# September 24, 2023 / T one 8 17th Sunday A fter Pentecost Christ is Among Us! He is and Always Shall Be!

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### MANDATORY SAFE ENVIRONEMT ONLINE TRAINING FOR ALL THE VOLUNTEERS

Reminder: PLEASE, CHECK your Safe Environment Compliance Certificate Expiration date. Please note that Online Virtus training for many will be expiring within September-October. The Eparchy's revised Safe Environment Policy no longer allows for lapses in compliance - either in Virtus training or in background screenings - for ALL OLPH VOL-UNTEERS AND EXPLORER YOUTH GROUP LEADERS. Anyone falling out of compliance at any point must immediately cease from their designated area of service at OLPH until such time as they are in compliance once again. No one - not members of the clergy, volunteers, educators, employees etc. - may serve for even one day when out of SEP compliance. Thank you for your vigilance in this matter.

Questions? Contact Carli Bonham or Fr Artur

# 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!

#### **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!

2 Corinthians 6:16-7:1; Luke 5:1-11

YouTube Live

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

ECF Classes

10:00 am Divine Liturgy for Parish Family, Benefactors & Friends Eternal Lamp: Holy Protection of the Mother of God over People of Ukraine

5:30 pm Ask A Priest

Sept 25 Mon

Euphrosyna Venerable / Eph 4:25-32; Lk 4:37-44

9:00 am God's Blessing on Orrin

Sept 26 Tue

The Passing of John Apostle-Evangelist / 1 Jn 4:12-19; J n19:25-27 & 21:24-25

9:00 am God's Blessing on Shay

Sept 27 Wed

Callistratus and Others Martyrs / Eph 5:25-32; Lk 5:33-39

6:00 pm God's Blessing on David Allen by Svenssons

Sept 28 Thu

Chariton Venerable-Confessor / 2 Cor 4:6-13; Lk 6:17-23

6:45 pm THEOSIS Bible Study (zoom)

Sept 29 Fri

Cyriacus Venerable / Eph 6:18-24; Lk 6:17-23



8:00 am 40 Days for Life witness and prayer on San Mateo/Lomas

10:00 am Memorial Liturgy for +Gloria Dominguez followed by catered meal in the Hall

6:00 pm +Yaroslaw Mykytash by Luda Kostyk

Sept 30 Sat

Gregory Illuminator Bishop-Martyr / 1 Cor 15:39-45; Lk 5:17-26

9:00 am Liturgy (masks required) +Bill Richardson by Lara Davis

12 noon Annual Blessing of Animals

Oct 1 Sun

18th Sunday After Pentecost / Feast of the Holy Protection of the Theotokos

2 Cor 9:6-11 & Heb 9:1-7; Lk 6:31-36 & Lk 10:38-42 & 11:27-28

4:00 pm Great Vespers with litija / YouTube LIVE

Hebrew Scriptures for Sunday: Genesis 28:10-17; Ezechiel 43:27-44; Proverbs 9:1-11

5:00 pm God's Blessing on Pam Pettit by Svenssons

YouTube LIVE

8:30 am Rosary

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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 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 Philip Leahy Fr Robert Rankin Juanita Montova Jacob McTernan Fr. Steve Washko

Buster Miscusi Barbara De Lap Irene Bradley Soriah Chavez Abraham Haddad Marianne Gerace Lori Medina Michael Baron Gabriel Preisler Jessica Pieniadz Rhonda Glasscock Amber Rovbal

Paola Terlaza Ruth Sousa Linda Granci Vicki Frank Christopher Barlow Jordan Smith Janet Worthington Patti Klinkovsky Matt Williamson James Epstein Katv Ford Alton & Barbara Bertschinger

#### 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 September** For people living on the margins

We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.

"When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him." Have you seen the Lord work in your life in such a powerful way that you would consider leaving everything to follow him? This is the response of the apostles in today's gospel reading. The Church is fortified by men and women who follow him as priests, deacons, subdeacons, monks and nuns. If you may be hearing this call, Contact the Vocations Office at 206-329-9219 or

email: vocations@ephx.org



Vocation Icon Today: Montano Family Next Sunday: Carol Donlin Pam Pettit

#### October 1, 2023

Cantor: Andrea Riley Reader: Michael Wells Altar Server: Michael Grega Trojca: Nora Domstead Counters: Rita Montano & Michael Wells

#### **Propers for 10/1/23**

18th Sunday after Pentecost
Protection of the Theotokos
Tone 1
Troparion-(Tone 1)- 125
Troparion (Feast) - 261
v. Glory...
Kontakion (Tone 1) - 126
v. Now & Ever...
Kontakion (Feast) - 261
Prokeimenon & Alleluia - 127 & 262
Our Father - 66
Communion - 79 & 262 [D]

#### **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

Last Sunday's Fundraiser for the Women's Spiritual Enrichment Weekend was a success- yummy sweet rolls, eggcellent casseroles, fruit, coffee, juice- oh my! And we raised \$578, which will go to paying the stipend for our speaker and snacks for our retreat. Thank you all for your time, contributions and donations which will make our Women's weekend possible! Next Sunday, Madeline Weagle will be contributing homemade sourdough crust for making pizzas! So come ready to help assemble before DL and feast together after! Thanks to Laura for standing in for me this Sunday! Have a blessed week!

