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: November 11th after Liturgy Slavic Fest 2018: Mark the Date! October 13 and 14.



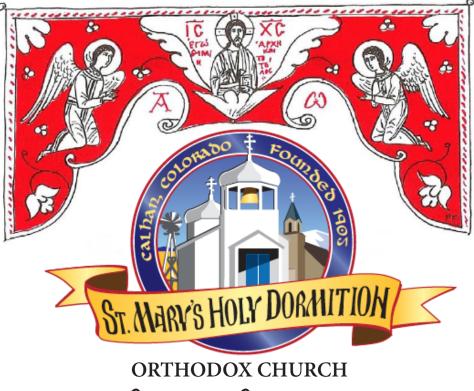
Quotes from the Fathers:

"There are two ways; the one is that of life and the other is that of death. There is a great difference between the two ways. The Way of Life is this: first, you shall love the God Who made you; second, you shall love your neighbor as yourself. Everything that you do not wish to be done to you, do not do to another! Bless those who curse you, and pray for your enemies. Fast for those who persecute you, for what grace would you receive if you love only those who love you back? Even the heathen do that. Love those who hate you, and you will have no enemies. If someone strikes you on the right cheek, turn the other to him also, and you will be perfect."

- The Didache



18th Sunday after Pentecost



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Scripture Readings:

2 Corinthians 9:6-11 (Epistle)

But this I say: "He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully." So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work. As it is written: "He has dispersed abroad, He has given to the poor; His righteousness endures forever." Now may He who supplies seed to the sower, and bread for food, supply and multiply the seed you have sown and increase the fruits of your righteousness, while you are enriched in everything for all liberality, which causes thanksgiving through us to God.

Luke 6:31-36 (Gospel)

And just as you want men to do to you, you also do to them likewise. But if you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive back, what credit is that to you? For even sinners to receive as much back. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, hoping for nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High. For He is kind to the unthankful and evil. Therefore be merciful, just as your Father also is merciful.

Birthdays/Anniversaries - September

Sep 5 - Terry and Margo WilkinsonSep 23 - Rick and Shirley SandbotheSep 5 - Linda DeakSep 24 - Dave GuySep 6 - Victor and Terri VolosinSep 26 - Alfred (Freddie) DraneySep 7 - Stephen Osburn Sr. (Father's Dad)Sep 28 - Terry WilkinsonSep 12 - Ken DensonSep 29 - Michael MikitaSep 13 - Shelly StephensSep 29 - Bodie GloverSep 14 - Cassandra FischerSep 29 - Natalie NortonSep 17 - Trevor HendrixSep 29 - Eiliolh Robinson

This Week at St. Mary's

Divine Liturgy @ Protection of the Holy Virgin Monastery (Monday 8 AM October 1st) Reader Prayer Service for Rain (Wednesday 6 AM October 3rd) Great Vespers (Saturday 5:30 PM October 6th) Divine Liturgy (Sunday 9:30 AM October 7th)

Announcements:

New Website:

If you haven't had a chance yet to see the new redesigned website, please check it out. Along with the fresh, exciting, and new look inspired by our farming community, the new website has some features to share: Online sales for all events (including pre-purchasing of tickets ahead of time for Slavic Fest), Daily Scripture Readings, Schedule of Services (with Google Calendar to allow for syncing with mobile devices or preferred calendar), Newsletter and Archive, Responsive and Mobile Friendly Design, and easier than ever to donate directly online.

Benches for Hall:

We still are looking for donations to help cover the extra burden of the new benches. If you would please consider donating to this above and beyond your normal tithe. See Fr. Stephen or drop off a check at the office if you'd like to help with this expense.

Slavic Fest 2018:

Slavic Fest is just around the corner. Please stay after Fellowship to help with making the food for the event. We've also printed out some flyers that need to be hung around Calhan and the surrounding areas. Please consider taking one to hang at grocery stores, halls, work, etc.. Tickets for the event are live for purchase on the new website. This is also a great time to start spreading the word of the upcoming festival so please don't hestitate to post about it on Facebook and sharing posts from our page. If you need any images or the digital flyer, please see Fr. Stephen or download it from the website.

Father Returns October 2nd:

Fr. Stephen and family return on the 2nd of October late in the evening. Thank you to everyone who carried the load while he and his family were gone. The Prayer Service for Rain will be a readers service on Wednesday to give Fr. Stephen and his family a day to recover.