

*14th Sunday After Pentecost—Matthew 22:1-14*  
*“Many are invited, but few are chosen.” Matthew 22:14*

**St. Anne Byzantine Catholic Church**

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Bishop: Most Reverend Kurt Burnette, Apostolic Administrator Sede Vacante

Holy Protection of Mary

Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Phoenix

Welcome! We are honored to have you come to worship with us. If you are unfamiliar with the worship of the Byzantine Church, simply listen to the Liturgy and allow the rest of the congregation to carry you in worship. We extend our hands and hearts in Christian fellowship to you here, celebrating with us, whether long-time residents or newly arrived in the parish. We thank God that you are with us. If you would like to be an active member of our Byzantine Catholic community, please contact the parish office. Since we are one Catholic Church with many Traditions (each that includes a liturgical rite), becoming a parishioner does not require that you make a canonical transfer of Rite, for example, from the Roman Rite to our Byzantine Rite. Yet we invite you to join us in our traditions, fast days, and feast days so as to better understand and perhaps one day embrace our Eastern Catholic spirituality. **Please join us for our Coffee Social, held in the fellowship hall, immediately after the Divine Liturgy and make yourself known to our Pastor who would be happy to answer your questions. Welcome to St. Anne's!**

St. Anne bulletin email list: Would you like to have our bulletin emailed to you each week? Request it at [slosa.email@gmail.com](mailto:slosa.email@gmail.com)

## Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory forever!

**This week's liturgical schedule:** (Check the MCI <https://mci.archpitt.org> for music and prayers.) Livestreaming of Sunday in the parking lot is available for those taking extra health precautions. Contact the pastor.

<b><i>Saturday, September 2</i></b>		No Great Vespers this Saturday evening
<b><i>Sunday, September 3</i></b> Use handout	Confessions: 8:30-9:20 AM 9:30 AM Matins <b>10 AM Divine Liturgy</b> Intention: For Parishioners	<b><i>FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST</i></b> 2 Corinthians 1:21 - 2:4; Matthew 22:1-14. <u>Tone 5</u>
<b><i>Monday, September 4</i></b>	No liturgical services today. Parish Office Closed	<b><i>Holy Martyr Babylas, Bishop of Antioch; Holy Prophet Moses, Who Saw God</i></b>
<b><i>Tuesday, September 5</i></b> MCI or p. 379	<b>7 AM Divine Liturgy</b> Parish Office Open +Grandma Maria Slinsky by Genevieve Aguirre (Memorial Divine Liturgy)	<b><i>Prophet Zachary, Father of the Forerunner and His Wife, the Holy and Venerable Elizabeth</i></b> Galatians 2:21 - 3:7; Mark 6:1-7.
<b><i>Wednesday, September 6</i></b> MCI or p. 361	<b>7 AM Divine Liturgy</b> Parish Office Open +Lisa Emanuel by Michele Tompkins	<b><i>Memory of the Miracle of the Holy Archangel Michael at Colossae in Chionia</i></b> Galatians 3:15-22; Mark 6:7-13.
<b><i>Thursday, September 7</i></b> MCI or p. 244	Confessions: 5:30-6:00 PM <b>6:30 PM Vigil Vespersal Divine Liturgy</b> Brian by Karen Schindler	<b><i>Solemn Feast of Nativity of the Theotokos (Vigil)</i></b> Genesis 28:10-17; Ezekiel 43:27 - 44:4; Proverbs 9:1-11. Parish Office Open
<b><i>Friday, September 8</i></b> Use handout. MCI or p. 243	<b>8 AM Festal Matins</b> Confessions: 9:15-9:30 AM <b>10 AM Divine Liturgy</b> Intention: For Parishioners	<b><i>Nativity of the Theotokos-(Solemn Feast)</i></b> Philippians 2:5-11; Luke 10:38-42 & 11:27-28.
<b><i>Saturday, September 9</i></b> MCI or p. 247  Use handout.	Confessions: 9-9:30 AM <b>10 AM Divine Liturgy</b> +Dr. & Mrs. Charles Cramer by Dr. & Mrs. Henry Arakaki & Christian <b>5 PM Great Vespers</b>	<b><i>Synaxis of Holy and Just Grandparents of God Joachim and Anna</i></b> <b><i>Saturday Before the Exaltation of the Cross</i></b> 1 Corinthians 2:6-9; Matthew 10:37 - 11:1. Parish Office Open Numbers 21:4-9; Wisdom 16:5-13.
<b><i>Sunday, September 10</i></b> Use handout	Confessions: 8:30-9:20 AM 9:30 AM Matins <b>10 AM Divine Liturgy</b> Intention: For Parishioners	<b><i>SUNDAY BEFORE THE EXALTATION OF HOLY CROSS</i></b> Galatians 6:11-18; John 3:13-17. <u>Tone 6</u>

