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Christ is Risen! / Indeed He is Risen



Holy Protection of Mary Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Phoenix Most Reverend Kurt Burnette Apostolic Administrator Our Lady of Perpetual Help Byzantine Catholic Church 1837 Alvarado Dr. NE, Albuquerque, NM 87110 Parish office: (505) 256-1539 www.olphnm.org

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!

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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: <u>ps://</u> <u>www.olphnm.org/giving.</u> Father Artur Bubnevych, Pastor Rectory (505) 268-2877 abbaolph@gmail.com

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Father Tyler Strand (516) 661-0883 tylerastrand@yahoo.co.uk

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!

Acts 20:16-18 & 28-36; John 17:1-13

YouTube Live ECF Classes	8:30 am Rosary; 9:00 am Matins & Confessions 10:00 am Divine Liturgy / for the Parish Family / main celebrant Fr Chris Andrews Eternal Lamp: Holy Protection of the Mother of God over People of Ukraine	
May 13 Mon	Glyeeria Martyr / Acts 21:8-14; Jn 14:27-15:7	
	No Divine Liturgy	
May 14 Tue	Isidore Martyr / Acts 21:26-32; Jn 14:27-15:7	
	No Divine Liturgy 6:00 pm Presentation by Fr Chris on the History of OLPH Parish 1974-2024	
May 15 Wed	Pachomius the Great Venerable / Acts 23:1-11; Jn 16:15-23	
	No Liturgy	
May 16 Thu	Theodore Venerable / Acts 25:13-29; Jn 16:23-33	
May 17 Fri	Andronicus and Others Apostles / Acts 27:1-44; Jn 17:18-26	
× ×	9:00 am Prayer & Witness in front of abortion clinic on Lomas No Liturgy	
May 18 Sat	5th All Souls Saturday / Acts 28:1-31; Jn 21:15-25	
	9:00 am All Souls Divine Liturgy followed by Panachida	
May 19 Sun	Pentecost Sunday Acts 2:1-11; Jn 7:37-52 & 8-12	
YouTube LIVE ECF Classes	4:00 pm Great Vespers (YouTube Live) Hebrew Scriptures for Sunday: Numbers 11:16-17.24-29; Joel 2:23-32; Ezekiel 36:24-28 5:00 pm Divine Liturgy / +Linda Adamsko by Family and Friends	
	8:30 am Rosary; 9:00 am Matins & Confessions 10:00 am Divine Liturgy / Intention for the Parishioners of OLPH	
	Eternal Lamp : St Francis Animal Clinic & the Heise Family by C. Heise	

YOUTUBE LIVE-STREAMING: OLPH Sunday / Holy Day Liturgies are available on YouTube. The link is <u>https://youtube.com/c/olphmedia</u>. 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 Jenny Ford Marilyn Fore Sven & Barbara Svensson Laurie Bienz Brent Dodson-Sands Lara Davis Carol Donlin Marcie Dark Jesse Hebert Fr Chris Zugger Fr Chris Andrews Fr Robert Rankin Fr. Steve Washko Richard Jacobs

Buster Miscusi Harrv & Barbara De Lap Irene Bradlev Soriah Chavez Abraham Haddad Marianne Gerace Michael Baron Jessica Pieniadz Rhonda Glasscock Amber Roybal Philip Leahy Juanita Montoya Linda Granci

Christopher Barlow Jordan Smith Janet Worthington Patti Klinkovsky Matt Williamson James Epstein Katy Ford Alton & Barbara Bertschinger Madalyn Davis Rebecca Russo Jacob McTernan Paola Terlaza Vicki Frank Jennifer Herring

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 / May For the formation of religious and seminarians

We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.

Lord our Savior, you call us to unity with yourself and with our brothers and sisters. Give to your Church men and women who serve you in a life of prayer, fasting and almsgiving, so that we may be united as you brought the truth to the Fathers at the First Nicean Council. Strengthen the Church with an increase of faithful priests,

deacons, monks and nuns, we pray you hear and have mercy. "Keep them through your Name which you have given me, so that they may be one, even as we are one." Jesus prayed that we would share in the unity of the life-creating Trinity. The Church needs men and women who are called to live this prayer out in a religious vocation. He may be calling you to become a monk, a nun, or to ordained ministry. To learn more, contact the Vocations Office

at 206-329-9219 or email: vocations@ephx.org





Vocation Icon Today: Brewer Family Next Sunday: Wyatt Family

May 19, 2024

Cantor: Evie Jilek Reader: Brook Jilek Altar Server: Michael Grega Troijca: Zoe Serna Counters: Jana Brewer & Ann Rajala

