

\*123123\*

Sunday After Christmas—David, Joseph and James - / T one 5

Galatians 1:11-19; Matthew 2:13-23

Christ is Born! / Glorify Him! / Happy New Year!



Merry Christmas!

Korolevo, Ukraine  
2023



A most **CHEERFUL THANK YOU** to all who contributed to our Christmas celebrations, to our loving Fr Chris and Fr Tyler, Deacon Thomas, altar servers, cantors, readers, choir, kitchen crew, gift shop volunteers, church cleaners, those who decorated the church, the Angel Tree in the hall, Christmas Tree in the church, the most beautiful flower bed at the front entrance, to the wonderful flower carolers and all of those who attended the services, God Bless You in triple Byzantine WAY!

**SINCEREST THANK YOU** for lovely Christmas cards, offers of prayers, and gifts and for many baked goods. Brightest wishes to YOU for a Blessed New Year of the Lord 2024!

**Holy Protection of Mary Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Phoenix**  
**Most Reverend Kurt Burnette Apostolic Administrator**  
**Our Lady of Perpetual Help Byzantine Catholic Church**  
**1837 Alvarado Dr. NE, Albuquerque, NM 87110 Parish office: (505) 256-1539**  
**www.olphnm.org**

**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 Zegger, Dan Riley, Rafael Plut,  
Jeff Brewer, Michael Grega, Alicia Wells

**Finance Council**

Matthew Blain, Maria Alden

**Father Artur Bubnevych, Pastor**  
**Rectory (505) 268-2877**  
**abbaolph@gmail.com**

**Father Deacon Thomas Donlin**  
**donlin.thomas@gmail.com**

**Father Christopher Zegger**  
**pastor emeritus**  
**(505) 256-1787**

**Frchris.zegger@gmail.com**  
**www.frchriszegger.com**

**Father Tyler Strand**  
**(516) 661-0883**  
**tylerastrand@yahoo.co.uk**

**Parish Membership**

***From time to time it is good for us to reflect on what constitutes membership at Our Lady of Perpetual Help...a time to reflect on our relationship to God and His Church which is expressed by our commitment to this parish***

Our parish community is open to any Catholic and to anyone

1. who is interested in seeking the Lord Jesus through His Word, the teachings of the Apostles, and the Sacred Mysteries;
2. who accepts the teachings of the Catholic Church;
3. who will help form a community based on the Lord's love;
4. who is willing to grow as a Christian within the legitimate spiritual traditions of the Byzantine Catholic Church within our American context;
5. who acknowledges the legitimate authority of the Pope, Bishop, and Pastor;
6. who will attend liturgical services on Sundays and great holydays;
7. and who is willing to support the growth of the Church (Eparchy and Parish) by sharing his/her time, talent and treasure ( financial support); Actual Parish membership is based on the above and is determined by the following criteria:
  1. Being registered
  2. Attending liturgical services regularly on Sundays and Holydays
3. Contributing to the support of the Church—both Eparchy (Bishop's Appeal) and Parish through use of the Sunday Tithing envelopes! Membership in the parish gives the parishioners the right to have their children receive the Holy Mysteries of Christian Initiation, be married in church and be buried from the church.

***Summary from the Eparchial Pastoral Handbook on "Membership in a Parish"***

**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!**

***Galatians 1:11-19; Matthew 2:13-23***

8:30 am Rosary 9:00 am Festal 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

**YouTube Live**

**Jan 1, 2024**

**Circumcision of Our Lord / Basil the Great Archbishop / Solemn Holy Day  
Col 2:8-12; Heb 7:26-8:2 ; Lk 2:20-21 & 40-52; Lk 6:17-23**

10:00 am Divine Liturgy of St Basil / Blessing of Litija / Myrovanije  
Health and Salvation of Madelyn Davis by Shari

