



### September 1<sup>st</sup> – Beginning of New Liturgical Year

We have come to the beginning of the year, gathering to honor these saints: Callista and her brothers, Evod and Hermogenes; Simeon, equal to the angels, and Joshua, the son of Nun; the seven children of Ephesus, and the forty holy women. O lovers of feasts, sharing in their remembrance, with insistence we shout: O Lord, bless the works of your hands, and make us worthy to pass this year in spiritual progress (Aposticha from the Vespers)

The Indiction (from the Latin word *indictio* – proclamation for tax), was a period of 15 years, in which the Roman Emperors used to impose a tax for the maintenance of the army. This is why each cycle of 15 years, starting from the reign of Augustus, is called an Indiction. In the West, it is known as the Caesar's Indiction (which begins on the 24th of September) and the Pope's Indiction (which begins on the 1st of January). In the East, it is known as Constantinople's Indiction (which begins on the 1st of September). The Church honors this day for three reasons: First, for the commemoration of the occasion when our Lord Jesus Christ entered the Synagogue and, opening the Book of Isaiah, read the passage where the Holy Prophet says about Him: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to preach the good news to the poor... to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord" (Luke 4, 18-19). Second, because this day was the first of the political and ecclesiastical year in the Byzantine Empire and third, because Christians must gather together in oneness of mind and praise with one voice, Him Who is single in His nature and threefold in His Persons, Who dwells in bliss everlasting, holds all things in being, and showers blessings upon the works of His hands at all times.

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**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 Zuger, 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 appoint-  
ment 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 re-  
sponsibility 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 re-  
ceive the Anointing of the Sick before  
any major surgery. Please don't let the  
priest be last to know that someone is ill!

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 conven-  
ient, 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 dona-  
tions!! 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 do-  
nate using your computer / smartphone at: [ps://  
www.olphnm.org/giving](http://ps://www.olphnm.org/giving).

**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!**

***1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Mt 19:16-26***

- YouTube Live** 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 Ukraine
- Aug 29 Mon** ***Beheading of John the Baptist / Simple Holy Day***  
 ***Acts 13:25-35; Mk 6:14-30***  
6:00 pm Divine Liturgy/ Blessing of Litija /+Fr. Brian Escobedo by Beverly Stockton
- Aug 30 Tue** ***Alexander, John & Paul Patriarchs / 2 Cor 8:16-9:5; Mk 3:13-19***  
9:00 am Liturgy / Health and Salvation of James, Monica, Marie and Olena
- Aug 31 Wed** ***Deposition of the Sash of the Theotokos / Heb 9:1-7; Lk 10:38-42 & 1:27-28***  
5:30 pm OLPH Devotions  
6:00 pm Liturgy / Holy Protection for USA by Svenssons
- Sep 1 Thu** ***Beginning of the Church Year / Simeon Venerable /1 Tim 2:1-7; Lk 4:16-22***
- Sep 2 Fri** ***Mammas Martyr / 2 Cor 11:5-21; Mk 4:1-9***  
 9:00 am Prayer & witness in front of abortion clinic on San Mateo/Lomas  
6:00 pm Liturgy / God's Blessing on Phillip Leahy
- Sep 3 Sat** ***Anthimus Bishop Martyr / 1 Cor 2:6-9; Mt 22:15-22***  
9:00am (masks required) Liturgy / +William & +Rosemary Frank by Svenssons
- Sep 4 Sun** ***13th Sunday After Pentecost / 1 Cor 16:13-24; Mt 21:33-42***  
4:00 pm Great Vespers YouTube LIVE  
5:00 pm Divine Liturgy / +Mary Sanchez by Debbie Sanchez  
Hebrew Scriptures for Sunday:  
Numbers 25:1-9; 1 Samuel 16:12-23; Isaiah 28:14-22
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**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](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	Buster Miscusi	Paola Terlaza
Jenny Ford	Barbara De Lap	Ruth Sousa
Priscilla Hughes	Irene Bradley	Linda Granci
Marilyn Fore	Sorilah Chavez	Vicki Frank
Sven & Barbara	Abraham Haddad	Christopher
Svensson	Marianne Gerace	Barlow
Laurie Bienz	Lori Medina	Jordan Smith
Brent Dodson-	Michael Baron	Janet Worthington
Sands	Gabriel Preisler	Patti Klinkovsky
Lara Davis	Todd Bailey	Matt Williamson
Carol Donlin	Jessica Pieniadz	James Epstein
Fr Chris Zuger	Rhonda Glasscock	Katy Ford
Marcie Dark	Amber Roybal	Jacob McTernan
Fr Chris Andrews	Eli Griegos	Juanita Montoya



Vocation Icon

Today: Brewer Family  
Next Sunday: Carol Donlin

“If you want to be perfect, go, sell what you have, give it to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, and follow me!” These words of our Lord inspired great saints such as Anthony the Great and Francis of Assisi. While each of us may answer this calling in different ways, we see that Jesus wants all of us to follow him. Is he seeking you to follow him as a priest, deacon, monk, or nun? If this may be the case, contact the Vocations Office at 206-329-9219

### **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 September. Abolition of the Death Penalty**

We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.



