

ST. MARY'S HOLY DORMITION

JULY 31ST, 2022 PREFEAST: PROCESSION OF THE PRECIOUS CROSS

Scripture Readings

Epistle: Romans 15:1-7

Brethren, we then who are strong ought to bear with the scruples of the weak, and not to please ourselves. Let each of us please his neighbor for his good, leading to edification. For even Christ did not please Himself; but as it is written, "The reproaches of those who reproached You fell on Me." For whatever things were written before were written for our learning, that we through the patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope. Now may the God of patience and comfort grant you to be like-minded toward one another, according to Christ Jesus, that you may with one mind and one mouth glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore receive one another, just as Christ also received us, to the glory of God.

Gospel: Matthew 9:27-35

At that time, when Jesus departed from there, two blind men followed Him, crying out and saying, "Son of David, have mercy on us!" And when He had come into the house, the blind men came to Him. And Jesus said to them, "Do you believe that I am able to do this?" They said to Him, "Yes, Lord." Then He touched their eyes, saying, "According to your faith let it be to you." And their eyes were opened. And Jesus sternly warned them, saying, "See that no one knows it." But when they had departed, they spread the news about Him in all that country. As they went out, behold, they brought to Him a man, mute and demon-possessed. And when the demon was cast out, the mute spoke. And the multitudes marveled, saying, "It was never seen like this in Israel!" But the Pharisees said, "He casts out demons by the ruler of the demons." Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people.

JULY Birthdays & Anniversaries

1st - Kylie Jackson

2nd - Lorene Denson 6th - Rodney Glover

7th - Jonathan Mikita

8th - Brianna Pyatt

8th - Carrie Ann Guy 15th - Linda Hendrix

16th - LD Meier

17th - Harry & Polly Mikita

17th - Bryan Hlatki

17th - Haylee Schulte

17th - Hannah Schulte

18th - Brooklyn Billmire

19th - Grady Leithead

19th - Evie Stevens 20th - Ernie & Jeanie Mikita

21st - Whitney Tunink

22nd - Luke Meier

22nd - Bill & Rachel Stevens

23rd - Marcellus Rozdilski

27rd - Brayden Glover

SCHEDULE

Aug 3rd - Prayers for Rain (7:00 AM)

Aug 6th - Transfiguration Liturgy (9:00 AM)

Great Vespers (5:00 PM) Aug 7th - Divine Liturgy (9:30 AM)

WISDOM

"If we make every effort to avoid death of the body, still more should it be our endeavor to avoid death of the soul. There is no obstacle for a man who wants to be saved other than negligence and laziness of soul."

"This is the great work of man: always to take the blame for his own sins before God and to expect temptation to his last breath."

- St. Anthony the Great

WEEKLY JOKE

How do you get a farm girl's attention? A tractor.

WELCOME! LORD IT IS GOOD TO BE HERE!

The Come and See Challenge:

As stated in the annual meeting, this challenge will remain on the bulletin for the rest of the year as a reminder to all of us to help in both our journey to Christ and others as well. Please make every attempt to work on completing this very important aspect of our faith:

Have you brought someone NEW this month? Have you gone to Great Vespers at least once this month? When was the last time you went to Confession?

Please try and make every effort to come to as many services as you can and not only that, bring someone new.

Fresh Picked Peaches & Pears (Order by August 5th)

St. Michael's Catholic Church here in Calhan is selling fresh peaches and pears from Palisade. If you would like to order please call Michael Pfeifer at 719-351-6751. Orders must be in by August 5th and picked up on August 20th.

Man of God Movie Night (August 20th)

To accommodate those who will be at the Elbert County Fair August 6th, we moved the date for movie night to August 20th. That said, please join us on Saturday, August 20th at 5 PM for Vespers. Afterward, we will watch this amazing film. We will also have a light potluck dinner. It is important to support this movie about one of the great saints of our Church. Hope to see you, your family, and your friends there!!!

