AMGOC Kitchen Remodel Project
Our Parish Council President, Jake Topakas sent out an email the other day, presenting the need to update our kitchen especially, although not exclusively for our Annual Greek Festival. We are seeking donations to fund this necessary project costing $17,000. This project includes a commercial dish machine, stainless steel shelving, stainless wall backing, stainless tables, electrical, plumbing and demolition. Please make checks out to our parish with a note in the memo: Kitchen Remodel.

Saints of the Day
Saint John the Theologian, Apostle and Evangelist: John was the son of Zebedee the fisherman and Salome the daughter of Joseph, the betrothed of the Holy Theotokos. Called by the Lord Jesus, John immediately left his father and his fishermen’s nets and, with his brother James, followed Christ. From then on, he was not separated from his Lord until the end. With Peter and James, he was present at the raising of Jairus’s daughter and the Transfiguration of the Lord. At the Last Supper, he inclined his head on Jesus’ breast. When all the other apostles had abandoned the crucified Lord, John and the Holy Mother of God remained beneath the Cross. In obedience to the Lord, he was as a son to the Holy Virgin Mary, and carefully served and watched over her until her Dormition. After her Dormition, John took his disciple Prochorus to preach the Gospel in Asia Minor. He lived and labored mostly in Ephesus. By his inspired preaching and miracles he converted many to Christianity and shook paganism to its foundation. The embittered pagans bound him and sent him to Rome, to face Emperor Dometian. Dometian had him tortured and flogged, but neither the bitterest poison he was given to drink, nor the boiling oil into which he was thrown, did him any harm. This terrified the emperor and, thinking him immortal, Dometian sent him into exile to the island of Patmos. There St. John converted many to Christianity by words and miracles, and confirmed well the Church of God. He also wrote his Gospel and Revelation on Patmos. In the time of Emperor Nero, who granted freedom to all prisoners, John returned to Ephesus, where he lived for some time, confirming the work he had begun earlier. He was over one hundred years old when he went to the Lord. When his disciples later opened his grave, they did not find his body. On May 8 of every year, a fine dust, fragrant and healing, rose from his grave. After a long, laborious and fruitful life on earth, this beloved disciple of Christ, a true pillar of the Church, took up his habitation in the joy of His Lord.

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Sunday Holy Scripture Reading
Apostolic Reading: 1 John. 4:12-19

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: 14th Sunday After Pentecost. The repose of the Apostle and Evangelist John the Theologian.

Order of Service
Apolytikion of the Resurrection Tone 5
Eternal with the Father and the Spirit is the Word, Who of a Virgin was begotten for our salvation. As the faithful we both praise and worship Him, for in the flesh did He consent to ascend unto the Cross, and death did He endure and He raised unto life the dead through His all glorious resurrection. Page 85 in the green book.

Apolytikion for the St. John the Theologian Tone 2
O Apostle, beloved of Christ our God, Hasten to deliver a defenseless people. He that allowed you to recline on His breast, received you bowing in intercession. Implore Him, O Theologian, to dispel the persistent cloud of the heathen, and ask for us His peace and great mercy.

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. (Sung with long ending)
Divine Services
**Wed. Oct 1:** Orthros 8am and Liturgy for the Protection of the Theotokos.
Paraklesis to the Theotokos 5pm
**Sat. Oct. 2:** 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.

Coffee Hour Signup
Please consider sponsoring a coffee hour. Donations are welcome!
- **Sept. 26:** Manesiotis Family
- **Oct. 3:** Stoyas/Bolish Family
- **Oct. 10:** Sponsor Needed
- **Oct. 24:** Val Petrov
- **Oct. 31:** Sponsor Needed

Bookstore and Library
The 2022 Daily Lives, Miracles, and Wisdom of the Saints & Fasting calendar is available from the Orthodox Calendar Company [www.livesofthesaintscalendar.com](http://www.livesofthesaintscalendar.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](mailto: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*

Capital Campaign
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Memorial Service
This morning we remember in our prayers the departed servant of God +Nancy Luther on the 4th year anniversary of her repose. *Everlasting be her memory!*

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.

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.

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, [pamboty@comcast.net](mailto:pamboty@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.

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
Classes have begun for the youth of our parish. Please see Bogdan Georgescu for more information.

Annual General Assembly
Following services on Sunday, November 21, we will hold our Annual General Assembly. Please make sure your stewardship is current.