

Holy Apostles Orthodox Christian Church of Cheyenne, WY

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Services Schedule: Sunday Services - Orthros - 8:30 am - Divine Liturgy - 9:30 am

Bulletin for Sunday, August 13, 2017

Saints and Feasts of the Day

10th Sunday of Matthew, Apodosis of the Transfiguration, Tikhon of Zadonsk, Maximus the Confessor, Our Righteous Fathers Sergius, Stephanus, Castor and Palamonus.

Hymns of the Day – Everyone is encouraged to sing the hymns and responses of the Divine Liturgy

Resurrectional Apolytikion (page 22 in the Service Book)

The stone had been secured with a seal by the Judeans, and a guard of soldiers was watching Your immaculate body. You rose on the third day, O Lord and Savior, granting life unto the world. For this reason were the powers of heaven crying out to You, O Life-giver: Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ; glory to Your eternal rule; glory to Your dispensation, only One who loves mankind.

Apolytikion for Apodosis of Transfiguration (page 22 in the Service Book)

You were transfigured upon the mountain, O Christ our God, showing to Your disciples Your glory as much as they could bear. Do also in us, sinners though we be, shine Your everlasting light, through the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Giver of light. Glory to You.

Holy Apostles Apolytikion (page 24 in the Service Book)

O Holy Apostles, intercede with the Merciful God, that He grant unto our souls forgiveness of offenses.

Seasonal Kontakion (page 24 in Service Book)

Upon the mountain were You transfigured, and Your disciples beheld Your glory as far as they were able, O Christ our God; so that when they would see You crucified they might understand that Your Passion was deliberate, and declare to the world that in truth You are the Father's radiance.

Gospel and Epistle Readings

Epistle Reading (page 28 in the Service Book)

Prokeimenon. 1st Mode. Psalm 32.22,1.

Let your mercy, O Lord, be upon us.

Verse: Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous.

The reading is from St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 4:9-16

Brethren, God has exhibited us apostles as last of all, like men sentenced to death; because we have become a spectacle to the world, to angels and to men. We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honor, but we in disrepute. To the present hour we hunger and

Holy Apostles Calendar

Sunday, August 13

10th Sunday of Matthew

8:30AM Orthros

9:30AM Divine Liturgy

12:00PM GOYA Meeting

Monday, August 14

6:00PM Great Vespers

Tuesday, August 15

Dormition of the Theotokos

7:00AM Men's Group Breakfast @ Perkins

8:45AM Orthros

9:30AM Divine Liturgy

Wednesday, August 16

11:30AM Assist @ St. Joseph's Food Pantry

6:00PM Paraklesis

Saturday, August 19

8:00AM IOCC Pan-Orthodox 5K Walk/Run

6:00PM Great Vespers

Sunday, August 20

11th Sunday of Matthew

8:30AM Orthros

9:30AM Divine Liturgy

11:30AM Annual Church Picnic

5:00PM Swim Party @ Cheyenne Country Club

Tuesday, August 22

7:00AM Men's Group Breakfast @ Perkins

Wednesday, August 23

Saint Ireneaus

8:45AM Orthros

9:30AM Divine Liturgy

11:30AM Assist @ St. Joseph's Food Pantry

6:00PM Paraklesis

Saturday, August 26

6:00PM Great Vespers

Sunday, August 27

12th Sunday of Matthew

8:30AM Orthros

9:30AM Divine Liturgy

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thirst, we are ill-clad and buffeted and homeless, and we labor, working with our own hands. When reviled, we bless; when persecuted, we endure; when slandered, we try to conciliate; we have become, and are now, as the refuse of the world, the off-scouring of all things. I do not write this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. For though you have countless guides in Christ, you do not have many fathers. For I became your father in Christ Jesus through the gospel. I urge you, then, be imitators of me.

