

### April 7th, 2019 4th Sunday of Lent St. John Climacus

# Scripture Readings

#### Epistle: Hebrews 6:13-20

For when God made a promise to Abraham, because He could swear by no one greater, He swore by Himself, saying, "Surely blessing I will bless you, and multiplying I will multiply you." And so, after he had patiently endured, he obtained the promise. For men indeed swear by the greater, and an oath for confirmation is for them an end of all dispute. Thus God, determining to show more abundantly to the heirs of promise the immutability of His counsel, confirmed it by an oath, that by two immutable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we might have strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold of the hope set before us. This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and which enters the Presence behind the veil, where the forerunner has entered for us, even

Jesus, having become High Priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.

### Gospel: Mark 9:17-31

Then one of the crowd answered and said, "Teacher, I brought You my son, who has a mute spirit. And wherever it seizes him, it throws him down; he foams at the mouth, gnashes his teeth, and becomes rigid. So I spoke to Your disciples, that they should cast it out, but they could not." He answered him and said, "O faithless generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I bear with you? Bring him to Me." Then they brought him to Him. And when he saw Him, immediately the spirit convulsed him, and he fell on the ground and wallowed, foaming at the mouth. So He asked his father, "How long has this been happening to him?" And he said, "From childhood. And often he has thrown him both into the fire and into the water to destroy him. But if You can do anything, have compassion on us and help us." Jesus said to him, "If you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes." Immediately the father of the child cried out and said with tears, "Lord, I believe; help my unbelief!" When Jesus saw that the people came running together, He rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it: "Deaf and dumb spirit, I command you, come out of him and enter him no more!" Then the spirit cried out, convulsed him greatly, and came out of him. And he became as one dead, so that many said, "He is dead." But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. And when He had come into the house, His disciples asked Him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" So He said to them, "This kind can come out by nothing but prayer and fasting." Then they departed from there and passed through Galilee, and He did not want anyone to know it. For He taught His disciples and said to them, "The Son of Man is being betrayed into the hands of men, and they will kill Him. And after He is killed, He will rise the third day."

# ST. MARY'S HOLY DORMITION

# **APR** Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 3rd Zoe Osburn
- 4th Jacob Stephens
- 7th Ryleigh Tunink
- 8th April Schulte
  8th Emaya Draney
- 8th Matt Dawson
- 18th Jack Pyatt
- 18th Makiya Schulte
- 22nd Millie Manyik
- 22nd Jennifer Billmire
- 23rd Sarah Dumler
- 23rd Logan Jackson
- 26th Kale Molner
- 29th Mason Hendrix
- 29th Malici Hendrix

# SERVICES

Lenten Vespers @ St. John the Baptist (Pueblo) -6:00 PM (7th) Presanctified Liturgy - 6:00 PM (12th) Great Vespers - 5:30 PM (13th) Divine Liturgy - 9:30 AM (14th) Lenten Vespers @ St. Mary's - 6:00 PM (14th)

# WISDOM

"Let your prayer be completely simple. For both the publican and the prodigal son were reconciled to God by a single phrase."

+ St. John Climacus, Step 28.5, Ladder of Divine Ascent

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# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **Calhan Community Highlights**

On Friday night, our youth and community members attended the Denver Nuggets Vs. Portland Trailblazers game. It was a fun event and everyone had a great time. Fr. Stephen even rooted for a Denver team for once. Thanks to everyone who went and stay tuned in the coming months for our next sporting event when we see the Colorado Rockies.

# Parish Council (April 14th)

Friendly reminder that we will be having our monthly Parish Council Meeting next Sunday after our Coffee Hour Potluck.

## **Pierogies for Sale**

There are still dozens of Pierogies for sale leftover from Slavic Fest. We have cheese, prune, and potato ones available. Get yours today! See Butch if you'd like to buy some.

### Mission Vespers and Cleanup (April 14th)

With Pascha in a few short weeks and the last Mission Vespers which we are hosting just around the corner, we will be having a Parish and Hall Clean Up the day of our Mission Vespers after Divine Liturgy. Please stay and help if you are able to.

### Holy Week Service Schedule

Below in the Upcoming Services Section of the Bulletin is the Holy Week Schedule. On April 26th, between the services Holy Friday Vespers and Matins of Holy Saturday we will be having a light potluck dinner in the hall of soup and bread. If you can bring something to share, please do. This is a very busy week and not everyone can attend every service, but if you are able to attend, please make every effort to do so.

## Pascha Open House Potluck

Fr. Stephen and Mat. Lindsey will be having a potluck open house on Pascha evening starting at around 6:00 PM at the rectory. Everyone in the parish is invited to come, even if you can't bring anything, the only thing they are asking for is that you let them know so they can plan accordingly.

# **UPCOMING SERVICES**

Apr. 19th - Presanctified Liturgy (6:00 PM) Apr. 20th - Lazarus Saturday Liturgy (9:00 AM) Apr. 20th - Great Vespers w/Litya (5:30 PM) Apr. 21st - Divine Liturgy - Palm Sunday (9:30 AM) Apr. 22nd - Bridegroom Matins (6:00 PM) Apr. 23rd - Bridegroom Matins (6:00 PM) Apr. 24th - Holy Unction (6:00 PM)

### **Youth Activities**

### April

Lazarus Saturday 20th Liturgy - 9:00 AM Proskemedia Lesson

Heads up! On Lazarus Saturday, Fr. Stephen will be doing the pre-liturgy Proskemedia service out in the Nave for all the youth and community to experience. This is a great opprotunity to see what happens before Divine Liturgy and the preparation involved. Also, every kid will be given their own commemorative loaf so make sure they gather a list of names of their living and departed loved ones for the event.

### May

Sunday 5th - Coffee Hour Easter Egg Hunt and Egg Decorating

It's an Eggstravaganza! Gather your Easter baskets and come join us for the Sunday after Pascha for the best Easter Egg hunt Calhan has ever seen! We will also be decorating eggs after the hunt. We will also be having a hot dogs and hamburgers on the grill and asking for everyone to bring a side dish for the potluck event.

Apr. 25th - Vesperal Divine Liturgy (8:00 AM) Apr. 25th - Matins w/ Passion Gospels (6:00 PM) Apr. 26th - Vespers of Holy Friday (4:00 PM) Apr. 26th - Matins of Holy Saturday (6:00 PM) Apr. 27th - Holy Saturday Liturgy (9:30 AM) Apr. 27th - Paschal Matins, Nocturne, Liturgy (11:00 PM) Apr. 28th - Agape Vespers (11:30 AM)

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