



June 24: Nativity of John the Baptist

Today the joy-creating birth of the Forerunner ends the sadness of his father's muteness and the barrenness of his mother. Indeed, his birth heralds the present joy and happiness. Therefore, all creation celebrates in splendor for he reveals the star of Christ, the Orient from on high and the Passover of all the faithful. (From the Festal Matins)

**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

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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!

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 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: [ps://www.olphnm.org/giving](https://www.olphnm.org/giving).

**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!**

***Romans 10:1-10; Matthew 8:28-9:1***


**YouTube Live** 8:30 am Rosary; 9:00 am Matins & Confessions  
10:00 am Divine Liturgy / Intention for the Parishioners of OLPH  
Eternal Lamp: Holy Protection of the Mother of God over People of Ukraine

**June 24 Mon** ***Birth of John the Baptist / Solemn Holy Day***  
***Rom 13:11-14:4; Lk 1:5-23.57-68 & 76-80***  
6:00 pm Divine Liturgy / Blessing of Lititja / +Rebekah Lyons by Lara Davis

**June 25 Tue** ***Febronia Venerable Martyr / 1 Cor 1:1-9; Mt 13:24-30***  
No Divine Liturgy

**June 26 Wed** ***David of Thessalonica Venerable / 1 Cor 2:9-3:8; Mt 13:31-36***  
  
No Divine Liturgy

**June 27 Thu** ***Sampson, Venerable / BI Nicholas Charnetsky and Others Martyrs***  
***1 Cor 3:18-23; Mt 13:36-43***  
**June 27—June 30 / ByzanTeen Youth Rally in San Diego**

**June 28 Fri** ***Translation of the Relics of Cyrus and John Unmercenaries***  
***1 Cor 4:5-8; Mt 13:44-54***  
  
9:00 am Prayer & Witness in front of abortion clinic on Lomas  
6:00 pm Vigil Liturgy for the Feast of SS Peter and Paul/ Main Celebrant Fr Tyler  
For the OLPH Parish Family

**Jun 29 Sat** ***Peter and Paul Preeminent Apostles / Holy Day of Obligation***  
***2 Cor 11:21-12:9; Mt 16:13-19***

**June 30 Sun** ***6th Sunday After Pentecost / Rom 12:6-14; Mt 9:1-8***  
4:00 pm Great Vespers (YouTube Live)  
Hebrew Scriptures for Sunday: Exodus 32:30-35; Sirach 11:1-14; Jeremiah 10:1-7  
5:00 pm Divine Liturgy / Main celebrant Fr. Tyler  
God's Blessing on Fr. Thomas Donlin  
8:30 am Rosary; 9:00 am Matins & Confessions  
**YouTube LIVE** 10:00 am Divine Liturgy / Intention for the Parishioners of OLPH /  
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**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](mailto: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

Sharif Rabadi	Harry & Barbara	Jordan Smith
Jenny Ford	De Lap	Janet Worthington
Marilyn Fore	Irene Bradley	Patti Klinkovsky
Sven & Barbara	Sorilah Chavez	Matt Williamson
Svensson	Abraham Haddad	James Epstein
Laurie Bienz	Marianne Gerace	Katy Ford
Brent Dodson-	Michael Baron	Alton & Barbara
Sands	Gabriel Preisler	Bertschinger
Lara Davis	Jessica Pieniadz	Madalyn Davis
Carol Donlin	Rhonda	Rebecca Russo
Marcie Dark	Glasscock	Jacob McTernan
Jesse Hebert	Amber Roybal	Paola Terlaza
Fr Chris Zuggger	Philip Leahy	Vicki Frank
Fr Chris Andrews	Juanita Montoya	Jennifer Herring
Fr Robert Rankin	Linda Granci	Emily
Fr. Steve Washko	Christopher	Wojciechowski
Buster Miscusi	Barlow	
Richard Jacobs	Joel Ford	

### 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 / June

For migrants fleeing their homes We pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys full of danger and violence, find welcome and new opportunities in the countries that receive them.

**Lord our Master**, you have the power to cast out demons and change the world. We beseech you, grant your Church holy servants who would bring the Gospel to all peoples. Strengthen those who have already answered your call, and help those discerning the monastic, religious and ordained life to know your will for them, we pray you hear and have mercy.

“Go!” This is the one word from our Lord that we hear in today’s gospel, and yet it is a profound one. Jesus can control evil spirits, which was and is a shock to this world. Is he calling you or someone you know to “go” on a holy path, by discerning a vocation to the priesthood, diaconate, or monastic life? Reach out to the Vocations Office at 206-329-9219 or email: [vocations@ephx.org](mailto:vocations@ephx.org)



Vocation Icon

Today: Sullivan Family  
Next Sunday:  
Wofford Family

**June 30, 2024**

Cantor: Evie Jilek

Reader: Brook Jilek

Altar Server: Michael Grega

Trojca: Liliana Sena

Counters: Maria Alden & Ann Rajala

**Propers for 6/30/2022  
6th Sunday after Pentecost  
Tone 5**

Troparion - 146

*v. Glory...*

Kontakion- 147

*v. Now & Ever...*

Theotokion - 406

Prokeimenon & Alleluia - 148

Our Father- 70

**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 Patricia at [pcb@unm.edu](mailto:pcb@unm.edu)

**Alicia's Hall Report**

Sunday we had a multiplication of the egg casserole, cheesy bread, fruit, and doughnuts!) Thanks so much to everyone who contributed and to all who helped set up and clean up. God bless you all! Please sign up to host for your special occasion here:<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054AAAAA2AA4F94-olph#> & have a blessed week!