Gospel Reading (page 29 in the Service Book)

Matthew 17:14-23

At that time, a man came up to Jesus and kneeling before him said, "Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic and he suffers terribly; for often he falls into the fire, and often into the water. And I brought him to your disciples, and they could not heal him." And Jesus answered, "O faithless and perverse generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him here to me." And Jesus rebuked him, and the demon came out of him, and the boy was cured instantly. Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?" He said to them, "Because of your little faith. For truly I say to you, if you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move hence to yonder place,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible to you. But this kind never comes out except by prayer and fasting." As they were gathering in Galilee, Jesus said to them, "The Son of man is to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him, and he will be raised on the third day."

Notes from Father Christopher

SMALL PARAKLESIS:

Join us each Wednesday at 6pm as we pray and chant the Supplications to the Most Holy Theotokos. Followed by fellowship and light refreshments. The Paraklesis service is a service asking the Panaghia to intercede for us all, as well as people individually. Prayer requests can be submitted in the narthex by writing the names of those living that you wish to pray for on the form, 'For the Health and Salvation...' and placing the prayer request in the basket.

CLERGY VISITS:

If there is someone in a hospital, nursing home or homebound, please contact Father Christopher at frchristopher@holypostlescheyenne.com or 307.514.5347 to schedule a pastoral visitation.

CONFESSIONS:

Please contact Father Christopher at frchristopher@holypostlescheyenne.com or 307.514.5347 to schedule the Holy Mystery of Confession.

GREAT VESPERS:

Each Saturday at 6pm there will be recurring a Saturday Great Vespers service, followed by juice, coffee and fellowship. All are welcome to attend.

REACHING OUT:

Do you know of someone in the community who could benefit from a phone call or visit from the priest? Perhaps they stopped attending church, wanted a break or simply just don't have time. If you know of someone like this feel free to pass along their contact information to Father Christopher at frchristopher@holypostlescheyenne.com or 307.514.5347.

NEW BULLETIN FORMAT:

You may have noticed that we are now using a flyer for our Sunday Bulletin that features an icon on the

front. There has been a question as to how to properly dispose of these since there is an icon depicted. We encourage you to take the Sunday Bulletin home with you for the calendar and other information, but when you are ready to dispose of it, there will be a basket in the Narthex for you to put in your old Sunday Bulletins.

Holy Apostles Updates

Paraklesis Services during Dormition Fast: Please note on the calendar that during the Dormition Fast, Paraklesis is held each day. Tuesday and Thursday services (Aug. 1, 3, 8, 10) will be at 12:00 pm, noon, and Monday, Wednesday, and Friday services (Aug. 2, 4, 7, 9, 11) will be at 6:00 pm. There will be Great Vespers at 6:00 pm on Aug. 5, 12, 14.

Coming Soon

September 7 - Ministry Team Lead Meeting @ 4pm followed by Family Dinner Night

November 14 -Open House and Cadillac Chance Raffle

SAVE THE DATE: There will be a Men's Retreat on September 24 - 27 at Water Valley Resort near Encampment, WY. Mark your calendar and plan to attend. Registration information link is <https://denver.goarch.org/mens-retreat>. There are flyers in the fellowship hall. This is a popular event, so register ASAP!

CADILLAC CHANCE: Cadillac Chance tickets have been mailed out for everyone to begin selling. If you need more, please contact Tim. Please return your ticket stubs and money to Tim or deliver to Halladay Motors.



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AND PICNIC**
Saturday, August 19, 2017

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St. Catherine Greek Orthodox Church
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Registration: 8:00am • Run/Walk: 8:45am
Blessing of the Five Loaves: 10:00am • Lunch: 10:30am

Individuals \$30 • Families \$45

Trophies will be awarded for fastest time and the parish with the most participants!

