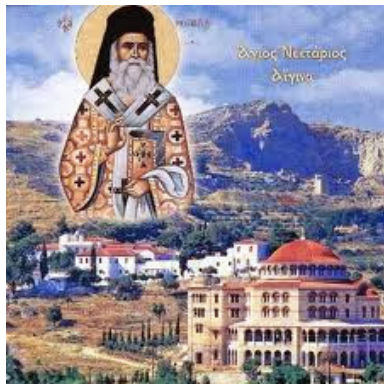




Sts. Peter & Paul Boulder

Weekly Bulletin Week of November 4th, 2018



St. Nektarios of Pentapolis - November 9th



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Recurring Services

Orthros
Sunday @ 8:30 am
Divine Liturgy
Sunday @ 9:30 am
Great Vespers
Saturday @ 5 pm
Confession by appt.

Welcome to Our Parish!

The mission of Sts. Peter & Paul is to be a beacon of Orthodox Christian spirituality in the greater Boulder area. We strive together to live our Orthodox Christian Faith by having a devoted prayer life, through fasting and almsgiving, and through regular participation in the services and sacraments of the Holy Orthodox Church.

Service Schedule & Parish Activities

Today We Welcome His Eminence Metropolitan Isaiah!

Monday, November 5	Parish Council Meeting	6:30 pm
Tuesday, November 6	Supplication to St. Nektarios	6 pm
Saturday, November 10	Great Vespers	5 pm
Sunday, November 11	Parish General Assembly	12 pm

Hosts & Volunteers

Ushers	Tony & Rimona Azar
Myrrhbearers	Demetra, Cassie, Sophie
Epistle Reader	Elizabeth

Have an Announcement?

Please contact Aaron Wall:
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(720) 400-6579
Deadline is every Wed. before Divine Liturgy.

St. Nektarios of Aegina (November 9th)

The Man Who Falsely Accused St. Nektarios **By John Sanidopoulos**

It has been asked why St. Nektarios, a Saint of recent times, works so many miracles today. The answer is because he suffered much in his life, often times being falsely accused by the ignorant. Slander, mocking and false accusation, when endured with humility, patience and trust in God, are a great blessing for the Christian. The humbled are indeed glorified.

When St. Nektarios established his female Monastery on the island of Aegina, locals went so far as to accuse him of immorality and that he used the Monastery to perform his debauchery. They speculated that the nuns gave birth to illegitimate children, which they would then throw down the well.

One woman from Aegina named Kerou had a grace-filled and God-fearing 16 year old daughter. The mother had a mania to persecute her daughter for this and tried several times to kill her. The young girl took refuge in the Monastery under St. Nektarios. The tender-hearted Saint took her in and protected her. Kerou in turn began to slander the Saint. A Prosecutor received the complaint and the next day came to Aegina angry with two constables. He breached the door, despite the rules of the Convent, and went straight to the apartment of the Saint. The nuns became upset and began to cry. The Holy Bishop got up and received his visitors with his usual Christian smile. Furious, the Prosecutor said to the aged Elder: "You dirty old man, where are the children you are giving birth to? Is that what you are doing here?" He then seized him by his cassock and threatened him, saying: "I'll shave off your beard hair by hair!"

The Saint did not say a word. He only pointed his hand above and said: "God sees! God knows!"

Indeed, the Prosecutor who was quick to accept slander and dared lift his arm against the Saint became seriously ill within a week. He had terrible pain from his illness. The hand with which he grabbed the Saint dried up. Realizing his error, he felt the need to go to St. Nektarios and ask for his forgiveness. The Saint, out of forbearance and longsuffering, prayed very much for the man. Within two years the Prosecutor's hand had to be cut off. Meanwhile, the Monastery of St. Nektarios prospered and the Sisterhood grew. It has become a spiritual hospital, which gives rest to the soul and illumination to the people of God.

Happiness is a Pure Heart **By St. Nektarios of Aegina**

How mistaken are those people who seek happiness outside of themselves, in foreign lands and journeys, in riches and glory, in great possessions and pleasures, in diversions and vain things, which have a bitter end! It is the same thing to construct the tower of happiness outside of ourselves as it is to build a house in a place that is consistently shaken by earthquakes. Happiness is found within ourselves, and blessed is the man who has understood this. Happiness is a pure heart, for such a heart becomes the throne of God. Thus says Christ of those who have pure hearts: "I will visit them, and will walk in them, and I will be a God to them, and they will be my people." (II Cor. 6:16) What can be lacking to them? Nothing, nothing at all! For they have the greatest good in their hearts: God Himself!

Events & Announcements

Today, we welcome His Eminence Metropolitan Isaiah!