# Coming Events—Mark Your Calendars Now

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Nov 2-5	Assembly of the Byzantine Church 2023 in Hillsborough, NJ https://form.jotform.com/230514012134134
Wed Nov 8	Archangel Michael and All Angels Solemn Holy Day 6:00 pm Divine Liturgy
Mon Nov 13	6:00 pm Advisory Board Meeting
Tue, Nov 14	Beginning of Phillip's Fast
Tue Nov 21 Mon Nov 20	Entrance of the Theotokos Solemn Holy Day 6:00 pm Vigil Liturgy
Wed Dec 6	Nicholas of Myra Archbishop Solemn Holy Day 6:00 pm Divine Liturgy
Fri Dec 8	Maternity of the Holy Anna Solemn Holy Day 6:00 pm Divine Liturgy
Fri & Sat Dec 15 & 16	Women's Day of Reflection
Fri Dec 22 Strict Fast	9:00 am Royal Hours 7:00 pm Great Compline
Mon Dec 25	Christmas-Birth of Our Lord Holy Day of Obligation 9:00 am Matins 10:00 am Divine Liturgy
Tue Dec 26,	Synaxis of the Theotokos Solemn Holy Day 6:00 pm Divine Liturgy
Wed Dec 27	Stephen Protomartyr Simple Holy Day 6:00 pm Divine Liturgy
Mon Jan 1 2024	Circumcision / Solemn Holy Day 10:00 am Divine Liturgy of St Basil / Blessing of Litija / Myrovanije
Fri Jan 5 Day of Strict Fast	Vigil of Theophany Noon— carpool to Rio Grande (parking lot of the National Hispanic Cultural Center on Avenida Chavez) Procession to the River 1:00pm Great Vespers with the Great Blessing of the Rio Grande
Sat Jan 6	Theophany of Our Lord / Holy Day of Obligation 9:00 am Divine Liturgy of St. Basil Great Blessing of Water / Myrovanije

#### Note from the Pastor:

Thank you sincerely to OLPH Helpers Social Committee for throwing very lovely Sunday social in honor of my 9<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Priestly Ordination. Dear Children and Youth, THANK YOU for your thoughtfulness, kind wishes and gifts. I LOVE YOU!!!

#### **Catechetical Sunday**

Last Sunday, we prayed for our ECF students and teachers, that God may strengthen them in their good work of growing in faith, love and knowledge of God through catechesis. Let's support and express our gratitude to those who have accepted the responsibility of teaching catechesis to our children as a gift of their time, energy and dedication.

In order to pass on the faith of our Church, we must take hold of it ourselves! What are you doing to nourish your spiritual life and your knowledge of the beautiful faith of our Church? There are many resources available in our Gift Shop, on Youtube channel "BECOMING BYZANTINE", at GODWITHUS ONLINE, at FORMED.ORG to name a few. Those are to strengthen you in your confidence to share the FAITH with others.

**PRO-LIFE CORNER** Dear Parish Family, 40 Days for Life starts on Wednesday September 27th. Your presence on the sidewalk is often the last chance for the child in the womb to be saved. Last Fall, two women told us that they changed their mind about getting an abortion when they saw all the people out there praying. We had a total of 44 saves and turn-aways in 2022 as a result of sidewalk counseling and prayers from the sidewalk. As usual every parish has a designated day to come pray and witness the Sanctity of Life in front of the abortion clinic on San Mateo or Lomas. Our Parish is scheduled on Friday September 29th and Friday October 27th. See flyers on greeting table or bulletin board in the hall for more info or visit the PDL website - www.defendinglife.org/40daysforlife.

**Dear ladies of OLPH**, you are cordially invited to join us at the Norbertine Abbey on December 15-16, 2023 for our annual day of reflection. This year our reflection will be led by Susanna Van Vickle, mother of five, a Catholic school teacher, and former lay missionary of Family Missions company from Dallas, Texas. You may opt for an overnight (in a single or double room) or just join us for the day program on Saturday, December 16. Come reflect on the JOY of Jesus as we prepare to celebrate His birth! Registration/Information brochures are available online or in the back of the church. Please see Evie Jilek or Cathy Sullivan for more information. Please tell your friends!

