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 Cards: Please pick up your King Soopers card as 5% of every purchase is sent back to AMGOC.

Red Eggs

We are dying eggs red on Holy Thursday, April 5. We will purchase the 15 dozen brown eggs and cash donations are welcome.

AMGOC Capital Campaign Fundraiser Dear Faithful in the Lord,

It is with much joy that I announce to you a wonderful opportunity offered to our community. A faithful family has offered to *match dollar for dollar* up to \$25,000, all new donations given toward our Capital Campaign Fund. This is in addition to previous pledges you have made. That means we have the potential of raising \$50,000!

The challenge is to have raised the matching funds by Pascha, so we have 3 weeks until **April 8**th to meet this goal! I know how generous our faithful have been throughout the years at Archangel Michael Church and I am sure this opportunity is achievable.

When sending checks, please put **CC Challenge** in the memo. I wish you a blessed remainder of Great Lent and a joyous celebration of our Lord's Resurrection, Kalo Pascha! In the Lord, Fr. Dennis

Donations for Great Lent

Paschal Candle \$275 and flowers for the kouvouklion of Holy Friday \$1,000.

Parish Events

Our parish community has two upcoming events: **Territory Days**, held on Memorial Day weekend, May 26, 27 and 28. **Greek Festival**, August 17, 18 and 19. *Please mark your calendars and also volunteer for these important fundraisers*.

Church School During Great Lent

On the following Sundays, the Church School children will remain in the church: Palm Sunday, April 1 and Pascha, April 8

Cleaning for Holy Week and Pascha

Volunteers are needed for cleaning the church for the Holy week and Pascha. We want to begin this Tuesday, March 27, 29, 30. Please see Fr. Dennis.

Archangel Michael Greek Orthodox Church Bulletin

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March 25, 2018

Sunday Holy Scripture Reading Apostolic Reading: Hebrews 2:11-18

Gospel: St. Luke 1:24-38

Services: Sunday-9 a.m. Orthros and 10 a.m. Divine Liturgy, Weekdays 8 a.m. Orthros and 9 a.m. Divine Liturgy when scheduled.

Saints of the Day: Annunciation of the Most Holy Theotokos.

Order of Service

First Antiphon with verses for the Annunciation

Second Antiphon with verses

Save us, O Son of God, Who took flesh for our sake, we sing to You: Alleluia.

 Σ ῶσον ἡπᾶς Yiè Θεοῦ, ὁ δι' ἡπᾶς σαρκωθείς, ψάλλοντάς σοι, Άλληλούϊα.

Third Antiphon with verses

Apolytikion for the Annunciation Tone 4

Today is the fountainhead of our salvation and the manifestation of the mystery which was from eternity. The Son of God becomes the Virgin's Son and Gabriel announces the good tidings of grace; for this cause, let us cry to the Mother of God with him: Rejoice, you who are full of grace; the Lord is with you.

Instead of Come let us worship, we chant in Tone 2

This day of days announces the salvation of our God. Save us, O Son of God, Who are risen from the dead, we sing to You: Alleluia.

After the Entrance

Apolytikion of the Resurrection Tone 1

The stone that had been sealed before your tomb by the Jews and the soldiers guarding did watch over Your pure and sacred body, O Savior the third day You arose, and unto all the world did You give life whereby all the heavenly powers did proclaim that You are the Giver of Life:

Glory unto our Resurrected Christ; Glory unto Your Kingdom; Glory to Your Dispensation; O You alone who loves all. *Page 80 in the green book*.

Apolytikion for the Annunciation: Today is the fountainhead of our salvation

Kontakion Hymn to the Theotokos

To You, the Champion Commander, I, Your City, inscribe victorious anthems of thanksgiving, For deliverance from sufferings, Theotokos. In as much as you have power unassailable, from all manner of dangers set me free; that I may cry out to you, Rejoice Bride unwedded.

Τῆ ΄υπερμάχω Στρατητγῷ τὰ νικητήρια, ὡς λυτρωθεῖσα τῶν δεινῶν εὐχαριστήρια, ἀναγράφω σοι ἡ Πόλις σου Θεοτόκε. ᾿Αλλ᾽ ὡς ἔχουσα τὸ κράτος ἀπροσμάχητον, ἐκ παντοίων με κινδύνων ἐλευθερωσον, ἵνα κράζω σοι ᾿Χαῖρε, Νύμφη ἀνυμφευτε. (Page 98 in the green book.)

Instead of "It is truly right...Axion Estin"

Announce the good tidings of great joy, O earth: heaven, praise the glory of God.

Let no profane hand touch the living Ark of God, but let the lips of the faithful, singing without ceasing the words of the Angel to the Theotokos, cry aloud in great joy: Rejoice you who are full of grace: the Lord is with you

Communion Hymn

For the Lord has elected Sion, He has chosen her to be a habitation for Himself.

Divine Services

TONIGHT: Lenten Vespers at St. John in Pueblo 6pm. Lenten meal to follow.

Mon., March 26: Great Compline 6pm Tues., March 27: Lenten Hours 8am

Wed., March 28: 9th Hour 5:30pm and Presanctified Liturgy 6pm *Those* preparing to receive Holy Communion are to fast strictly from the noonday meal or sooner from all food and drink (12:00pm for lunch and should eat very light Lenten meal).

Thurs., March 29: Lenten Hours 8am

Fri., March 30: Small Compline with Canon to St. Lazarus at 6pm

Sat., March 31: Orthros 8am and Liturgy 9am for St. Lazarus. We will make palm crosses following Liturgy. All are welcome to participate. Great Vespers 6pm

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 sponsor a coffee hour. Donations are welcome to help provide treats following services. **March 25:** Jake Topakas and others (Great Lent, fish permitted). **April 1:** Palm Sunday Luncheon (volunteers needed). **April 8:** Pascha Church Picnic.

Stewardship 2018

Stewardship Sunday for 2018 was held on **December 3**. Please see Ruxandra Georgescu for your packet.

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.

Greek Dance Lessons/Group

We welcome your children, ages 4 and older, to join our parish **Youth Greek Dance Group**. The first meeting was held on February 4, 2018. The children are learning their first Greek dance and practices will take place every two weeks. The goal is to have a group dancing for our Annual Greek Festival. Any interested adults with knowledge of Greek dances are welcome to help teach. *Practice will resume the on Sunday, April 15*.

There has been much interest in creating an **Adult Greek Dance Group**. All ages over 18 are welcome and we hope to perform at our Greek Festival, contact. If there is enough interest, practices will parallel the youth dance group every two weeks after church on Sundays, with additional dancing after the children have left. For more information please contact Constadina Vasiliades at: 808-373-0312 or constadina@shaw.ca if interested or for questions.

Met. Isaiah to Visit AMGOC

Holy Monday evening, April 2, 2018, His Eminence, Met. Isaiah will visit our community and preside for the Bridegroom Service at 6pm. Following services we will offer very light Lenten refreshments (salad, fruit, coffee, etc.) but not a meal. Please make every effort to attend especially with our children.

Bookstore/Library

Please visit our bookstore for icons, books, etc. We have purchased 10 Holy Week Books Greek/English and are available for \$25 each. You may see Olga Sonnenburg for more information.

Collection for Fallen Deputy Sheriff & Micah Flick

We heard of the tragic shooting and death of Det. Micah Flick. Our parish is taking a collection for his family for our Lenten offering, please be generous.