



**Holy Protection  
of the Mother of God  
Byzantine Catholic Church**  
1201 S Elizabeth St  
Denver, CO 80210

**Saints Cyril and Methodius  
Russian Byzantine Catholic Community**  
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**This weekly schedule should match the calendar found on the website ([holyprotection.org/about/calendar/](http://holyprotection.org/about/calendar/)). Please communicate any discrepancies you notice to Fr Joel by email. Emergency cancellations or changes to this weekly schedule will be communicated through Flocknote.**

<b>Schedule of Services and Events</b> <i>(Liturgy intentions in italics)</i>		
Sat Dec 10	<b>Sunday of the Forefathers</b>	
	5:00 pm	Great Vespers (Reader Service at HP)
	6:00 pm	Vesperal Divine Liturgy (at Fort Collins)
Sun Dec 11	8:30 am	Festal Matins (Reader Service at HP)
	9:30 am	Divine Liturgy ( <i>Parishioners</i> )
	1:30 pm	Divine Liturgy (Russian at Regis)
Mon Dec 12	<b>Our Lady of Guadalupe</b>	
	8:30 am	Paraklesis
	10:00 am	Divine Liturgy (Sophia Montessori Academy)
	<b>Holy Martyr Eustratius and Others</b>	
	4:30 pm	Great Vespers
Tue Dec 13	8:30 am	Festal Matins
	12 noon	Divine Liturgy for the Deceased (+ <i>Audrey, +Cameron, +Adam, and Erica by C. O'Loughlin</i> )
	<b>Aliturgical Day of Alleluia</b>	
	4:30 pm	Daily Vespers (Alleluia)
Wed Dec 14	8:30 am	Daily Matins (Alleluia)
	10:00 am	Typika with Holy Communion
	4:30 pm	Daily Vespers
Thu Dec 15	No services	
Fri Dec 16	<b>Aliturgical Day of Alleluia</b>	
	8:30 pm	Daily Matins (Alleluia)
	12:00 pm	Typika with Holy Communion
	7:00 pm	Ladies' Book Club
Sat Dec 17	9:00 am	Holy Mystery of Penance
	10:00 am	Parastas (+ <i>Andrew Bonn, 40th Day</i> )
	<b>Sunday Before the Nativity</b>	
	5:00 pm	Great Vespers (Reader Service at HP)
	6:00 pm	Vesperal Divine Liturgy (at Fort Collins)
Sun Dec 18	8:30 am	Festal Matins (Reader Service at HP)
	9:30 am	Divine Liturgy ( <i>Parishioners</i> )
	1:30 pm	Divine Liturgy (Russian at Regis)

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## Sunday Divine Liturgy Propers

- VESPERAL DIVINE LITURGY (Fort Collins)
  - Begin: *Teal book*, p 104
  - Ps 103 B: p 109
  - Ps 140, Tone 2: pp 128ff
  - O Joyful Light: p 117
  - Saturday Evening Prokeimenon: p 118
  - Small Litany before the Thrice-Holy Hymn: p.122
  - Thrice-Holy Hymn: Special melody
  - Remainder of Divine Liturgy (see below)
- DIVINE LITURGY (Holy Protection, Fort Collins Outreach)
  - Propers, Tone 2, pp 130ff; Second Sunday before Christmas, pp 281ff
  - Readings: Colossians 3:4-11; Luke 14:16-24
- DIVINE LITURGY (Russian, Sts Cyril and Methodius at Regis)
  - Propers from Tone 1
  - Readings: Colossians 3:4-11; Luke 14:16-24

## St Nicholas Banquet–Thank You!

- Perla Hoskins and kids, the Maslaks, Carl Bunderson, the Mendliks, the McCords, and Tim Barstad
- And everyone who came and made it such a festive occasion!

## Other Thank You's

- Cleaning the church: Anonymous
- Decorating the church for Christmas: the Carys, Theresa Gibbons, Perla Hoskins
- Raking the church yard: the Carys

## Ladies' Book Study Group

Next meeting: Dec 16, 7:00pm, at Holy Protection. The book is *Putting Joy Into Practice: Seven Ways to Lift Your Spirit from the Early Church* by Phoebe Farag Mikhail. Contact Rachel Cary (smauth@gmail.com) for more details.

## Parastas

A Parastas will be offered on Sat Dec 17, **10:00am (new time)**, to commemorate the 40th day of the passing of long-time parishioner Andrew Bonn.

## Christmas Schedule

- Fri Dec 23, 12 noon: Royal Hours for the Nativity
- Sat Dec 24, 6:00 pm: Vespereal Liturgy of St Basil (Russian-rite at Holy Protection)
- Sun Dec 25, 9:30 am: Divine Liturgy of St John Chrysostom

## First Confession

Are there any parents who would be interested in First Confession classes for their children in January and February 2023? No one has contacted Fr Joel yet to confirm interest.