

**August 2, 2015**  
**10th Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Epistle: 1 Corinthians 4:9-16; Gospel: Matthew 17:14-23**



Transfiguration



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Our Lady of Perpetual Help Byzantine Catholic Church  
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**SCHEDULE:**

**Sunday:**

Rosary 8:30 am

Festal Matins 9:00 am

Divine Liturgy 10:00 am

Monday, Divine Liturgy 9:00 am

Tuesday, Divine Liturgy 9:00 am

Wednesday

OLPH Devotions, 5:30 pm

Divine Liturgy 6:00 pm

Friday, Divine Liturgy 6:00 pm

**Saturday:** Great Vespers 5:00 pm  
Divine Liturgy 6:00 pm

**OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday - Friday: 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Thursday OFF

**Parish Advisory Board Members:**

Dorothy Curl, Dave Dark, Lubomyra Kmetyk,  
Brian Fitzpatrick, Harry DeLap

**Parish Finance Council Members:**

Matthew Blain & Eva Schuler

**Confession Schedule (Mystery of Reconciliation):**

9:30-9:50 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!

**Eastern Christian Formation Program:**

All grades meet every Sunday after Liturgy for 45 min

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.

<b>Today</b>	8:30 am	Rosary
	9:00 am	Festal Matins
<i>Canned Goods Collection</i>	10:00 am	Divine Liturgy for Parish Family & Friends Fr. Chris: Intention of Fr. Gene Yackanich by brother Demetrius
	Eternal Lamp:	Open
<b>Monday</b> August 3 	<b><i>Isaacius &amp; Others Venerables</i></b> <b><i>Epistle: 2 Corinthians 2:4-15; Gospel: Matthew 23:13-22</i></b>	
	9:00 am	Divine Liturgy Blessing on Deacon James and his Family
	7:00 pm	Knights of Columbus Meeting
<b>Tuesday</b> August 4	<b><i>Seven Youths of Ephesus Martyrs</i></b> <b><i>Epistle: 2 Corinthians 2:14-3:3; Gospel: Matthew 23:23-28</i></b>	
	9:00 am	Divine Liturgy Blessing on Ann Rajala
<b>Wednesday</b> August 5 	<b><i>Eusignius Martyr</i></b> <b><i>Epistle: 2 Corinthians 3:4-11; Gospel: Matthew 23:29-39</i></b>	
	5:30 pm	OLPH Devotions
	6:00 pm	Vesper Liturgy for the Feast of Transfiguration Blessing of Litija Bread, Mirovanije, Blessing of Fruits Blessing on Jilek Family
<b>Thursday</b> August 6	<b><i>Transfiguration of Our Lord/Solemn Holy Day</i></b> <b><i>Epistle: 2 Peter 1:10-19; Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9</i></b>	
	9:00 am	Divine Liturgy for Parish Family Benefactors & Friends Blessing of Fruits, Mirovanije
<b>Friday</b> August 7 	<b><i>Domitius Venerable Martyr</i></b> <b><i>Epistle: 2 Corinthians 4:13-18; Gospel: Matthew 24:27-33 &amp; 42-51</i></b>	
	6:00 pm	Divine Liturgy Blessing of Reginald Garuti by M/M MacMurchadha
<b>August 8</b>	<b><i>Emilian Bishop - Confessor</i></b> <b><i>Epistle: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9; Gospel: Matthew 19:3-12</i></b>	
	10 am – 3 pm	Knights of Columbus Retreat
	5:00 pm	Great Vespers
	6:00 pm	Divine Liturgy Blessing on Tim & Jenny Ford
<b>Sunday</b> August 9	<b><i>11th Sunday After Pentecost</i></b> <b><i>Epistle: 1 Corinthians 9:2-12; Gospel: Matthew 18:23-35</i></b>	
	8:30 am	Rosary
	9:00 am	Festal Matins
	9:30 am	Confessions
	10:00 am	Divine Liturgy for Parish Family & Friends Fr. Chris: Open
	Eternal Lamp:	Open

