**Slavic Feast**
The Annual Slavic Fest at St. Mary’s Orthodox Church in Calhan is back this year, October 9th and 10th. 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. We are super excited this year to welcome you all back after a tough year. Online Tickets go on sale Sept. 1st at [https://holydormition.net/slavic-fest/](https://holydormition.net/slavic-fest/) Come see us: 19485 Calhan Hwy North, Calhan, CO 80808

**Church School**
Today we will begin classes for the youth of our parish. Please see Bogdan Georgescu for more information.

**Saints of the Day**

The Hieromartyr (Priestly-Martyr) Autonomus: During Diocletian’s persecution, Autonomus left Italy for Asian Bithynia, for a place called Soreoi. There, he converted many to Christianity, and built a church for them dedicated to the holy Archangel Michael. Autonomus lived in the home of a devout Christian, Cornelius, whom he first ordained as a presbyter, and then consecrated to the episcopacy. Not far from Soreoi there was a place called Limnae, inhabited entirely by pagans. St. Autonomus went to this place and soon enlightened many with the Gospel of Christ. This embittered the pagans, and one day they rushed into the Church of the Holy Archangel Michael in Soreoi during the divine service and slew Autonomus in the sanctuary, and killed many other Christians in the church. During the reign of the Emperor Constantine, Severian, a royal nobleman, built a church over the tomb of St. Autonomus. Two hundred years after his death, St. Autonomus appeared to a soldier named John. John exhumed the relics of the saint and found them to be completely incorrupt, and many who were sick received healing from Autonomus’s relics. Thus, God glorifies the one who glorified Him while living in the flesh.

The Hieromartyr (Priestly-Martyr) Coronatus, Bishop of Iconium: Coronatus was born in Nicomedia, in the village of Salate. He was already quite old when the persecution under Decius and Valerian began. Perinius, a torturer of Christians, came to Nicomedia and began a search for Christians. Many Christians left the city and hid, but their aged bishop did not want to leave. Instead, he presented himself to Perinius and declared himself to be a Christian. The torturer bound him completely, and ordered that he be dragged through the town until much blood flowed. Then, under the sword, Coronatus gave his holy soul to God.

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**September 12, 2021**

**Sunday Holy Scripture Reading**

Apostolic Reading: Galatians 6:11-18

Gospel: St. John. 3:13-17

**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:** 12th Sunday After Pentecost, Sunday Before the Holy Cross. Hieromartyrs Autonomos of Italy and Coronatos of Iconium; Martyr Okeanos; Venerable Daniel.

**Order of Service**

_Antiphons for the Feast of the Nativity of the Theotokos_

**Apolytikion for the Nativity Tone 4**

Your Nativity, O Theotokos has proclaimed joy to the whole world; for from you has dawned the Sun of Righteousness, Christ our God, annuling the curse and bestowing the blessing, abolishing death and granting us life everlasting.

After the Entrance

**Apolytikion of the Resurrection Tone 3**

Let all things above in heaven rejoice and let all things below on earth be glad. With all the might and strength of His arm, an eternal deed the Lord did perform. Beneath His feet He has trampled down death by death and first born of the dead has He become. From the womb of Hades has He delivered us and to all the world has granted His great redeeming mercy. *Page 83 in the green book.*

**Apolytikion for the Nativity Tone 4**

Your Nativity, O Theotokos…

**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: Birth of Theotokos Tone 4
Joachim and Anna were freed from the reproach of childlessness and Adam and Eve from the corruption of death, O immaculate one, by your holy Nativity, which your people, redeemed from the guilt of offenses, celebrate by crying to you: The barren woman gives birth to the Theotokos, the nourisher of our life.

Instead of Axion Estin we chant in Ton 8
Virginity is a state alien to mothers, * and childbirth is foreign to those who are virgins. * But in you, Theotokos, have both of these been accomplished. * And therefore we of every race on earth unceasingly pronounce you blessed

Communion Hymn
I will take the cup of salvation and call upon the name of the Lord. Alleluia!

Divine Services
Mon. Sept. 13: Great Vespers for Elevation of the Holy Cross 5pm
Wed. Sept. 15: Paraklesis to the Theotokos 5pm
Fri. Sept. 17: Orthros 8am and Liturgy 9am for St. Sophia and her 3 daughters, Faith, Hope and Love.
Sat. Sept. 18: 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.

Trisagion Service
Yesterday we marked the 20th anniversary of the horrific terrorist attacks on our country. Metropolitan Isaiah has directed each parish to offer prayers for the departed who lost their lives on that day. We will read the protocol before the Trisagion Service.

Coffee Hour Signup
Please consider sponsoring a coffee hour. Donations are welcome!
Sept. 12: Olga Sonnenburg  Sept. 19: Various People
Sept. 26: Manesiotis Family

Greek School
Future Greek learners: Classes are held each Thursday (beginning September 16)

at 5pm in the Church hall. If you have questions, please contact Alex Ellis at 719-471-0157. There is no cost for the classes and all are welcome to attend.

Capital Campaign
Amazon Smile: You may support Archangel Michael GOC through Amazon Smile. Please make sure you sign in at: https://smile.amazon.com/

King Soopers Rewards: Please continue to input your King Soopers Rewards number when shopping there. We receive a percentage of the amount you spend. You must register for the program in order to activate this benefit for us.

Stewardship 2021
Please support our parish with your time, talent and treasure. Remember to send in your stewardship card. See Ruxandra Georgescu for more information.

Bookstore and Library
The 2022 Daily Lives, Miracles, and Wisdom of the Saints & Fasting calendar is available from the Orthodox Calendar Company www.livesofthesaintscalendarr.com. I will be taking orders for the next 4 weeks, so if you are interested in a copy, let me know by October 3rd. The cost of this calendar is $21.00 (includes shipping costs). You can place an order by emailing me at osonnenburg@comcast.net or texting me at (719) 322-5012. All that are careful in this life, procure books that will be medicine for the soul. -St. John Chrysostom

Greek Store
Visit our Greek Store in the church hall. We have food items for sale and specialty items can be ordered. Please see Connie Leonard for more information.

10th Annual Greek Night
Our sister parish, St. John the Baptist will be holding their Annual Greek Night on October 9, 2021. 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 - $60 Children (12 and under) - $15. Please RSVP by Oct. 3, pamhoty@comcast.net or 719-252-9446, there will be a $10/person charge for late reservations.

Christians Around the World
Please remember to keep Christians around the world in your prayers. Many are being persecuted and even killed for their faith in Jesus Christ. Remember also the two kidnapped Orthodox bishops from Syria.