November 10, 2024 25th Sunday A fter Pentecost / T one 8

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



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. This display will have two boxes—one for the orphanage and one for the seminarians.

This year we are excited to collect monetary donations for the Korolevo orphanage in Ukraine. If you wish to donate to the orphanage, please make checks payable to the Mission Society with a note at the bottom.

We are collecting Amazon gift cards for the seminarians at the Byzantine Catholic Seminary of SS Cyril and Methodius. We would like these Amazon gift cards to be in denominations of \$10 and \$25 (\$25 is about what it costs for our seminarians to buy a book). These gift cards can be found at Smith's grocery stores (either in store or on-line), Wal-Mart, Albertsons and anywhere other gift cards are sold. We are also collecting Christmas cards

and notes of encouragement for the seminarians.

We have through St. Nicholas Sunday—Sunday, December 8th—to bring our checks and cards. Please prayerfully consider helping St. Nicholas spread joy this Christmas season.

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 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.

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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 4:1-6; Luke10:25-37

YouTube Live 8:30 am Rosary

9:00 am Matins & Confessions

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

5:30 pm Ask A Priest

Nov 11 Mon Menas, Victor and Vincent Martyrs / 1 Tim 1:1-7; Lk 14:1 & 12-15

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Nov 13 Wed John Chrysostom Archbishop / Heb 7:26-8:2; Jn 10:9-16

NO LITURGY

Nov 14 Thu Philip Apostle / 1 Cor 4:9-16; Jn 1:43-51

Nov 15 Fri Beginning of Philip's Fast / Gurias, Samonas and Habib Martyrs

1 Tim 4:4-8 & 16 / Lk 16:15-18 & 17:1-4

9:00 am Prayer & Witness in front of abortion clinic on Lomas

6:00 pm Divine Liturgy / God's Blessing on Debbie Sanchez by Svenssons

Nov 16 Sat Matthew Apostle—Evangelist / 1 Cor 4:9-16; Mt 9:9-13

Nov 17 Sun 26th Sunday After Pentecost / Eph 5:9-19; Lk 12:16-21

4:00 pm Great Vespers

Hebrew Scriptures for Sunday: Genesis 15:1-18; Proverbs 1:1-19; Isaiah 66:12-24

5:00 pm Divine Liturgy / God's Blessing on Pavel Kartsub by Maria Kartsub

8:30 am Rosary asking Protection of the Theotokos in the coming Election

YouTube LIVE 9:00 am Matins & Confessions

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

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

"Go and do likewise." Our Lord teaches the rich young man that showing mercy to all is the way to best fulfill the two greatest commandments, of loving God and loving our neighbor. For each of us, to "go and do likewise" will look different based on our unique gifts from God. Some of us are called to show mercy by serving the Church as priests, deacons, subdeacons, monks and nuns. If that may be your calling, contact the Vocations Office at 206-329-9219 or email:

vocations@ephx.org



Vocation Icon Today: Wyatt Family Next Sunday: Riley Family

Coming Events—Mark Your Calendars Now

November 17, 2024

Cantor: Andrea Riley Reader: Michael Wells Altar Server: Michael Grega

Troijca: Lucy Wells

Counters: Jana Brewer & Laura Serna

Propers for 11/17/2024 26th Sunday after Pentecost Tone 1

Troparion - 125
v. Glory...
Kontakion - 126
v. Now & Ever...
Theotokion- 406
Prokeimenon & Alleluia- 127
Our Father- 66

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

Thanks to all who brought food last Sunday, including those who made the holubki and spaghetti before it went in the freezer! The fellowship and teamwork after DL is always such a blessing! Please sign up to host or co-host a meal for any special occasions or volunteer to help set up or clean the kitchen! https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054AAAAAA2AA4F94-olph#/

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
Sat Mar 22	3rd All Souls Saturday 9:00 am Divine Liturgy / Panichida

Byzantine Wall Calendars for 2024 are now available on a greeting table by the Holy Water font.

Comfort, Hope and Healing Suicide Support Group

In honor of the International Survivors of Suicide Loss Day, the Office of Family Life will host a special Mass of Remembrance of those who lost their lives to suicide. Join us at Risen Savior Catholic Community Parish located at 7701 Wyoming Blvd NE, Albuquerque, NM 87109 on Saturday, November 23, 2024 at 4:00 pm. All those who attend are invited to bring a tabletop framed photo of their loved one to the Mass so it can be displayed in the lobby. For more information, call the Family Life Office at 505-831-8117.

