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Christ is Risen! / Indeed He is Risen

# ANNUAL BYZANTINE † BAZAAR ‡

Saturday, May 6 10am-3pm

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Byzantine Catholic Church

1837 Alvarado Drive NE ◆ 505-256-1539 ◆ www.olphnm.org





Featuring Traditional Slavic Foods such as stuffed cabbage, pirohi, kielbasa, borscht and kolachi; dine in or take out; home-made goodies, a wide range of Catholic books and Eastern icons, great raffle prizes, tours of the beautiful church and its centuries-old art.

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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.

#### **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):

9:00—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 6:1-7 & Acts 12:1-11; Mark 15:43-16:8 & John 15:17-16:2

8:30 am Rosary 9:00 am Matins & Confessions

YouTube Live 10:00 am Divine Liturgy for Parish Family, Benefactors & Friends

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

ECF Classes

Apr 24 Mon Sabbas Martyr / Acts 6:8-7:5 & 47-60

9:00 am +Amado & +Adela Chavez by Talamantes

6:30 pm Advisory Board Meeting

Apr 25 Tue Mark Apostle-Evangelist / 1 Pet 5:6-14; Mk 6:7-13

9:00 am +Augustine & +Alice Paez by Talamantes

6:00 pm CAFÉ Meeting at UNM / Topic: Pro-life apologetics

Apr 26 Wed Basil Bishop-Martyr / Acts 8:18-25; Jn 6:35-39

5:30 pm OLPH Devotions

6:00 pm Healing and Salvation of Sven and Barbara Svensson

Simeon Bishop-Martyr / Acts 8:26-39; Jn 6:40-44 Apr 27 Thu

6:45 pm THEOSIS Bible Study

Apr 28 Fri Jason & Sosipater Apostles / Acts 8:40-9:19; Jn 6:48-54

Apr 29 Sat

9:00 am Prayer & Witness in front of abortion clinic on San Mateo/Lomas 6:00 pm God's Blessing on Helen & Robert Jones on their 50th Wedding Anniversary by Eva Schuler

The Nine Holy Martyrs of Cyzice / Acts 9:19-31; Jn1:17-16:2

9:00 am (masks required) +Andy Rusinko by Svenssons

Apr 30 Sun Sunday of the Paralytic Man / Acts 9:32-42; Jn 5:1-15

4:00 pm Great Vespers (YouTube LIVE)

5:00 pm +Priscilla Hughes by her friends (40 days commemoration)

Hebrew Scriptures for Sunday James 1:1-12; James 1:13-27; James 2:1-13

8:30 am Rosary 9:00 am Matins & Confessions YouTube Live

10:00 am Divine Liturgy for Parish Family, Benefactors & Friends

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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

#### 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 Jenny Ford Barbara De Lap Marilyn Fore Irene Bradley Sven & Barbara Soriah Chavez Abraham Haddad Svensson Laurie Bienz Marianne Gerace Brent Dodson-Lori Medina Michael Baron Sands Lara Davis Gabriel Preisler Carol Donlin Jessica Pieniadz Marcie Dark Rhonda Jesse Hebert Glasscock Amber Roybal Fr. Chris Zugger Fr Chris Andrews Philip Leahy Jacob McTernan Juanita Montoya

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Ruth Sousa
Linda Granci
Vicki Frank
Christopher
Barlow
Jordan Smith
Janet Worthington
Patti Klinkovsky
Matt Williamson
James Epstein
Katy Ford

Alton & Barbara

Bertschinger

Intentions of the Rosary:

1st Decade: Help for persecuted Catholics, especially in communist and Islamic states

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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

"You seek Jesus the Nazarene, who has been crucified. He has risen!" In the midst of sadness, the good news comes to us and tells us of the life in Christ. To share this life with vigor, Christ seeks men and women to be like the angel who shared this good news to the myrrh-bearing women. He may be calling you to do this by a life as a monk, a nun, or to holy orders. Contact the Vocations Office at 206-329-9219 or email: vocations@ephx.org

# Vocation Icon

Today: Michael Grega Next Sunday: Talamante Family



### Holy Father's Intentions April For a culture of peace and non-violence

We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens. .