Propers for 5/19/2024 Pentecost Sunday

Antiphons & Entrance Hymn - 203-5 Troparion - 204 *v. Glory...* Kontakion - 205 *v. Now & Ever...* Theotokion- 406 Instead of 'Holy God' - 32 Prokeimenon & Alleluia - 206 Instead of 'It Is Truly Proper' - 206 Our Father- 74 Communion Hymn - 208

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 pocb@unm.edu

Alicia's Hall Report Thanks be to God for a wonderful Bazaar and thanks to everyone who contributed in so many ways! This Sunday we benefited from the extra 100 Holubki that were made, baked goods left from bake sale, and brownies from the Dodson-Sands family- yummy! Please sign up to host or co-host a social here: https:// www.signupgenius.com/

Coming Events—Mark Your Calendars Now

Mon May 20	Pentecost Monday/Simple Holy Day 6:00 pm Liturgy/Procession with reading of four Gospels
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Tue May 21	6;00 pm Advisory Board Meeting
Mon May 27	Beginning of Apostles Fast
Jun 3 - Jun 6	Annual Clergy Conference in Albuquerque
Mon Jun 24	Birth of John the Baptist/Solemn Feast 6:00 pm Divine Liturgy
June 27-30	ByzanTeen Youth Rally at the University of San Diego
Fri June 28 Sat June 29	Peter and Paul Preeminent Apostles Holy Day of Obligation 6:00 pm Vigil Divine Liturgy 9:00 am Divine Liturgy
Sun July 7	50th Jubilee OLPH Patronal Feast
Fri July 19	Elijah Great Prophet / Simple Holy Day 6:00 pm Vigil Divine Liturgy/Blessing of Cars
Thu Aug Wed Jul 31	Beginning of Dormition Fast Intention for the Parishioners of OLPH
Mon Aug 5 Tue Aug 6	Transfiguration of Our Lord / Solemn Holy Day 6:00 pm Vigil Divine Liturgy/Blessing of Fruit 9:00 am Divine Liturgy/Blessing of Fruit
Wed Aug 14 Thurs Aug 15	Dormition of the Theotokos Holy Day of Obligation 6:00 pm Deposition of the Shroud / Vigil Liturgy / Blessing of Flowers 9:00 am Divine Liturgy
Tue Oct 15	Celebration of the OLPH 50th Jubilee 3:30 pm Hierarchical Divine Liturgy 6:00 pm Dinner at Sheraton 7:30 pm Dancing with a live band (Die Polka Schlingels)

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: **\$4,125.00**. Our parish goal for this year is **\$17,860.00** which bring it down to **\$300.00 per family**. We are requested to send our pledges directly to the Bishop's office in Phoenix, AZ, and our checks made to the Eparchy of Phoenix. Thank you for your support!

May 5 – May 16 Fr Artur will be visiting his family in Hungary. Fr Christopher Andrews, Administrator of St Philip Byzantine Catholic Church in Sacramento CA will be the main celebrant for the Holy Services on weekend of May 11/12. Please, see the Liturgical schedule in the bulletin for more detailed info. In case of sacramental emergency please, call Fr Chris or Fr Tyler. Thank you!

Father Chris' NEW book, *Looking to Tomorrow: The History and Mission of the Byzantine Catholic Church* is in our bookstore. This is an 800 page, two volume set, with professionally made maps, covering the entire history of our Church from the mission of Saints Cyril and Methodius in the 9th century to today, in Central Europe and North *America.* It is a limited edition, and there is no other book like it, and nothing on the internet that matches the details, sources from multiple languages, and comprehensive overview of our Church's life. Cost is 80\$ per set

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Byzantine Basics YouTube Page:

An Introduction to Byzantine Catholic Faith, Worship, and Life based on the Christ our Pasha Catechism offered through a free webinar series and pre-recorded video lessons. https://www.youtube.com/@becomingbyzantine2827

Safe Environment:

The Eparchy, within all its parishes, institutions, and programs, is committed to assuring a Safe Environment in ministry for its children and vulnerable adults that conforms to the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People. For additional information regarding the eparchial Safe Environment Program or to report any concerns, please contact: Subdeacon Paul Kilroy, Safe Environment Coordinator
Cell: (480) 745-0316 -- Office: (602) 861-9778 ext. 204 -- Email: sbdcnkilroy@ephx.org

Sunday of the Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council

The Sunday of the Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council is the Sunday after the Feast of the Ascension. The services of Vespers, Matins, and the Divine Liturgy include hymns of both the Ascension and in commemoration of the Fathers.