"Christ Our Pascha" Catechism of the Ukrainian Catholic Church is available in our Gift Store. The catechism relies on two key sources—the Nicene Creed, and the Anaphora of the Divine Liturgy of St. Basil—for both its structure and its content. The Creed, or Symbol of Faith, is recited at every Divine Liturgy and is familiar to Catholics in both the East and West. As such, it not only reveals God to us, it is the source of Christian unity. The Anaphora of St. Basil describes the entire history of salvation. As we liturgically recall the events of the Passion and Resurrection we become witnesses to those events and share in the new life of Christ. "[Historical] truth and the solemnity [celebration of it] are not at variance," expressed St. Augustine. Christ Our Pascha is divided into three main parts—The Faith of the Church, The Prayers of the Church, and the Life of the Church. These three themes reflect the very essence of Christian Salvation - we are all called to know, love, and serve God. Christ Our Pascha presents the teachings of the Church Fathers and how those teachings fit in with Eastern spirituality. It's a good overview of Eastern Catholicism in general, and it makes an excellent companion to the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

Priests' Medical Insurance Collection: Dear Parish Family, thank you for your contribution to the special priests' medical insurance collection. We collected \$985.00. May you, and those close to you, enjoy every blessing in Christ Jesus for many years, In health and happiness!

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.

November 15 - St Philip the Apostle. His feast day launches the Fast of St. Philip/ Filipovka to prepare for Christmas. He brought others to Christ; we should be imitating him and bringing others to find Jesus in the fullness of revelation in the Catholic Church and our Byzantine tradition within the Church. Philip says to Nathaniel in John 1:46 Come and see, inviting him to meet Jesus. He does the same with Greeks in Jerusalem, bringing them to Jesus. To him, Jesus said "If you have seen Me, you have seen the Father" (John 14:9), proving His divinity. Philip the Apostle continued his evangelizing after Pentecost, and is traditionally said to have preached in Phrygia. As the ancient stories said, his tomb was discovered in the ancient city of Hierapolis, in what was southwest Phrygia in Roman times, now in Turkey. In our eparchy of the Holy Protection of Mary of Phoenix, the church in Sacramento is dedicated to Saint Philip.

The Christmas Fast/ Saint Philip's Fast/ Filipovka begins on Nov. 15. This is the 40 day preparation for the Nativity of Our Lord on December 25. It continues through Christmas Eve, which is a day of strict fast and abstinence. It is named after Saint Philip, because it begins on his feast day. "Forty" has great significance in our religious history, from the forty years of Israel's wandering in the desert to be purified so as to enter into the Holy Land, to the forty days of Great Lent before Easter. This season is also filled with feast days of Old Testament prophets who spoke of the coming of the messiah.

In the Slavic tradition [which this parish follows], traditionally Monday, Wednesday, and Friday are days of abstinence from meat during this Fast. The fasting is designed to help us to prepare to see Christ come into the world, and the beginning of His public ministry on Theophany (January 6). The Nativity and the Theophany are two sides of one coin. So, when we arrive at Bethlehem on December 25, we should begin to prepare for the Baptism of the Lord. Our enjoyment of Christmas should drive us forward to see the Theophany. With Theophany, the mystery of God is fully revealed to us. The mystery long awaited in the Old Testament comes true in Jesus Christ.

Today, the regulations of this Fast are not as strict, as it falls during the winter, and so abstinence remains in force for Friday, and is recommended for Wednesday and also Monday. Christmas Eve remains a day of strict fast: no meat, no dairy, one main meal, which is the Holy Supper in the evening.

First week of the Fast: Training for Body, Mind and Spirit

For Saint Paul, Christian discipleship is like an athletic contest in an arena, which requires both training and effort. This is the root of the Christian understanding of asceticism and praxis.

By training our body, mind and spirit with the help God's grace to seek and follow His commands and cultivate the virtues of the saints, in turn we help to extract the poison of corruption, sin and death within our own lives and to realize the saving and transforming power of Christ's life given to us in Holy Baptism.

Our Lady of the Sign (see front page) - Preparation for Christmas

The icon depicts the Theotokos during the Annunciation at the moment of saying, "May it be done to me according to your word."(Luke 1:38). The image of the Christ child represents him at the moment of his conception in the womb of the Virgin. He is depicted not as a fetus, but rather vested in divine robes, and often holding a scroll, symbolic of his role as teacher. Sometimes his robes are gold or white, symbolizing divine glory; sometimes they are blue and red, symbolizing the two natures of Christ (see Christology). His face is depicted as that of an old man, indicating the Christian teaching that he was at one and the same time both a fully human infant and fully the eternal God, one of the Trinity. His right hand is raised in blessing. The term Virgin of the Sign or Our Lady of the Sign is a reference to the prophecy of Isaiah 7:14: "Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel". Such an image is often placed in the apse of the sanctuary of an Orthodox church above the Holy Table (altar).[2] As with most icons of Mary, the letters MP OY (short for MHTHP OEOY, "Mother of God") are usually placed on the upper left and right of the head of the Virgin Mary. This type of icon is also sometimes called the Platytéra (Greek: Πλατυτέρα, literally wider or more spacious); poetically, by containing the Creator of the Universe in her womb, Mary has become Platytera ton ouranon (Πλατυτέρα των Ουρανών): "More spacious than the heavens". The Platytéra is traditionally depicted on the half-dome that stands above the altar. It is visible high above the iconostasis, and facing down the length of the nave of the church. This particular depiction is usually on a dark blue background, often adorned by golden stars.