**Coming Events—Mark Your Calendars Now**

Sun July 7	<b>50th Jubilee OLPH Patronal Feast</b>
Tue July 16	<b>6:00 pm Advisory Board Meeting</b>
Fri July 19	<b>Elijah Great Prophet / Simple Holy Day</b> 6:00 pm Vigil Divine Liturgy
Thu Aug 1 Wed Jul 31	<b>Beginning of Dormition Fast</b> 6:00 pm Vigil Divine Liturgy/Lesser Blessing of Water / Blessing of Honey
Mon Aug 5 Tue Aug 6	<b>Transfiguration of Our Lord / Solemn Holy Day</b> 6:00 pm Vigil Divine Liturgy/Blessing of Fruit 9:00 am Divine Liturgy/Blessing of Fruit
Wed Aug 14 Thu Aug 15	<b>Dormition of the Theotokos Holy Day of Obligation</b> 6:00 pm Deposition of the Shroud / Liturgy / Blessing of Flowers 9:00 am Divine Liturgy / Myrovaniije
Thu Aug 29 Wed Aug 28	<b>Beheading of John the Baptist</b> Simple Holy Day 6:00 pm Vigil Divine Liturgy
Sun Sep 1	<b>Beginning of the New Church Year</b>
Fri Sep 13 Sat Sep 14	<b>Exaltation of the Holy Cross Solemn Holy Day</b> 6:00 pm Vigil Divine Liturgy / Blessing of Litija 9:00 am Divine Liturgy
Mon Sep 30	<b>Protection of the Theotokos Solemn Holy Day</b> 6:00 pm Vigil Divine Liturgy
Sept 30— October 4	<b>Annual Clergy Retreat in Tucson AZ</b>
Tue Oct 15	<b>Celebration of the OLPH 50th Jubilee</b> 3:30 pm Hierarchical Divine Liturgy 6:00 pm Dinner at Sheraton 7:30 pm Dancing with a live band (Die Polka Schlingels)

Next week we will take up the **Peter's Pence Collection** to support the Universal Church and the work of the Holy See, including helping Pope Francis to carry out his charitable works. These works benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous. For more information, visit [www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html](http://www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html).

## **Special THANK YOU / God's BLESSING and many years to you!**

To Maria Kubic for writing the icon of the Parable of the Prodigal Son for the Pre-Lenten Season.  
To Tristan and Fiona Griffith for donating the icon of Our Holy Mother Mary of Egypt. The icon was written by the Hermit in Poland.

To Kitchen team for Sunday hospitality meals

To the founders and benefactors who generously support and love our most beautiful church

To the cleaning team

To flower bed beautifier

To the cantors and singers who honor and worship the Lord with their angelic voices

To our wonderful altar servers

To the Gift Shop sales TEAM

To the Parish office keeper

To the Bookkeeper

To the Counters

To the Greeters

### **Inhora: a home for every person at the hour of death**

NM laws are anti-life from conception (abortion) to the last breath (euthanasia).

Inhora will serve those at the end of life, giving those in need a home with compassionate pro-life care.

Help Inhora by: Praying / Donating / Volunteering

Contact Miles for more information.

### **EPARCHIAL APPEAL 2024**

The Annual Eparchial Appeal this year runs from **February 1st to August 31st**. The pledge form and information for the appeal was mailed directly from the Bishop's office to your home. Collected to date: \$8,512.00. Thank you to Matt & Mary Blain. Did you remember to send in your pledge? Our average giving has been about \$300.00 per household. Please, send your pledge directly to the Bishop's office in Phoenix, AZ, and our checks made to the Eparchy of Phoenix. Thank you for your support!

Wednesday June 26 Father Chris will be giving a talk on the **"Heart of Christ and His Love for Mankind"** at **Hollow Spirits Distillery at 1324 First Street NW**, just north of Downtown, for Theology on Tap. This is open to all young adults, aged 18 and up. Come and order supper and beverage after 5:30 pm, talk begins at 6:30 pm.

