

# 25th Sunday after Pentecost

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November 6, 2016

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory to God Forever!



Feast of St. Michael the Archangel & All the Heavenly Powers



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**SCHEDULE:**

SUNDAY: Rosary 8:30 am  
Festal Matins 9:00 am  
Divine Liturgy 10:00 am

Daily Liturgy (Schedule of Services, Page 3)

Saturday: Great Vespers 4:00 pm  
Divine Liturgy 5:00 pm

**OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday—Friday 10:00 am—4:00 pm  
Thursday OFF

**THEOSIS:** 2nd & 4th Thursday  
pot luck dinner 6:00 pm  
Bible Study 7:00 pm

**Eastern Christian Formation Program:** All grades meet every Sunday after Liturgy for 45 minutes (September through May)

**Confession (Mystery of Reconciliation):**

9:15—10:00 am on Sundays, before or after week-day 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 or the office staff for more information. God bless you.

**Today** 8:30 am Rosary  
9:00 am Matins/Confessions  
*Canned goods collection for Friars* 10:00 am Divine Liturgy for Parishioners, Benefactors & Friends  
ECF Classes  
Eternal Lamp: Rafael Plut by Dorothy Curl

**November 7  
Monday** **33 Martyrs of Melitene**  
**Epistle: 1 Timothy 1:1-7; Gospel: Luke 12:13-15.22-31**

6:00 pm Vigil Divine Liturgy/Blessing on Ann Rajala by Fitzpatrick's  
Blessing of Litija/Mirovanije  
7:00 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting

**November 8  
Tuesday** **Archangel Michael & All Angels/Solemn Holy Day**  
**Epistle: Hebrews 2:2-10; Gospel: Luke 10:16-22**

9:00 am Festive Divine Liturgy for the Parish Family,  
Benefactors and Friends/Mirovanije  
6—8:00 pm Perpetual Helpers Large Group Meeting & potluck

**November 9  
Wednesday** **Onesiphorus & Pophryius Martyrs**  
**Epistle: 1 Timothy 1:18-20; 2:8-15; Gospel: Luke 12:48-59**

5:30 pm OLPH Devotions  
6:00 pm Blessing on Tessa Pettit by Pam Pettit

**November 10  
Thursday** **Erastus & Others Apostles**  
**Epistle: 1 Timothy 4:4-8.16; Gospel: Luke 13:31-35**

Father's Day off

**November 11  
Friday** **Menas, Victor & Vincent Martyrs**  
**Epistle: 1 Timothy 4:4-8.16; Gospel: Luke 13:31-35**



6:00 pm Blessing on Lilian Haddad by Fitzpatrick's

**November 12  
Saturday** **Josaphat Archbishop**  
**Epistle: Hebrews 7:26-8:2; Gospel: John 10:9-16**

**November 13  
Sunday** **26th Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Epistle: Ephesians 5:9-19; Gospel: Luke 10:25-37**

4:00 pm Great Vespers  
5:00 pm +Keenan Alan by Jileks

8:30 am Rosary  
9:00 am Festive Matins/Confessions  
10:00 am Divine Liturgy for Parishioners, Benefactors & Friends  
ECF Classes

Eternal Lamp: +John Schuler by wife Eva

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  
Stephen Horner  
Katrina Anderson  
Abraham Haddad  
Jenny Ford  
Threima Leech  
Priscilla Hughes  
Steve Jakymiw  
Lillian Murphy  
Marilyn Fore  
Demetrius Yackanich  
Sven & Barbara Svensson  
Keith Romero

Fr. Julian Gnall  
Henry Zuger  
John & Margie Disque  
Phillip Fall  
Laura Dominquez  
Olga Bodnar  
Frances Brannan  
John Deflice  
Mary Ann Kosty  
Jordan Smith  
Maggie Batsel  
Jean Pesce  
Henry Burnette  
Tracy McTernan

William Frank  
Joseph Koetter  
Mary Nell Preisler  
Mike Harahuc  
Robert Zadel  
Jack & Lorraine Hubbell  
Quintin Santmaria & Family  
Heather Mattax  
Larry Bennett  
Paola Terlaza  
Ruth Sousa  
Frank Gerace  
Linda Granci

Prayers in honor of and to the Blessed Virgin are a powerful weapon against sin, and for healing. If you recite the Rosary at home, please offer these intentions, and join us on Sunday at 8:30 am. Those who recite the Akathist to the Mother of God or the Rosary receive a partial indulgence when they do so in private, plenary indulgence when they do so as a group

### **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



Vocation Icon

Today: Dodson-Sands

Next Sunday: Wells

### **Holy Father's Intentions for November**

#### **Universal: Countries Receiving Refugees**

That the countries which take in a great number of displaced persons and refugees may find support for their efforts which show solidarity.