## Coming Events—Mark Your Calendars Now

**September 4, 2022**

Cantor: Andrea Riley

Reader: Michael Wells

Altar Server: Michael Grega

Trojca: Katara Dodson-Sands

Counters: Mary Roseman &

Michael Wells

**Propers for 9/4/2022**

**13th Sunday after Pentecost**

**Tone 4**

**Troparion - 141**

*v. Glory...*

**Kontakion - 141**

*v. Now & Ever...*

**Theotokion - 406**

**Prokeimenon & Alleluia - 142**

**Our Father- 69**

**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 the Woman's Retreat  
Group for bringing all their leftovers  
to the Sunday brunch! Wonderful!

Tues Sept 6	<b>6:00 pm—Advisory Board Meeting</b>
Tues Sept 6	6:00 pm CAFÉ meeting at UNM
Wed Sept 7	<b>Birth of the Theotokos/Solemn Holy Day</b> 6:00 pm Vigil Divine Liturgy / Myrovaniije
Wed Sept 14	<b>Exaltation of the Holy Cross Solemn Holy Day</b> 6:00 pm Rite of the Exaltation of the Cross Divine Liturgy
Tue Sept 20	6:00 pm CAFÉ meeting at UNM
Fri Sept 30	<b>Protection of the Theotokos Solemn Holy Day</b> 6:00 pm Vigil Divine Liturgy
October 3-7	<b>Clergy Retreat in Carefree AZ</b>
Mon Oct 31	<b>Bl Theodore Romzha</b> 6:00 pm Divine Liturgy
Sun Nov 6	<b>Daylight Savings Ends</b>
Mon Nov 7th	<b>Archangel Michael &amp; All Angels Solemn Holy Day</b> 6:00 pm Vigil Liturgy
Mon Nov 14	<b>Beginning of Philip's Fast</b>
Mon Nov 21	<b>Entrance of the Theotokos Solemn Holy Day</b> 6:00 pm Divine Liturgy
Mon Dec 5 Tue Dec 6	<b>St. Nicholas of Myra/Solemn Holy Day</b> 6:00 pm Vigil Liturgy 9:00 am Divine Liturgy
Wed Dec 7	<b>Maternity of the Holy Anna Solemn Holy Day</b> 6:00 pm Vigil Liturgy
Fri Dec 23	10:00 am— <b>Royal Hours Day of Strict Abstinence</b>
Sat Dec 24	<b>Vigil of Christmas</b> 4:30 pm Holy Supper 7:00 pm Vigil Divine Liturgy
Mon Dec 26	<b>Synaxis of the Theotokos</b> 6:00 pm Divine Liturgy
Tue Dec 27	<b>Stephen Protomartyr</b> 6:00 pm Divine Liturgy

**New Mexico Helping Ukraine** is collecting donations, especially medical supplies for Ukraine's hospitals. If you have any questions or contributions, please contact Luda Kostyk 505-355-9216, or Mike Fedorowich 402-201-7464. Thank you!

We will be creating a **photo directory** this year as a way to help all of our parishioners get to know each other. We will be taking portraits after Sunday Liturgies between August 28 and September 18. We will also be taking portraits after the Saturday liturgies on August 27 and September 10. Portraits will be taken in the conference room on the south side of the church nave. In order to have things run more smoothly, we have created a digital sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/3h4rbkfc>, or you can call Andrea Riley at 505-220-9137. If you have questions, please contact Dan Riley or Marc Montano.

### **EPARCHIAL APPEAL 2022**

Collected to date: \$14,000.00. Participation: registered OLPH Families 60; paid pledges by 33 families (53%). Our parish goal this year is \$22,054.74 which breaks down to \$350 per family. **Thank you to Riley, Plut & Paul Families.** Our pledges for the Bishop's appeal must be paid by September 30. We can reach the goal only if all registered families participate.

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 or by online payments at: **[ephx.org/giving](https://ephx.org/giving)**. Be sure to note that you are a parishioner of OLPH.

### **MANDATORY SAFE ENVIRONMENT ONLINE TRAINING FOR ALL THE VOLUNTEERS**

**Reminder:** PLEASE, CHECK your Safe Environment Compliance Certificate Expiration date. Please note that Online Virtus training for many will be expiring within the next 4 to 5 weeks. The Eparchy's revised Safe Environment Policy no longer allows for lapses in compliance - either in Virtus training or in background screenings - for ALL OLPH VOLUNTEERS AND EXPLORER YOUTH GROUP LEADERS. Anyone falling out of compliance at any point must immediately cease from their designated area of service at OLPH until such time as they are in compliance once again. No one - not members of the clergy, volunteers, educators, employees etc. - may serve for even one day when out of SEP compliance.

**I publish the bans of marriage** between Rey Mejia and Michelle Santos of the Parish of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Byzantine Catholic for the Crowning of Marriage on Saturday September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022. If any of you know cause or just impediment why these persons should not be joined together in Holy Matrimony, ye are to declare it. This is for the first time of asking.