Register at ioccc.org/denver

Questions? Contact Elaine Cladis at 303.435.8584 or ecladis@comcast.net
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INTERNATIONAL ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN CHARITIES

2017 Young Adult Conference: Keeping the Faith: Living Beacons of the One, Holy, Catholic & Apostolic Church

Young adults, ages 19 - 32 years, are invited to enjoy a weekend of fellowship and share in our Orthodox Christian faith. Featuring a night at the Redneck Country Club, SoTiri, the Pop Greek Video artist, Basile the Comedian, and more! <http://youth.denver.goarch.org/events/2017-events/2017-national-young-adult-conference>

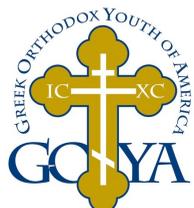
Orthodox Christian Fellowship: Attention all college students. Please submit your contact information, including name, mailing address, email address, phone number, name of university and the date that you celebrate your nameday. Submissions can be sent directly to Father Christopher at frchristopher@holypostlescheyenne.com. If you do not yet have a mailing address, please submit the other information and update when you are able. Have a great summer!

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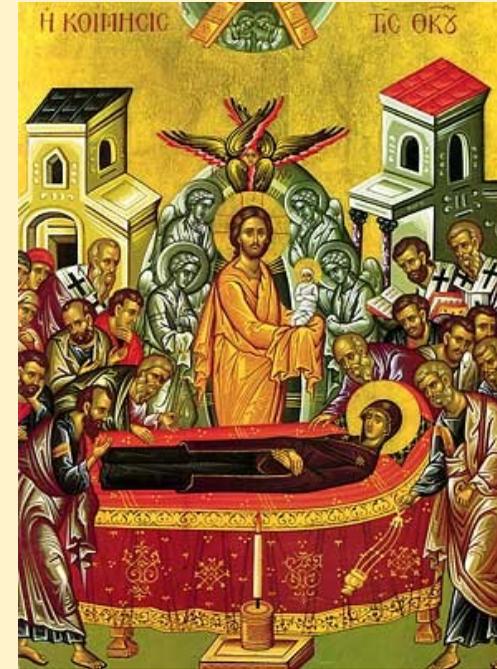
YOUNG ADULT CONFERENCE

SEPTEMBER 1-4, 2017
HOUSTON, TEXAS



2017 GOYA Front Range Day Retreat: Holy Apostles will host a one day GOYA retreat on Saturday, November 4. Jenny Stasinopoulos, the Denver Metropolis Youth Director, is coordinating this wonderful event with Father Christopher. More information to come when details are finalized.

August 15 - Dormition of the Theotokos



Introduction

The Feast of the Dormition of Our Most Holy Lady, the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary is celebrated on August 15 each year. The Feast commemorates the repose (dormition and in the Greek kinesis) or "falling-asleep" of the Mother of Jesus Christ, our Lord. The Feast also commemorates the translation or assumption into heaven of the body of the Theotokos.

Biblical Story

The Holy Scriptures tell us that when our Lord was dying on the Cross, He saw His mother and His disciple John and said to the Virgin Mary, "Woman, behold your son!" and to John, "Behold your mother!" (John 19:25-27). From that hour, the Apostle took care of the Theotokos in his own home.

Along with the biblical reference in Acts 1:14 that confirms that the Virgin Mary was with the Holy Apostles on the day of Pentecost, the tradition of the Church holds that she remained in the home of the Apostle John in Jerusalem, continuing a ministry in word and deed.

At the time of her death, the disciples of our Lord who were preaching throughout the world returned to Jerusalem to see the Theotokos. Except for the Apostle Thomas, all of them including the Apostle Paul were gathered together at her bedside. At the moment of her death, Jesus Christ himself descended and carried her soul into heaven.

Following her repose, the body of the Theotokos was taken in procession and laid in a tomb near the Garden of Gethsemane. When the Apostle Thomas arrived three days after her repose and desired to see her body, the tomb was found to be empty. The bodily assumption of the Theotokos was confirmed by the message of an angel and by her appearance to the Apostles.