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Sunday of the Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council

Be Exalted above the heavens, O God, and let your glory be over all the earth

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**OFFICE HOURS:**

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Thursday OFF

**THEOSIS:** 2nd & 4th Thursday  
Bible Study 6:45 pm / Zoom

**Advisory Board**

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**Confession (Mystery of  
Reconciliation):**

9:00—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)

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 set-up 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).

**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 & 28-38; 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  
ECF Classes
- May 22 Mon** ***Post-festive of Ascension / Basiliscus Martyr / Acts 21:8-4; Jn 14:27-15:7***  
9:00 am +Linda Adamsko by Svenssons
- May 23 Tue** ***Post-festive of Ascension / Michael of Synnada Bishop-Confessor  
Acts 21:26-32; Jn 16:2-13***  
9:00 am +Geiza +Judith and +Alex Siksay by Maria Kartsub
- May 24 Wed** ***Post-festive of Ascension / Simeon Venerable / Acts 23:1-11; Jn 16:15-23***  
5:30 pm OLPH Devotions  
6:00 pm +Emillano Herrera III by Wells Family
- May 25 Thu** ***Post-festive of Ascension / 3rd Finding of the Head of John the Baptist  
2 Cor 4:6-15; Mt 11:2-15***  
5:45 pm THEOSIS Bible Study (zoom)
- May 26 Fri** ***Leave –taking of Ascension / Carpus Apostle / Acts 27:1-44; Jn 17:18-26***  
 9:00 am Prayer & Witness in front of abortion clinic on San Mateo/Lomas  
6:00 pm +Alex Kartsub by Maria Kartsub
- May 27 Sat** ***5th All Souls Saturday / Acts 28:1-31; Jn 21:15-25***  
9:00 am All Souls Liturgy followed by Panachida
- May 28 Sun** ***Pentecost Sunday / Acts 2:1-11; Jn 7:37-52 & 8-12***  
4:00 pm Great Vespers / YouTube LIVE  
5:00 pm +John Matsko by his family  
Hebrew Scriptures for Sunday:  
Numbers 11:16-17,24-29; Joel 2:23-32; Ezechiel 36:24-38
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5:30 pm Ask a Priest

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

“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](mailto:vocations@ephx.org)

### Vocation Icon

Today: Fedorowich Family  
Next Sunday: Wells Family



### Holy Father's Intentions May

For church movements and groups.

We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.



## Coming Events—Mark Your Calendars Now

**May 28, 2023**

Cantor: Andrea Riley  
 Reader: Michael Wells :  
 Altar Server: Michael Grega  
 Trojca: Lucy Wells  
 Counters: Rita Montano &  
 Miles Gloetznar

**Propers for 5/28/2023  
 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 [pcob@unm.edu](mailto:pcob@unm.edu)

THE PRAYER WARRIORS IS  
 OPEN TO EVERYONE--WOMEN,  
 MEN, & CHILDREN (children who  
 have their parents' permission)!  
 Please join us!!

**Alicia's Hall Report**

Christ is among us! The hall renovation is well underway and going well, thanks be to God! Next weekend I'll be out of town, so if anyone wants to organize a social on the patio or in the park, feel free. In the coming weeks, please let me know if you are all interested in pulling out a big shade and tables & chairs onto the patio so we can gather or if you'd prefer to picnic at the park. Have a blessed week!

May 8— July 28	<b>Hall/Kitchen remodeling</b>
Mon May 29	<b>Pentecost Monday / Holy Day</b> 6:00pm Liturgy/Procession with reading of the 4 Gospels
Mon June 5	<b>Start of the Apostles Fast</b>
Mon June 5	<b>6:30 pm Advisory Board Meeting</b>
Sat Jun 24 Fri Jun 23	<b>Birth of John the Baptist / Solemn Feast</b> 6:00 pm Vigil Liturgy / Blessing of Litija
Thu Jun 29 Wed Jun 28	<b>SS Peter &amp; Paul/ Holy Day of Obligation</b> 6:00 pm Vigil Liturgy / Blessing of Litija
Sun Jul 2	<b>OLPH Patronal Feast Day</b>
Jul 13-16	<b>Alive in Christ 2023 Father &amp; Son Ascetical Boot Camp Auburn, Washington</b> <a href="https://www.ephx.org/alive-in-christ-registration">https://www.ephx.org/alive-in-christ-registration</a>
Thu Jul 20 Wed Jul 19	<b>Elijah Great Prophet / Simple Holy Day</b> 6:00 pm Vigil Liturgy / Blessing of Cars
Jul 20—Aug 8	<b>World Youth Day in Portugal</b> <a href="https://www.eparchyofpassaic.com/worldyouthday">https://www.eparchyofpassaic.com/worldyouthday</a>
Tue August 1	<b>Beginning of Dormition Fast</b>
Aug 7- Aug 11	<b>Clergy Conference in Las Vegas, Nevada</b>
Mon Aug 14 Tue Aug 15	<b>Dormition of the Theotokos Holy Day of Obligation</b> 6:00 pm Deposition of the Shroud / Liturgy/ Blessing of Flowers 9:00 am Liturgy / Myrovanije
Aug 18-20	<b>Annual Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Shrine in Olympia WA</b> <a href="https://stgeorgeolympia.org/shrine/">https://stgeorgeolympia.org/shrine/</a>
Nov 2-5	<b>Assembly of the Byzantine Church 2023 in Hillsborough, NJ</b> <a href="https://form.jotform.com/230514012134134">https://form.jotform.com/230514012134134</a>
Fri & Sat Dec 15 & 16	<b>Women's Day of Reflection</b>

