. Mary the mother of God.



St. Mary's parents were Joachim and Anna (also called Hannah). They were married many years, but did not have any children.

As they grew older, they remained strong in their faith and continued to pray that God would give them a child.

When God saw that the time was right, He sent an angel to make an announcement to Joachim.

Joachim was on the mountain praying and the angel appeared to him and said, You and your wife, Anna, will have a child so special that the Savior of mankind will be born of this special child. Immediately Joachim went and told his wife that he saw an angel and the angel told him about the special child that Anna would bear.

Anna knelt and thanked God and promised that her child would become a servant in the house of the Lord all the days of her life.

Anna conceived and gave birth to a daughter and she was named Mary.

She became the mother of our Savior, Jesus Christ.



May her intercessions be with us and glory be to God forever.

Amen.

