May 29, 2022 / Festal T one Sunday of the Fathers of the 1st E cumenical Council

Christ is Risen! / Indeed He is Risen



The foolish Arius divided the unity of the Holy Trinity into three different and unequal substances. But the God-bearing Fathers came together in Council. Burning with the zeal of Elijah the Tishbite and with the sword of the Holy Spirit, they cut down these shameful blasphemies; for they were directed by the Spirit. Let us honor today those mystical trumpets of the Spirit, namely, the God-mantled Fathers, who speaking of divine things, sang in the midst of the Church a hymn in unison, teaching that the Trinity is one, not differing in substance or Godhead, refuting Arius and defending the true faith. They always intercede with the Lord to have mercy on our souls.

(From Festal Matins)

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Our Gifts to the Lord

Attendance: Saturday: 40 Sunday: 112

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.ol-phnm.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):

9:15—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!

Acts 20:16-18 & 28-36; John 17:1-13

YouTube Live	8:30 am Rosary; 9:00 am Matins, Confessions 10:00 am Divine Liturgy for Parish Family, Benefactors & Friends Eternal Lamp: Holy Protection of the Mother of God over People of Ukraine	
May 30 Mon	Post-Festive of Ascension / Isaac Venerable / Acts 21:8-14; Jn 14:27-15:7	
	9:00 am Divine Liturgy / +Art Hading by Theres Lewak	
May 31 Tue	Post-Festive of Ascension / Hermas, Apostle; Hermeas, Martyr Acts 21:26-32; Jn 16:2-13	
	9:00 am Divine Liturgy / +Colleen Cantor by Theresa Lewak 6:00 pm Advisory Board Meeting	
June 1 Wed	Post-Festive of Ascension / Justin and Others Martyrs Acts 23:1-11; Jn 16:15-23	
	5:30 pm OLPH Devotions 6:00 pm Divine Liturgy / God's Blessing on Wells Family	
June 2 Thu	Post-Festive of Ascension / Nicephor Patriarch Acts 25:13-19; Jn 16:23-33	
June 3 Fri	Leave-taking of Ascension / Lucillian and Others Martyrs Acts 27:1-44; Jn 17:18-26	
~	9:00 am Prayer & witness in front of abortion clinic on San Mater/Lomas 6:00 pm Divine Liturgy / +Mary Sanchez by Debbie Sanchez	
June 4 Sat	5th ALL SOULS Saturday/ Metrophanes Patriarch / Acts 28:1-31; Jn 21:15-25	
	9:00 am All Souls Divine Liturgy / Panichida	
June 5 Sun	Pentecost Sunday / Acts 2:1-11; Jn 7:37-52 & 8:12	
	4:00 pm Great Vespers YouTube LIVE 5:00 pm Divine Liturgy / God's Blessing on Barbara Svensson by Svenssons Hebrew Scriptures for Sunday: Numbers 11:16-17.24-29; Joel 2:23-32; Ezechiel 36:24-28	

8:30 am Rosary; 9:00 am Matins, Confessions
10:00 am Divine Liturgy for Parish Family, Benefactors and Friends
Eternal Lamp: Barbara Svensson Birthday Blessings

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 glo-

Sharif Rabadi Jenny Ford Priscilla Hughes Marilyn Fore Sven & Barbara Svensson Laurie Bienz Brent Dodson-Sands Lara Davis

Fr Chris Zugger Marcie Dark Fr Chris Andrews Buster Miscusi
Barbara De Lap
Irene Bradley
Soriah Chavez
Abraham Haddad
Marianne Gerace
Lori Medina
Michael Baron
Gabriel Preisler
Todd Bailey
Jessica Pieniadz
Rhonda Glasscock
Amber Roybal
Stephen Plante

Paola Terlaza
Ruth Sousa
Linda Granci
Vicki Frank
Christopher
Barlow
Tracy McTernan
Scott Fafrak
Jordan Smith
Janet Worthington
Patti Klinkovsky
Matt Williamson
James Epstein
Katy Ford

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: Carol Donlin
Next Sunday: Herring Family

"Keep them through your Name which you have given me, so that they may be one, even as we are one." Jesus prayed that we would share in the unity of the life-

creating Trinity. The Church needs men and women who are called to live this prayer out in a religious vocation. He may be calling you to become a monk, a nun, or to ordained ministry. To learn more, contact the Vocations Office at 206-329-9219 or email: vocations@ephx.org

Holy Father's Intentions for May / For faith-filled young people

We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service

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June 5 2022

Cantor: Evie Jilek Reader: Brook Jilek Altar Server: Michael Grega Trojca: Eva Riley & Quintin Fedorowich Counters: Michael Wells & Mary Roseman

Propers for 6/5/2022 Pentecost Sunday Antiphons&Entrance Hymn -203-5 Troparion - 204 v. Glory... Kontakion - 205 v. Now & Ever... Theotokion- 406 Instead of 'Holy God' - 32 Prokeimenon & Alleluia - 206 Instead of 'It Is Truly Proper' - 206 Our Father- 74 **Communion Hymn - 208**

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!!