July Parish Council Meeting Today Dormition Fast (August 1st - 15th) Parish Feast Day (August 15th)

We will have liturgy on the 15th at 9 AM. His Eminence is unable to join us this year so Fr. Anthony will be with us. We will have a light potluck afterward.

Panakhida for Darlene Today

Today is the 40th day since we lost our dear Darlene. We will sing the Panakhida at the end of Liturgy. May her Memory be Eternal!

Hall Cleanup Sign Up Sheet

Our hall has been a bit neglected the past few months and an excellent suggestion was made to have a volunteer list of people help to maintain and clean it. If you are able and willing to help with cleaning of the hall, please consider signing up. Much like the church cleanup, you will many just need to sweep, pick up and take out trash, and wipe everything down. Sign up sheet is on the Hall Board.

St. Ambrose Fund - A New Pro Life Ministry of St. Mary's

In AD 390, the Emperor Theodosius brutally suppressed an uprising in Thessaloniki by causing the massacre of nearly 7,000 people. His cavalier disregard for human life roused St. Ambrose, the bishop of Milan, to oppose the emperor to his face. He not only refused him Communion but would not even celebrate the Liturgy in his presence, thereby bringing Theodosius to repentance. By his strong moral witness before the State, the holy Hierarch gives Orthodox Christians of our own times a clear image of the Church's prophetic role as the conscience of society.

The scourge of abortion is the greatest genocide to have darkened the history of man. At the 20th AAC, a challenge was made to all parishes in the OCA, calling for them to provide a parish ministry to helping mothers who are in unwanted pregnancies or in dire need of help with their babies. As such, we will begin with one of our own, called the St. Ambrose Fund. For the month of August, we will begin with a diaper drive as well as ask for parishioners to occasionally donate baby formula and various baby items, which will take at the end of each month to the Colorado Springs Pregnancy Center. If you would like to help fund the purchasing of these items, you may write a check to St. Mary's, noting in the memo line "St. Ambrose Fund". There is a bin in the Narthex for putting your items in. Everyone should consider supporting this ministry, even if you are only able to help in a small way.

Prayer List

Living:

Abp. Benjamin, Fr. Anthony, Fr. Joseph, Fr. Michael, Fr. Dennis, Fr. David, Anna, Muriel, Alisha, Meryl, Harold, Sheila, Kelly, Tammy, Daron (Basil), Steve, George, Litsa, April with child, Lisa, Scott, Karen, Jill, Leilani, the child Lilliana, Dillon, Chelsi, Steven, Roberta, Emmy, Katy, Robert, Wilma, Lynda, Carl, Christina, Craig, Joel, Brittany with child, Leonard, Melvin, Anita, Brinley, Jon, Lindy, Marlene, Stacey, Pina, Matthew, Jack, John, Carol, Vicki, Shery, Ryan, Becky, Scott, Rebecca, Irene, Bill, Jillian, Lizzie, Easton, Jamie, Sherrie

Departed:

Darlene, Theo, Nathan, Baxter, Richard, Spencer, Susan

Youth:

Water World (Aug 14th):

We will be going to Water World again next month. Like last year it will be on a Sunday after Divine Liturgy. We will have Liturgy that morning at 8:30 AM (NOT 9:30) in order to allow us to group up and go enjoy the day. We have reserved a pavilion this time and everyone in the parish is welcome to go. Please join us and remember that Liturgy begins at 8:30 AM on the 14th.

Vikings Vs. Broncos (Aug. 27th):

The "always finds a way to let Father down" Minnesota Vikings will be taking on the Seattle Seahawks of Colorado AKA Denver Broncos on August 27th at 7 PM. Tickets are \$30 a piece. Fr. Stephen needs to know who would like to go so we can buy the tickets ASAP.

Rockies Tickets:

If you haven't yet paid for your tickets from the Rockies game, please get Lori a check or cash ASAP.

Volunteers Needed:

We need Volunteers for the following:

- 1) Coffee Hour (Sign up Hall)
- 2) Church Clean Up (Sign up Narthex)
- 3) Hall Clean Up (Sign up Hall)

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