November 3, 2024 24th Sunday A fter Pentecost / T one 7

Christ is Among Us! He is and Always Shall Be!

REVELATION CONCERNING THE ANGELS

OR "CHRISTIAN ANGELOLOGY"



- "The existence of the spiritual, noncorporeal beings that Sacred Scripture usually calls "angels" is a truth of faith. The witness of Scripture is as clear as the unanimity of Tradition."
- Catechism of the Catholic Church 328

- 95. In the beginning of time God created spiritual essences (angels) out of nothing.
- 96. The nature of angels is spiritual.
- 97. The angels are by nature immortal.
- 98. God set a supernatural final end for the angels, the immediate vision of God, and endowed them with sanctifying grace in order that they might achieve this end.
- The angels were subjected to a moral testing.
- 100. The evil spirits (demons) were created good by God; they became evil through their own fault.

- 101. The primary task of the good angels is the glorification and the service of God.
- 102. The secondary task of the good angels is the protection of men and care for their salvation.
- 103. Every one of the faithful has his own special guardian angel from Baptism.
- 104. The Devil possesses a certain dominion over mankind by reason of Adam's sin.

Fundamentals of Catholic Dogma by Dr. Ludwig Ott, (2009)

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Annual OLPH Angel Tree is Coming!!

The parishioners of OLPH are being asked by St.Nicholas to open up their hearts again this Christmas season and participate in our annual Angel Tree. The display will be set up on November 15. We will then have through St. Nicholas Sunday—Sunday,

December 8th—to donate before the gifts are presented to St. Nicholas! This year we are excited to collect monetary donations for the Korolevo orphanage in Ukraine or Amazon gift cards for the seminarians at the Byzantine Catholic Seminary of SS Cyril and Methodius.

Please, sign up TODAY for the Traveling Pilgrim Vocation Icon in 2025.

Dear Parish Family, the Love of Christ presses us to respond generously to God's call in our lives. We are all called to pray for vocations to Saintly Christian Marriage, to the Priesthood, the Diaconate and the Religious Life. Prayer is an invisible but essential ministry in the Church. This is an important way to be involved in vocation ministry. Sign up to have the Pilgrim Vocation Icon in your home. The sign-up sheet is on the greeting table by the Holy Water Font. You will be greatly blessed.

Holy Protection of Mary Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Phoenix Most Reverend Kurt Burnette Apostolic Administrator

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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

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

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 immedi-

ately 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:

ps://www.olphnm.org/giving.

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Confession (Mystery of Reconciliation):

9:00—10:00 am on Sundays, before or after weekday Liturgies, or by appointment with Father

Mysteries of Baptism/Chrismation/ Eucharist:

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

Mystery of Crowning:

Must be arranged six months in advance (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 confined 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 someone is ill!

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!

Ephesians 2:14-22; Luke 8:41-36

YouTube Live 8:30 am Rosary

9:00 am Matins & Confessions

ECF Classes 10:00 am Divine Liturgy / Intention for the Parishioners of OLPH

Eternal Lamp: Holy Protection of the Mother of God over People of Ukraine

Nov 4 Mon Joannicus Venerable / 2 Thess 1:1-10; Lk 12:13.15 & 22-31

9:00 am Divine Liturgy / Holy Souls by Juanita Montoya

Nov 5 Tue Galaction and Episteme Martyrs / 2 Thess 1:10-2:2; Lk 12:42-48

9:00 am Divine Liturgy / Holy Souls by Juanita Montoya

6:00 pm CAFÉ meeting at OLPH Parish Hall

Nov 6 Wed Paul the Confessor Archbishop / 2 Thess 2:1-12; Lk 12:48-59

5:30 pm OLPH Devotions

6:00 pm Divine Liturgy / +Natalia Rybchynska by Strutynski Family / Panichida

Nov 7 Thu 33 Martyrs of Melitene / 2 Thess 2:13-3:5; Lk 13:1-9

Nov 8 Fri Archangel Michael and All Angels / Solemn Holy Day

Hebrews 2:2-10; Luke 10:16-21

9:30 am Prayer & Witness in front of abortion clinic on Lomas

6:00 pm Divine Liturgy / Blessing of Litija / Myrovanije /

+Elizabeth Felicidad Newman by Weagel Family followed by Panichida

Nov 9 Sat Matrona Venerable / Gal 1:3-10; Lk 9:37-43

10:30 - am—4:00 pm Explorers Youth Group

Nov 10 Sun 25th Sunday After Pentecost / Eph 4:1-6; Lk 10:25-37

4:00 pm Great Vespers

Hebrew Scriptures for Sunday:

