

## Capital Campaign Challenge Match

As we have striven to place God first, He has blessed us with growth. Standing room only on Sundays is no longer a rare phenomenon, as people from all walks of life and backgrounds crowd in to worship our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. In order to better serve the needs of our parish and enable us to play a larger role our community, we need to seek a larger space. To that end, the General Assembly in June 2023 approved the use of \$54,000 of Festival funds this year to serve as a matching campaign for the Capital Campaign...meaning every dollar we donate between now and the end of the year will be matched by the Festival up to \$54,000. Please prayerfully consider what you may be able to contribute toward this effort. Thank you!

## Church School

Church School will resume this fall. Many thanks to our teachers and students who participated.

## AMGOC 25th Annual Greek Festival

Please remember our 25th Annual Festival will be held on Aug. 25, 26, and 27. Next Sunday, **August 20**, we need volunteers to help setup the canopies. Please see Jake Topakas. OPA!

## Greek School to Resume in the Fall

Alex Ellis offering Greek language classes free of charge. Classes resume on September 5, 2023 at 4:30 pm.

## Dormition Fast

The Dormition (Falling Asleep) of the Theotokos is celebrated on August 15. A two-week fast beginning on August 1 precedes this feast. During this period we abstain from meat, dairy products, fish, oil (olive) and wine. On the Feast of the Transfiguration (August 6) fish, wine and oil are permitted. Saturdays and Sundays only wine and oil are permitted.

## IOCC 5k Run/Walk

Saturday, September 16, 2023, registration at 8:00 am and Run/Walk 8:45 am. Blessing of the Five Loaves 10:00 am St. Catherine Greek Orthodox Church 5555 S. Yosemite Street, Greenwood Village, CO 80111. Individuals \$30 and Families \$45 Questions? Contact Elaine Cladis at 303.435.8584 or [ecladis@comcast.net](mailto:ecladis@comcast.net)

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## August 13, 2023

### Sunday Holy Scripture Reading

**Apostolic Reading:** 1 Corinthians 4:9-16

**Gospel:** St. Matthew 17:14-23

**Services:** *Sunday*-8 a.m. Orthros and 9 a.m. Divine Liturgy, *Weekdays* 8 a.m. Orthros and 9 a.m. Divine Liturgy when scheduled.

**Saints of the Day: 10th Sunday of Matthew.** Maximos the Confessor; Eudokia and Irene (Xenia) the empresses; Venerable Dositheos; repose of Tikhon, bishop of Voronezh and wonder-worker of Zadonsk; uncovering of the relics of Maximos of Moscow, fool-for-Christ.

### Hymns of the Day

**First Antiphon with Festal verses:** By the prayers

### Second Antiphon with verses

Σῶσον ἡμᾶς Ὑιέ Θεου, ὁ ἐν τῷ ὄρει τῷ Θαβώρ μεταμορφωθείς, ψάλλοντάς Σοι Ἀλληλοῦΐα.

Save us, O Son of God, who was transfigured on Mount Tabor, we sing to You. Alleluia

### Third Antiphon with verses

#### **Apolytikion for the Transfiguration Tone 7**

You were transfigured upon the mountain, O Christ our God, showing to Your disciples Your glory as much as they could bear. Do also in us, sinners though we may be, shine Your everlasting light, by the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Giver of light. Glory to You.

### **Instead of Come let us worship...**

For with You, Lord, is the fountain of life; in Your light we shall see light. Save us, O Son of God, who were transfigured on Mt. Tabor. We sing to You, Alleluia.

### **After the Entrance**

#### **Apolytikion of the Resurrection Tone 1**

The stone having been sealed by the Pharisees and chief priests, \* and Your all-immaculate body being guarded by soldiers, \* You rose on the third day,

O Lord and Savior, granting life unto the world. \* Then the powers of the heavens cried out to You, O Giver of Life, and shouted, \* "Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ! \* Glory to Your eternal rule! \* Glory to Your plan for saving us, only benevolent God!"

### **Apolytikion for the Transfiguration Tone 7**

You were transfigured. . .

