

At our General Assembly on Sunday December 14, 2025 the community voted to move forward with making an offer on the proposed property. The seller of the 4925 List Dr. has selected our church and issued a counteroffer. We responded with a full-price offer that includes concessions for property improvements, most notably the removal of the large refrigeration equipment. Additionally, three families have pledged a \$100,000 matching-grant challenge. The capital campaign fundraising goal for the renovation project is \$500,000.

Orthodox Catechism Class

NO class today.

Coffee Hour & Parish Cleanliness

Please remember to help with the hall cleanup following coffee hour. Take out the trash, sweep the floor, wash dishes, pans etc. *Thank you for doing your part!*

Greek School

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

Holy Cross School Collection

Next Sunday and March we will take a collection for the Metropolis of Denver Seminarians.

Procession with Icons

At the end of services today, we will take icons and process around the outside of the church.

During Great Lent

Fasting: Orthodox Christians are called to abstain from all meat—(yes, *chicken is meat!*)—dairy products i.e. eggs, milk, etc., fish, wine and olive oil during Great Lent, which begins on March 18, Clean Monday. To strengthen ourselves, the Church asks us to increase our prayer life (attending the Lenten Services), flee from sinful behavior, and to give alms. Let us together keep the fast as strictly as possible, increase our daily prayers, approach the Mystery of Holy Confession and forgive one another any offenses that have caused division or anger. If we are unsure about fasting or confession please see Fr. Dennis. May God bless us; grant us strength and faith to complete the course of the fast.

Services: We are called to abstain from certain foods during the Great Fast as we are to abstain from sin. This cannot be achieved without an increased prayer life. The Church in Her wisdom has not only called for us to fast, but gives us more services that will aid us in our Lenten journey. The Great Compline will be offered every Monday evening, the Presanctified Liturgy every Wednesday evening and the Salutations to our Theotokos every Friday evening.

Coffee Hour/Dinners During Lent: When bringing treats for the coffee hour during the Great Lenten Fast, please remember we must maintain the fasting practices of the Orthodox Church. While each may not be able to keep the fast as strictly as prescribed, let us nonetheless, keep it when we gather as community and people of God.

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March 1, 2026

Sunday Holy Scripture Reading

Apostolic Reading: Hebrews 11:24 – 26, 32 – 40

Gospel: St. John 1:43 – 51

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 of Orthodoxy: Venerable-martyr Eudokia of Heliopolis; Venerable Domnina of Syria; Martyrs Markellos and Anthony of Pamphylia; Venerable Agapios of Vatopedi monastery on Athos; Venerable David of Wales, bishop of Menevia.

Apolytikion for the Resurrection Tone 5

As the Father and Spirit are unoriginate, * so the Word, who was born from the Virgin for us. * Let us praise Him, O believers, and let us worship Him. * For our salvation He was pleased * to be crucified in the flesh, * and to undergo death, * and to resurrect the dead, by His glorious resurrection.

Apolytikion for Sunday of Orthodoxy Tone 2

We venerate Your immaculate icon, O good Lord, and entreat You to forgive our offenses, O Christ our God. By Your own choice you were pleased to ascend the Cross in the flesh, to deliver us, whom You created, from our slavery to the foe. Therefore we cry to You with gratitude: You have filled all things with joy, O our Savior, by coming to save the world.

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 for Forgiveness Sunday Tone 8

O Champion General, I your City now inscribe to you, Triumphant an-thems as the tokens of my gratitude, Being rescued from the terrors, O Theotokos. Inasmuch as you have power unassailable, From all kinds of perils free me, so that unto you I may cry aloud: Rejoice, O unwedded Bride.

Divine Services

Tonight: Lenten Vespers at Holy Theophany Orthodox Church 6pm. Lenten meal to follow.

Mon., March 2: Great Compline 6pm.