#### **Evangelization: Collaboration of Priests and Laity**

That within parishes, priests and lay people may collaborate in service to the community without giving in to the temptation of discouragement.

**The Knights of Columbus** have begun their winter homeless outreach for the year. We are looking for donations of items to provide to the homeless that we find out of doors during these cold winter nights. We have found that those we help are looking for men's coats, knitted hats, gloves, new socks, bottles of water, and non-perishable no-cook foods (granola bars, crackers). Additionally we could use Ramen Noodles cups which we provide as a hot meal.

We do **not** need clothing made specifically for women, warm-weather clothes (shorts and t-shirts), or more formal dress wear. To donate, please bag any items and provide them to a Knight (Dan Riley, Brook Jilek, Jeff Brewer, Miles Gloetzner).

**!!!ATTENTION!!!**

**Brother Isaiah's new CD album**

"**BROOMSTICK**" is available in our Gift Shop for only \$8.00!!! It is also available on iTunes, Youtube, Amazon, and Spotify. All proceeds go to support single mothers in need of assistance. ([franciscanfriars.com](http://franciscanfriars.com))

**OLPH Choir Rehearsal**

Tuesday, November 15 at 6:30 pm

Are you interested in singing with the OLPH Choir? Join us as we review music changes and hymns for the Advent season.

**Perpetual Helpers Large Group Meeting**

Tuesday November 8th from 6 - 8pm in the Parish Hall. There will be potluck & the agenda is the same. We really need everyone who can to attend!

**Come into the gift shop** and see our new Christmas icons. Only one of each, so come in soon! Several sizes available.

DATE	READER	TROJCA	GREETER	COUNTER	HOST
Nov. 13	Brook Jilek	Sorilah Chavez	Dorothy Curl Melinda Fitzpatrick	Rafael Plut Dorothy Curl	Explorers

**Barbara's Hall Report**

Thanks to Dan and Andrea Riley for making trays of red beans and rice to celebrate Maddy's birthday. Very delicious! And so many brownies, there were even some left over! Yum! Happy Birthday Maddy!

## Coming Events—Mark Your Calendars Now

	<b>Archangel Michael &amp; All Angels/Solemn Holy Day</b>
November 7 Monday	6:00 pm Vigil Liturgy/Blessing of Litija
November 8 Tuesday	9:00 am Divine Liturgy/Mirovanije
November 15 Tuesday	Beginning of Philip's Fast 9:00 am Divine Liturgy/Emmanuel Moleben
	<b>Entrance of the Theotokos/Solemn Holy Day</b>
November 20 Sunday	5:00 pm Great Vespers/Litija
November 21 Monday	6:00 pm Divine Liturgy/Mirovanije

**The 40 Day Fast** before Christmas/Filipvka (Fast of St. Philip will begin next Tuesday, November 15. What can I do to prepare my soul for the coming of the Christ Child?)

The Byzantine Catholic Church invites all to participate more fully in the central mysteries of the Gospel of Jesus Christ through her calendar of feasts and fasts.

The feast of the Nativity of Our Lord God and Savior Jesus Christ (Christmas, December 25) is one of the great feasts of the Church year, celebrating the coming or advent of the **Messiah** (which in Hebrew means "*He who is anointed by the Spirit*" and in Greek, is **Christos**), Jesus Christ. Christ was born into the world through the Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary to offer us the wondrous gifts of salvation and theosis, our transformation into the likeness of God by sharing in His holiness through the energies of His grace.

**There will be no CAFE on November 8**, due to people wanting to watch the elections. Please pray fervently for our country after the difficult presidential campaign, for peace and unity, and pray always for American society to reflect the values and principles of the Church.