Barbara's Hall Report

Thanks to Jenny Ford for donating fresh eggs to make French Toast Casseroles that the Domstead Family assembled. Montano Family brought fruit & the Sernas had cake for Thea's birthday! And many wonderful volunteers washed dishes and cleaned up! Thanks to all who help!

THE BYZANTINE CATHOLIC EPARCHY OF PHOENIX

subscribes to the Charter for the Protection of

Children and Young People

adopted by the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops. The Eparchy, within all its parishes, institutions and programs, is committed to assuring a safe environment in ministry for its children and young people that conforms to the Charter requirements. For information regarding the Eparchial Safe Environment Program. please contact:

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We rejoice with Jon and Lo Hebert on birth of their third child, baby boy Jude Ray Hebert Saturday afternoon May 14th. Grant O Lord to the new born Jude Ray and Hebert Family peace, health and happiness for many and blessed years!!!!



EPARCHIAL APPEAL —Bishop's Appeal 2022:

Collected to date: \$10,185.00. Participation: registered OLPH Families 60; paid pledges by 26 family (46.18%) Thank you to: Lara Davis, Mary Alice Cooper, Ann Rajala, Haddad Lilian, Tom & Cathy Sullivan, DeLap Family and Serna Family. Our parish goal this year is \$22,054.74. If we reach our goal, our parish will receive a 10% rebate which is \$2,205.00! Kindly give what you can to help our Eparchy and our Church. Thank you! 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.

Let us pray to the Lord for those departed in FAITH: the 5th ALL SOULS SATURDAY

The 5th and last Saturday is celebrated on the last day of the Season of Pentecostarion (50-days), so that our departed loved ones are in some way associated with the Resurrection of Christ, the cause and first fruit of the resurrection of all flesh and the coming GIFT of the Holy Spirit the source of eternal blessedness, because "all souls are enlivened through the Holy Spirit".

The most basic and saving truths about the All Souls Saturdays:

- 1. The world does not end in whatever we see and count, but also extends in the space of the spirit, which also exists, coexists together with us. In this place the souls of our departed beloved are encamped.
- 2. The Church is a continuous intercommunion between those of its members that are still struggling on earth and those that have already slept in the Lord. We are communion of Saints: Church militant, suffering and triumphant.
- 3. In the midst of the struggle of daily life we must remember the natural end of every effort, which is rest in the Lord, since there is nothing more certain than death and nothing more uncertain than the hour of death.

The readings for this Saturday have a sense of conclusion about them - they mark an end. We read the last chapter (ch.28) of the Acts of the Apostles: Paul, after his shipwreck at Malta, reaches Rome to be judged by Caesar and, while waiting, preaches Jesus Christ 'with all confidence, no man forbidding him'. These are the last words in the Book of Acts.

Also, the last chapter of the gospel according to St John (ch. 21) is read. We are invited to ponder on Jesus' last words, as they are reported by John. Jesus, risen from the dead, and standing on the shore of the lake, says to Peter, who is curious about John's destiny: `What is that to you? You follow me'.

These last words are the same as the first words Jesus once addressed to Simon and Andrew, on the shore of the same lake: `Follow me' . Between this first invitation and the final command, a lot has happened.

Now Simon knows what he did not know at the beginning: what has taken place at Jerusalem during the last few weeks has shown him the full implication of 'following the Lord'.

Peter had been made to face a death that he did not choose. He had confronted his powerlessness to determine his own fate. He had been taken where you do not want to go. Despite the suffering, Jesus' invitation had been clear: Follow me. Peter had done so in a quite literal way – as had other disciples scattered around the Empire. Peter's love had grown over time from friendship-love to total, unconditional and self-sacrificing love. He could, at last, honestly answer Jesus' question: Do you love me? [verses 15,16] with a whole-hearted affirmative.

