

August 17, 2025 / Tone 1
10th Sunday After Pentecost
Christ is Among Us! He is and Always Shall Be!



Saint Stephen of Hungary

Holy Protection of Mary Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Phoenix
Most Reverend Artur Bubnevych

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

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 Fr Joshua or the office staff for more information. God bless you!**

1 Corinthians 4:9-16; Matthew 17:14-23

- YouTube Live** 8:30 am Rosary
9:00 am Matins & Confessions
10:00 am Divine Liturgy /Intention for the Parishioners of OLPH
Fr. Chris: +Stephen Welhasch by Family
12:30 pm Inquiry Class with Fr. Chris
- Aug 18 Mon** ***Florus and Laurus Martyrs / 2 Cor 2:4-15; Mt 23:13-22***
9:00 am Divine Liturgy / Blessings on Cruz & Gabriel Talamante
by Darlene Talamante
- Aug 19 Tue** ***Andrew and Others Martyrs / 2 Cor 2:14-3:3; Mt 23:23-28***
9:00 am Divine Liturgy / +Albert & Lois Dvorack by Michael Dvorack
- Aug 20 Wed** ***Samuel Prophet/ Stephen, King of Hungary / 2 Cor 3:4-11; Mt 23:29-39***
6:00 pm Divine Liturgy / Alexandro Jurado & Family
- Aug 21 Thu** ***Thaddeus Apostle / 2 Cor 4:1-6; Mt 24:13-28***
- Aug 22 Fri** ***Agathonicus and Others Martyrs / 2 Cor 4:13-18; Mt 24:27-33& 42-51***

9:00 am Prayer & Witness in front of abortion clinic on Lomas
6:00 pm Divine Liturgy / Jeremiah Joseph Jilek by Brook & Evie Jilek
- Aug 23 Sat** ***Lupus Martyr / 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mt 19:3-12***
4:00 pm Great Vespers
Hebrew Scriptures for Sunday:
Numbers 22:20-31; 1 Samuel 10:17-25; Isaiah 5:1-7
5:00 pm Vigil Divine Liturgy / +John Schuler by Eva Schuler
- Aug 24 Sun** ***11th Sunday After Pentecost / 1 Cor 9:2-12; Mt 18:23-35***
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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	Irene Bradley	Matt Williamson
Jenny Ford	Abraham Haddad	James Epstein
Marilyn Fore	Marianne Gerace	Katy Ford
Barbara Svensson	Michael Baron	Madalyn Davis
Laurie Bienz	Jessica Pieniadz	Rebecca Russo
Brent Dodson-	Rhonda Glasscock	Jacob McTernan
Sands	Amber Roybal	Paola Terlaza
Lara Davis	Philip Leahy	Vicki Frank
Carol Donlin	Juanita Montoya	Emily
Marcie Dark	Linda Granci	Wojciechowski
Fr Chris Zuger	Christopher	Fr Joel Barstad
Fr Robert Rankin	Barlow	Fr. Joseph Wargaki
Fr. Steve Washko	Joel Ford	Fr James Bankston
Buster Miscusi	Andrew Martinez	Eric Forrest
Richard Jacobs	Jordan Smith	Natalie Forrest
Lourdes Lasin	Janet Worthington	Tracy McTernan
Harry & Barbara	Sarah Chavez	Melissa Allen
De Lap		

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 / August 2025 For Mutual Coexistence

Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious, or ideological reasons.

“Nothing will be impossible for you!” Jesus taught his disciples to pray and to fast with faith, which was embodied in the life of His Most Pure Mother, whose Dormition we continue to celebrate. In that faith, nothing would be impossible for them. To see this more clearly, we need more men and women of faith to serve the Church as priests, deacons, subdeacons, monks and nuns. If God may be calling you to this life, contact the Vocations Office at 602-861-9778 or email: vocations@ephx.org



Vocation Icon

Today: Griffith Family
Next Sunday:
Fedorowich Family

August 24, 2025

Cantors: Andrea Riley &

Evie Jilek

Reader: Kendrick Sena

Altar Servers: Sdcn Michael Grega;
Team A

Counters: Miles Gloetzner &
Rita Montano

Propers for 8/24/25

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Troparion – 130

v. Glory ...

Kontakion - 131

v. Now & Ever...

