July 2, 2023 / T one 4 / 5th S unday A fter Pentecost Christ is Among Us! He is and Always Shall Be! Feast of our mighty patron The miraculous icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help



We extol you O most Holy Theotokos, and honor your precious Protection under title of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, praying to Christ for us.

(Exaltation from the Festal Matins)

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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.

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

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!

Rom 10:1-10; Mt 8:28-9:1

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

YouTube Live 10:00 am Solemn Divine Liturgy / Procession around the church with

reading of 4 Gospels / Myrovanije

Patronal Feast Day

3:00 pm Parish picnic and pool party at Jilek's

July 3 Mon Hyacinth Martyr / Rom 16:17-24; Mt 13:10-23

9:00 am Blessing on Shana and Mady Davis by Shari

July 4 Tue Andrew of Jerusalem Archbishop / Independence Day

1 Cor 1:1-9; M5 13:24-30

9:00 am Blessing of Tom and Rafael Plut

July 5 Wed Athanasius of Mount Athos Venerable / Gal 5:22-6:2; Lk 6:7-23

5:30 pm OLPH Devotions

6:00 pm Healing and Salvation for Christopher Webb and his family by Lara Davis

Sisoes the Great Venerable / 1 Cor 3:18-23; M5 13:36-43 July 6 Thu

July 7 Fri Thomas and Acacius Venerables / 1 Cor 4:5-8; M5 13:44-54

9:00 am Prayer & Witness in front of abortion clinic on San Mateo/Lomas 6:00 pm +Priest Stephen Casmus by Shari

July 8 Sat Procopius Great-Martyr / Rom 9:1-5; M5 9:18-26

> 9:00 am (masks required) Healing and Salvation for Christopher Webb and his family by Lara Davis

July 9 Sun 6th Sunday After Pentecost / Rom 12:6-14; Mt 9:1-8

> 4:00 pm Great Vespers / YouTube LIVE 5:00 pm +Bishop Gerald Dino by Shari

Hebrew Scriptures for Sunday: Exodus 32:30-35; Sirach 11:1-14; Jeremiah 10:1-7

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

YouTube LIVE 0.30 am Divine Liturgy for Parish Family, Benefactors & Friends /

Christian Initiation for Milgraos Sullivan

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 Buster Miscusi Paola Terlaza Ruth Sousa Jenny Ford Barbara De Lap Marilyn Fore Linda Granci Irene Bradley Sven & Barbara Soriah Chavez Vicki Frank Abraham Haddad Christopher Svensson Marianne Gerace Barlow Laurie Bienz Jordan Smith Brent Dodson-Lori Medina Sands Michael Baron Janet Worthing-Lara Davis Gabriel Preisler Carol Donlin Jessica Pieniadz Patti Klinkovsky Marcie Dark Rhonda Matt Williamson Jesse Hebert Glasscock James Epstein Amber Roybal Katy Ford Fr Chris Zugger Fr Chris Andrews Alton & Barbara Philip Leahy Fr Robert Rankin Juanita Montoya Bertschinger Jacob McTernan

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 July For a Eucharistic life

We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.

"Go!" This is the one word from our Lord that we hear in today's gospel, and yet it is a profound one. Jesus can control evil spirits, which was and is a shock to this world. Is he calling you or someone you know to "go" on a holy path, by discerning a vocation to the priesthood, diaconate, or monastic life? Reach out to the Vocations Office at 206-329-9219 or email: vocations@ephx.org





Vocation Icon
Today: Carol Donlin
Next Sunday: Fr. Artur

July 9, 2023

Cantor: Andrea Riley Reader: Michael Wells Altar Server: Michael Grega Trojca: Maddie Riley Counters: Mary Blain & Cindy Loescher

Propers for 7/9/2023 6th Sunday after Pentecost Tone 5

Troparion - 146
v. Glory... Kontakion - 147
v. Now & Ever...
Theotokion - 406
Prokeimenon & Alleluia - 148
Our Father- 70

OLPH Prayer Warriors
Sunday (Zoom). Send your prayer
requests to Patricia at
pocb@ unm.edu
THE PRAYER WARRIORS IS
OPEN TO EVERYONE--WOMEN,
MEN, & CHILDREN (children who
have their parents' permission)!
Please join us!!

TODAY: Parish Picnic and Pool Party at 3 pm at Jileks house (817 Lamp Post Circle SE) The parish is providing hot dogs and hamburgers. Please, bring a side dish, desert, or chips and beverages of your choosing. Also, DO NOT FORGET folding chairs or picnic blankets, swimsuits, and a towel. We can't wait to see you.

