

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 today, 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 pavrajohans1985@gmail.com 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) <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D49AEAE2CA6F8C34-58258768-amgoc>

Capital Campaign

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

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 Apostle Quadratus: Quadratus, one of the Seventy, was a disciple of the Great Apostles. He preached the Gospel in Athens and was at first bishop of Athens after St. Publius, and afterward bishop of Magnesia. Quadratus was highly educated in secular wisdom, and rich in the grace of the Holy Spirit. His biographer says of him: *He was as the morning star among the clouds* (Sirach 50:6). The clouds were the darkness of Hellenic paganism, without the light of piety. The Holy Apostle Quadratus, through the word of God, shone upon the Hellenes as a great light, illuminating the darkness, destroying the foul sacrifices, crushing the idols, and destroying the demonic temples by his prayer. However, darkness always hates the light, and the pagans hated holy Quadratus. First they stoned him, as once the Jews did St. Stephen. Then they threw him into prison and gave him no bread until he gave up his holy soul, and went to dwell in the Kingdom of Christ, his God.

St. Quadratus wrote an Apologia for Christianity and gave it to Emperor Hadrian. This Apologia had such an effect on the pagan emperor that he ordered that Christians not be persecuted without specific cause. St. Quadratus suffered in about the year 130 A.D. He is buried in the city of Magnesia, where he suffered.

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September 21, 2025

Sunday Holy Scripture Reading

Apostolic Reading: Galatians 2:16 – 20

Gospel: St. Mark 8:34 – 38; 9:1

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: Sunday After the Elevation of the Holy Cross. Apostle Quadratus of the Seventy; Prophet Jonah; uncovering of the relics of Demetrios, bishop of Rostov.

Hymns of the Day

1st Antiphon with verses

2nd Antiphon with verses

Save us, O Son of God, who were crucified in the flesh. We sing to You, Alleluia.

Σῶσον ἡμᾶς Υἱὲ Θεοῦ, ὁ σαρκὶ σταυρωθεὶς, ψάλλοντάς σοι, Ἀλληλούϊα.

Apolytikion for the Resurrection Tone 6

When the angelic powers appeared at Your tomb, the soldiers guarding it feared and became as dead. And standing by the sepulcher was Mary, who was seeking Your immaculate body. Unassailed by Hades, You divested it of spoils. Then You met the Virgin. You granted life. O Lord, risen from the dead, glory to You!

Apolytikion for the Holy Cross Tone 1

Save, O Lord, Your people and bless Your inheritance, granting victory to the faithful over the enemy, and by Your Cross protecting Your commonwealth.

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 for Holy Cross Tone 4

You who were lifted on the cross voluntarily, * O Christ our God, bestow

Your tender compassions * upon Your new community to which You gave Your name. * Cause our faithful emperors to be glad in Your power, * granting them the victories against their adversaries. * And for an ally, Lord, may they have You, * peace as their armor, the trophy invincible.

Communion Hymn: O Lord, the light of Your face was stamped upon us. Alleluia.

Hymn to the Theotokos Tone 8

Eating the tree's forbidden fruit once * in Paradise brought death to the human race. * But through the Cross, today death has no effect, * because the curse that fell on the entire human race through mother Eve * was undone by the Offspring of the all pure Mother of God, who now is by all the hosts of heaven magnified.

Instead of We have seen... Save, O Lord...

Divine Services

Wed. Sept. 24: Paraklesis to the Theotokos 5pm

Fri. Sept. 26: Orthros 8am and Liturgy 9am for St. John the Theologian

Sat. Sept. 27: 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

There is something for everyone in our Church Bookstore! New books, Icons, beautiful Orthodox gifts and items for your home are available. We are ordering from various publishers, Orthodox websites, and even Etsy! Beautifully handmade items from Edward and Rose Lewis are available for sale too! If you can't find what you are looking for, I'm more than happy to place a special order. See you at our bookstore! *A little spiritual reading or study, when carried out before prayer, is very helpful because the soul is warmed and the mind is transported to the spiritual realm. ~Saint Paisios the Athonite*

Memorial Service

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

Stewardship 2025

The 2025 Stewardship Sunday was on Sunday December 22nd and a presenta-

tion 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.

Open House Celebration

Our Chancellor, Fr. Lou Christopoulos is retiring after 45 years of faithful service to the Church. On Thursday October 2, 2025 Assumption Cathedral-Annunciation Room, 4610 E. Alameda Ave. Denver 6-9pm. Cocktail Attire - Adults Only Please R.S.V.P. to MLC2morrow@gmail.com by September 25th

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.

Sept. 21: Marzavas Family

Sept. 28: Tish Salapatas

Oct. 5: Parish Community

October 12: Sponsor Needed

Philoptochos Outreach

The next meeting will be on Saturday, in October 18, 2025 at 10am. All women are invited to attend.

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. They will collect pull tabs year round in the collection containers in the Church Hall. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Care and Share Food Drive: The Philoptochos will be conducting a Care and Share Food Drive from September 7-28. 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 is sponsoring a Fellowship Hike at the Lower Columbine Trail (Seven Falls) on Saturday, September 27th at 10am. More details and signup to follow. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Collection for the Holy Cross Seminary Students

Following services this morning and next Sunday, we will take a collection for the seminary students from the Metropolis of Denver.

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,