**Jan 2 Tue**

***Sylvester Pope / 1 Tim 3:14-4:5; Mt 3:1-11***

9:00 am Liturgy for +Geiza Siksay by Maria Kartsub

**Jan 3 Wed**

***Malachi Prophet / 2 Tim 4:5-8; Mk 1:1-8***

6:00 pm Liturgy for Health of Eva by Nelly Kartsub

**Jan 4 Thu**

***Synaxis of the 70 Apostles / Rom 8:8-14; Lk 0:1-15***

**Jan 5 Fri**



**Vigil of Theophany / Royal Hours PM / 1 Cor 9:19-27; Lk 3:1-18**

Noon— carpool to Rio Grande / Great Vespers with Litija / Blessing of Rio Grande

**Day of Strict Fast**

**Jan 6 Sat**

***Theophany of Our Lord / Holy Day of Obligation  
Titus 2:11-14 & 3:4-7; Mt 3:13-17***

9:00 am Liturgy of St Basil for the Parish Family / Great Blessing of Water

**Jan 7 Sun**

***Sunday After Theophany Eph 4:7-13; Mt 4:12-17***

4:00 pm Great Vespers / YouTube LIVE  
Hebrew Scriptures for Sunday: Exodus 2:15-25; 2 Kings 1:2-8; Isaiah 49:1-4  
5:00 pm Liturgy / God's Blessing on Linda Smith by Cindy Loescher

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

**YouTube LIVE**

**YOUTUBE LIVE-STREAMING:** OLPH Sunday / Holy Day Liturgies are available on YouTube. The link is <https://youtube.com/c/olpmedia>. 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](mailto: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	Fr Robert Rankin	Paola Terlaza
Jenny Ford	Fr. Steve Washko	Ruth Sousa
Marilyn Fore	Buster Miscusi	Linda Granci
Sven & Barbara Svensson	Barbara De Lap	Vicki Frank
Laurie Bienz	Irene Bradley	Christopher Barlow
Brent Dodson-Sands	Sorilah Chavez	Jordan Smith
Lara Davis	Abraham Haddad	Janet Worthington
Carol Donlin	Marianne Gerace	Patti Klinkovsky
Marcie Dark	Michael Baron	Matt Williamson
Jesse Hebert	Gabriel Preisler	James Epstein
Fr Chris Zuggger	Jessica Pieniadz	Katy Ford
Fr Chris Andrews	Rhonda Glasscock	Alton & Barbara Bertschinger
	Amber Roybal	Madalyn Davis
	Philip Leahy	Rebecca Russo
	Juanita Montoya	
	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 / December For Persons with Disabilities**

We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the centre of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.

“They shall call his name Emmanuel,” which means, “God is with us.” The presence of God is seen through the salvation foretold in the Old Covenant, and is revealed through the Birth of Our Lord Jesus, Emmanuel. Our own lives can manifest the presence of God when we live according to our vocations. Are you being called to show God’s presence as a priest, deacon, subdeacon monk or nun? Contact the Vocations Office at 206-329-9219 or email: [vocations@ephx.org](mailto:vocations@ephx.org)



Vocation Icon

Today: Montano Family  
Next Sunday:  
Davidson-Talley Family

**January 7, 2024**

Cantor: Andrea rRley

Reader: Michael Wells

Altar Server: Michael Grega

Trojica: Lucy Brewer

Counters: Laura Serna &

Michael Wells

**Propers for 1/7/24**

**Sunday After Theophany**

**Synaxis of John the Forerunner**

**Tone 7**

Antiphons & Entrance Hymn - 316-7

Troparion (Tone 7) - 156

Troparion ( Theophany) - 317

Troparion (John) - 363

*v. Glory...Now & Ever*

Kontakion (Theophany) - 317

Prokeimenon & Alleluia - 317-8

Magnification & Irmos - 315

Our Father - 72

Communion - 305 & 316

**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 themed 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 Patricia at [pcob@unm.edu](mailto:pcob@unm.edu)

May the Lord Bless your kindness and generosity to His House!

**Great Feast of Theophany!**

This is the Holy Day of Obligation that we celebrate on January 6. It commemorates our Lord's Baptism in the River Jordan and the Manifestation of the Holy Trinity. On this feast we celebrate the Great Blessing of Water. All parishioners are invited to bring a specially prepared containers filled with water to the church on this feast in order to take home the newly blessed Water. The period following the Feast of Theophany is a very special time for our households to come together and celebrate the annual blessing of our homes with Jordan Water.

**THEOPHANY HOUSE BLESSINGS 2024:** The season of the HOUSE BLESSINGS begins on Saturday January 6. Fr. Artur would like to come and visit with you, pray with you and ask God to bless your home. It would help in setting up his schedule if you would kindly FILL OUT the House Blessing Scheduling Form on a greeting table or send an email to [abbaolph@gmail.com](mailto:abbaolph@gmail.com) indicating best days and time. The deadline for Theophany House Blessings is February 5, 2024.