### **Kontakion for the Transfiguration of the Lord Tone 7**

Upon the mountain were You transfigured, and Your disciples beheld Your glory as far as they were able, O Christ our God; so that when they would see You crucified they might understand that Your Passion was deliberate, and declare to the world that in truth You are the Father's radiance.

### **Instead of Axion Estin...Tone 8**

Your childbirth occurred without corruption. \* It was God, wearing flesh, who came forth from your all-holy womb. \* He was seen upon the earth and lived among men, O Theotokos; \* therefore we all magnify you.

### **Communion Hymn**

We shall walk in the light of the glory of Your face, O Lord, forever. Alleluia.

### **Instead of We have seen the true light...**

You were transfigured upon the mountain...

### **Divine Services**

**Mon. Aug. 14:** Great Vespers 5pm for the Dormition of the Theotokos

**Tues, Aug. 15:** Orthros 8am and Divine Liturgy 9am for the Dormition

**Wed.:** Small Paraklesis **5pm.**

**Sat. Aug.19:** Great Vespers 5pm

### **Holy Communion in the Orthodox Church**

Holy Communion of the Orthodox Church is the Holy Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is *"With the fear of God, faith and love"* that we approach the Divine Mysteries. Therefore, Holy Communion is reserved only for those baptized and chrismated Orthodox Christians who have prepared themselves by prayer and fasting, as prescribed by the teachings of the Holy Orthodox Church. We ask that women, before approaching to receive from the Holy Cup, in respect of our Lord, to please remove lipstick.

### **Bookstore and Library**

New Orthodox books and various items are available in the bookstore and come in weekly. Recently our Church bookstore received an amazing Icon donation from a parishioner (thank you!). These beautiful Icons are in perfect condition and are available for sale for very reasonable prices. The only way to know what is in offer at our wonderful bookstore is to come down-

stairs and have a look. *It's not who we are when we read a spiritual book that is most important, but who we are when we close it. ~Monk Simeon the Athonite*

### **Memorial Service**

This morning we remember in our prayers the departed servant of God +Andrew Dabit on the 40th day of his repose. *Everlasting be his memory!*

### **Coffee Hour Signup**

Please consider sponsoring a coffee hour. Donations are welcome!

**Aug. 13:** Dabit Family

**Aug. 20:** Rasha Kalaf

**Aug. 27:** Festival

**Sept. 3:** Sponsor Needed

### **Metropolitan Isaiah**

Last Sunday His Eminence suffered a broken hip at his residence. Surgery was performed on Monday and our Metropolitan will be going to rehab. It would be a wonderful gesture to a get well card to the Metropolitan. We are praying for a complete and quick recovery.

### **Welcome Fr. Christodoulos**

We are grateful to Fr. Christodoulos for serving this morning for Fr. Dennis. Fr. Christodoulos serves at The Brotherhood of St. George in Denver, CO.

### **Stewardship 2023**

On Sunday, December 11, 2022, following services, our Chairperson Ruxandra Georgescu offered some words of inspiration for us to be faithful stewards of the Church. Please see Ruxandra for a 2023 packet.

### **Photo Directory**

Many thanks to Angie Bode Topakas for organizing our photo directory displayed in the hall. If you would like to have your family photo added please see Angie.

### **Greek Dance Group**

We welcome children and adults to join our parish Greek dance group. Practice for a half hour to prepare for our Annual Greek Festival. This week we are going to mix it up for practice times. **Thursday August 17, at 7pm. Saturday August 19, some time after 10:30am.** We will also provide Greek Dance lessons to our festival attendees. Any interested children and adults are welcome to join, as well as help teach. Contact Constadina Vasiliades at: 808-373-0312 or [constadina@shaw.ca](mailto:constadina@shaw.ca) if interested or for questions.

### **Inquirers Welcome**

Those visiting our parish are welcome to set up a time to speak with Fr. Dennis about the Orthodox faith. Please see Fr. Dennis. Following services or call him on his cell phone listed on the front of the bulletin.