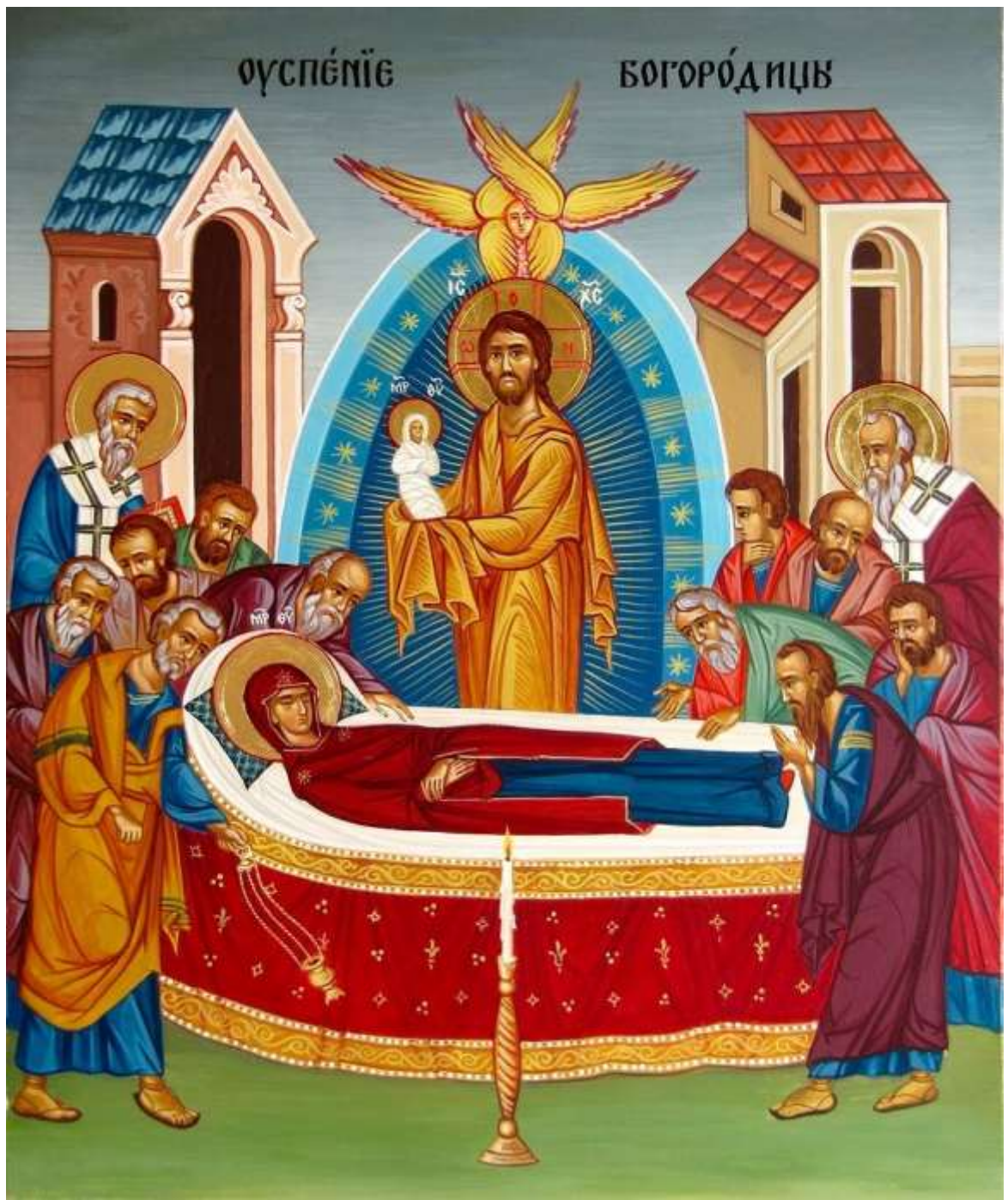


August 10, 2025 / Tone 8
9th Sunday After Pentecost
Christ is Among Us! He is and Always Shall Be!



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

1 Corinthians 3:9-17; Matthew 14:22-34

YouTube Live 8:30 am Rosary
9:00 am Matins & Confessions
10:00 am Divine Liturgy /Intention for the Parishioners of OLPH
12:30 pm Inquiry Class with Fr. Chris
Eternal Lamp: Holy Protection of the Mother of God over People of Ukraine

Aug 11 Mon ***Duplus Martyr / 1 Cor 15:12-19***



9:00 am Divine Liturgy / +Camille Dvorack by Michael Dvorack

Aug 12 Tue Photius and Anicetus Martyrs / 1 Cor 15:29-38; Mt 21:23-27

9:00 am Divine Liturgy / +Albert & Lois Dvorack by Michael Dvorack

Aug 13 Wed ***Maximus the Confessor Venerable / 1 Cor 16:4-12; Mt 21:28-32***



6:00 pm Divine Liturgy / Jeremiah Joseph Jilek by Brook & Evie Jilek

Aug 14 Thu ***Translation of the Relics of Theodosius of the Caves Venerable
Heb 13:7-16; Mt 11:27-30***

6:00 pm Vigil Divine Liturgy for the Dormition / Blessing of Flowers

Aug 15 Fri ***Dormition of the Theotokos / Holy Day of Obligation***



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

Aug 16 Sat ***Translation of the Icon of Our Lord
Col 1:12-18 or 2 Cor 3:4-11; Lk 9:51-56 & 10:22-24***

4:00 pm Great Vespers

Hebrew Scriptures for Sunday:

Numbers 22:2-13; Sirach 25:1-4.9-10; Jeremiah 5:1-6

5:00 pm Vigil Divine Liturgy / Cruz Talamante by Eva Schuler

Aug 17 Sun ***10th Sunday After Pentecost / 1 Cor 4:9-16; Mt 17:14-23***

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9:00 am Matins
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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	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 Zugger	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
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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.

