#### Slavic Fest

The Annual Slavic Fest at St. Mary's Orthodox Church in Calhan is back this year, October 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. This weekend of fun, old world food, dancing, family, brand new kids activities, bake sale, and fellowship is sure to be a story worth telling. Online Tickets available at <a href="https://holydormition.net/slavic-fest/">https://holydormition.net/slavic-fest/</a> Come see us: 19485 Calhan Hwy North, Calhan, CO 80808

# Metropolitan Constantine to Visit AMGOC

On Sunday, November 9, His Eminence will serve the hierarchical liturgy assisted by His Grace Anthony Vrame. More details to follow.

#### 2025 Good Samaritan Retreat

The upcoming 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Retreat on October 24, at Holy Theophany Orthodox Church, 2:30-8pm. Retreat Master is Fr. David Lowell former Director of Raphael House Family Shelter will addresses how we live out God's Eucharistic offering



through our love of our neighbors. God brings us into His House, seats us at His Table, and feeds us of Himself at Holy Communion. It's the ultimate movement of hospitality, and one of our primary sources of God's deifying, life-changing grace. To register, please use the following registration QR code

### Olive Oil Needed

We are in need of 100% pure oil olive for our oil lamps. It doesn't need to be extra virgin.

# Greek School

Greek school meets on Saturdays at 3:30pm. Please contact Alex Ellis at 719.471.0157 for details.

#### Saint of the Day

The Holy Martyr Charitina: Having been orphaned in infancy, Charitina was adopted by an eminent Christian man named Claudius, who raised her as his own daughter. Charitina was meek, humble, obedient and quiet. She studied the Law of God day and night, and vowed to live her life in chastity, as a true bride of Christ. Since Charitina also brought others to the Christian Faith, Dometius, Emperor Diocletian's eparch, heard of her, sent soldiers to take her from her foster father, and brought her to trial. The judge questioned her: "Is it true, young maiden, that you are a Christian, and that you deceive others, leading them to this profane Faith?" Charitina courageously replied: "It is true that I am a Christian, but it is a lie that I deceive others; rather, I lead those in error to the true path, by leading them to my Christ." The evil judge condemned her. Her hair was shorn and hot coals were poured onto her head. Even so, she was saved by the power of God. They threw her into the sea, but God delivered her again. They tied her to a wheel and began to turn it, but an angel of God stopped the wheel, and Charitina remained unharmed. Then the deprayed judge sent some dissolute young men to defile her. Fearing this dishonor, St. Charitina prayed to God to receive her soul before those degenerates could defile her virginal body. While she knelt, praying to God, her soul departed from her and was translated to the Immortal Kingdom of Christ.

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# October 5, 2025

Sunday Holy Scripture Reading

**Apostolic Reading:** 2 Corinthians 6:16 – 7:1

**Gospel:** St. Luke 6:31 – 36

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: 2nd Sunday of Luke. Martyr Charitina; John, bishop of Euchaita; Venerable Eudokimos of Vatopedi monastery on Athos; uncovering of the relics of the wonder-workers Peter, Alexis, Jonah, Philip and Hermogenes, metropolitans of Moscow.

# Hymns of the Day

#### Apolytikion for the Resurrection Tone 8

You descended from on high, O compassionate One, and consented to a three-day burial, to free us from the passions. O Lord, our life and resurrection, glory to You!

#### Apolytikion of the Archangels Tone 4

Supreme Commanders of the Hosts of the Heavens, we, the unworthy, implore and beseech You that by Your supplications You encircle us in the shelter of the wings of Your immaterial glory, guarding us who now fall down and cry to You with fervor: Deliver us from dangers of all kinds, as the great marshals of the heavenly hosts on high.

#### Kontakion to the Theotokos Tone 4

A protection of Christians unshameable \* intercessor to our Holy Maker unwavering \* reject not \* the prayerful cries of those who are in sin \* instead come to us, for You are good \* Your loving help bring unto us \* who are crying in faith to you \* Hasten to intercede \* and speed now to supplicate\* as a protection for all time \* Theotokos, for those who honor you. Kontakion for Holy Cross Tone 4