Coming Events—Mark Your Calendars Now

May 8— July 15	Hall/Kitchen remodeling
Mon Jul 10	6:30 pm Advisory Board Meeting
Jul 13-16	Alive in Christ 2023 Father & Son Ascetical Boot Camp Auburn, Washington https://www.ephx.org/alive-in-christ- registration
Thu Jul 20 Wed Jul 19	Elijah Great Prophet / Simple Holy Day 6:00 pm Vigil Liturgy / Blessing of Cars
Jul 20—Aug 8	World Youth Day in Portugal https://www.eparchyofpassaic.com/ worldyouthday
Tue August 1	Beginning of Dormition Fast
Aug 7- Aug 11	Clergy Conference in Las Vegas, Nevada
	Dormition of the Theotokos Holy Day of Obligation
Tue Aug 15	6:00 pm Deposition of the Shroud / Liturgy/ Blessing of Flowers
Aug 18-20	Annual Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Shrine in Olympia WA https://stgeorgeolympia.org/shrine/
Mon Aug 28 Tue Aug 29	Beheading of John the Baptist Simple Holy Day 6:00 pm Vigil Liturgy 9:00 am Liturgy
Fri Sep 1	Beginning of the Church Year
Fri Sep 8	Birth of the Theotokos/Solemn Holy Day 6:00 pm Divine Liturgy
Thu Sep 14 Wed Sep 13	Exaltation of the Holy Cross/ Solemn Holy Day 6:00 pm Rite of the Exaltation of the Cross Vigil Liturgy
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
Fri & Sat Dec 15 & 16	Women's Day of Reflection

EPARCHIAL APPEAL 2023: Collected to date: **\$10,275.00.** Our parish goal this year is **\$18,320.60 which comes down to \$300.00 per Family**. Thank you to the Talamante Family. We are requested to send our pledges directly to the Bishop's office in Phoenix, AZ, and our checks made to Holy Protection of Mary Byzantine Eparchy. The Deadline for the Appeal is August 31st. **Kindly give what you can to help our Eparchy and our Church. Thank you!**

IMPROVING ACCESS FOR DISABLED: If you are passionate about improving access for disabled persons/persons with disabilities and/or you have a disability that you feel limits your participation in our parish please contact Miles Gloetzner.

APS school board is searching for a candidate to run for a position on the school board in our district. If anyone is interested, please contact Fr. Artur.

THE STORY OF THE PERPETUAL HELP ICON The original of the Our Lady (Mother) of Perpetual Help icon is from Crete. That island created these icons under the title of Our Lady of the Passion, but without the crown. That was added by Pope Pius IX in 1867, as will be seen below. This icon was brought to Rome by a merchant from the island of Crete, who apparently stole this from a church. Dying in Rome, he commended it to a family, telling them that it was known for miracles in Crete and asking that it be put in a church again. The mother of the family had grown attached to it, however, and refused to do so. Our Lady then revealed herself to the daughter of the family, and declared "I am your Mother of Perpetual Help" and asked that it be placed in the church of St. Matthew. This was finally done in 1499. This was a humble little church under the Augustinian Friars, between St. Mary Major and St. John Lateran. However, all Rome came to pray before this icon. In 1798, Rome fell under Napoleon's rule. Thirty churches were destroyed by the French, including St. Matthew's. The icon was considered lost. However, an altar server named Michael Marchi was repeatedly told by the sacristan of his parish about an icon hanging in their church, and that it was the long-lost Perpetual Help image. By God's grace, he became a priest in the Redemptorist Order and in 1853 Pope Pius IX ordered this Order to establish their world. As the priests were being told how St. Matthew's had housed a miraculous image of Mary lost in 1798, Father Michael spoke up and said that this was not so - and that he knew where it had been hidden away. After three years of prayer, the Redemptorists asked the pope to restore this image to their care, in the spot chosen by Our Lady. On April 26, 1866, a procession took place to bring the icon to what was now the church of St. Alphonsus, founder of the Order. During the procession, a dying boy was instantly cured of brain illness, and a paralyzed girl was healed. They both came to the church itself to thank Our Lady. Since that day, devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help has been accompanied by miracles too numerous to count! Due to the many authenticated miracles within just the first year, Pope Pius IX placed gold crowns atop Jesus and Mary.

How our parish got its name: The founding families of our parish in 1974 asked that the new parish be under the patronage of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, but Bishop Mihalik of Parma refused: too many parishes have this name, he wrote. But when he came to dedicate the first church, he gave in and thus our parish has this wonderful name: Mary wanted it so!

Parish Feast Day – The feast of the Icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help is observed on the first Sunday in July. At the close of the Divine Liturgy, there is a procession with the Icon and chanting of four Gospels at the four corners of the church, to symbolize our proclamation of the Good News to the entire world through our personal conversions to Christ.

July 4: American Saints of the Catholic Church

The first canonized Saint to work in the United States was **Mother Frances Xavier Cabrini**, an Italian missionary who came to serve the waves of Italian immigrants in American cities. As foundress of the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart, she established sixty-seven hospitals and schools to serve the immigrant poor, from New York City to Denver to Los Angeles. She was the first American citizen to be canonized, in 1946, and is buried under glass in the chapel of a school of her Order in northern Manhattan.