The First Ecumenical Council was held in 325 AD at Nicaea, outside of Constantinople. It was summoned by Emperor Constantine the Great to settle the Arian heresy, which denies the full divinity of Jesus Christ and says that He was created by God. The heresy was tearing through the Church, and proved popular with bishops but not among the laity. This Council authorized the famous Nicene Creed, recited at every Divine Liturgy, which affirms the divinity and humanity of Jesus, and so our salvation through His Passion, Death and Resurrection.

Nicaea defines that Jesus is *homoousious* / consubstantial with the Father and the Holy Spirit. He shares the exact same divine nature with the Father, and He existed before time with the Father as the Logos/ Eternal Word. Whenever God speaks in the Old Testament, beginning with Genesis, it is the Word Who speaks. Therefore, the Word is "begotten, not made" and this nature was united with the human nature derived from the Virgin Mary at His conception in her womb on March 25. *If He is not human and divine from the very moment of conception, then we cannot be saved through His sacrifice on the Cross, since he would be less than the Father.*

This Council is the first known occasion of a papal ambassador coming from Rome to represent Pope St Sylvester I. The Vatican diplomatic corps is the oldest one in the world. <u>All ecumenical councils need the confirmation of Rome which is why the Orthodox East stopped holding</u> <u>councils after the split of 1054, yet the Catholic Church has been able to continue doing so.</u>

Arianism was revived during the Protestant Reformation through movements in Poland and England. Modern-day Arians include the Jehovah's Witnesses (who say Jesus is the direct creation of God), and Mormons (who also subordinate Christ to the Father). Islam is influenced by this heresy, since it denies Jesus' divinity.

Icons depicting the Council usually show Constantine wearing a crown, surrounded by bishops. Jesus is enthroned in the middle or above the assembly. Arius is shown defeated at the base of the icon, cowering before the majesty of Christ. He is usually shown wearing a turban, a later reference to Islam, which denies Jesus' divinity to this day.

An unfortunate element in this council was that it was summoned by the state, and the emperor actually participated in debates. This led to an Eastern view allowing for a king or emperor having the ability to interfere in church life. Even in Muslim Turkey today, the Muslim president interferes in the life of the Armenian and Greek Orthodox Churches to the point of limiting their choices for patriarch! The Catholic Church rightly insists that the Church *must* be independent of the State, and the internal life of the Church is for her alone to rule on. Otherwise, secular power will try to force the Church to support its goals. We see how this could be disastrous with the rapid rise of leftist secularism in western countries.

The First Council also issued decrees on the consecration of bishops, regulations for bishops and diocesan clergy, forbidding clerics from loaning money at interest, establishment of rules for catechumens, condemnation of other heresies, forbidding kneeling from Easter until Pentecost, and confirmed the importance of the patriarchates of Alexandria in Egypt and Jerusalem in Palestine. **How Jesus is Both God and Man – And Why It Matters** by Cheryl Hadley The Chalcedonian Creed summarizes what we believe about the person of Christ and His Incarnation. The Church Fathers wrote it at the Council of Chalcedon, in 451 A.D., so that we could have these eternal truths forever. These points are the summary of what we believe about the two natures of Christ through that Creed:

He has two natures: God and man.

Each nature is full and complete, so He is fully God and fully man.

Each nature remains distinct and separate from the other.

Jesus Christ is only one person within whom the two natures are united but not combined.

Whatever is true of only one nature of Christ is also necessarily true of the Person of Christ.

Why It Matters

Even though we are human, we will never be content with what is merely human. That which is simply human has failed us miserably. Look no further than your own mirror to be convinced of this truth. God made us to be satisfied with nothing less than Himself.

In His great generosity, He condescended from His glory to be born into this world of sorrow. He joined Himself with our wounded, broken, and sinful natures as no other "god" has ever done. He became truly man, while remaining truly God, to be both the offering for our sins and our merciful and faithful High Priest.

Only in our Christian faith do we find a God who became man for us, to give us an example of how to live, and simultaneously help satisfy the deepest longings of the human soul. While being consubstantial with the Father, He has also shared in our substance—in His human nature. In this substance He lived our greatest joys and our deepest sorrows. He made the personal union of God and man personal for us.