**Alicia's Hall Report** It was a beautifully colorful and delicious spread last week for our Holy Supper Potluck! Thank you so much to all of the Ukrainians who spent many hours of preparation to share their traditional Holy Supper foods and carols! Thank you Carol for the beautiful braided bread loaf, Michael Fedorowich for the borscht, Nicole for the split pea soup, Andrea for the green chile pierogies, Madeline for the pies, and all those who brought bread, salads, desserts, and who helped set up, serve and clean up! The caroling was wonderful and time together- priceless! God grant our OLPH family many blessed and happy years! Please sign up to help in the new year! I can help you plan and co-host, so don't be shy! :) <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054AAAAA2AA4F94-olph#/>

Please, sign up TODAY for the **Traveling Pilgrim Vocation Icon in 2024!**  
**Byzantine Wall Calendars for 2024** are available on the greeting table by the Holy Water font.

**Attention - 1st ALL SOULS Saturday is coming soon.**

Dear Parish Family, the 2024 Spiritually Powerfull remembrances of "All Souls" will begin on Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>. Using the envelope provided in your tithing envelope set or on a sheet of paper, please submit the names of those you wish to have remembered at the All Souls Divine Liturgy / Panachida on these five Saturdays. Only write the first names of the individuals to be commemorated; if the list of names is the same as last year, simply write "same as last year," or write "add the following names to my list." Return your requests to the parish office by mail or by placing them in the collection basket. Deadline for returns is Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Sanctity of Life Awareness and Unity Day Mass**

Wednesday, January 17, 2024 12 Noon Cathedral Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi, Santa Fe. Sponsored by the New Mexico Conference of Catholic Bishops The Mass with the 3 Bishops of New Mexico will also be live-streamed at <https://youtube.com/live/Y2pOZX5tHuk?feature=share> There will be no march, only a prayer rally at the Roundhouse at 2pm. For more information call the Archdiocese of Santa Fe Office of Social Justice and Respect Life at 505-831-8167.

**Two OASIS classes by Father Chris**, both at the OASIS auditorium at **3301 Menaul Blvd NE, #18 (at the north end):**

**1. Unlikely Friends: John Paul II and Benedict XVI, January 18, 10 am - 11:30 am.**

Benedict and John Paul endured persecution and hostility from the two authoritarian disasters, Nazism and Communism. They overcame their countries' hostility to forge friendship and collaboration through their joint defense of human dignity at Vatican II and thereafter. Their friendship provided the foundation for their theologies of human personhood and the centrality of Christ, affecting the modern Church in its understanding of human rights, faith, and freedom.

**2. Revisiting Pius XII and the Holocaust, February 8, 10 am - 11:30 am**

Using recently published research at the Vatican, reviews the role of Pius XII before and during the war. Topics covered include the Nazi racial persecution of the Jews, rescue operations of the Holy See and its diplomats, challenges due to antisemitism in Allied states, and what current evidence now shows. Was Pius XII Hitler's Pope or a living saint? Did Pius XII know about the infamous ratlines? This part of history is challenging, but fascinating.

Registration begins January 3 at [www.oasisabq.org](http://www.oasisabq.org) or call 505-884-4529.

**Father Chris' NEW book, *Looking to Tomorrow: The History and Mission of the Byzantine Catholic Church*** is in our bookstore. This is an 800 page, two volume set, with professionally made maps, covering the entire history of our Church from the mission of Saints Cyril and Methodius in the 9th century to today, in Central Europe and North America. It is a limited edition, and there is no other book like it, and nothing on the internet that matches the details, sources from multiple languages, and comprehensive overview of our Church's life. Cost is 80\$ per set

**Safe Environment:**

The Eparchy, within all its parishes, institutions, and programs, is committed to assuring a Safe Environment in ministry for its children and vulnerable adults that conforms to the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People. For additional information regarding the eparchial Safe Environment Program or to report any concerns, please contact:

**Subdeacon Paul Kilroy, Safe Environment Coordinator**

**Cell:** (480) 745-0316 -- **Office:** (602) 861-9778 ext. 204 -- **Email:** [sbdcnkilroy@ephx.org](mailto:sbdcnkilroy@ephx.org)

**Sunday after Christmas:** Today we celebrate three important saints who are connected with Jesus: David the King, Joseph His foster-father, and James the Just.