***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!***

Fr. Julian Gnall  
Fr. Anthony Romero



Roy Smith	Paola Terlaza	Laura Dominguez
Sven & Barbara Svensson	Henry Zuggler	Robert Zadel
Michele Koetter	John & Margie Disque	William Frank
Abraham Haddad	Phillip Fall	Joseph Koetter
Lillian Murphy	Walter Jakymiw	Mary Nell Preisler
Stephen Horner	Olga Bodnar	Jackie De Paolis
Demetrius Yackanich	Frances Brannan	Donny Terry
Jenny Ford	John Deflice	Mary Murphy
Marilyn Fore	Kristoff Rajala	Lorraine Hubbell
Robert Hasaka	Jordan Smith	Quintin Santamaria & Family
Frank & Martha Arden	Marge Merrills	Heather Mattax
Pricilla Hughes	Maggie Batsel	Larry Bennett
Sharif Rabadi	Katrina Anderson	Chris Overlin
Threima Leech	Belita Halber	Mary Ellis
Alicia Wells	Mike Harahuc	Tony Lucero

*Prayers in honor of and to the Blessed Virgin are a powerful weapon against sin, and for healing.*

Glorious Mysteries are recited on Sunday, Tuesday & Thursday; Joyful Mysteries on Monday & Saturday; Sorrowful Mysteries on Wednesday & Friday.

*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***

- 1<sup>st</sup> Decade:** Help for persecuted Catholics, especially in communist and Islamic states
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Decade:** Spiritual and physical growth of our parish and the Byzantine Catholic Church
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Decade:** Increase in vocations to priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life to serve the Byzantine Catholic Church
- 4<sup>th</sup> Decade:** Repose of the souls who have no one praying for them
- 5<sup>th</sup> Decade:** Healing of the sick in body, mind and soul

***Holy Father's Intentions for June***

**Universal:** Immigrants and refugees. That immigrants and refugees may find welcome and respect in the countries to which they come.

**Evangelization:** Vocations. That the personal encounter with Jesus may arouse in many young people the desire to offer their own lives in priesthood or consecrated life.

VOCATION ICON  
 Today: Gloetzner  
 Next Sunday: Blocks



**HIDDEN TREASURES OF BYZANTIUM**

Twenty-eight enlightened souls from our parish want to attend the Santa Fe Desert Chorale's performance of inspiring Byzantine music on August 9, 4:00 p.m., at The Cathedral of St. John here in Albuquerque. Seats for this performance are selling well and the box office cannot reduce ticket prices more than their standard group discount. As a group, each adult ticket is \$31.50. Student tickets are \$20, there are five students attending. This ticket price is tier 2 seating, in front of the choir but towards the back.

Please, if you have responded to Pam Pettit that you want to go but cannot pay this price, please speak with her as soon as possible. **Pam has purchased all of the tickets and will have them available for pickup here at the church on today.** Please bring payment for your ticket(s) on August 2. She can also be reached at 299-1609 if you need to make payment arrangements at some other time.

**Outing with children** and parents in the park on Sunday, August 9, after Divine Liturgy. Please, bring sport clothes and lots of energy!!!

**All Ladies—please join us for  
 OLPH Happy Hour!**

To be held Monday, August 17<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 pm in the OLPH hall.

We'll have smoothie drinks and lots of time to socialize together.

Please bring Happy Hour Hors D'oeuvres (snacks) to share.

Contact Alicia at 720-280-0710 or Cindy at 505-303-0082 for more information.

**ATTENTION!!! Stuffed Cabbage Sale!!!**

Frozen cabbage rolls are available in the hall.

\$10 for 10 rolls cooked.

\$7 for 10 rolls uncooked.

Available today after the Divine Liturgy.