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton was the widow of an upper-class New York City merchant, who died in Italy of tuberculosis. From the Protestant Episcopal Church and "old" English families of New York, she created a double scandal in America when she became a Roman Catholic (1805) and later founded the Sisters of Charity to staff Catholic schools. These Sisters were the first Order to work among the public in the young United States. Mother Seton founded schools and directed her Community in the spirit of St Vincent de Paul and St Louise de Marillac, with deep devotion to the Holy Eucharist, the Bible, and the Mother of God. She died in 1849 and is buried inside the National Basilica in Emmitsburg, MD, and was canonized in 1975.

Saint John Neumann was from a German-Czech family in Bohemia. He came to America as a seminarian and was ordained a priest in New York City in 1836. He worked on the Niagara Frontier outside of Buffalo, serving German and Irish farmers in a time of intense anti-Catholicism. He entered the Redemptorist Fathers (1840) and was the Superior for the United States in 1842. Despite his great humility, he was named Bishop of Philadelphia. He spoke English, German, Czech, Italian, and Gaelic Irish and founded numerous churches and established the Catholic system of parish schools. He was canonized in 1977.

Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne was born in France and survived persecution in the Revolution's Reign of Terror after being expelled from her convent along with all other Sisters in France. She came to America in 1818 in the Society of the Sacred Heart, founded by her and Saint Madeleine Barat in 1804. She settled first in New Orleans, and established schools and colonies in Louisiana and Missouri. She was opposed by bishops, but founded schools and orphanages, and worked among the Indians to fight alcoholism. She spent her old age working among the Potawatomi Indians after their "Trail of Death" when they were forced out of their homeland. To her grief, she could not learn their language, but they revered her as "The Woman Who Always Prays" and she withdrew to live a life of seclusion in a tiny shack near her first convent at St Charles, Missouri, where she died in 1852. She was canonized in 1988.

Saint Katherine Drexel was the daughter of one of Philadelphia's most prominent families, but devoted her fortune to the service of African Americans and Native Americans. She promoted racial equality through her Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament long before it was an accepted cause, and is known as the patron saint of racial justice as a result. Her first school was here in our state, Saint Catherine Indian School in Santa Fe (1887). She took vows in her Order in 1891. She established over 60 schools, and founded Xavier University in New Orleans (1925), the first Catholic University to serve "people of color". Her last 18 years were spent in great physical suffering, dying in 1955, and canonized in 2000.

Saint Theodore' Guerin was a nun who established many schools, including Saint Mary of the Woods College. Born in France, she faced many hardships in her family, but finally obtained permission to become a Sister of Providence in 1825. Her Order was asked to send Sisters to work in the then-huge Diocese of Vincennes, Indiana, among the native French and the Irish and German immigrants. She and five Sisters established an American Order in 1840, with American postulants who were eagerly awaiting them. Mother Theodore established many parish schools and two orphanages. When she died in 1856, only 57 years old, the Catholic Telegraph and Advocate newspaper hailed her as "distinguished by her eminent virtues, [she] governed the community of which she was the superior from its commencement, to the time of her death, a period of nearly sixteen years. Being a perfect religious herself, and endowed with mental qualities of a high order, she was peculiarly fitted to fill the duties which Providence assigned her." She was canonized in 2006 after miracles of healing were confirmed.

St. Damien of Molokai, the famous Belgian priest who took up the feared post of Catholic chaplain to the lepers of Hawaii who were deported from their homes to the barren beach of Molokai island. Cut off by sheer cliffs from the rest of the island, with no ships to take them back to the other islands, these poor people were subjected to tyranny and brutality by the strongest among them. Father Damien went for a short assignment, and ended up dying among his beloved lepers, contracting the disease himself. He was a member of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary and came to the independent Kingdom of Hawaii in 1864, where he was ordained a priest. Leprosy was greatly feared, and it is only recently that we know that it is not so contagious as once thought. The shock of exile to Molokai, the lack of any administrators, and limited medical aid, sent the gentle Hawaiians into terrible depression. Father Damien came to them in 1873. He promptly built a church, and set himself to serving as a priest, carpenter, and physician. Under his leadership, the chaos was converted into an orderly town with decent housing, a school for the children, and farms. In 1864 he contracted leprosy himself. He died in 1889, only 49 years old.

Princess Lydia Liliuokalani promoted the work of the priest after her visit to the leper colony to present him an award from the King. Through her publicity, many donations came to Molokai.

The famous writer, **Robert Louis Stevenson**, came to the priest's defense after a Protestant minister had written a scathing condemnation of the priest. After seven days in the colony, Stevenson – also a Protestant - wrote a powerful defense, and acclaimed him as "Apostle of the Lepers". He was declared a saint in 2009, and is patron of lepers and those with AIDS.

In addition to these saints, the Catholic Church has recognized five Blesseds, six Venerables, and 16 "Servants of God". These include the "Lily of the Mohawks", a former slave, a chaplain killed in the Vietnam War and another who died in the Korean War, a Russian prince who devoted himself to immigrants, the priest founder of the Knights of Columbus, and an ex-Communist. All in all, a very American collection!