Sts Peter & Paul Parish Milestone

Today is a very special milestone for the Sts Peter Paul Parish. Close to twenty years ago, construction began for the Sts Peter Paul Church. A few months ago the dome construction was completed. Thank you to all the faithful stewards for your commitment and sacrifice to the House of God. In the last few years, we have been blessed to receive new icons for the icon screen and church pews. *“Protect the whole body of Your Church. Sanctify those who love the beauty of Your House.” (Liturgy of St John Chrysostom)*

Special Paraclesis to Saint Nektarios - Tuesday, November 6, 6 pm

The church will offer a Paraclesis (Supplication) Service to St. Nektarios this Tuesday. St Nektarios is one of the most beloved saints of the church. There will be an opportunity to be blessed with Holy Oil from the monastery of St Nektarios (Aegena, Greece) at the end of the service.

Parish General Assembly - Sunday, November 11

Orthodox Christian Faith Series - Wednesday, November 14, 7:30 pm.

Are you interested in learning more about the Orthodox Christian Church? Do you have a desire to become an Orthodox Christian? Please join us for our next class. The class topic will be the “Prayer and Fasting.” If you have have questions, please contact Father Jordan @ frjordanbrown@gmail.com or 303-581-1434. A Lenten meal will be provided.

Weekday Bible Study - Wednesday, November 14, at 9 am

The Weekday morning Bible Study Class will meet on All our welcome to participate in the morning Bible Study. Class will begin at 9 am (1 hour). Coffee and refreshments are provided.

Philoptochos Annual Jewelry Fund Raiser - November 18th

Following Divine Liturgy, Heather Gilmore with Premier Designs will be with us showcasing Premier's jewelry collection. Stop by the table set up in the hall and order some jewelry. For every \$75 you purchase, you will receive any item for 50% off. If you are unable to make it this Sunday but would like to see a catalog, see Lis Troicky or you can view the catalog online at www.GilmoreGems.com. When you place your order, don't forget to mention that your order is to benefit the Philoptochos of Sts Peter & Paul! Thank you for your support!

Philoptochos Bookstore

Order your 2019 Icon Wall Calendar, 2019 Orthodox Children's Wall Calendar, and Orthodox Christmas Cards today! Please see Sharon Dzilvelis during fellowship, email at sharon_dzilvelis@yahoo.com or call/text at 303-495-8827 to place your order. Come get them while you can, the most popular card designs often sell out fast!

Events & Announcements

Upcoming Youth Events

OCF - College Ministry
Lunch on campus: Tuesday, November 13, 12 pm
Dinner, November 27, 6 pm

GOYA Fall Retreat - November 17 & 18

GOYA Fireside Chat (Discussion & Dinner) - Saturday, December 8
Where: Home of Fr. Jordan & Presbyteria Marika

Shut-in & Nursing Home Visitations with Father Jordan - December 15
We will prepare gift bags and sing Christmas Carols / Nativity Hymns

GOYA Christmas Carol Visitations with Father Jordan
Saturday, December 15

St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival

The official topics for the 2019 St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival have been released. We usually hold a parish-level festival in early spring, so if you're interested in competing and you're in grades 7 through 12, please see this page for further information about choosing a topic:

<https://www.goarch.org/-/2019-st-john-chrysostom-oratorical-festival-topics?inheritRedirect=true>

Church Etiquette

The Holy Bread - Antidoron

After taking Holy Communion and at the end of the Liturgy, it is traditional to eat a piece of holy bread or antidoron - the Holy Bread that was left over after Holy Communion was prepared. While antidoron is not Holy Communion, it is blessed bread, and as such, should be eaten properly so that crumbs do not fall all over the place. After taking Communion and at the end of the Divine Liturgy, receive the antidoron, and when you return to your seat, eat the blessed bread trying not to drop the crumbs. Please help your children to receive the antidoron, and eat it respectfully. We have a tradition in the church to take extra antidoron, and eat a small piece with Holy Water in the morning during the week days. The antidoron is available in the parish hall after the Divine Services for you to take home.

Wearing Chapstick, Lip Gloss, & Lipstick

Please blot your lips well before venerating an icon, taking Holy Communion, or kissing the cross or the hands of clergy. Lip products may look good on you, but they look horrible on our icons, crosses, the Communion spoon, and the hands of clergy.

Bi-Annual Philoptochos Fund Raiser:

Various Gift Cards

Support Philoptochos with special order gift cards!

A percentage of every sale comes directly to us!

* Easter * Birthdays * Graduation * Personal Shopping *



and Hundreds More!!!

Order Deadline: Nov 11th to receive by Nov 18

See Lis Troicky after church on Nov 4th & 11th to view a list of gift cards and place your order.