"Take heart! It is I! Do not be afraid." Our Lord came to his disciples walking on water, and he called Peter to do the same. In fear and faith, he answered Jesus' call. Is he calling you or someone you know to follow him as a priest, deacon, monk, or nun? Answering with your own fear and faith may be a blessing to you and to our Church. Contact the Vocations Office at 602-861-9778 or email: vocations@ephx.org



Vocation Icon

Today: Fedorowich Family
Next Sunday: Griffith Family

August 17, 2025

Cantors: Andrea Riley &

Evie Jilek

Reader: Brook Jilek

Altar Servers: Sdcn Michael Grega;

Team C

Counters: Jana Brewer &

Ann Rajala

Propers for 8/17/25

10th Sunday after Pentecost

Post-festive day of Dormition

Tone 1

Troparion (Tone 1) – 125

Troparion (Dormition) – 352

v. Glory... Now & Ever...

Kontakion (Feast) - 352

Prokeimenon & Alleluia - 127 & 353

Instead of 'It is Truly Proper' – 353

Our Father- 66

Communion Hymn - 79 & 355 [F]

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

Thu Aug 14	Dormition of the Theotokos Holy Day of Obligation 6:00 pm Vigil Divine Liturgy / Blessing of Flowers
Aug 22-23	Otpust Olympia, WA
Aug 29 -Sep 1	Otpust Uniontown, PA
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/](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054AAAAA2AA4F94-57258684-ourlady)

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Alicia's Hall Report

Christ is Transfigured! On the Mount! Thanks to everyone who brought enchiladas, beans, rice, toppings, pies, & cookies! Noah said he appreciated everything and that the food was delicious! Hope the Johnson family enjoyed the New Mexican feast! Thank you all for throwing a great celebration and for all the work setting up, serving and cleaning in my absence. Please sign up to host a social during the last 2 months of summer! It technically ends September 22. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054AAAAA2AA4F94-olph#/>.

Have a blessed week!

. Triumph of the Heart – Pre-Release Screening

Sunday, August 10 at 4:00 PM

Rio Rancho Premiere 14 – 1000 Legacy Pkwy SE, Rio Rancho, NM 87124

Tickets will be \$20 and sold directly through the theater once available

RSVP here to stay in the loop: <https://toth-albuquerque.eventbrite.com>

This RSVP page helps us get a headcount and notify attendees when tickets go on sale.

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! Our sincere thank you to: Randall &

Beverly Forrest, Heather Mattax and Juanita Montoya. 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.

Dormition of the Most Holy Theotokos

Come, all you lovers of the feast, let us form choirs and fill the Church with our hymns, in honor of the falling asleep of the Ark of God. Today heaven indeed opens its bosom to receive the Mother of the One whom the universe cannot contain. The earth gives back the Source of Life and receives the blessing of the Lord. The choir of angels and apostles look with awe as they see the One who gave birth to the Prince of Life now herself pass from life to life. Let us all bow together before her and say: O Lady, do not forget the children of your house who celebrate your holy Dormition in faith. (Stichera from Dormition Vespers)

It is a dogma of the Catholic Church that at the end of Mary's life, God reunited her body and soul in heaven, as a sign of our future resurrection of body and soul. This was done, as it says in the Divine Office, so that the all-pure body which had carried the Life of the world should not be subject to corruption or decay. There is an ancient story that St Thomas got to Jerusalem too late, and asked to see the body of the Theotokos one more time. When the tomb was opened, not only was her body gone, but the shroud in which she had been buried was filled with flowers.

As a result of the miracle and as a testimony of our belief in the resurrection of the body at the end of time, flowers are blessed on August 15, a custom which was practiced from the earliest times in both East and West. Over time seeds and herbs used for medicinal purposes were also blessed, both in commemoration of the many healings and blessings that were bestowed upon the pilgrims at Mary's tomb, and because the hot summers resulted in many illnesses in medieval cities. The medicines of the day were derived from – flowers and herbs!

Second, this is the origin of the practice of having flowers at funerals: it is a testimony that we believe in the Resurrection of the dead, and reunion of body and soul at the end of the ages.

PLAN AHEAD: These are popular flowers to bring for the blessing on August 14/15 that are connected with Our Lady: roses (Queen of heaven, Jesus' thorns), marigold (Mary's gold), lavender (its scent represents Jesus' clothes which Mary put on the bush to dry), lilies and snowdrop (purity), violets (humility), columbine (Mary's shoes), rosemary (bushes which concealed Holy Family in their flight and flowers turned blue in Mary's honor), thyme and chamomile (herbs put in Jesus' manger), daisy is Mary-Love, geranium is Mary's Flower, larkspur is Mary's Tears, mint was dedicated to Mary, pansy (Our Lady's Delight), morning glory (Our Lady's Mantle), petunia (Our Lady's Praises), sage (Mary's Shawl), zinnia (Mary's virginity), and strawberries (Our Lady's fruitfulness in conceiving Christ). These are also plants you can use to make a Lady's Garden in honor of the Theotokos!

(Fr. Chris Zugger)



Holubki Making 2025

Coming Soon...
September 27, 2025



Noah Braunschweiger receives the
Mystery of Chrismation and
First Holy Communion