**Divine Services** 

Wed. Oct. 8: NO Services

Sat. Oct. 11: 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

The 2026 Daily Lives, Miracles, and Wisdom of the Saints & Fasting calendar is now available for purchase from the Orthodox Calendar Company (<a href="www.livesofthesaintscalendar.com">www.livesofthesaintscalendar.com</a>). This comprehensive Orthodox Christian resource is designed to guide the faithful through the liturgical year. Let Olga know if you are interested in purchasing a copy by October 26th. The cost of the calendar is \$23.00 (includes shipping costs) and I'll be collecting payment up front. All that are careful in this life, procure books that will be medicine for the soul. ~St. John Chrysostom

#### Memorial Service

This morning we remember in our prayers the departed servants of God +Donna Stoyas on the 10th year anniversary of her repose. She is the mother of Athena Stoyas. Also, were remember in our prayers +Virginia Schutte on the one year anniversary of her repose. *Everlasting be their memory!* 

# Stewardship 2025

The 2025 Stewardship Sunday was on Sunday December 22nd and a presentation was offered by Ruxandra Georgescu and Nathan Pesch co-chairs. Stewardship Packets are available today. Please see Ruxandra Georgescu for more information. You may return your filled out card in the offering box.

# Capital Campaign

**King Soopers Cards** has established a new program by using their Loyalty Program. Sign up online and our parish will receive 5% of you purchase.

# Coffee Hour Signup

Please consider sponsoring a coffee hour. Donations are welcome! All are invited to participate in the Parish Community Coffee Hours, no signup needed. Please see Rose Timora to coordinate food items with her.

Oct. 5: Parish Community October 12: Melissa Smoot

Oct. 19: Vanessa, Zelina, Sofia, Connie L., Rasha Oct. 26: Eden Lewis/Rose Timora

# Philoptochos Outreach

The next meeting will be on Saturday, in October 18, 2025 at 11am (please note time change). All women are invited to attend.

Nativity Baskets: The first meeting for this Church ministry will be held on Sunday, 10/26 at 11 a.m. during Fellowship. Please join Penny Johnson if you are interested in helping to determine contents, prepare, assemble, or deliver Nativity Baskets this year. We are planning on assembling and handing out baskets for delivery on Sunday, 12/14, to ensure all baskets are delivered prior to Christmas Day. Please join us!

Ronald McDonald House Pull Tabs: The Philoptochos thanks everyone for participating in the Ronald McDonald Pull Tab Drive. Please bring any remaining pull tabs this month as they will be turned in for recycling at the end of September.

Care and Share Food Drive: The Philoptochos will be conducting a Care and Share Food Drive, *today is the last day participate*. Bins to collect non-perishable food items are located in the hall. Monetary donations are also needed. A donation of \$2 provides five meals. Please make checks out to AMGOC Philoptochos with "Care and Share" in the memo line.

**AMGOC Philoptochos Fellowship Hike:** The Philoptochos sponsored a Fellowship Hike at the Lower Columbine Trail on September 27. It was a wonderful event as we were blessed with great weather, scenic views and a time of fellowship. Thank you to everyone that attended!

# Annual Greek Night

Our sister parish, St. John the Baptist will be holding their Annual Greek Night on October 11, 2025. This event will be held at Pueblo's Historic Union Depot, 132 West B Street, 5:30 p.m. Cocktail Hour, 6:30 Greek Banquet, 7:30 Greek Dancing. Also, Authentic Greek Desserts, Greek Music, Greek Dancing, Door Prizes, and Cash Drawings. Adults - \$75 Children (12 and under) -\$25. **Please RSVP by Oct. 1,** pjacoben647@gmail.com or 719-252-9446, there will be a \$10/person charge for late reservations.

#### Orthodox Catechism Class

Class will held TBA, following coffee hour. All are welcomed to attend!

# AMGOC Religious Retreat with Mother Cassiana

The Philoptochos at Archangel Michael Greek Orthodox Church is sponsoring a half-day retreat with Mother Cassiana, Holy Protection Monastery, on October 4, 2025 from 8:00 - 11:30 a.m. The theme is "How to Live an Orthodox Life". The retreat is for **adults only.** The retreat will be at AMGOC. Please use the following SignUpGenius link to sign up. If you prefer, you may also email Penny Johnson at <a href="mailto:pavrajohns1985@gmail.com">pavrajohns1985@gmail.com</a> with the names of adults attending. Thank you! Retreat Schedule: 8:00-9:00 a.m. Coffee and light refreshments 9:00-11:30 a.m. Discussion (10-15 min break included) <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D49AEAE2CA6F8C34-58258768-amgoc">https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D49AEAE2CA6F8C34-58258768-amgoc</a>