

September 26, 2021, Tone 1
18th Sunday After Pentecost
Christ is Among Us! He is and Always Shall Be!



October 1st: Holy Protection of the Mother of God

**Holy Protection of Mary Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Phoenix
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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday—Friday 10:00 am—4:00 pm
Thursday OFF

THEOSIS: 2nd & 4th Thursday
Bible Study 6:45 pm / Zoom

Advisory Board

Fr. Chris Zugger, Dan Riley, Rafael Plut,
Jeff Brewer, Michael Grega, Alicia Wells

Finance Council

Matthew Blain, Maria Alden

**Confession (Mystery of
Reconciliation):**

9:15—10:00 am on Sundays, before or
after weekday Liturgies, or by appoint-
ment with Father

**Mysteries of Baptism/Chrismation/
Eucharist:**

Must be arranged three months in ad-
vance.
(Pre-Jordan requirement)

Mystery of Crowning:

Must be arranged six months in ad-
vance
(Pre-Cana requirement)

Sick and Shut-Ins: It is the family's
responsibility to notify the parish office
when a parishioner is in the hospital or
confined to home because of sickness
or old age. Father will bring the con-
fined person the Holy Mysteries on a
regular basis. It is recommended that
one receive the Anointing of the Sick
before any major surgery. Please don't
let the priest be last to know that some-
one is ill!

Our Gifts to the Lord
Attendance: Saturday 33; Sunday 88

September 19, 2021

Adult tithing	\$3,582.40
Non-parishioner offering	300.00
Holy Cross	25.00
Building Fund	25.00
Youth Activity Fund	100.00
Candles	47.00
Book Store (9/13—9/19)	45.99
TOTAL:	\$4,125.39

May the Lord Bless your kindness and
generosity to His House!



Welcome to our Church! If you are looking for a spiritual home, contact Father Artur/Fr Chris or the office staff for more information. God bless you!

18th Sunday After Pentecost / 2 Cor 9:6-11; Lk 5:1-11

YouTube Live 8:30 am Rosary; 9:00 am Matins, Confessions
10:00 am Divine Liturgy for Parish Family, Benefactors and Friends
Eternal Lamp: + Fr John Kovach

Sep 27 Mon ***Callistratus and Others Martyrs / Phil 1:1-7; Lk 4:37-44***

9:00 am Divine Liturgy / God's Blessing on Sr Anastasia

Sep 28 Tue ***Chariton Venerable Confessor / 2 Cor 4:6-15; Lk 6:17-23***

9:00 am Divine Liturgy / + Fr John Kovach by Svenssons

Sep 29 Wed ***Cyriacus Venerable / Phil 1:12-20; Lk 5:33-39***

4:30—5:45 pm Philokalia Prayer and Discussion Group

5:30 pm OLPH Devotions

6:00 pm Divine Liturgy / + Dorothy Curl by Svenssons

Fr. Chris: +Olga Bodnar

Sep 30 Thu ***Gregory Illuminator Bishop Martyr / Phil 1:20-27; Lk 6:12-19***

Oct 1 Fri ***Protection of the Theotokos / Solemn Holy Day / Heb 9:1-7; Lk 10:38-42 & 1:27-28***



9:00am am Prayer & witness in front of abortion clinic on San Mateo

6:00 pm Divine Liturgy and Mysteries of Christian Initiation for Theodore Fogg

Fr. Chris: +Margaret Kneafsey by Svenssons

Oct 2 Sat ***Cyprian Bishop Martyr / 1 Cor 15:58-16:3; Lk 5:17-26***

9:00 am Animal Blessing in front of the outdoor shrine on the patio

Oct 3 Sun ***19th Sunday After Pentecost / 2 Cor 11:31-12:9; Lk 6:31-36***

4:00 pm Great Vespers (YouTube Live)

Hebrew Scriptures for Sunday: 1 John 3:21-4:6; 1 John 4:11-16; 1 John 4:20-5:5

5:00 pm Divine Liturgy / + Gloria Hrivnak by Pam Pettit

YouTube LIVE 8:30 am Rosary; 9:00 am Matins, Confessions
10:00 am Divine Liturgy for Parish Family, Benefactors and Friends
Eternal Lamp: Intention of Talamante Family by Friend

YOUTUBE LIVE-STREAMING: OLPH Sunday / Holy Day Liturgies are available on YouTube. The link is <https://youtube.com/c/olphmedia>. Please click the "Subscribe" button to make it easier for you to find the channel in the future. Please, send your feedback about the quality of the live stream / comments / suggestions to Dan Riley: riley.dan@gmail.com