We rejoice with Tristan and Fiona Griffith on birth of their first child,  
baby girl Emmelia Marigold on Friday May 12<sup>th</sup>.  
May the Lord grant to God-loving Griffith Family many and blessed years!!!!

**OASIS registration opens for classes:** Fr Chris is teaching "The Catholic Church inside the Third Reich" - Catholic resistance to the Nazis in Germany and Austria, featuring the triumphs and errors of the leadership, underground aid given to Jews, and the brave struggles of ordinary people against Hitler and his crazed ideas. May 25, 10 am - 11:30 am, \$12. Register with [www.oasisabq.org](http://www.oasisabq.org); Class is at the main center, 3301 Menaul Blvd NE; Suite 18 (just west of American Furniture).

**EPARCHIAL APPEAL 2023:** Collected to date: **\$6,085.00**. Thank you to: Our parish goal this year is **\$18,320.60 which comes down to \$300.00 per Family**. Parishes meeting their goals will receive a 10% rebate on the goal amount. 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. **Kindly give what you can to help our Eparchy and our Church. Thank you!**

*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:

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**Let us pray to the Lord for those departed in FAITH: the 5<sup>th</sup> ALL SOULS SATURDAY**

The 5<sup>th</sup> 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.

### **Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council**

The icon of this Council, the very first universal, or ecumenical, shows Emperor Constantine the Great in the center who became the only Roman Emperor in 322 AD. Look for both religious and civil peace, and frustrated by the rapid spread of the Arian heresy, he summoned a council of bishops to meet in the town of Nicaea in 325. The Council welcomed at least 220 bishops, from every province except Britain. It was truly "ecumenical" – the entire Roman nation.

Arius taught that Christ was the Father's first creation, made out of nothing, but created nonetheless. The Church's teaching from the beginning was that the Logos which took on humanity and became Christ, is of the same essence as the Father, and had existed from the beginning with the Father and the Spirit. If He was not co-eternal, then when He took on humanity in Jesus, He could not have saved us by His crucifixion and resurrection. Jesus is of one essence (in Greek, homoousios) with the Father. He is true God of true God, the Word of God through Whom all things were made (Jn 1.3; Heb 1.2). It is this uncreated, only-begotten, divine Son of God Who became Man from the Virgin Mary as Jesus Christ, the Messiah of Israel and the Savior of the world.

The Fathers adopted a baptismal profession of faith from the Syrians and expanded it to make out modern Creed, which then ended at the phrase "And in the Holy Spirit." This would be expanded in 381 with the remainder of the prayer of today, in order to address yet more heresies.

Without Nicaea, we would not be truly orthodox, catholic Christians. Many of the Fathers who came were confessors of the Faith: they had been tortured by the pagans or, even worse, by Arians. It was remembered as a sight both appalling and inspiring: hundreds of men lacking an eye, an arm, a leg; walking with canes or crutches, leaning for support on one another. These men had suffered grievously and had not wavered. They were not about to waver on this all-important issue. While the Arian Christians endured, and have been resurrected in our modern Jehovah's Witnesses, Arius himself repented and sought to re-enter the Church, but died before he could do this.

This week we solemnly prepare for the Feast of the Descent of the Holy Spirit. **On Saturday we have the fifth and last commemoration of All Souls**, and the reading of the names of the parish's deceased and those of parish families. In the Third Kneeling Prayer of Pentecost, we will hear the prayers for the dead, asking God to pardon them their sins.



Bazaar 2023