Exodus 31:18-32:6; 1 Kings 8:10-29; Proverbs 3:19-24

5:00 pm Divine Liturgy / +Natalia Rybchynska by Strutynski Family

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9:00 am Matins & Confessions

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ECF Classes 5:30 pm Ask A Priest

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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 Jordan Smith Harry & Barbara Janet Worthington Jenny Ford De Lap Marilyn Fore Irene Bradley Patti Klinkovsky Sven & Barbara Soriah Chavez Matt Williamson Svensson Abraham Haddad James Epstein Laurie Bienz Marianne Gerace Katy Ford Brent Dodson-Michael Baron Alton Bertschinger Jessica Pieniadz Madalyn Davis Sands Rhonda Rebecca Russo Lara Davis Carol Donlin Glasscock Jacob McTernan Marcie Dark Amber Roybal Paola Terlaza Fr Chris Zugger Philip Leahy Vicki Frank Fr Chris Andrews Juanita Montoya **Emily** Fr Robert Rankin Linda Granci Wojciechowski Fr Joel Barstad Fr. Steve Washko Christopher Buster Miscusi Barlow Fr. Joseph Wargaki Fr James Bankston Richard Jacobs Joel Ford Lourdes Lasin Andrew Martinez Killian Parker

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 / November For anyone who has lost a child

We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.

"Daughter, be of good cheer! Your faith has made you well.
Go in peace." Our merciful Savior brought healing to the ill because he loves us all. By dedicating our lives to more prayer and devotion to him through a vocation to holy orders and monastic lives, this healing can be extended to the world. Is this something that may be in store for your future? Contact the Vocations Office at 206-329-9219 or email: vocations@ephx.org



Vocation Icon
Today: Montano Family
Next Sunday: Wyatt Family

November 10, 2024

Cantor: Andrea Riley Reader: Kendrick Sena Altar Server: Michael Grega Troijca: Alaina Riley Counters: Mary Blain & Ann Rajala

Propers for 11/10/24 25th Sunday after Pentecost Tone 8

Troparion- 161

v. Glory...
Kontakion - 162

v. Now & Ever...
Theotokion – 406
Prokeimenon & Alleluia - 162-3
Our Father - 73

The OLPH Prayer Warriors

make intercessory prayer a daily commitment. We pray voluntarily and without bias; that is, we take to the Blessed Trinity the requests that come our way. The Prayer Warriors meet on Zoom every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. for themed meetings. If you would like to join the Prayer Warriors, would like additional information, and/or would like for us to pray for your intentions, please contact Lara Davis at crowhopdavis@yahoo.com

Alicia's Hall Report

Thank you Katy Ford for the delicious enchiladas- we finished them all up! And God grant you and Matt many blessed and happy years! We are so excited for your family!!! Thanks to Rita for the delish stir fry, Emily for the surprise fortune cookies, the Sernas for the caramel apples and peppers, and everyone else who brought food and helped out! Starting this Sunday, we'll have the Catechists go first in the food line along with the kiddos so they can finish their meals before class. Have a blessed week and please sign up to host/ co-host a social for any special occasions you have: https://www.signupgenius.com/ go/10C054AAAAAAAAA4F94-olph#/.