Remember Those Who Request Our Prayers:

Physician and Help of Those in sickness, Redeemer and Savior of the infirm; O Master and Lord of all, grant healing to your servants. Be clement, show mercy to those who have sinned much, and deliver them, O Christ, from their Iniquities, that they may glorify your might divine

Sharif Rabadi	Buster Miscusi	Paola Terlaza
Jenny Ford	Barbara De Lap	Ruth Sousa
Priscilla Hughes	Irene Bradley	Linda Granci
Marilyn Fore	Sorlah Chavez	Vicki Frank
Sven & Barbara	Abraham Haddad	Christopher
Svensson	Marianne Gerace	Barlow
Laurie Bienz	Lori Medina	Tracy McTernan
Brent Dodson-	Michael Baron	Scott Fafrak
Sands	Gabriel Preisler	Jordan Smith
John & Maria	Todd Bailey	Rebecca Baja
Alden	Fr Chris Zugger	Janet Worthington
Lara Davis	Marcie Dark	Patti Klinkovsky
Jessica Pieniadz		Matt Williamson
Rhonda Glasscock		



Vocation Icon

Today: Carol Donlin
Next Sunday: Pam Pettit

“When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.” Have you seen the Lord work in your life in such a powerful way that you would consider leaving everything to follow him? This is the response of the apostles in today’s gospel reading. The Church is fortified by men and women who follow him as priests, deacons, monks and nuns. If you may be hearing this call, Contact the Vocations Office at 206-329-9219 or email: vocations@ephx.org

Intentions of the Rosary:

- 1st Decade: Help for persecuted Catholics, especially in communist and Islamic states
- 2nd Decade: Spiritual and physical growth of our parish and the Byzantine Catholic Church
- 3rd Decade: Increase in vocations to priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life to serve the Byzantine Catholic Church
- 4th Decade: Repose of the souls who have no one praying for them
- 5th Decade: Healing of the sick in body, mind and soul

**Holy Father’s Intentions for September
An Environmentally Sustainable Lifestyle**

We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

September Birthdays

Colin Herring, 9/24
Genifer Dodd, 9/26
Maria Alden, 9/29

October Birthdays

Philip Leahy, 10/1
Keith McNeil, 10/2
Pauline Blain, 10/3
Patricio Chavez, 10/3

Daniel Fogg, 10/7
Samia Rabadi, 10/7
Brook Jilek, 10/8
Joshua Montano, 10/8

Grant O Lord to your faithful servants Many Happy & Blessed Years

October 3, 2021

Cantor: Evie Jilek

Reader: Brook Jilek

Altar Server: Michael Grega

Trojca: Elizabeth & Jacob Montano

Counters: Rafael Plut, Ann Rajala

Propers for 10/3/2021

**19th Sunday after Pentecost / Tone 2
Troparion (Tone 2) - DL 130**

v. Glory...

Kontakion (Tone 2) - DL 131

v. Now & Ever...

Theotokion - DL 406

Prokeimenon & Alleluia - DL 132

Our Father- DL 67

Communion Hymn - DL 79

OLPH Prayer Warriors

Sunday (Zoom). Send your prayer requests to Patricia at pocb@unm.edu THE PRAYER WARRIORS IS OPEN TO EVERYONE--WOMEN, MEN, & CHILDREN (children who have their parents' permission)!

Please join us!!

10/3 Praise/Worship

10/10 Midnight

10/17 Forgiveness Part I

10/24 Forgiveness Part II

Barbara's Hall Report

Well, no food again this week but I have a feeling that will change for the next change for the next couple of weeks!

Coming Events—Mark Your Calendars Now

Tue Oct 5	6:00 pm Advisory Board Meeting
Tue Oct 12 Wed Oct 13	Father Chris 40th Anniversary 6:00 pm Divine Liturgy 6:00 pm Dinner at the Sheraton Uptown
Sat Oct 16	8:30 am—3:00 pm Women's Day of Reflection
Oct 18-22	Clergy Retreat in Phoenix, AZ
Mon Nov. 8	Archangel Michael & All Angels Solemn Holy Day 6:00 pm Divine Liturgy
Mon Nov. 15	Start of Phillip's Fast
Thu Nov 25	Thanksgiving Day 9:00 am Divine Liturgy
Mon Dec 6	Feast of St. Nicholas / Solemn Holy Day 6:00 pm Divine Liturgy
Wed Dec 8	Feast of the Maternity of St. Anna Solemn Holy Day 6:00 pm Divine Liturgy

ANNUAL BLESSING OF ANIMANLS

Saturday October 2nd at 9.00am
in front of the outdoor shrine on the patio

THE BYZANTINE CATHOLIC EPARCHY OF PHOENIX

subscribes to the

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Confessions on Sunday morning, beginning at 9 am during the Matins. Please line up on the north wall, near the hall door. Father Chris will usually stop hearing confessions when the Liturgy reaches the "Holy God." However, if you are still in line waiting, he will instruct you to go into the hall after the Liturgy, and he will meet you at the door of the old sacristy, next to the statue of Saint Joseph. He will then hear the confessions of all those who could not make theirs earlier.