Theotokion – 406

Prokeimenon & Alleluia - 132

Our Father- 67

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 the 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

Coming Events—Mark Your Calendars Now

Aug 29 -Sep 1	Otpust Uniontown, PA
	Beheading of John the Baptist / Simple Holy Day
Fri Aug 29	6:00 pm Divine Liturgy
Sat Aug 30	12—3:00 pm Explorer Meeting
Mon Sep 1	Beginning of the Church Year
Tue Sep 2	6:00 pm Advisory Board Meeting
Mon Sep 8	Birth of the Theotokos / Solemn Holy Day
	9:00 am Divine Liturgy
Fri Sep 26	Bring baked goods for bake sale Load Holubki roasters Slice kielbasa Set-up for Bazaar inside hall
Sat Sep 27	10 am—3 pm Bazaar
Sep 29– Oct 3	Clergy Retreat in Carefree AZ

OLPH ANNUAL BAZAAR

Saturday, September 27th 10am-3pm

There are many ways you can contribute to making this another blessed & fun-filled bazaar. Spread the word! We need HELP before, during & after!

Valentina (505) 515-454 Alicia (720) 280-0710

Sign-Up Genius link

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054AAAAA2AA4F94-57258684->

WELCOME TO BECOMING BYZANTINE: CO-SPONSORED BY THE BYZANTINE CATHOLIC EPARCHY OF PHOENIX AND VINEYARD OF THE LORD CATHOLIC MINISTRIES This series is intended to be an online introduction to Byzantine Catholic Faith, Worship, and Life based upon the teachings of the Christ Our Pascha (COP) Catechism. Each month, we will sponsor a 90-minute webinar which will serve as a conversation introducing the topics and themes from the catechism which can be read afterwards (paragraph numbers identified below), as well as from the recorded videos that will be available for free on our YouTube Channel. This can be used for individual, group, or parish study.

This is the link to access the BECOMING BYZANTINE YOU TUBE CHANNEL: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzhBP62eRM1DurlY43SfNJw>

The link to access the online version of the catechism CHRIST OUR PASCHA. <http://catechism.royaldoors.net>

Link to visit Fr. Deacon Anthony Dragani's website: <https://east2west.org>

As was announced by Bishop Artur in July, Father Chris will be transferred to Phoenix later this year to work in the areas of religious education and evangelization. There is no specific date set as of now; this will probably take place sometime in November or later.

EPARCHIAL APPEAL 2025 Bishop Artur extends his sincere gratitude to everyone who has already generously answered the Christian call to support the Church

Thank you for participating in the Bishop's Appeal! We have received a total of \$16,302.90. Our goal is **\$18,000**; *please give according to your means based on the household goal of \$300.*

The Appeal is the major source of income for our eparchy. It empowers the work of our Church for education and expansion of our mission in 13 states. We are requested to send our pledges directly to the Bishop's office 8105 North 16th Street, Phoenix, AZ, 85020 OR to <https://eparchy-of-phoenix.givecloud.co>.

Volunteers Requested. The parish is looking for one or more interested volunteers to become the *Parish Historian*. We have many photos, documents, and videos from our more than 50 years of history that need to be sorted, digitized, and organized into an ongoing archive. With this work, current and future generations can enjoy the history of being Byzantine in New Mexico. *If you would enjoy these types of activities, please contact the parish office*

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

Join with the Sisters of St. Basil—Our Lady of Perpetual Help Province as we celebrate the 92st Annual Pilgrimage in honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help on Labor Day weekend. Fr. Chris and Fr. Thomas will be speaking. Through your generosity, the Pilgrimage, our very special ministry, has evolved into a means of providing more authentic experiences of Eastern Catholic liturgical services and practices for the faithful.

MANDATORY SAFE ENVIRONMENT 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 August-September.