### **Banns of Marriage**

The banns are to be published in a parish bulletin and/or announced in church a few Sundays before the wedding. This practice started to prevent clandestine marriages, and to insure that both parties were free to marry. Anyone who knew that one party was not free to marry was bound by church law to inform the pastor.

Nowadays people in this country are very mobile, and so parishioners don't necessarily know everyone. However it has remained a popular custom among Catholics as a way of announcing the upcoming event to an entire parish community.

## **August 29th - The Beheading of St John the Baptist**

Because of his importance, John the Baptist is the only saint other than Mary, the Mother of God, whose conception (Sept 23), birth (June 4) and death (Aug 29) are all commemorated. Along with those dates are the commemorations of finding of his head (Feb 24: First and Second times, and May 25 the Third); and the Synaxis on January 7, the day after the Baptism of the Lord (Theophany, January 6).

We hold him in such reverence because

- he is the last of the prophets of the Old Testament;
- he is the first to announce the coming of the Messiah to people on earth;
- in his preaching, he fulfilled the role of Elijah and is the forerunner of the Messiah;
- he fearlessly preached the truth, even to the court of Herod, and was killed because of this;
- he preached to the dead in Sheol to announce that their deliverance was at hand in Jesus.

After the beheading, it is Church Tradition that St. Joanna, wife of Chuza, King Herod's steward, retrieved the head of John and delivered it to his disciples. She herself belonged to the company of women who assisted Jesus and the apostles, as we see in Luke's Gospel.

### **Dying for the truths of faith: John's beheading** by Fr Chris

The Gospel tells us that Herod was attracted by John's words, and that they "deeply disturbed him." The attraction was obvious: here is the greatest Jewish prophet since the days of Elijah, preaching repentance and effecting serious change in the general population of Herod's kingdom. Prostitutes, soldiers, and tax-collectors mingled with Pharisees and Scribes to be baptized in the waters of repentance, showing that John was truly a forerunner of Jesus. This is how the Church sees John.

Herod was disturbed because John was hitting home with his sermons, and Herod knew that marrying his sister-in-law was wrong in Jewish Law. Just how low the Herodian court had sunk is borne out in the Scriptures: the daughter of Herodias is a princess, of royal blood. She was supposed to be sequestered in the women's court, or the women's gallery looking over the dinner. Performing a dance was far below her dignity, and that the men invited to the dinner took delight in it speaks volumes about what that dance contained. Every movie showing the scene strikes home in terms of wild dancing, but does not show just how horrified Herod's subjects were at the conduct of his court.

Herod could have rejected the request – he was the king! But because he does not want to appear ill-mannered, and in order to please the little crowd and his illegal wife, Herod gives in. That should stand as a warning to us in our day. We are not supposed to go with the crowd, or fail to stand up for what is right.

So, what about us? All of us are presented with repeated opportunities to go with the crowd, or to say something that will leave everyone satisfied, even though it defiles our beliefs. A learning - disabled student once said to me: "Father, dead fish just go along with the current of the river. I don't ever want to be a dead fish – I want to be alive and fighting to go the right way." That boy with all his problems knew more than most of our Catholic politicians today!

The insult of Herod's unlawful marriage led the Nabatean homeland to rise up against Herod; he was soundly defeated. He and Herodias were denounced as traitors to the mad emperor, Caligula, and exiled to Gaul. There they both died in a foreign land, in poverty, and such footnotes to history that no one even knows when they died or where they were buried. That was their reward for their wickedness, and for Herod's foolishness in appeasing the crowd.

Among non-Christians, the Muslims honor the prophet with accounts obviously taken from the Gospel of Luke, and he is described as pure, devout, and dutiful to his parents who are correctly named Zechariah and Elizabeth. He is cited as not being rebellious towards Allah (Surah 19:7-15), and in Surah 3 he is hailed as the prophet who will come to confirm the word of Allah.

It is an ancient practice to not anything round served on a plate on this day, in honor of John's martyrdom, and to abstain from meat and dairy products. John is also - for obvious reasons - the patron saint against migraine headaches. He is also the patron saint of converts, couples struggling with infertility, tailors, heart patients, nurses, booksellers, the Kingdom of Jordan, Quebec, and Puerto Rico.



**God's blessing and congratulations to Andria Miscusi on completing her Christian Initiation during Vigil Liturgy last Saturday. Andria was Chrismated and received her First Holy Communion. Grant O Lord to your servant Andria peace, health and happiness for many and blessed years!!!**

**God's Blessings and Congrats to our newest Church Family member Isaac Hoffmann!!!** Last Sunday, we formally welcomed little Isaac into God's Family and our Byzantine Catholic Church as she received the Holy Mysteries of Christian Initiation (Baptism-Chrismation-Holy Eucharist) at the 10am Divine Liturgy. May the Lord grant to the God loving Hoffman Family: William, Samantha and newly enlightened warrior of Christ Isaac, peace health and happiness for many and blessed years!