Anniversary Father Chris will be observing his 40th anniversary of ordination to the priesthood with a Divine Liturgy on Tuesday October 12 at 6:00 pm and a celebratory dinner at the Sheraton uptown on October 13 at 6:00 pm. The invitations were sent last week. **Please RSVP by Sept 30.**

Last Sunday, we prayed for ECF students and teachers, that God may strengthen them in their good work of growing in faith, love and knowledge of God through catechesis. We ask you to keep them in your prayers, to encourage the students, their parents and their teachers to persevere in their studies, and to support and thank those who have accepted the responsibility of catechesis for our children as a gift of their time, energy and dedication.

In order to pass on the faith of our Church, we must take hold of it ourselves! What are you doing to nourish your spiritual life and your knowledge of the beautiful faith of our Church? There are many resources available at our parish Gift Shop. You can also visit GodWithUsBooks.org or GodWithUsOnline.org for books, videos, webinars, further resources and study guides to strengthen you in your confidence to share the faith of our Church with others.

Eparchial Appeal 2021 FINAL REPORT

The goal for our parish: \$29,904.86 Collected: \$19,299.66

Participation: registered OLPH families, 60; contributed to date, 47. THANK YOU and May God Reward you for generous and sacrificial response. His MERCY to OLH is amazing!

ONLINE GIVING / ONLINE TITHING is available on our website:

For those parishioners who can't attend in person or traveling or anyone who find this more convenient, we just set up a new way to tithe online using your credit card or debit card information. You can do a one-time donation or setup weekly donations!! You will receive a receipt and statement immediately after donating. The software takes a very small percentage of the donation, but its worth it for the ease of the system. You can donate using your computer / smartphone at: <https://www.olphnm.org/giving> Thank you

Dear Parish Family, 40 DAYS FOR LIFE begins on Wednesday September 22nd. Over 19,000 lives have been saved since 2007 from all of the 40 Days for Life locations. PDL has hosted 40 Days for Life in Albuquerque every Spring and Fall since it began and lives have been saved each time right here in Albuquerque. Many more can be saved when we pray, fast, and witness for Life!!! As usual every parish has a designated day to come pray and witness the Sanctity of Life in front of the abortion clinic on San Mateo or Lomas. Our Parish is scheduled on **Friday October 1st and Friday October 29**. See flyers on greeting table or bulletin board in the hall for more info.

What: OLPH Women's Day of Reflection 2021

When: Saturday, October 16

Where: Our Lady of Perpetual Help Byzantine Catholic Church

Reminder: Ladies, if you are planning on attending our October 16 Day of Reflection on peace of heart, don't forget to give your completed registration and payment to Mary Blain or Cindy Loescher before the end of September.

St Wenceslaus

Sept 28 - St Wenceslaus - The popular Christmas carol is based on the life of this Czech prince, a devout Catholic and Duke of Bohemia.

The country was divided between Wenceslaus' duchy and a new territory created by his brother, aptly named Boleslaus the Cruel. Wenceslaus was raised in the Faith by his father and his grandmother St. Ludmilla. She was converted by Saints Cyril and Methodius. Ludmilla was martyred by Wenceslaus' pagan mother in 921.

After his father's death, Wenceslaus took the throne as a teenager, even though he wanted to be a monk. He was deeply loved by his people for his gentleness and charity to the poor. Boleslaus wanted the throne for himself, and invited Wenceslaus to Mass. He then killed his brother and his faithful servant Podevin, who is mentioned in the carol as his helper in charity, at the very door of the church, on September 28, 929. Wenceslaus' last words were "Brother, I forgive you." Boleslaus repented in 932, due to the many miracles at his brother's tomb, and he moved the body to Saint Vitus cathedral in Prague. The tombs of king and servant are pilgrimage sites.

Wenceslaus, as a "just king," became a model for medieval kings and princes, in that their power was to derive from their charity and piety, not through the accident of birth. He is the patron of Bohemia and the Czech nation.

