

Debbie sends a big "Thank You" to all those parishioners who have sent her so many lovely "Get Well" Cards...She so much appreciate them. Also she wanted to thank her church family for all the prayers. She says, that she is doing well, however it's just something that can not be rush. She was glad to see everyone at the "Open House" last week

Thanks to Fr. John, Rdr. Andrew Diederich and Matushka Deborah for working on updating the parish directory this month. 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:

From the desk of Rdr. Andrew: We're moving to Flocknote to send emails and text announcements for Saint Mark's Parish. Some groups have already started in our beta test, like sending out the weekly Altar Servers reminders. We need help with getting current contact information for names, email, cell phone, and street address. It also servers as the basis for our upcoming parish directory update. You can self-register (or fix our import errors) at <https://smp.flocknote.com>, or texting "St. Mark's Parish" (no quotes) to 84576. If you run a group that wants to send information, or just have questions, talk to Andrew Diederich. Thanks to Lisa Taylor for the suggestion. You may reach me at my e-mail address: andrew.r.diederich@gmail.com

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.

Thanks Shamassy Kristine Woolley for providing the "Bread of Hospitality" this morning. The Bread Schedule for the next few weeks is Rdr. Stephen on October 20th and on October 27th. Dana Huft on November 3rd and on November 10th, and Carol McCabe on November 17th and on November 24th.

Thanks to our bakers for writing their names on the bread bags.

The Saint Sophia Chapel and Mausoleum at St. Laurence 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 departed in Christ with holy water sprinkled around the perimeter of the churchyard. All very solemn and ancient stuff. Lord have mercy.

There will be a Vestry Meeting in the downstairs library at 9:10 AM this morning.

We need a volunteer to turn off the sprinkler system and someone to reset the clocks in the parish kitchen.

<p>Service Schedule for Week of October 13th Sunday Morning Prayer 7:30 AM Sunday Low Mass: 8 AM Vestry Meeting, Social Hour & Sunday School 9:10 AM Matins 9:45 AM & Solemn Mass: 10:00 AM Wednesday Mass in Chapel at 12 noon Saturday: 9:00 Latin Mass</p>



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 Satorus and SubDeacons John and Daniel.

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

OCTOBER 13, 2019

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

The Blessed Virgin Shrine Candle is given in loving memory of Laura Graham by Fr. John and Matushka Deborah.

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, Vestry Meeting and the Sunday School Class in the downstairs parish hall. Thanks to Dn. John Satorus for teaching the Sunday School class at 9:10 AM this morning. We still need two volunteers to teach the Elementary and Teen students. If interested, please see Fr. John during the social hour. If they like, the children and teens 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 Connely for providing the refreshments for the 9:00 AM and 11 AM social hour this morning.

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

Those Parishioners having Birthdays this month are Fr. Jason Falcone, Archdeacon Vladimir McDonald, Ann Armstrong, who is out of town, Deacon John Satorus Woolley, Patricia Meeks and Betsy Huseby.

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

Last Sunday, the St. Mark's Vestry hosted the Second Annual Neighborhood "Open House" luncheon, and generously picked up the tab for all the delicious meals.

Thanks to the St. Mark's Vestry for being our hosts, to Debbie St. Clair our head hostess, and to Kathryn Reeves, Carol McCabe, Matushka Deborah, Lisa Taylor, Shamassy Kristine, Debbie St. Clair, and to Tanya Diederich for preparing the food, and to Jane Long, Natalie Lickteig, M. Bauserman, Nancy Steffen, Matushka Deborah and Sandy Miller for helping before, during and after the event.

Also we would like to thank Fr. John, Rdr. Oliver, Debbie St. Clair and Rdr. Bill Banta for the nice flyers, and to Mary Gay Coit for giving tours of her Icon Studio. She is currently writing an Icon of St. Thomas.

Please get your bulletin news, invitations, and notices in by Thursday at 12 noon: to matushka.deborah@gmail.com.

As many of you know, Debbie St. Clair recently had surgery on her leg. She is recovering and was well enough to help with last Sunday's luncheon.