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8/9	Dave Dark	Grace Brewer	Samia Rabadi	Plut

**Barbara's Hall Report:**

Thanks to everyone who helped with the Ordination Brunch for Father Tyler, especially Evie Jilek and Carol Donlin. Everything was spectacular, especially the trays of red and green enchiladas, and the beautifully decorated carrot cake, which I hear is a favorite of Father Tyler's!

Thanks to everyone who did the dishes, cleared the tables, and helped with the clean up. Father Tyler, may God grant you many happy and blessed years. Enjoy New York and the Eparchy of Passaic. And it was a joy to see Bishop Kurt again!

### Coming Events—Mark Your Calendars Now!

Thursday, August 6	Solemn Feast of the Transfiguration: Blessing of Fruit after each Liturgy Divine Liturgy: Vigil on Wed., 6:00 PM and on Thur. at 9:00 AM
Saturday, August 15	Solemn Feast of the Dormition of the Theotokos, Holyday of Obligation Divine Liturgy: Vigil on Friday at 6:00 PM and on Saturday at 9:00 A
Saturday, August 29	Blessing of Flowers and Plants after each Liturgy Simple Feast of the Beheading of John the Baptist Divine Liturgy: Saturday, 9:00 AM

### MEN UNDER CONSTRUCTION

#### The 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Archdiocesan Men's Conference

Saturday, August 8, 2014

Late-Registration and breakfast begin at 7:00 am; Conference at 8:00 am

AT St. Pius X High School

Our day includes motivational talks, men's fellowship, Mass, Benediction and the Sacrament of Reconciliation available throughout the day. We are featuring nationally renowned speakers Mr. Jesse Romero and Fr. Bill Casey. Breakfast and lunch will be provided.

Jesse and Fr. Bill will present the following:

Three Types of Men: Wolves, Sheep & Shepdogs

Bullet Proof Faith

Loyal Sons of the Church: Knowing and Defending the Faith

The Devil: Father of Lies, Murderer From the Beginning

The cost is \$30. Scholarships available. Open to all men, ages 18 and up (teen boys 15 and up welcome with an adult). Please register early (so that we can place a more accurate food order)!

Register at: [www.mucnm.com](http://www.mucnm.com) or call 505-831-8253.



From Curt Kuper of Project Defending Life:

**Recently four moms were turned around from getting abortions and one woman is having triplets!**

**Also, over 120 women have been helped at Women's Pregnancy Options for Life at PDL so far this year!**

Many lives have been saved (praise God!) and this could not be done without your prayers and support of the pregnancy resource center at PDL and the Sidewalk Advocates – we are very grateful!

Special thanks also to the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal, **Father Artur**, and Sister Immolatia for leading us in prayer in front of the abortion mill.

## *Flowers Associated With the Mother of God*

**You can use this list if you want plants dedicated to Mary in your garden for the fall or spring, and to help you plan to buy / pick flowers to bring to church to be blessed at the Dormition services.**

Our Lady has an association with many flowers for life events as well as before her death. Both the ancient Church and medieval Europe assigned different flowers to parts of her life, or to reflect qualities of her life.

**Roses and Lilies:** Mary was associated with this passage from the *Song of Songs* (2:1) *I am the Rose of Sharon, The lily of the valleys*. Dried rose buds were used to make the first rosaries, and lilies became a symbol of purity while their yellow anthers (the long stems inside the bloom) are "the glowing light of her soul" (Venerable Bede, 7<sup>th</sup> century. Red roses are for Mary's suffering, white for her joy, and yellow for her glories.

**Rose:** The rose is regarded as the "queen of flowers", and often symbolizes Mary, the Queen of Heaven. Also an almost universal symbol of perfect love, its color, perfection of form, and fragrance, as well as its thorns signifies Mary's role in salvation history as the Mother of God the Savior who was crowned with thorns and shed His blood on the Cross for love of mankind. The rose, arising from a thorny bush, also signifies Mary, the Mystical Rose, who is, as William Wordsworth wrote "**our fallen Nature's solitary boast**", who alone of the human race was conceived without sin.

