

January 28, 2024 / T one 2 / Sunday of the Prodigal Son

Glory to Jesus Christ! / Glory to Him Forever! ¡Gloria a Cristo! ¡Gloria a Él! para siempre!

The Feast of Encounter marks the end of the annual commemoration of the Feast of Light. It is not that the light of Christ stops shining, for it is always with us. The Gospel of St. John begins, "The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it." It ends with the story of Simeon, who proclaimed that Christ was a "light of revelation to the nations." This feast has been a journey. We went first to Bethlehem, to worship the new-born child with the angels and the shepherds, to bring gifts of faith and hope and love like the Magi. We then went to the Jordan, to see the glory of God in the Trinity, and to hear the voice of the Father. Finally, we have gone to the temple like Simeon, led by the Holy Spirit: "This man was righteous and devout, awaiting the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he should not see death before he had seen the Messiah of the Lord. He came in the Spirit into the temple. (Lk. 2:25-27)"

The journey to light in the Christmas - Theophany - Encounter cycle ends in the temple, where the incarnate temple of God enters into the holy Temple, and there is proclaimed to the world by Simeon and Anna, who witness to his glory. The journey of the Great Fast then begins in the Temple, and two men go there to pray. One witnesses to pride and self-righteousness, the other to humility and repentance. The whole of the Great Fast is for us to make our choice on which to imitate. To be a Christian means to hear our Lord's warning, "Whoever exalts himself will be humbled, but whoever exalts himself will be exalted." This is the central meaning of the Great Fast, as our Lord invites us, "Come and see."



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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

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**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!

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](https://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 6:12-20; Luke 15:11-32***

- YouTube Live** 8:30 am Rosary 9:00 am Festal Matins & Confessions  
10:00 am Divine Liturgy for Parish Family, Benefactors & Friends
- ECF Classes** Eternal Lamp: Holy Protection of the Mother of God over People of Ukraine  
5:30 pm Ask A Priest
- Jan 29 Mon** ***Translation of the Relics of Ignatius, Martyr / 1Jn 2:18-3:10; Mk 11:1-11***  
12 noon—3:00 pm Pysanky Workshop  
6:00 pm Vigil Liturgy / God's Blessing on Lubomyra Kmetyk
- Jan 30 Tue** ***Three Holy Hierarchs / Simple Holy Day / Heb 13:7-16; Mt 5:14-19***  
9:00 God's Blessing on Shari
- Jan 31 Wed** ***Cyrus and John Unmercenaries / 1 Jn 3:21-4:6; Mk 14:43-15:1***  
6:00 pm God's Blessing on Judith McGuinn by Cindy Loescher
- Feb 1 Thu** ***Tryphon Martyr / 1 Jn 4:20-5:2; Mk 15:1-15***
- Feb 2 Fri** ***Meeting of Our Lord with Simeon and Anna / Solemn Holy Day  
Heb 7:7-17; Lk 2:22-40***  
  
9:00 am Prayer and Witness in front of abortion clinic on San Mateo./Lomas  
6:00 pm Liturgy/ Blessing of Candles / Myrovaniye  
God's Blessing on Tom and Rafael Plut
- Feb 3 Sat** ***1st All Souls Saturday / 1 Cor 10:23-28; Lk 21:8-9.25-27.33-36***  
9:00 am All Souls Liturgy followed by Panachida
- Feb 4 Sun** ***Sunday of Meatfare / 1 Cor 8:8-9:2; Mt 25:31-46***  
4:00 pm Great Vespers / YouTube LIVE  
Hebrew Scriptures for Sunday:  
Deuteronomy 34:1-12; Samuel 12:15-25; Ezekial 37:1-14  
5:00 pm God's Blessing on Ed and Cindy Loescher
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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

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

### 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 / January. For The Gift Of Diversity In The Church

Let us pray that the Holy Spirit helps us recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic Church.

**Merciful Father**, we implore you, bring back the prodigal sons and daughters of our Church who have left the Church and grant us fervor when our hearts wander. Give us also faithful servants who answer your call to the priesthood, diaconate in Christ, as well as consecrated monastics who serve and show your same merciful lovingkindness, we pray you, hear and have mercy.