**Sunday July 7th – OLPH Patronal Feast day:** The celebration will start on Saturday at 4pm with **Great Vespers** and blessing of Litija. Sunday morning **Festal Matins** at 9:00 am followed by the **Solemn Divine Liturgy** at 10:00am with the Procession around the church and reading of the four Gospels followed by Myrovanije anointing with partaking of the Litija bread as it is customary on such occasion. **Parish Picnic and Pool Party** is scheduled at 3 pm at Jileks house (817 Lamp Post Circle SE)The Jilek and Sullivan Families are honored to host the Parish picnic/pool party this year. **We invite you to bring** a side dish, desert, or chips and beverages of your choosing. Please bring folding chairs or picnic blankets, swimsuits, and a towel. You may park along the street and driveway of the house immediately to the east of our home. We can't wait to see you!

## **June 24: Nativity of St John the Baptist**

He is the only saint — with the exception of the Virgin Mary — whose birth the liturgy celebrates and it does so because it is closely connected with the mystery of the Incarnation of the Son of God. In fact, from the time when he was in his mother's womb John was the precursor of Jesus: the Angel announced to Mary his miraculous conception as a sign that "nothing is impossible to God" (Lk 1:37), six months before the great miracle that brings us salvation, God's union with man brought about by the Holy Spirit. The four Gospels place great emphasis on the figure of John the Baptist, the prophet who concludes the Old Testament and inaugurates the New, by identifying Jesus of Nazareth as the Messiah, the Anointed One of the Lord. In fact, Jesus himself was to speak of John in these terms: "This is he of whom it is written 'Behold I send my messenger before your face, / who shall prepare your way before you. Truly I say to you, among those born of women there has risen no one greater than John the Baptist; yet he who is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he!'" (Mt 11:10-11).

John's father, Zechariah — Elizabeth's husband and a relative of Mary — was a priest of Old Testament worship, he did not immediately believe in the announcement of such an unexpected fatherhood. This is why he was left mute until the day of the circumcision of the child to whom he and his wife gave the name God had indicated to them, that is, John, which means "graced by God". Inspired by the Holy Spirit, Zechariah spoke thus of his son's mission: "And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways, to give knowledge of salvation to his people in the forgiveness of their sins" (Lk 1:76-77).

All this came to pass 30 years later when John began baptizing people in the River Jordan, calling them to prepare themselves with this act of penance for the imminent coming of the Messiah, which God had revealed to them during their wanderings in the desert of Judaea. This is why he was called the "Baptist", the "Baptizer" (cf. Mt 3:1-6). When one day Jesus himself came from Nazareth to be baptized, John at first refused but then consented; he saw the Holy Spirit settle on Jesus and heard the voice of the heavenly Father proclaiming him his Son (cf. Mt 3:13-17). However, the Baptist's mission was not yet complete. Shortly afterwards he was also asked to precede Jesus in martyr death: John was beheaded in King Herod's prison and thus bore a full witness to the Lamb of God who had recognized him and publicly pointed him out beforehand.

The Virgin Mary helped her elderly kinswoman Elizabeth when she was expecting John to bring her pregnancy to completion. May she help us to follow Jesus, the Christ, the Son of God, whom the Baptist proclaimed with deep humility and in the spirit of Holy Prophet Elijah. (adopted from [https://www.vatican.va/content/benedict-xvi/en/angelus/2012/documents/hf\\_ben-xvi\\_ang\\_20120624.html](https://www.vatican.va/content/benedict-xvi/en/angelus/2012/documents/hf_ben-xvi_ang_20120624.html))

## **June 29: Feast of SS Peter and Paul—Holy Preeminent Apostles**

SS. Peter and Paul are the two pillars of the Church. Thus we have this Fast to prepare for their feast. Given the calls to the New Evangelization, it is worthwhile to go back to Acts of the Apostles and read of St Peter's speech immediately after the Descent of the Holy Spirit. The first thing he preaches is the Resurrection of our Lord, and three thousand are baptized that day (Acts, chapter 2). Peter is the foundation of the Church and leader of the apostles, and first bishop in Antioch and in Rome. Thus he is the founder of the papal office. Until the civil war in Syria, Saint Peter's descendants were still living in the region of ancient Antioch. Traditionally Peter left his wife and family behind for their own safety when he went to Rome.

Paul is the great theologian of the New Testament, whose writings give inspiration today, in a completely different world. His travels cover the Mediterranean shore from the Holy Land, along southern Turkey and Greece, Malta, Rome, and Spain. He was a Roman citizen, a rare privilege in the Roman empire, and came from the Greco-Jewish city of Tarsus, a Roman free city in modern Turkey. In ancient times, Tarsus was a center of intellectual life, filled with theaters, temples, and schools. As Saul, Paul would have benefited from this strong academic environment, as we see from his writings.

Peter of course was originally Simon. Jesus famously names him, Petrus, or rock. Paul was named Saul after his birth, but had the Latin name Paulus, which he used exclusively after his conversion. The two were killed in the first persecution under Nero, on June 29, in the year 64 AD. Veneration of the relics of the apostles, which come from Saint John Lateran Basilica in Rome, is possible through the courtesy of Fr. Chris.





5th All Souls  
Saturday



Pentecost Monday



All Saints  
Sunday

