

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, October 8, 2017

Saints and Feasts of the Day

The 3rd Sunday of Luke, Taisia the Harlot of Egypt, Pelagia the Righteous, Pelagia the Virgin-martyr of Antioch, Phillip, Bishop of Gortyna

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 Righteous Pelagia in the 8th Mode (page 22 in the Service Book)

The image of God, was faithfully preserved in you, O Mother. For you took up the Cross and followed Christ. By Your actions you taught us to look beyond the flesh for it passes, rather to be concerned about the soul which is immortal. Wherefore, O Holy Pelagia, your soul rejoices with the angels.

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.

Kontakion (page 24 in Service Book)

A protection of Christians unshamable, intercessor to our Holy Maker, unwavering, please 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.

Gospel and Epistle Readings

Matins Gospel Reading John. (20:1-10)

On the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. So she ran, and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb,

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8:30AM Orthros
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Leadership 100 Sunday:

In 1984, under the guidance of Archbishop Iakovos, The Archbishop Iakovos Leadership 100 Fund was created as an endowment fund of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese to provide an opportunity for Greek Orthodox leaders to support the life-sustaining ministries of the Church. Join us this morning as we honor those who have helped to make this ministry a success. Since its inception in 1984, Leadership 100 has distributed more than \$48 million in grants that have ranged from providing scholarship funds for individuals studying for the priesthood at Hellenic College/Holy Cross School of Theology to supporting a variety of National Ministries. These have included Religious and Greek Education, Youth, Young Adult and Camping Ministries, Family and Marriage Services, Inter-Orthodox, Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations, Internet Ministries and Home Mission. Leadership 100 has also provided humanitarian assistance during national and international crises.

Today, with more than 1,000 members, Leadership 100 is a philanthropic driving force within the Church, the Greek American Community, and in the nation and the world that transforms institutions and lives. For more information about the great works of Leadership 100, visit their website at: www.L100.org.

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, Kathy or deliver to Halladay Motors. Remember the **OPEN HOUSE** and drawing is November 18!

and we do not know where they have laid him." Peter then came out with the other disciple, and they went toward the tomb. They both ran, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first; and stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb; he saw the linen cloths lying, and the napkin, which had been on his head, not lying with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not know the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples went back to their homes.

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 Saint Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 9:6-11.

Brethren, he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that you may always have enough of everything and may provide in abundance for every good work. As it is written, "He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever." He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your resources and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for great generosity, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God.

Gospel Reading (page 29 in the Service Book)

3rd Sunday of Luke

The Reading is from Luke 7:11-16.

At that time, Jesus went to a city called Nain, and his disciples and a great crowd went with him. As he drew near to the gate of the city, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow; and a large crowd from the city was with her. And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep." And he came and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." And the dead man sat up, and began to speak. And he gave him to his mother. Fear seized them all; and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has arisen among us!" and "God has visited his people!"

Notes from Father Christopher

SMALL PARAKLESIS:

Join us each Wednesday at 12 pm 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@holyapostlescheyenne.com or 307.514.5347 to schedule a pastoral visitation.

CONFESSIONS:

Please contact Father Christopher at frchristopher@holyapostlescheyenne.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@holyapostlescheyenne.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

Dear Faithful Parishioners of our Holy Apostles Parish: Please see Father Christopher for any administrative needs you may have. Requests can be emailed to office@holyapostlescheyenne.com. Administrative assistance can be requested through Father Christopher directly. Office hours will be from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For updates to the Sunday bulletin, submit announcements no later than **5 pm on Wednesday**.

Please refrain from making announcements in the church following Divine Liturgy. If a ministry group would like an announcement made following Divine Liturgy in the church, please email the announcement to Father Christopher no later than **5 pm on Friday** and he will make the announcements.

We will be updating our website and welcome your contribution. Please feel free to take pictures or video of our parish family and community involvements. Media provided should be clear, well lit, in focus, and emailed to Mrs. Laura Bobo James at office@holyapostlescheyenne.com.

Narthex Enhancement Project:

Currently, we have made some aesthetic enhancements to the narthex area with the placing of new icons and carpeting. The project is continuing and you and your family can be a part of the beautification process of the narthex. Any person, family or ministry group who is interested in donating an icon

in honor or memory of a loved one(s), please contact Father Christopher to discuss which Saint you would like placed and payment. The icon, including shipping will cost \$175 and will be placed in the narthex entryway between the arch and the bookshelf. We are looking to place 6 of these icons of uniform size and done in the proper Byzantine style. Thank you graciously for your continued commitment to the beautification of our Holy Apostles parish.

Other items are available to donate as well: \$20, candle extinguisher for the Holy Altar. \$65, hanging votive candle for the narthex, Panaghia with Christ-child. \$65, hanging votive candle for the narthex, Christ. If you would like to donate any these items please see Father Christopher.