**Do you have spare** cardboard boxes you can bring in for Fr. Chris' dog Frost? At the shelter, treats are hidden in the boxes and then the dogs forage inside them, to their delight. Feel free to bring boxes by, and Frost will thank you happily.

### **COMING SOON - Mission Society Christmas Cards !!!**

**Our newly designed Christmas cards** to support our mother church in Mukachevo, Ukraine **go on sale next Sunday, November 13th**. The Russian-backed war has resulted in severe inflation, reducing income to only 50% of pre-war levels, crippling their work. Please encourage your relatives, friends, co-workers to buy our cards and to spread the joy of Jesus' Birth by helping the resurrection of the Byzantine Catholic Church's mother eparchy!

A packet of 5 cards sell for \$10 including envelopes. Fill out the slip with the names of the recipients and return by mail or drop them by the parish office. All names will be sent to Bishop Milan Sasik in the Ukraine. On January 7<sup>th</sup> (Old Calendar), the Bishop will place all of these names on the altar and pray for each individual. The last day to purchase cards will be Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup>.

## Saint Michael the Archangel

November 8 is the "Synaxis of the Holy, Heavenly, Bodiless Powers", or Saint Michael the Archangel, and all the choirs of Angels. This includes our own Guardian Angels. Some say that we have guardian angels assigned to us when we are conceived in our mother's wombs. Others say, as in the baptismal ritual, that they are given to us when we are baptized. Either way, we are blessed with angels who try to steer us in the right direction and watch over us. St. Michael himself is the one who led the armies of heaven in casting rebellious Lucifer and his troops out, and he is often shown as defeating Satan, holding the scales of judgment for the dead in his hand, and always in military armor. In Russia, icons depict him riding his horse and sounding the trumpet to announce the Last Judgment.

Angels abound in the Bible, serving as God's messengers and helping His people. They appear in icons, worshipping Christ, honoring Our Lady the Theotokos, praising God. In the Liturgy, **we believe that angels escort the clergy through the Royal Doors** at both Entrances, and come down from heaven to gather around the altar. **At the Great Entrance, we say that we mystically represent the angels** who surround God's altar in heaven with full attention. When we sing the "Holy, Holy, Holy" we invoke that very image in our minds, of the **heavenly host joyfully surrounding our altar to attend the Sacrifice of the Holy Eucharist**. Isn't that a great mental picture to have in mind? Like the angels, we are to be happy to be in church, attentive to what is happening, and worshipping God with devotion.

**We celebrate this feast of unity between angels and humans, and this unity is not in the "life to come" at the end of times — it starts in this world:** the angels direct and guard the sons of God who are struggling in this world; they are glad with every sinner returning to God; they convey the prayers to God's throne. Hence, **there is a common liturgical work between angels and humans**. The angels offer a non-stop continuous doxology and mental worship with humans to God. They offer to the Holy Trinity the Trisagion: "with these holy powers, we sinners say the trisagion, 'Holy, Holy, Holy Lord of hosts, the heavens and earth are filled with Thy glory, hosanna in the highest, blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord, hosanna in the highest' ". **They gather around the holy altar with the priest to serve with him the liturgy.**

So there is only one celebration, one feast common between humans and angels: "angels with humans celebrate together, earthly with heavenly speak," and "through thy cross our Christ our God, the angels and humans become one church, heaven and earth are united, O Lord glory to Thee." The angels are members of the Church, the body of Christ. The 8<sup>th</sup> of November is also a specific feast of Archangel Michael, going back in history in celebrating the memory of his church in Arcadia in Constantinople.

**The angels are a "heavenly army." Their leader and head is Archangel Michael, who is one of the seven spirits in front of God's throne.** "O Holy Archangel Michael glorified, God has placed you head of their Hosts, Powers, Angels and Archangels, Dominions, and Principalities" (Exapostolarion of the feast).

**According to St. Dimitri of Rostov, some of the archangels are the closest to God.** They are Michael (*Missa-ii* in Hebrew), which means "Who is like God," Gabriel (*Jibra-ii* in Hebrew), which means "God's power," Raphael (*Roupha-ii* in Hebrew), which means "God's mercy."

In the Byzantine Rite, Monday is always dedicated to the holy angels, and the Dismissal Prayer includes the phrase "through the intercession of the holy, bodiless, powers of heaven."



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