

Thanks to John & Deborah St Clair, Fr. John and the Proper family, Kathryn Reeves, Robert Patterson, Sandy Miller, Fr. James & Khouria Judith Tochihara, Ron & Natalie Lickteig and Martin & Jane Long for writing their names down on the "RSVP" sign up sheet for the "Open House" on the first Sunday in October. The list is on the oak buffet in the church hall. Please, let us know if you plan to come???

Given the many changes of e-mail, postal address, cell phones, discarded land lines, and marriage connexion and disconnects, with new births, baptisms, elevations, and so forth, our Valiant workers have advised a new Census to get our data base and mailings up to date. We will probably seek you out to verify all such in the next few weeks. Thanks to Fr. John, Rdr. Andrew Diederich and Matushka Deborah for working on updating the parish directory this past week.

Mother Sophia has moved from the Benedictine Fellowship Monastery to Fremont Home Care in Canon City. Her new address is 1425 Cedar Avenue, Canon City, CO 81212. I am sure she would enjoy hearing from her Church family

Debbie St. Clair had leg surgery recently. She is not allowed to put any weight on her bad leg for six weeks. If you would like to send her a "Get Well" card her address is 9039 Harlequin Circle, Frederick, CO 80504.

We welcome Laurie, Brett and Manda Baker to St. Mark's this morning. Laurie is in town to celebrate Brett's 37th birthday. We were pleased to have had Brett serve here as an Acolyte when he was growing up.

Thanks to Mary Rench for making a three month supply of "Priest's Hosts and Communion wafers" this month. She also did a terrific job of tidying up the kitchen!

Thanks to the parishioner who donated two large cans of Maxwell House coffee for the social hour.

Please get your bulletin news, invitations, and notices in by Thursday noon day to: matushka.deborah@gmail.com.

The Saint Sophia Chapel and Mausoleum at St. Lawrence on Observatory Hill is nearly finished and has turned out remarkably well, beautiful, and as should always be the case, an enhancement of the natural beauty of the Colorado wilderness.

Thanks be to God for the engineering skill, the original drawings and adaptations of design, and Sam the builder. When a few gallons of paint can be applied, maybe in two weeks time, the place should be presentable. God knows. By October the weather may present issues. Rdr. Stephen Greenlee has put many hours into the project from planning to the possible completion of the Saint Sophia Chapel. Bishop John blessed the place last month when he stayed at the Monastery for a few days. The whole cemetery was consecrated according to the ancient ritual about ten years ago. The ritual requires a large Cross to be set up and candles lit on the arms of the Cross. Then prayers said for all the living and the departed in Christ with holy water sprinkled around the perimeter of the churchyard. All very solemn and ancient stuff. Lord have mercy.

For those who may have attended PLC or any other Diocese events these past 25 years it is possible you remember Father Basil McMurry. Fr. Basil served for many years with Fr. Constantine Nasr at St. Elijah's Church in Oklahoma City. Fr. Basil died Friday afternoon at the age of 85 years. He was always a friend of our Western Rite people and enjoyed the substantial increase of Western Rite parishes and numbers of laity and clergy. He had served some sort of Anglican entity before finding St. Elijah's and converting to Orthodoxy. We plan to serve a Requiem for Fr. Basil tomorrow, Monday at 11:00 o'clock. Rest eternal grant unto him, O Lord. And may light perpetual shine upon him for endless ages with thy blessed ones. Amen.

Service Schedule for Week of September 22th

Sunday Morning Prayer 7:30 AM

Sunday Low Mass: 8 AM

Social Hour, Fellowship & Sunday School 9:05 AM

Matins 9:45 AM & Solemn Mass: 10:00 AM

Second Social Hour 11:30 AM

Monday: Requiem for

Fr. Basil McMurry, 11:00 AM

Wednesday Mass in Chapel at 12 noon

Saturday: 9:00 Latin Mass



SAINT MARK'S CHURCH

We serve the Western Rite as appointed by the Orthodox Patriarchate of Antioch and All the East, the First Chair of Peter.

Your prayers for Patriarch John X, Metropolitan Archbishop Joseph; Bp. Basil, Diocese of Wichita; Bp. John, Western Rite Vicariate; and Fr. John, Fr. James, the Rev'd Archdeacon Vladimir, Dn. John Saturus and SubDeacons John and Daniel.

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SEPTEMBER 22, 2019

Thanks to Father John Connely and Father James Tochihara for being our Celebrants and to Fr. James for preaching at 8:00 and 10:00 today.

The Blessed Virgin Shrine Candle is given in loving memory of Father Basil McMurry by Fr. John and Matushka Deborah. He faithfully served at St. Elijah Orthodox Church in Oklahoma City for many years.

The Altar Flowers are given in thanksgiving for the Birthday of Augustin by his parents Mark and Mah-rya Proper.

The Altar Guild will accept donations today for Altar Flowers on future Sundays. Please see Carol and or Mary Rench to learn more about serving on the Altar Guild. The ladies could use some extra hands. You can choose to work on Saturdays or Sundays or both days. It's up to you.

Following the first Liturgy, all are welcome to join us for Refreshments, Fellowship and the Sunday School Class in the downstairs parish hall. Thanks to Fr. John Connely and Kathryn Reeves for teaching the two Sunday School classes, today. We still need a volunteer to teach the Elementary students. If interested, please see Fr. John during the social hour. If they like, the children are welcome to join the Adult Class today.

The Anglican Chant Matins will begin at 9:45 AM followed by the Solemn Mass at 10 AM.

After the second service, all are welcome to join us downstairs for Refreshments and Fellowship.

Thanks to Fr. John for providing the social hour refreshments this morning.

Thanks to Ron and Natalie Lickteig and Margaret Murray for providing the delicious snacks last week.

We are asking parishioners who celebrate their birthdays in September to please bring refreshments to one of the Sunday social hours during the month.

Those Parishioners having birthdays this month are Ann Pinfield, Tamara McCrossen, Ron Lickteig, Matushka Diana Falcone, Brett Baker and Mah-rya and Augie Proper.

If you wish to participate, then let us know by signing your name on the Social Hour Calendar or by contacting Matushka Deborah by e-mail before 12 noon on Saturday. Her e-mail address is matushka.deborah@gmail.com

Thanks to Kathryn Reeves for providing the "Bread of Hospitality" this morning. The Bread Schedule for the next few weeks is Kathryn on September 29th and Shamassy Kristine Woolley on October 6th and on October 13th and Rdr. Stephen on October 20th and on October 27th. Thanks to our bakers for writing their names and the date on their bread bags.

Thanks to Guy Huft for doing clean up chores at the church earlier this month, and thanks to Rdr. Stephen Greenlee for meeting with the Denver fire inspector. One of the things, that he did was to check to see that we had 10 new fire extinguishers in the building.

*In preparation for St. Mark's Second Annual "Open House," Debbie St. Clair has several sign-up sheets in the Parish Hall for volunteers who want to help before, during and after the event. If you are interested in food prep, set-up or clean up, please let her know. The menu includes Smoked Beef Brisket, Hot Dogs, Cole-slaw, Pasta salad, Sliced melons and a variety of Desserts & Beverages. **This Event will be held on Sunday, October 6th.***