The "Lucan Jump" The continuous reading of the Gospel of the Holy Evangelist Luke begins on the Monday following the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. The four Gospels are all read in their entirety in the Byzantine Church and the reading of each begins with a great Feast. He Gospel of St. John the Theologian begins with the Feast of Feasts, the Pascha of our Lord and is read until Pentecost. The Gospel of St. Matthew begins with the Feast of Pentecost, the coming of the Holy Spirit, and is read until the Feast of the Holy Cross. The Gospel of St. Luke, then, begins with the Feast of the Holy Cross and is read until the Great Fast. The first Sundays in the Matthew cycle and in the Lucan cycle are of the call of the apostles Peter and Andrew, James and John, indicating that these Gospels also call us to follow after Jesus our Lord. The Gospel of St. Mark is read during the Holy and Great Fast, but since the Divine Liturgy is celebrated only on Saturday and Sunday, the remaining sections are read in the last six weeks of the Matthean and Lucan cycles. This is shy, no matter where we are in the cycle of Sundays after Pentecost we begin the course reading of the Gospel of St. Luke on the Monday that comes after the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross, this year on September 18.

**Father Chris** will be speaking at Our Lady of the Annunciation Parish Catholics Proclaiming Christ in the Soviet Empire
Wednesday, September 27, 6:30—8:00 pm Community Center

**The Annual Blessing of Animals** will take place on Saturday, September 30th at NOON in front of the outdoor shrine on the patio.

## September 24—St. Thecla, First Woman Hermit, Disciple of St. Paul

She was converted by St. Paul in Iconium, and withdrew into the mountains to live a hidden life of asceticism. She is venerated as "equal to the apostles." Having settled in a cave, she preached the Gospel and also brought healing to the sick. Her well still exists, and pilgrims come for cures, especially paralysis of any kind, and infertility. Women's monasteries have been in the town of Ma'loula in front of her cave since the 70s of the first century AD. Ma'loula is the heart of the Aramaic-speaking Christian towns of Syria. Though occupied and looted by al-Nusra in 2013-2016, the Orthodox and Byzantine Catholic Christians are rebuilding today. On her feast day, let us pray for her people, and an end to jihadist attacks.

#### September 26—St Nilus

Nilus the Younger is the founder of Italo-Greek monastic life in Sicily and southern Italy. Until the early 1800s, there were many monasteries of men and women in the south following the Byzantine-Greek rite. Today only the monastery of Our Lady at Grottaferrata survives, near Rome. He became a monk of the Rule of Saint Basil after an illness, and both defended Pope Gregory V and challenged Holy Roman Emperor Otto III for his crimes. He founded Grottaferrata in 1004, and died in 1005 at Saint Agatha monastery which he had also founded. His memory is kept alive in the Italo-Greek and Italo-Albanian parishes of Sicily and southern Italy; Our Lady of Wisdom in Las Vegas, NV, is the only Italo-Greek parish in the United States and belongs to our eparchy.

#### BI. Paul VI of Rome

Pope Paul VI will be canonized this year, in the 50th anniversary of his prophetic encylical Humanae Vitae (On Human Life). He reigned from 1963 to until 1978. He had the difficult task of steering the Catholic Church through the completion of the Second Vatican Council, including the liturgical reforms that swept the Latin Church. Paul VI was the first pope to leave Italy since Pius V was kidnapped by Napoleon. He traveled around the world, made an important trip to Israel, and achieved reconciliation with the Patriarch of Constantinople. He strongly emphasized priestly celibacy in the Latin Church, devotion to the Mother of God, and the centrality of the Holy Eucharist against radical moves attacking all those teachings. Initially he was lauded by the public for his first encyclical, Populorum Progressio, which called for a more just economy and dignity for all people, especially in poor countries. The uproar that met Humanae Vitae was such that he refused to write another encyclical. In Humanae Vitae, dissidents rejected his call to avoid artificial contraception and use natural family planning, helping to launch the next 50 years of dissent against Church teaching in sexual morality among Catholics in the wealthy western world. However, his prediction that acceptance of contraception would lead to marital infidelity, abuse of power by nation-states forcing their people to use contraception and abortion, sexual objectification of women, greater use of abortion and sterilization. A slippery slope of moral compromise has tragically been proven correct. Nations from China to Peru to India have introduced forced contraception, abortion, and sterilization. However he also taught that if couples used self-discipline, that discipline would bear fruit with marital peace, greater respect for conjugal love, and driving out selfishness. St. John Paul II used that concept in developing Theology of the Body. Paul VI suffered great heartbreak over the cost of terrorism in Italy, declining church attendance, and the rise of theological dissent among Catholics, and also had serious physical pain from arthritis. He died on the feast of the Transfiguration in 1978.