**David, king of Judah and Israel,** is one of the most significant people in the entire Bible. His reign shaped the entire nation of Israel, and Jesus himself is known as the 'Son of David.' His story occupies the majority of the books of 1 and 2 Samuel in the Old Testament. Despite his flaws, David was known as 'a man after God's own heart,' the most pious of all Hebrew kings, and the standard by which every other Judean king would be measured. The prophecy of a king whose throne would endure forever fueled Messianic hopes among the Jews – hopes which were finally fulfilled in the coming of Jesus, the physical descendant and promised 'Son of David.'

**Saint Joseph** belonged to the house of David, and through Joseph, Jesus obtained His legal status as a son of David. God had promised David that the Messiah would come from his descendants. David is the author of many of the psalms, especially Psalm 50/51, the poignant Miserere. It is in David's hometown of Bethlehem that the Messiah was to be born, and so Joseph and Mary went there. David's life foreshadows that of Jesus: both are born in Bethlehem; he used five stones to kill Goliath and so save Israel, reflecting the five wounds which save us from death to sin; he was a young shepherd, Jesus is the Good Shepherd; both are betrayed by a their trusted helper; and of course the psalms are filled with imagery that are seen by Christians as referring to Christ. Joseph is a just man, a man devoted to obeying God's commandments as we see in Matthew's Gospel, where he immediately gets up after each dream with an angel's message and acts upon it. Joseph is willing to give up everything – the possibility of having his own children, abandoning his business to go to Egypt, and abandoning life in Egypt to return to the Holy Land – so as to do what God wishes him to do. Joseph is the male figure in Jesus' life, and we see in the Gospels just how well Jesus grew up as a Man as a result of Joseph's influence! Joseph died before Jesus' public ministry began, leading to the devotion to him as a patron of a holy death since he died in the arms of Jesus and Mary.

**James the Just** is the "brother of the Lord" (Galatians 1:19) and the first bishop in the New Testament Church, as the bishop of Jerusalem. In Catholic and Orthodox theology, James is a relative of Jesus, but not a brother in our sense of the word. Aramaic used the words brother and sister for people whom we consider to be cousins. The great Scripture scholar Saint Jerome wrote that this James is the son of Mary and Clopas/ Cleophas; his mother was one of the holy women who came to Jesus' grave. James was a major leader of the early Church, and the Christians turned to him for help in deciding what Gentile Christians had to observe of Jewish law (Acts 15). It was written of him that his knees were swollen from the hours he spent on them in prayer. He was stoned to death by order of the notoriously corrupt high priest Ananus, circa 62-64 AD.

**January 1 is the Feast of the Circumcision and the giving of the Name Jesus,** as the angel instructed. Jesus was a popular name at the time, but in Matthew 1:21 the angel emphasizes that in this Child, the Name Jesus means that He will save His people from their sins. By submitting to the Law and shedding His blood in the rite of circumcision, He shows us His humanity, and His humility. Reverence for the Holy Name is emphasized by Saint Paul in Philippians 2:10 where he states: "That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those that are in heaven, on earth, and under the earth" In Romans 10:13 St. Paul reiterates the saving nature of the Holy Name by stating that those who "call on the name of the Lord" will be saved. The power of the name Jesus used in petitions is stressed in John 16:23 when Jesus states: "If you ask the Father anything in my name he will give it you." And remember the Jesus Prayer itself, the core of Eastern Christian spirituality – "Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God, have mercy on me a sinner" – which is built entirely around the Holy Name. In this age when it is common for people to use Jesus' Name as a curse, it is all the more important for us to give good example whenever we hear Jesus' Name.

# Our Lady of Perpetual Help Byzantine Church

# PYSANKY WORKSHOPS

- Learn how to make pysanky (Ukrainian Easter eggs) using a traditional wax resist method.



- Open to all skill levels.
- One-time workshop fee of \$5 to cover supplies, optional fee of \$5 for your own kistka & wax set
- Space is limited to 20 people per workshop. Please sign up at <http://tinyurl.com/olph-pysanky>



## January

- Saturday, 1/20 9am-12pm
- Monday, 1/29 12-3pm

## February

- Saturday, 2/17 12-3pm
- Monday, 2/19 12-3pm
- Thursday, 2/22 6-9pm

## March

- Monday, 3/4 6-9pm
- Thursday, 3/7 12-3pm
- Saturday, 3/16 12-3pm

- Workshops will be held in OLPH Parish Hall. 1837 Avarado Dr NE-

Please contact Andrea Riley at 505-220-9137 or [andrea.riley@gmail.com](mailto:andrea.riley@gmail.com) if you have questions or to RSVP.