Coming Events—Mark Your Calendars Now

Mon Nov 11	6:00 pm Advisory Board Meeting
Fri Nov 15	Beginning of Phillip's Fast
Thu Nov 21 Wed Nov 20	Entrance of the Theotokos /Solemn Feast 6:00 pm Vigil Divine Liturgy
Fri Dec 6	Nicholas of Myra Archbishop Solemn Holy Day 6:00 pm Divine Liturgy
Tue Dec 24	Vigil of Christmas / Strict Fast 10:00 am Royal Hours 4:30 pm Holy Supper 7:00 pm Vigil Liturgy of St. Basil
Wed Dec 25	Christmas Birth of Our Lord Holy Day of Obligation 9:00 am Matins 10:00 am Festive Liturgy
Thu Dec 26	Synaxis of the Theotokos / Solemn Feast 6:00 pm Divine Liturgy
Fri Dec 27	Stephen Protomartyr / Simple Holy Day 6:00 pm Divine Liturgy
Wed Jan 1	Circumcision of Our Lord / St Basil the Great / Solemn Holy Day 6:00 pm Divine Liturgy of St Basil
Fri Jan 3	Vigil of Theophany (day of strict Fast) 6:00 pm Great Compline / Blessing of Litija
Sun Jan 5	Great Blessing of Rio Grande 1:30 pm—carpool to the parking lot of the National Hispanic Cultural Center on Avenida Chavez 2:00 pm Procession to the River / Vespers with the Great Blessing of the River
Mon Jan 6	Theophany / Holy Day of Obligation 6:00 pm Liturgy of St Basil / Great Blessing of Water / Myrovanije
Thu Jan 30 Wed Jan 29	Three Holy Hierarchs / Simple Holy Day 6:00 pm Vigil Liturgy
Sat Feb 22	1st All Souls Saturday 9:00 am Divine Liturgy / Panichida
Mon Mar 3	Beginning of Great Fast 6:00 pm Presanctified Liturgy
Sat Mar 15	2nd All Souls Saturday 9:00 am Divine Liturgy / Panichida

Next week we will begin the PHILIP'S FAST

According to the forty-day tradition, the Philip's Fast in preparation for Christmas begins this Thursday November 14. During this fast it was the custom to observe a strict abstinence on Monday, Wednesday and Friday and a lesser abstinence (mitigation for wine and oil) on Tuesday and Thursday. The fast is observed more strictly from December 10 (in some traditions) or from December 20 (in other traditions), with daily strict abstinence, and a mitigated abstinence (wine and oil) on Saturday and Sunday. The Ruthenian Metropolia has identified this period as a penitential season (Canon 880, # 2).

This fast may be observed voluntarily, partially or in its entirety.

St Simeon of Thessalonika, writing in the fifteenth century, explained the purpose of this Fast in terms of its length. "The Nativity Forty-day Fast represents the fast undertaken by Moses, who—having fasted for forty days and forty nights—received the Commandments of God, written on stone tablets. And we, fasting for forty days, will reflect upon and receive from the Virgin the living Word—not written upon stone, but born, incarnate—and we will commune of His Divine Body." As Moses received the Law after his forty-day fast, we will receive the living Word incarnate at the end of this Fast. (taken from the Typicon by Fr David Petras)

JOIN Inhora, a Catholic home for the dying, as they open the doors with the City of Albuqueruqe and others on Monday November 4 at 10:00 am: 708 Tijeras Ave.

To learn more or to donate, visit www.inhora.org.

For more info, contact Miles at miles@inhora.org or 505-255-0325.

Ukraine's Cultural Forces Brings Music and Gratitude to New Mexico: Seven Ukrainian warfighters, world-class professional musicians before the war, arrived in the United States to thank the American people for support and raise awareness about the Ukrainian fight for freedom and democracy. Several musicians were grievously wounded in combat but after recovery returned to active duty.

Two bandura players, an opera singer, a violinist, a pianist, a country singer, and a poet will present renditions of a wide variety of music, from Ukrainian and world classics to covers of popular hits and country tunes. Performances will feature the traditional Ukrainian folk 62-string instrument, the bandura. Cultural Forces' 2-month national tour is arriving in New Mexico with performances scheduled as follows:

Santa Fe: Wed, Nov 6, 12:00PM, Museum of Art, St. Francis Auditorium,

107 W Palace Ave, Santa Fe.

Albuquerque: Wed, Nov 6, 5:00 PM, KIMO Theatre, 423 Central Ave NW

All performances are live music and free admission.

November 8 is the "Synaxis of the Holy, Heavenly, Bodiless Powers", or Saint Michael the Archangel, and all the choirs of Angels.

This includes our own Guardian Angels. Some say that we have guardian angels assigned to us when we are conceived in our mother's wombs. Others say, as in the baptismal ritual, that they are given to us when we are baptized. Either way, we are blessed with angels who try to steer us in the right direction and watch over us. St. Michael himself is the one who led the armies of heaven in casting rebellious Lucifer and his troops out, and he is often shown as defeating Satan, holding the scales of judgment for the dead in his hand, and always in military armor. In Russia, icons depict him riding his horse and sounding the trumpet to announce the Last Judgment. In the Book of Daniel, Michael is the protector of the Jewish People, and as a result, Christians see him as a defender of the Church.