The final task of human and Christian maturity is to arrive at a place of interior serenity – to find release from the restless desires learnt from others, which give rise, in their turn, to constant and instinctive comparison, envy, competitiveness, rivalry, struggle and even veiled or overt violence.

Peter's question: "What about him?" seems to have been an instance of that human tendency to comparison and rivalry. Jesus' response to Peter was an invitation to move beyond "looking over the shoulder" at the other, and to keep focused simply on following Jesus: "Follow me".

Jesus does not respond directly to Peter's statement. Rather, He quietly, simply tells Peter: "Feed my sheep." Jesus also tells Peter that he will be led in a new path, one that is unfamiliar to him. In the future, Peter will not be leading, rather, he will be led. And he will be led to a place where he will not want to go.

Sunday of the Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council

This is the first Sunday after the Feast of the Ascension. The services of Vespers, Matins, and the Divine Liturgy include hymns of both the Ascension and in commemoration of the Father. The First Ecumenical Council was held in 325 AD at Nicaea, outside of Constantinople. It was summoned by Emperor Constantine the Great to settle the Arian heresy, which denies the full divinity of Jesus Christ. The heresy was tearing through the Church, and proved popular with bishops but not among the laity. This Council wrote the famous Nicene Creed, recited at every Divine Liturgy, which gloriously affirms the divinity and humanity of Jesus, and so our salvation through His Passion, Death and Resurrection.

The Fathers of the Council defined the relationship between the Father and the Son as "of one substance." It also affirmed the Trinity—the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit were listed as three co-equal and co-eternal Persons. A priest named Arius presented his argument that Jesus Christ was not an eternal being, that He was created at a certain point in time by the Father. The Bishops at Nicea voted to make the full deity of Christ the accepted position of the church. They upheld the doctrine of Christ's true divinity, rejecting Arius's heresy. The council did not invent this doctrine. Rather, it only recognized what the Bible already taught. The New Testament teaches that Jesus the Messiah should be worshipped, which is to say He is co-equal with God. The New Testament forbids the worship of angels (Colossians 2:18; Revelation 22:8, 9) but commands worship of Jesus. The apostle Paul tells us that "in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form" (Colossians 2:9; 1:19). Paul declares Jesus as Lord and the One to whom a person must pray for salvation (Romans 10:9-13; cf. Joel 2:32). "Jesus is God overall" (Romans 9:5) and our God and Savior (Titus 2:13). Faith in Jesus' deity is basic to Paul's theology. John's Gospel declares Jesus to be the divine, eternal Logos, the agent of creation and source of life and light (John 1:1-5,9); "the Way, the Truth, and the Life" (John 14:6); our advocate with the Father (1 John 2:1-2); the Sovereign (Revelation 1:5); and the Son of God from the beginning to the end (Revelation 22:13). The author of Hebrews reveals the deity of Jesus through His perfection as the most high priest (Hebrews 1; Hebrews 7:1-3). The divinehuman Savior is the Christian's object of faith, hope, and love. The Council of Nicea affirmed the apostles' teaching of who Christ is —the one true God and the Second Person of the Trinity. with the Father and the Holy Spirit.

The Council also issued decrees on the consecration of bishops, regulations for bishops and diocesan clergy, forbidding clerics from loaning money at interest, establishment of rules for catechumens, condemnation of other heresies, forbidding kneeling from Easter until Pentecost, and confirmed the importance of Alexandria in Egypt and Jerusalem in Palestine. This is the first known occasion of a papal ambassador, who came to represent Pope St Sylvester I. The Vatican diplomatic corps is the oldest one in the world. All ecumenical councils need the confirmation of Rome which is why the East stopped holding councils after the split of 1054.

Icons depicting the Council usually show Constantine wearing a crown, surrounded by bishops. Jesus is enthroned in the middle or above the assembly. Arius is shown defeated at the base of the icon, cowering before the majesty of Christ. He is usually shown wearing a turban, a later reference to Islam, which denies Jesus' divinity to this day. An unfortunate element in this council was that it was summoned by the state, and the emperor actually participated in debates. This led to an Eastern view allowing for a king or emperor having the ability to interfere in church life. Even in Muslim Turkey today, the president interferes in the life of the Armenian and Greek Churches. For Catholics, the Church must be independent of the State, and the internal life of the Church is for her alone to rule on. Otherwise, secular power will try to force the Church to support its goals. We see how this could be disastrous with the rapid rise of leftist secularism in western countries.