#### April 30, 2023

Cantor: Andrea Riley Reader: Michael Wells: Altar Server: Michael Grega Trojca: Elizabeth Montano Counters: Rita Montano & Ann Rajala

#### Propers for 4/30/2023 Sunday of the Paralytic Man & Apostle James

Troparion (Tone 3) - 181
Troparion (Apostle) - Cantors

v. Glory...
Kontakion (Paralytic) - 181

v. Now & Ever .....
Kontakion (Paschal) - 182

Prokeimenon & Alleluia - 182 & 369 Instead of 'It Is Truly Proper' - 167 Our Father- 167 Communion Hymn - 168, 78 & 370

> [B] Dismissal - 170

#### **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)!

#### Alicia's Hall Report

Christ is risen! Last Sunday we brought some Rudy's brisket and smoked turkey, in honor of Emilia's 8th birthday and my "back to life day". Thanks be to God for his generosity!!! The Montaños brought some homemade brisket-yum! and there were delicious leftovers from Saturday's FNE Anniversary celebration. Special thanks to Rita and all who helped clean the kitchen after the social! Have a blessed week and please sign up here to host or co-host a social: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054AAAAAAAAAAAAF94-olph

## Coming Events—Mark Your Calendars Now

Wed May 17 Thu May 18	Ascension of Our Lord / Holy Day of Obligation 6:00 pm Vigil Divine Liturgy 9:00 am Divine Liturgy
Sat May 27	<b>5th All Souls Saturday</b> 9:00 am All Souls Liturgy /Panachida
Mon May 29	Pentecost Monday / Holy Day 6:00pm Liturgy/Procession with reading of the 4 Gospels
Mon June 5	Start of the Apostles Fast
Sat Jun 24 Fri Jun 23	Birth of John the Baptist / Solemn Feast 6:00 pm Vigil Liturgy / Blessing of Litija
Thu Jun 29 Wed Jun 28	SS Peter & Paul/ Holy Day of Obligation 6:00 pm Vigil Liturgy / Blessing of Litija
Sun Jul 2	OLPH Patronal Feast Day
Thu Jul 20 Wed Jul 19	Elijah Great Prophet / Simple Holy Day 6:00 pm Vigil Liturgy / Blessing of Cars
Tue August 1	Beginning of Dormition Fast
Aug 7- Aug 11	Clergy Conference in Las Vegas, Nevada
	Dormition of the Theotokos Holy Day of Obligation
Mon Aug 14 Tue Aug 15	6:00 pm Deposition of the Shroud / Liturgy/ Blessing of Flowers 9:00 am Liturgy / Myrovanije

#### 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 Program Coordinator

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**ETERNAL MEMORY!!!** We extend our sincere and prayerful condolences to Alicia Wells and her family on the occasion of the falling asleep in the Lord of her beloved Grammy, Rosemary Macken. Jesus received her soul on Wednesday morning April 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:45. Let us offer our prayers commending her soul to God and asking peace for the bereaved. Blessed Repose grant O Lord to your handmaid Rosemary and remember her forever!

**OUR ANNUAL BAZAAR** this year is **Saturday**, **May 6th**, **10am - 3pm**. We are once again asking for homemade baked goods. There is a Bakers' signup sheets is available on the greeting table by the Holy Water font. We will sell whole cakes, whole pies, breads, cookies by the dozen etc. Please, think about making your favorite baked goods. Traditional Eastern European bakery products are most popular. Make sure that cakes and pies are in containers that will be sold with the item. Your items must be visible. If we know in advance exactly what you are making, we can make professional tags and have professional boxes. Please, no gluten free or sugar free - they do not sell. Breads (which sell very well) can be either sweet or savory. There will be baking day for kolachi, so that is already covered. All baked goods must be brought to the church the Friday May 5<sup>th</sup> before the Bazaar. If you have questions or need ideas, please, see Rafael or Alicia.

**Support the Catholic Home Missions Appeal today!** Over 40% of dioceses in United States and its territories are considered mission territories, because they are unable to fund essential pastoral activities needed in their communities. Your support funds religious education, seminary formation, lay ministry training, and other programs that build vibrant faith communities right here in the United States. Please be generous. More information can be found at <a href="https://www.usccb.org/home-missions">www.usccb.org/home-missions</a>.

**EPARCHIAL APPEAL 2023:** Collected to date: **\$5,685.00.** Our parish goal this year is **\$18,320.60** which comes down to **\$300.00** per Family. Parishes meeting their goals will receive a 10% rebate on the goal amount. We are requested to send our pledges directly to the Bishop's office in Phoenix, AZ, and our checks made to Holy Protection of Mary Byzantine Eparchy. Kindly give what you can to help our Eparchy and our Church.

Parish Hall and Kitchen renovations coming soon: Dear Parish Family, we have been planning these renovations yet in 2019 but the pandemic put things on the backburner. The plan has been set up to start the works after Sunday May 7th. The following renovations will be completed in the course of approximately 6-8 weeks:

- 1) New tile floor for the hall/ hallway/children's play room and kitchen area
  - 2) Electricity / sewer / water line updates in the kitchen area
    - 3) Installation of the new kitchen cabinets / countertops
- 4) Purchase / installation of the new kitchen appliances (stoves, sink, dish washer etc)

During the renovations the hall area / the hall bathroom / kitchen and the gift shop will not be available. We will be using outside patio / Alvarado Park for Sunday socials.