VISIT THE HOLY APOSTLES BOOKSTORE: If you haven't been to the bookstore lately, please stop by! New items are arriving daily. We just received a shipment this week with some visor clips, cross lapel pins, new icons, and jewelry. Instructions for how to make a purchase are posted in the bookstore, or if you have a question please ask Adrienne. I bet she will even make you a cup of coffee while you shop!



Coming SoonMark Your Calendar!

WOMEN'S STUDY: Beginning in September, the Women's Groups will try alternating day time and evening sessions to accommodate more ladies. In October, Monday the 2nd will be at 10:00 am and Monday the 16th will be at 7:00 pm.

Please join us for Philoptochos! Philoptochos next meets on Sunday, October 22 following Liturgy. Please come and find out how we can grow our giving within our community. Mark your calendars for a Philoptochos Brunch Fundraiser on November 5, Christmas Dinner Meeting on November 28, and participating in the Tables Extraordinaire event at St. Catherine's Church in Greenwood Village, CO. We welcome any and all women in our community.

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.



GOYA is collecting items for IOCC Health Kits, please sign up in vestibule.

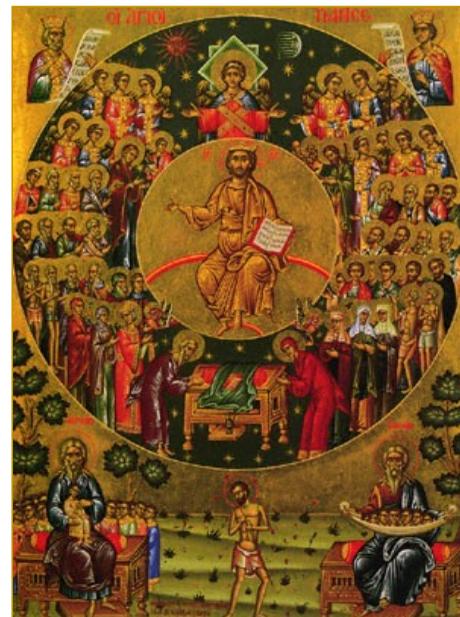
Stewardship Meeting sheets are in the Fellowship Hall, please sign up for one date.

Parish Directory is being updated. If you would like to change your photo or information, please change it on the printed draft copy or call the office.

HOLY APOSTLES LENDING LIBRARY: Please check out our Lending Library at the Church and check out a book in which you are interested. We have the books color coded so you can easily browse through the subjects which interest you! Also, we would love to add to the Library any Church Books you would like to donate. Please see Kay Pappas with any questions or for donating your books! **Reminder: Please be sure to return your borrowed books**

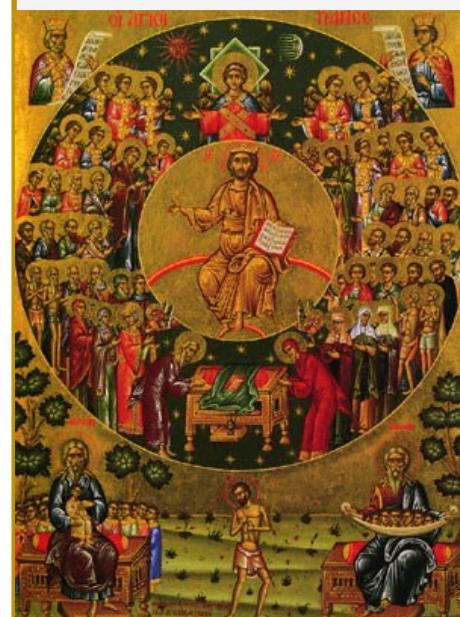


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October 8—Pelagia the Righteous

This Saint was a prominent actress of the city of Antioch, and a pagan, who lived a life of unrestrained prodigality and led many to perdition. Instructed and baptized by a certain bishop named Nonnus (Saint Nonnus is commemorated Nov. 10), she departed for the Mount of Olives near Jerusalem, where she lived as a recluse, feigning to be a eunuch called Pelagia. She lived in such holiness and repentance that within three or four years she was deemed worthy to repose in an odour of sanctity, in the middle of the fifth century. Her tomb on the Mount of Olives has been a place of pilgrimage ever since.



October 9—The Righteous Patriarch Abraham and his nephew Lot

The holy Patriarch Abraham, born a pagan, ten generations after Noah, when the knowledge of God had perished from among men, became the beginning of God's dispensation for the universal renewal and salvation of man. He was called out of his country--the land of the Chaldees, that is, Mesopotamia--to the land of Canaan, and received the promise that through his seed all the nations of the earth should be blessed; through his singular faith in the promises of God, he was justified before the giving of the Law and the coming of Grace; through his willingness to sacrifice Isaac, he portrayed the love where-with God loved the world in sacrificing His only-begotten Son. The greatness of Abraham, and the trials that he and his righteous nephew Lot underwent, are set forth in the Book of Genesis in the Old Testament, chapters twelve through twenty-five. See also the Sunday of the Holy Forefathers, December 11-17.



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