It also may contain a parallel with the fiery thorn bush from which God *spoke* to Moses: Mary, immaculately conceived, was the means through which God *became* Man, The Word made flesh.

**Marigolds:** The marigold was called Mary's Gold by early Christians who placed the flowers around statues of Mary, offering the blossoms in place of coins. It was told that Mary used the blossoms as coins.

A legend says that during the Flight into Egypt the Holy Family was accosted by a band of thieves. They took Mary's purse and when they opened it, marigolds fell out.

**Spearmint:** in France, this is known as "Our Lady's Mint".

**Violets:** The lowly violet was associated with humility and became known as Our Lady's Modesty. It was said to have blossomed when Mary said to the Angel Gabriel, who had come to tell her she was to bear the Son of God, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord."

**Rosemary:** Legend has it that rosemary shrubs were silent as they journeyed through the Egyptian countryside while the other bushes crackled and snapped as they passed through them. The rosemary bushes parted very quietly so they could pass through them, and then closed behind them so that the soldiers could not see where they had fled.

**Lavender:** **Mary laid the swaddling clothes of Jesus on a Lavender bush to dry.** His clothes had a beautiful fresh scent and the flowers took that scent up. Lavender was used to freshen linens just like we do today, and bedding and sick rooms. It also was used to deter moths and no Victorian home could do without lavender.

**Why do we bless flowers and herbs on August 15<sup>th</sup>? Wait for next week's bulletin to find out. And we'll tell why strawberries get added in!**

**August 6 marks the holy day of the Transfiguration**, a day which, as Dorothy Lee writes so eloquently in her book *Transfiguration* (London: Continuum, 2004, p. 2): *the Transfiguration is a pivotal moment, and the setting on the mountain is presented as the point where human nature meets God: the meeting place for the temporal and the eternal, with Jesus himself as the connecting point, acting as the bridge between heaven and earth.* Jesus takes his three closest friends – Peter, James and John, who He will also take into the Garden of Gethsemane – to the top of Mount Tabor, and there on this high place, He is finally revealed in all His glory.

He is accompanied by Moses, the giver of the Law, and Elijah, the greatest of the prophets, who come to confirm His divinity as the Son of God, the long-awaited Messiah. In the icon, only Peter is able to look up, where he utters his famous line, asking Jesus permission to build tents for Him and the two prophets, so that the three apostles could remain there forever. Jesus reveals Himself so as to strengthen them for what will soon come: His Passion. Unfortunately, they will forget this marvelous event and run away.

Alexander Boguslawski describes the Transfiguration Icon:

Although every part of the picture plane is occupied, the main focus of the icon is on the Transfigured Jesus and on the disciples who are awed by the splendor of His glory. **Rays of glory that radiate out from Jesus, who is elevated, seem to relate the apostles to Jesus by means of a triangular composition (Jesus above at the highest point and the apostles below).** On Jesus' right is Elijah, and on His left is Moses, holding a tablet.

Jesus Himself is holding a scroll, symbolic of His authority and the fact that He is the Living Word of God. His raiment is a bright whitish color that radiates in several directions almost like a star. Behind Him is a silvery-blue circle permeated with golden shafts of light which probably represents both the cloud and His glory.

**August is the premier pilgrimage season** in the Eastern Christian world. It is marked by three major feasts: the Transfiguration of Christ, the Dormition of the Virgin Mary, and the beheading of St. John the Baptist.

In the month of August in the northern hemisphere, fruits are ready for harvest and so these are brought to church on August 6 to be blessed for the Transfiguration. In particular, **grapes are brought to church, symbolizing the wine for the Precious Blood of Christ in the Holy Eucharist, and apples signify our redemption from the curse of original sin, introduced when Adam and Eve ate from the Tree of Life. All fruits are welcome however.**