Wed., March 4: 9th Hour 5:30 p.m. and Presanctified Liturgy 6 p.m. *Those who are preparing to receive Holy Communion are to fast strictly from the noonday meal or sooner from all food and drink (12:00 pm for lunch and should eat a very light Lenten meal).* Lenten meal following Presanctified Liturgy.

Fri., March 6: Salutations II to the Theotokos at 6pm.

Sat., March 7: 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.

Stewardship 2026

The 2026 Stewardship presentation by Ruxandra Georgescu and Nathan Pesch co-chairs, was held on Sunday, December 7, 2025. Stewardship Packets are available now. Please see Nathan Pesch for a packet more information. You may return your filled out card in the offering box.



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.

March 1: Philoptochos

March 8: Parish Community

March 15: LaBrie/Manesiotis Family **March 22:**

Parish Community Lenten Coffee Hour: March 8, open invitation for anyone who: might not feel able to sponsor on their own, or anyone who wants to enjoy Lenten cooking as a parish community. We are soliciting your favorite Lenten recipes, and planning to cook together on Saturday the 7th at 1pm. If this sounds like fun, contact Rose Timora or Edward Lewis for more details or sign up next to the coffee hour signup.

Bookstore

After managing the Church Bookstore for 8 years, it's time hand over the reins to others and I expect to transition after Pascha. If you are interested to be part of running the bookstore, please see Nathan Pesch as he will lead the

charge in building a solid team. Managing the Church Bookstore was truly an honor and a labor of love. This decision is quite bittersweet; however, I believe this is a great opportunity to provide those wanting to volunteer for this amazing position to shine! I appreciate your help in contributing to a successful bookstore. I couldn't have done it without your encouragement, support, and, of course, your purchases!

Philoptochos

The next Philoptochos monthly meeting will be on Saturday, March 14th, at 10:30am. All are welcome to attend!

Coffee Hour: Today's Lenten Coffee Hour is sponsored by Philoptochos. We will have a basket out in the church hall to raise funds for our National and Metropolis Philoptochos March monthly commitments, benefiting:

Orthodox Christian Missions and Support a Mission Priest funds; strengthening the message of Orthodoxy worldwide and enabling Orthodox bishops and priests in mission areas to build and restore churches, community centers, schools, & medical facilities.

Supper Bowl: The Souper Bowl of Caring Campaign was an overwhelming success with the support from everyone! We raised \$246 for I.O.C.C. and donated 275 lbs of food to Care and Share Food Bank for Southern Colorado, equating to 229 meals! Thank you for your impact in our community, both locally and internationally!

2nd Annual Pascha Bake Sale: The Philoptochos 2nd Annual Pascha Bake Sale will be held on Saturday, March 28th, from 11am – 3pm. We're excited to double our efforts and reach this year. Our success last year directly contributed to our 2025 impact. If you'd like to contribute baked goods and/or volunteer to help with setup, working the sale, or clean up, please see a board member or email AMGOCPhiloptochos@gmail.com!

Tsoureki Easter Bread Pre-Sale: In anticipation of the Bake Sale, the Philoptochos will take pre-orders for Tsoureki Easter Bread so you can secure your purchase. **Pre-orders begin today and end on March 22nd!** Pre-orders using cash/check price are *discounted* to \$16 per loaf; credit card purchases and all orders after 3/22 are \$18 per loaf. Please use the QR code or grab an order form in the church hall for cash/check.



Koliva for Memorials: The Philoptochos is now offering to prepare Koliva for anyone planning a memorial and needs assistance. If possible, please give us a week's notice to prepare. We request a \$45.00 donation be made to AMGOC Philoptochos for use in our philanthropic missions. Please contact Penny Johnson at pavrajohns1985@gmail.com or call/text 719-640-6970.

\$100,000 Matching Challenge

We have been challenged by three of our faithful families to help raise \$200,000 for our Capital Campaign. Every dollar offered will be matched! *Please make checks out to AMGOC with the word CHALLENGE in the memo.*