The 2023 Alive in Christ camp: This ascetical boot camp is Boys 7-17 and their fathers will be July 13-16 at Black Diamond Camp in Auburn, Washington state. The registration for the Camp is open now! You may register via mail or online at https://www.ephx.org/alive-in-christ-registration. For more info please, contact: Deacon Jonathan Deane at: dcn-deane@ephx.org

#### MYRRH BEARERS AT THE TOMB

SERVICE IN THE CHURCH TODAY can mean many things. The clergy are said to serve the Divine Liturgy and other services. Church members serve in a variety of ways in the worship, teaching and fellowship activities of the community. In many places they are honored today as the Church remembers those who volunteered to serve at the Lord's burial: Joseph, Nicodemus and the Myrrhbearers. Today we also remember the Church's first ordained servants, the Deacons.

Both Myrrhbearers and Deacons had one thing in common: they served Christ the Unwanted. The Myrrhbearers served the despised and rejected Jesus, condemned by the Jewish leaders and abandoned in death by even His closest followers. The Deacons were set apart by the Apostles to serve Christ unwanted in the weakest segment of society: those who had no family to care for them in their old age.

#### JOSEPH AND THE MYRRHBEARERS

In Mark 15:44-16:8, which is read at this Sunday's Liturgy, we see Joseph of Arimathea, a member of the Council, arrange for Jesus' burial. St John Chrysostom observes, "This was Joseph, who had been concealing his discipleship. Now, after the death of Christ, he became very bold. For neither was he an obscure person nor unnoticed. He was one of the Council, and highly distinguished and, as we see, courageous. For he exposed himself to death, taking upon himself the enmity of all by his affection for Jesus. He begged for the body and did not desist until he obtained it. Not only that, but by laying it in his own new tomb, he actively demonstrated his love and courage" (Homily 88 on Matthew).

In John 19:39 we are told that the seeker Nicodemus, a leading Pharisee, helped Joseph in this task. Their service is memorialized in the troparion sung on this day, itself drawn from the Gospel of St Mark: The noble Joseph took down from the tree Your spotless body. He wrapped it in fine linen with aromatic spices and laid it for burial in a new tomb...

Mark notes that Mary Magdalene and Mary, the mother of Joses (whom John identifies as the wife of Clopas and a relative of the Theotokos) saw where Jesus had been buried and returned with others on Sunday morning with more spices. Mark 15:40 tells of a Salome, one of those who had witnessed the death of the Lord, who accompanied them. These women were among those whom Luke says provided for Jesus' needs during His ministry from their possessions. Others among them, according to Luke, were "Joanna, the wife of Chuza, Herod's steward, and Suzanna, and many others" (8:3). Matthew 27:56 mentions "the mother of the sons of Zebedee" (i.e. James and John). Mary and Martha, the sisters of Lazarus, are included among them as well.

The Jews did not embalm the dead like the Egyptians. Rather they anointed a corpse and surrounded it with large quantities of spices to counteract the odor of decay. Jn 19:39 says that Nicodemus brought one hundred pounds of myrrh and aloes for that purpose. When the women returned to the tomb at first light on Sunday morning, according to Mark and Luke, they brought more spices. The odor should have increased to such a degree that further masking would be needed if people were to visit the tomb. But the Lord did not need their spices; not subject to corruption, He had conquered Death and destroyed its hold over us.

The Myrrhbearers performed a last act of love for Jesus body and remained by the tomb in witness to their love for Him. Their faithfulness to serve Christ even in death was rewarded; they were blessed to see the empty tomb and to bear witness to the Apostles that Christ is Risen.

#### THE PARISH MYRRHBEARERS

The holy Myrrhbearers are the patrons of many sisterhoods in Eastern Orthodox and Greek Catholic Churches. As the women in the Scriptures ministered to the material needs of Christ and His disciples, parish myrrhbearers serve their community by coordinating Sunday morning coffee hours and other parish meals. Some Myrrhbearers organize mercy meals for the departed or receptions for churchings and baptisms.

Elsewhere the parish Myrrhbearers may maintain the parish prayer list or ministry of intercession' remembering the needs for which parishioners have asked their prayers.

In some parishes the Myrrhbearers are the young women who exercise a ministry of hospitality at the church's regular Sunday services by serving as greeters, and by distributing bulletins and other handouts. They come into special prominence on Holy Friday when they keep watch before the holy shroud and scatter flowers before it in procession.

(Melkite Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Newton, https://melkite.org/faith/myrrh-bearers-at-the-tomb)