Protection of the Mother of God

October 1, is the patronal feast of our eparchy: the Holy Protection of the Mother of God (*Pokrov* in Slavonic). This feast, on the first day of October, celebrates the reality of Mary, the Mother of God (Theotokos) interceding for us before the throne of the Almighty. The oldest Byzantine Catholic eparchy, Mukachevo, is also under this title.

Our Lady, the Holy Mother of God, spends eternity praying for her children to turn to God. She is perpetually praying on our behalf. On this feast of the Holy Protection during such challenging times, let us come together at the services and pray fervently that we will be true to her, and above all, true to her Divine Son and His Gospel, and so repent of our sins in order to be closer to Christ. The United States is dedicated to her Immaculate Conception, so we are especially close to her!

Its origins lie in events in old Constantinople, either when the city was under attack in the years 864-867 by the pagan Rus' or in 911 when the Avars threatened (or perhaps Our Lady appeared at each crisis). Worshippers had filled the Blachernae church in which the robes of the Virgin Mary were kept during in 911 when **Saint Andrew, a Fool-for-Christ's Sake**, who was a Slav, and his disciple **St Epiphanius**, a Greek, saw the Virgin Mary appear in the dome of the church, extending her veil out over the assembly. She was surrounded by angels and ranks of the saints. Our Lady descended from the dome, escorted by Saints John the Baptist and John the Theologian, and went to the ambon, or bema, which in those days was a central raised pulpit in the center of the church, instead of the curved step in front of the royal doors of today. There she bowed her head and began to cry. Finally, she spread out her veil over the people, and ascended to the dome, and then disappeared. At this point, the attackers withdrew and the city was spared.

The icon honors the role of Mary as intercessor, and also brings together figures from different time periods, who all have connections to Our Lady and her intercession. Thus, **Saint Romanos** is usually in the bema. Romanos was a Jewish convert who lived in the fifth century. He wanted to be a cantor, but stammered and was mocked by many of the clergy after a particularly difficult reading of the Psalter during a service. After his fervent prayers to Mary, he was able to not only sing beautifully, but also to compose theology in poetic forms to be chanted. He is the source of many texts used in our worship to this very day, and composed over 1,000 kontakia in honor of the Nativity of our Lord, Palm Sunday, Our Lady, the saints, and feast days of Our Lord (today we only use the opening verse of the kontakia, but most of them are much longer with 18-30 verses).

There are also icons showing people sheltered inside the cloak of Our Lady. This was very popular in the medieval era.

SS. Andrew and Epiphanius, who are honored on October 2, were both “fools for Christ’s sake.” This difficult vocation is followed especially in the Church of Russia by both men and women, which has over 30 canonized “fools.” Some take on the humiliations of a fool to atone for Jesus’ suffering in His passion, especially at the hands of the soldiers. Others are called by God for totally different reasons:

One form of the ascetic Christian life is called foolishness for the sake of Christ. The fool-for-Christ set for himself the task of battling within himself the root of all sin, pride. In order to accomplish this he took on an unusual style of life, appearing as someone bereft of his mental faculties, thus bringing upon himself the ridicule of others. In addition he exposed the evil in the world through metaphorical and symbolic words and actions. He took this ascetic endeavor upon himself in order to humble himself and to also more effectively influence others, since most people respond to the usual ordinary sermon with indifference. The spiritual feat of foolishness for Christ was especially widespread in Russia. (Excerpted from *The Law of God*, Holy Trinity Monastery, Jordanville, NY: 1993)

It is to the two “fools” to whom Our Lady appeared in the Blachernae Church first, not to the imperial family or the bishops. This is a reminder to the rest of us of the need for humility and penance. The other figures shown in the icon are usually St. **Theodora the Empress**, who defended the use of icons, emperor **Leo the Wise**, and the patriarch of Constantinople.

Devotion to the Holy Protection of the Mother of God spread very rapidly when the Slavic nations of Central Europe and Kiev-Rus’ were converted. This feast is enormously popular in Russia, Ukraine, and Slovakia, under the Slavic name of “Pokrov.” Many of our churches in the Northeast which are known as “Saint Mary” are actually dedicated to the Protection, as can be seen by the icon on the parish iconostas. This is also the full title of the first Byzantine Catholic church built in the Western States, now in Sherman Oaks, California: Saint Mary of the Holy Protection.

It is worth noting that October is the month of the Rosary in the Latin Church. This is due to the feast of the Holy Rosary on October 7, which was instituted in thanksgiving for the Christian victory over a Muslim fleet at the battle of Lepanto in 1571, after the Christian crews prayed the Rosary. Also, the great Miracle of the Sun took place on October 13, 1917, at Fatima in Portugal.