"All that is mine is yours." The merciful Father welcomed the Prodigal Son and showed love to his brother when he questioned that profound love which gave all that was his to his children. Are you open to share that love of the Father by a vocation to the priesthood, diaconate, religious or monastic life? If so, contact the Vocations Office at 206-329-9219 or email: [vocations@ephx.org](mailto:vocations@ephx.org)



Vocation Icon

Today: Blain Family  
Next Sunday: Carol Donlin

**February 4, 2024**

Cantor: Andrea Riley

Reader: Michael Wells

Altar Server: Michael Grega

Trojica: Counters: Laura Serna &  
Michael Wells

**Propers for 2/4/2024**

**Meatfare Sunday**

**Postfestive Day of the Meeting**

**Resurrection Tone 3**

Troparion (Tone 3) - 135

Troparion (Feast) - 321

*v. Glory...*

Kontakion (Meatfare) - 217

*v. Now & Ever...*

Kontakion (Feast) - 321

Prokeimenon & Alleluia - 217-8

Magnification & Irmos - 322

Our Father - 68

Communion - 78 & 213 [A]

**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 [pcb@unm.edu](mailto:pcb@unm.edu)

**2024 Pysanky Workshops:** OLPH will again host workshops for anyone interested in creating pysanky (Ukrainian Easter eggs). The workshops are open to all skill levels (children do need a supervising adult) and will be held in January-March at the following dates and times: 1/20 9am-12pm, 1/29 12-3pm, 2/17 12-3pm, 2/19 12-3pm, 2/22 6-9pm, 3/4 6-9pm, 3/7 12-3pm and 3/16 12-3pm. Workshop space is limited, so please sign up at <http://tinyurl.com/olph-pysanky> or contact Andrea Riley at 505-220-9137 or [andrea.riley@gmail.com](mailto:andrea.riley@gmail.com).

## Coming Events—Mark Your Calendars Now

Mon Feb 12	<b>First Day of the Great Fast</b>
Sat Feb 24	<b>First &amp; Second Findings of the Head of John the Baptist</b> 9:00 am Divine Liturgy / All Souls Panachida
Sat Mar 2	<b>3rd All Souls Saturday</b> 9:00 am Divine Liturgy / Panachida
March 1—3	<b>Lenten Retreat with Fr Michael O'Loughlin</b>
Sat Mar 9	<b>Feast of the 40 Martyrs of Sebaste</b> 9 am Divine Liturgy / All Souls Panahida
Thu Mar 14	<b>7:00 pm Matins with Great canon of St. Andrew of Crete / Reading Life story of St. Mary of Egypt</b>
Tue April 9	6:00 pm Father Chris' talk on his NEW book, <i>Looking to Tomorrow, Part 1</i>
Tue April 30	6:00 pm Father Chris' talk on his NEW book, <i>Looking to Tomorrow, Part II</i>
Tue May 14	6:00 pm Father Chris' talk on the History of OLPH 1974—2024
Sun July 7	50th Jubilee OLPH Patronal Feast
Tue Oct 15	Celebration of the OLPH 50th Jubilee 3:30 pm Hierarchical Divine Liturgy 6:00 pm Dinner at Sheraton 7:30 pm Dancing with a live band (Die Polka Schlingels)

## Alicia's Hall Report

Thanks to Mary Rose Sena for making her delicious chilaquiles last Sunday! The frijoles and your homemade salsa were buenisimos, Julia! We lucked out with the leftover borscht, pierogi, & blintzes from the NM Helping Ukraine fundraiser the night before. And thanks to the Sernas, Weagels, Rileys and all the others who brought food and helped in the kitchen with our lovely social! If you haven't joined us yet, please come and stay for fellowship and yummy food! Next Sunday please bring something yummy to share for the Sunday of Meatfare on 2/4. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054AAAAA2AA4F94-olph#/> Have a blessed week!

**Attention - today is the deadline to submit / update your ALL SOULS LIST. Thank you.**

**Dear Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Community;** Thank you for giving us such a generous gift. It is always greatly appreciated. I pray that you are all doing well.  
God Bless You! Seminarian Nicholas

**Ask A Priest:** Topic tonight is the religious origins of the crisis in the Middle East. This is open to all High School students.

**CAFE begins on Tuesday, January 30**, in the Cherry and Silver Room on the 3rd floor of the Student Union Building, at 6 pm. Please share this with anyone you know who is attending UNM. We will start with "Ask A Priest Anything", where students submit anonymous questions for Father Chris to answer.

### **Pascha in Greece-- A Pilgrimage on May 1-11, 2024**

Join us on a unique pilgrimage to Greece, where you can celebrate Pascha and witness the beautiful liturgical services at the Holy Trinity Greek Catholic Cathedral in Athens, presided by Bishop Manuel Nin, OSB. Our trip also includes sightseeing and visiting different places in Greece where you can immerse yourself in the country's rich traditions and culture.  
Athens – Corinth – Boat cruise to islands of Poros, Hydra and Aegina – Delphi – Meteora monasteries and caves

Sponsored by Greek Catholic Exarchate of Greece and Holy Resurrection Parish in Euclid, OH

Contact: Tel (216) 6606-5313 Email: [HolyResurrection@parma.org](mailto:HolyResurrection@parma.org)

\$2,500 per person Price without airfare. Includes all itinerary activities and travel insurance

### **Guidelines for Volunteering at Our Lady of Perpetual Help**

A volunteer is a valued part of the church. The volunteer should be at least 18 years of age. If under 18, the volunteer should be accompanied by a parent or have been given permission by the parent to perform volunteer activities while supervised by another adult.

