Confessions:

Fr. Stephen is available for confessions on Saturday evenings after Vespers or by appointment. Please make an effort to go at least once every 3-6 months.

Upcoming Events:

Parish Council and Potluck Date: August 12 after Fellowship.

Slavic Fest 2018: Mark the Date! October 13 and 14. More Info Coming Soon.

Special Annoucement:

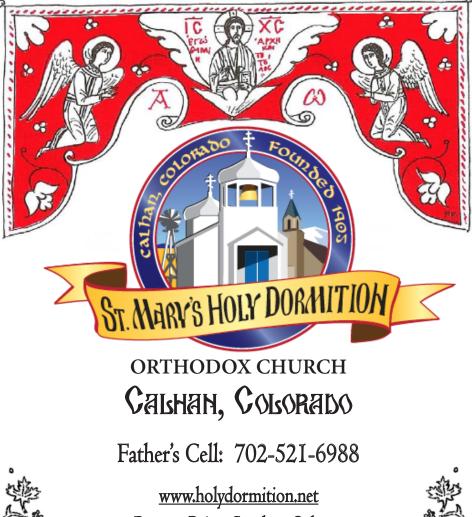
Our diocesan parish of the Holy Myrrhbearing Women in West Sacramento was heavily damagaed by a severe fire. Most of the sanctuary and sacristy was destroyed. The bell tower was heavily damaged. They need help. A GoFundMe page has been set up if you can help: https://www.gofundme.com/holy-myrrbearing-orthodoxrelief

"The Four Pillars for the Fulfillment of the Apostolic Work of the Church" by His Beautitude Metropolitan Tikhon:

"Our apostolic work cannot be confined merely to recruitment and expansion. If our goal is to "make North America Orthodox," such a goal is self-serving, negative, and almost violent: its focus is on either how to preserve ourselves or how to impose our faith on others...The key to numerical growth is spiritual growth, and spiritual growth cannot take place without a sacricial effort. If we are to be Apostles to the nations and bearers of Christ's healing and salvation to a broken and hurting world, then we must reach out to that broken world through prayer and concrete action. Although for convenience, we often refer to this concrete action as "Matthew 25" ministries, it is important to remember that these ministries are found throughout the Gospel, and not simply in that single chapter, as important as it is. It is also good to remember that the feeding of the hungry, the visiting of those in prison, and the clothing of the naked are the responsibility of all Christians, not just a few volunteers."



10th Sunday after Pentecost



Rector: Priest Stephen Osburn



Scripture Readings:

1 Corinthians 4:9-16 (Epistle)

For I think that God has displayed us, the apostles, last, as men condemned to death; for we have been made a spectacle to the world, both to angels and to men. We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ! We are weak, but you are strong! You are distinguished, but we are dishonored! To the present hour we both hunger and thirst, and we are poorly clothed, and beaten, and homeless. And we labor, working with our own hands. Being reviled, we bless; being persecuted, we endure; being defamed, we entreat. We have been made as the filth of the world, the offscouring of all things until now. I do not write these things to shame you, but as my beloved children I warn you. For though you might have ten thousand instructors in Christ, yet you do not have many fathers; for in Christ Jesus I have begotten you through the gospel. Therefore I urge you, imitate me.

Matthew 17:14-23 (Gospel)

And when they had come to the multitude, a man came to Him, kneeling down to Him and saying, "Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic and suffers severely; for he often falls into the fire and often into the water. So I brought him to Your disciples, but they could not cure him." Then Jesus answered and said, "O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I bear with you? Bring him here to Me." And Jesus rebuked the demon, and it came out of him; and the child was cured from that very hour. Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?" So Jesus said to them, "Because of your unbelief; for assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith as a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you. However, this kind does not go out except by prayer and fasting." Now while they were staying in Galilee, Jesus said to them, "The Son of Man is about to be betrayed into the hands of men, and they will kill Him, and the third day He will be raised up." And they were exceedingly sorrowful.

Birthdays/Anniversaries - August

Aug 4 - Taytam Robinson Aug 15 - Debbie Molner Aug 5 - Kelly Glover Aug 16 - Kade Pyatt Aug 7 - Gary and Georgianna Aug 17 - Daniel Tipton Glover Aug 17 - Scott Mikita Aug 7 - Emmy Britton Aug 17 - Ken and Lore Denson Aug 7 - Mat. Lindsey Osburn Aug 18 - Juston Scott Aug 9 - Joe Eurich Aug 19 - Michael Gaudreau Aug 10 - Ken Stephens Aug 23 - Gary Hlatki Aug 10 - Robert and Tetiana Boyd Aug 23 - Joey Gdovin Aug 11 - Sheila Mikita Aug 28 - Ernie Mikita Aug 13 - Denise Mikita Aug 31 - Dave and Carrie Guy Aug 14 - Darlene Mikita Aug 31 - Rodney and Kelly Glover

This Week at St. Mary's

Divine Liturgy (Monday 8 AM August 6th) (Blessing of Fruit) Prayer Service for Rain (Wednesday 6 AM August 8th) Readers Vespers (Saturday 5:30 PM August 11th) Divine Liturgy (Sunday 9:30 AM August 12th)

Announcements:

George Evanoika Funeral:

Thank you to every who came and helped with setting up the Church, getting the food ready, and attending the service. Memory Eternal to George. The 40 day Panakhida will be on September 5th. Service Time TBD.

Sharon Olyejar Passing:

It is with great sadness to annouce that Sharon has passed away suddenly this weekend. She had requested that we not do a funeral for her but we will be doing a graveside service sometime this week. More information will be announced via Facebook and Email. Please keep her in your prayers.

Youth Activities:

Denver Broncos vs. Minnesota Vikings Game - We will be organizing at the Hall at 2 PM to drive down to the game. We will figure out rides from there.