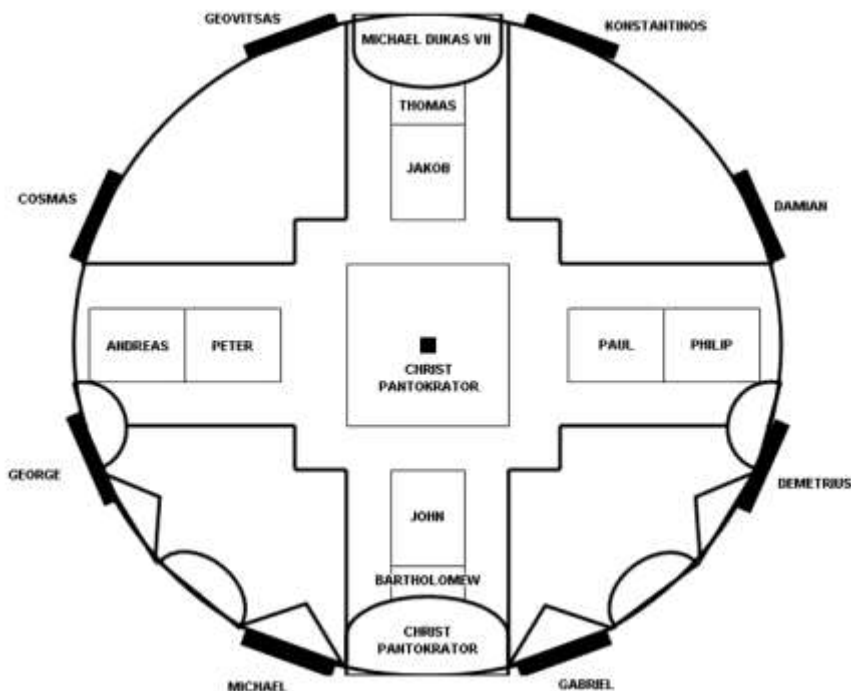
The Eparchy's revised Safe Environment Policy no longer allows for lapses in compliance— either in Virtus training or in background screenings - for ALL OLPH VOLUNTEERS AND EXPLORER YOUTH GROUP LEADERS. Anyone falling out of compliance at any point must immediately cease from their designated area of 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.

August 20 is the feast of Saint Stephen of Hungary. Szent István, as the Hungarians call him, was the **first Christian king of the Magyar people**. He was baptized as a Christian when he was a child and took the throne after a fierce struggle against pagan opposition. He married his wife, Blessed Gisela of Bavaria, in 997; one of their sons was Saint Emeric (Imre), revered for his purity. Stephen was confirmed in his royal role by the pope, and since then Hungary has been known as the Apostolic Kingdom. Stephen's famous Holy Crown came from Constantinople and is adorned with Byzantine icons.

Stephen established a diocesan structure for the Latin Church while endowing the Byzantine rite monasteries and parishes of the Greek Church. **During his reign, Hungarian rule was established over the Byzantine-Ruthenian Church's home territories in central Europe.** Hungary's orientation was to the West, not the East, and Latin became the official language of all government business until 1844.

St. Stephen entrusted the Hungarian state to the Mother of God, naming her as the perpetual Queen of Hungary by raising his crown in his right hand to her icon while on his deathbed. His forthright defense of the Church and work on her behalf would probably have earned him sainthood in the medieval mind, but in addition there were miracles of healing at his tomb. **The right hand with which he invoked Our Lady's protection has remained incorrupt to our time.** This hand remains in the Basilica of Saint Stephen in the heart of Budapest. The Byzantine-Ruthenian Catholic Church to which our parish belongs has a Metropolia in Hungary, with an archeparchy and two eparchies, and it is a strong, flourishing Church today of over 350,000.

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August 23 Irenaeus of Lyons

Irenaeus is very important in Christian history! Born around 120 AD into a Christian family in the city of Smyrna, he was familiar with St. Polycarp, the disciple of St. John the Theologian. He emigrated to Lyons in southern France and served as a priest who actively fought against heresies. He became the city's second bishop, serving as a missionary, pastor, and **one of the first great Catholic theologians. His main work is *Against Heresies***, defending the Faith against the different Gnostic teachings that claimed salvation required knowing “secret” wisdom. Irenaeus defined the “**pillars of orthodox faith**” as the **Sacred Scriptures, Apostolic Tradition, and the teachings given by bishops who are the successors of the apostles.** Irenaeus is one of the first writers to define the Scriptures, including the Four Gospels, the Old Testament, and authentic apostolic writings.

As part of his defense of orthodox faith against the Gnostics, he **emphasized the Incarnation of Jesus, and thus the Lord truly became flesh to save the human race.** In addition, he defended the **primacy of Rome over the Eastern Churches** as having a unique authority: *the “bishops of the greatest and most ancient Church known to all, founded and organized at Rome by the two most glorious apostles, Peter and Paul, that Church which has the tradition and the faith which comes down to us after having been announced to men by the apostles. With that Church, because of its superior origin, all the churches must agree ...”*