In the Byzantine Rite, Monday is always dedicated to the holy angels, and the Dismissal Prayer includes the phrase "through the intercession of the holy, bodiless, powers of heaven." Angels abound in the Bible, serving as God's messengers and helping His people. They appear in icons, worshipping Christ, honoring Our Lady the Theotokos, praising God. In the Liturgy, we believe that angels escort the clergy through the Royal Doors at both Entrances, and come down from heaven to gather around the altar. At the Great Entrance, we say that we mystically represent the Cherubim who surround God's altar in heaven with full attention. When we sing the "Holy, Holy, Holy" we invoke that very image in our minds, of the heavenly host joyfully surrounding our altar to attend the Sacrifice of the Holy Eucharist. Isn't that a great mental picture to have in mind? Like the angels, we are to be happy to be in church, attentive to what is happening, and worshipping God with devotion. Until Vatican II, Low Masses in the Roman Catholic Church ended with the Prayer to St. Michael, which implored his protection against Satan and his evil forces "who prowl through the world, seeking the ruin of souls." Pope Francis has called for this prayer to be restored, given the current situation in the Church. Saint Michael is the most popular of the angels. High places in Europe are dedicated to him, from Wales to Italy. Cemetery chapels were usually dedicated to him, as it was the popular belief that he accompanies souls at the hour of their death to their personal judgment before God, and so be sent to heaven, purgatory, or hell. Island monasteries in Europe were also under his protection, such as the famous Mont -St Michel in the English Channel. He is the patron of the police, paratroopers, mariners, and the military.

THE RANKS OF THE ANGELS_St. Dionysios the Areopagite was a Syriac writer in the 500s whose mystical writings have greatly influenced Christian thought. In addition to the spiritual life on earth, he described the choirs of the angels as being divided into three ranks; each rank is also divided into three groups.

- 1. The first rank is made up of the Seraphim, the Cherubim and Thrones.
- 2.The second rank is made up of Dominions, Hosts and Powers.3. Finally, the third rank is made up of Principalities, Archangels and Angels.

According to St. John of Damascus, each group (and rank) differs from the others in hierarchy and splendor, depending on their closeness to God. The Seraphim are the highest rank, the closest to God. Seraphim is a Hebrew word meaning "fire," and it symbolizes the heat of their love of God. The

Seraphim have six wings; "I saw the Lord sitting on a throne high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple, above it stood the seraphim: each one had six wings; with two he covered his face, with two he covered his feet, and with two he did fly, and one cried unto another, and said: 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of Hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory' " (Isaiah 6:1-3). Behind the Seraphim directly there are the wise Cherubim, who are the "many-eyes" due to their unceasing contemplation (theoria) of God. The word Cherubim is Hebrew and means "abundance of wisdom;" it symbolizes perfection in knowledge of God. St. John of Damascus says that the food of angels is the contemplation of God. Directly behind the Cherubim comes the Thrones, and they are the angels on whom God rests, as their name indicates. All these angels stand around God's throne in fear and great respect of His glory; they contemplate God and know His "energy" and not his "essence" (oussia), since they are creatures. They are in a continuous attraction (eros) and "ecstasy" to God, to the extent that they forget themselves. Every rank (and group) of angels, according to its closeness to God, partakes of the gifts of the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of wisdom and discernment, the Spirit of power, fear of God. Furthermore, their communion with the Holy Spirit is continuous. The angels do not have the feeling of jealousy and competition between them; they all have one will, which is to serve God; the angels of the lower ranks obey in love the angels of the higher ranks as if in obedience to God. The angels are a "heavenly army." Their leader and head is Archangel Michael, who is one of the seven spirits in front of God's throne. "O Holy Archangel Michael glorified, God has placed you head of their Hosts, Powers, Angels and Archangels, Dominions, and Principalities" (Exapostolarion of the feast). According to St. Dimitri of Rostov, some of the archangels are the closest to God. They are Michael (Missa-iil in Hebrew), which means "Who is like God," Gabriel (Jibra-iil in Hebrew), which means "God's power," Raphael (Rouphaiil in Hebrew), which means "God's mercy.