All volunteers must be approved by the Pastor. At the Pastor's discretion, he can request letters of reference or additional information prior to approval.

All volunteers older than age 18 must complete a background check with the Eparchy of Phoenix and must complete the annual requirement for Safe Environment training.

For parishioners who are new to the parish, we ask for regular participation in the parish, the Holy Sacraments and Divine Liturgy for a period of one year before volunteering with Eastern Christian Formation, the Choir, or as an Altar Server.

### **2024 ByzanTEEN Rally - Registration is Live!**

This year's National ByzanTEEN rally will be at the University of San Diego, June 27-30. It will be time for fun, fellowship and faith for the future of our Church. Featuring keynote speakers Fr. Chris Zuger from the Eparchy of Phoenix, Mother Iliana of Christ the Bridegroom Monastery, and Trent Horn of Catholic Answers. To register as a teen participant or chaperone, go here: <https://archpitt.org/byzan-teen-youth-rally-2024/>

### **Chesterton Academy Albuquerque**

A classical high school in the Catholic tradition is hosting an Open House / Information Night for prospective families of 9-12th graders. Thursday, February 8th, 2024, 6 pm to 7:30 pm  
(Meet in the Queen of Heaven Church Parish Hall) Please Join Us!

Contact: [headmaster@chestertonabq.com](mailto:headmaster@chestertonabq.com) (505) 544-4544

### Three Holy Hierarchs by Fr. Chris

Jan 30 - Feast of SS. Basil the Great (also known as Basil of Caesarea), Gregory the Theologian (also known as Gregory of Nazianzus) and John Chrysostom. These influential bishops shaped our theology and worship through their extensive writing and preaching. Each has a feast day in January. All three are remembered today as a result of intense debates that raged in 11th century Constantinople as to who of these great Fathers was the greatest? Through a vision granted St. John Mouropos in which they appeared to him and said that they were all equal in God's eyes, this feast was instituted in 1084. The Catholic Church also honors them as Doctors of the Church.

Basil and Chrysostom both had profound influences on our worship, through their Anaphoras (Eucharistic Prayers) which we use today. Basil served as a bishop of Caesarea-in-Cappadocia who defended the Trinity's unity and Christ's humanity and divinity against the Arians, as well as founding many institutions for the poor, sick, orphans, abandoned elderly, and schools. Chrysostom, which means "golden tongue" was a powerful preacher who was not afraid to challenge his listeners to deeper spiritual lives, while speaking against any form of oppression. He also advocated for physical and spiritual care of the poor. He was bishop of Antioch and then archbishop of Constantinople itself. He died in exile because of his condemnation of the empress' scandalous lifestyle. Gregory, like the other two, led a personal life of penance and fasting. He was also an archbishop of Constantinople and he is surnamed "The Theologian" for his brilliant writings against the Arians, in defense of the Holy Spirit, and the Holy Trinity. His contemporaries considered that he surpassed the ancient Greek writers and that he was directly inspired by God.

The first seminary of our Byzantine Catholic Church was, appropriately enough, dedicated to these three theologians. It stands in the castle that defended the town of Uzhorod. It served generations of students who prepared for the priesthood from 1776 until 1945, when the seminarians were asked to "temporarily" leave by the Soviet rulers – it has never been returned, and today is a museum.

**The first of the All Souls Saturdays for us is this Saturday.** There are four more All Souls Saturdays: Saturday before Meat-Fare Sunday; Three Saturdays of Lent before the 2, 3rd and 4th Sundays; Saturday before Pentecost Sunday. A book called "Hramoty" is kept in every Byzantine Catholic parish. In this, the names of the dead are kept, listed family groups. These names are sung in the Litany for the Deceased on the All Souls Saturdays. "We seem to give them back to you, O God, who gave them first to us. Yet as you did not lose them in giving, so we do not lose them by their return. Not as the world gives do you give. What you give you do not take away. For what is yours is also ours. We are yours and life is eternal. And love is immortal, and death is only a horizon, and a horizon is but the limit of our sight." VenBede

**All Souls Saturday:** Father reads the names of the deceased at the special 9:00 am All Souls Saturdays Liturgies. New parishioners: please write the names of your dead whom you wish to have Father pray for in the All Souls Liturgy and he can add your family to the Hramoty, or Book of the Deceased.

Praying for the dead reminds us of our own destiny: everyone will die. It gives us the opportunity to reflect on the fleeting nature of earthly life, and should increase our desire to join God in the glory of Heaven, and thus to repent of our sins here on earth. That is why the All Souls Saturdays are generally tied to Lent. The one before Pentecost serves as a reminder, that while the Church prays for the descent of the Holy Spirit, the Church continues to pray for the enlightenment of the souls of the deceased.





Theophany 2024