## UPCOMING CALENDAR DATES

### **Nativity of the Theotokos—Solemn Feast**

September 7 at 6:30 PM—Vigil Vespers Divine Liturgy;  
September 8 at 8am—Festal Matins; 10am—Divine Liturgy

### **Exaltation of the Holy Cross—Solemn Feast**

September 13 at 6:30 PM—Vigil Vespers Divine Liturgy;  
September 14 at 8am—Festal Matins; 10am—Divine Liturgy

### **Group Safe Environment Presentation**

September 17—Given by Sean Baird and Virtus at 12:30pm in the Social Hall.

### **Eastern Catholic Formation (ECF)**

Classes begin September 24, at noon. Registration forms can be found in the Narthex and on the gift shop display case. **Register no later than next Sunday, September 10.**



### **Eparchial Events:**

**November 2-5:** Assembly of the Byzantine Church 2023: Gathering of Byzantine Catholics from across the US. (in Hillsborough, NJ). Sign up for email updates here: <https://form.jotform.com/230514012134134>. **Please see the back cover of the bulletin for more information.**

**Birthdays:** September 3—Cambria Couch; September 4—Christina Arakaki;  
September 5—Cole Rossi; September 8—Ignatius Sheehan

**Anniversaries: [none]**

**God grant them many blessed years!**

## SUNDAY GIFTS TO THE LORD

**August 27, 2023:**

Total bank Deposit: \$1,469

**Total parish income: \$1,469**

**Tithes: \$710.**

**Donations: \$709.**

**Gift Shop: \$50.**

Your donations are enabling us to continue paying our bills at St Anne's. Thank you!

Please note that you have three ways to contribute: 1) Place your donation in the collection basket or the secure locked box in the Narthex; 2) Mail it; or 3) Go to [www.stanneslo.org](http://www.stanneslo.org) and click on the Giving tab.

**May God bless your generosity to His Church!**

## OIL LAMP INTENTIONS

**Eternal Lamp above Ambon in church: +Janice Sawko by Paul Sawko (10/14/23)**

**Eternal Lamp to St. Anne in the narthex:**

**+Ann & Alex Sawko by Paul Sawko (10/14/23)**

**Icon of Jesus Christ: +Alex & Catharine Sawko by Paul Sawko (10/14/23)**

**Icon of the Theotokos: +Michael & Antonia Kozub by Paul Sawko (10/14/23)**

**Icon of St. Anne: +Ann & James O'Malley by Paul Sawko (10/14/23)**

**Icon of St. Mary Magdalene: +Sheryl Ibarra by Paul Sawko (10/14/23)**

**Icon of St. John the Baptist: +Neil & Velma Perry by Paul Sawko (10/14/23)**

**Icon of St. Nicholas: +Nicholas Sawko by Paul Sawko (10/14/23)**

**Oil Lamp Intentions:** The large "eternal" vigil oil lamps have a suggested offering of \$10 and will burn continuously from Sunday through Saturday. The other smaller oil lamps are each available for a suggested \$2 offering, which will burn for each Divine Liturgy for one week. The bulletin will remind your fellow parishioners of your special intention or loved one above. (These donations are probably not tax-deductible and are not included in your tax-deductible letter.) See narthex envelopes to sponsor a lamp. Make checks payable to **St. Anne Catholic Church.**

**LITURGY INTENTIONS** Please fill out one of the Liturgy Intention envelopes on the greeting table in the narthex with the name of your living or deceased person. Make checks payable to **St. Anne Stipends** and write "Liturgy Stipend" in your memo line. Donations are not required, though the suggested stipend from the Pastoral Handbook is \$10, which is later paid to the priest offering the Liturgy. (These donations are probably not tax-deductible and are not included in your tax-deductible letter.)

**Eastern Catholic Formation (ECF) registration:** It's time to register your children for youth catechetical classes for the 2023-24 school year. Registration forms can be found in the Narthex and on the gift shop display case. It is very important that you meet the deadline of returning registration forms no later than next Sunday, September 10, so we know how many classes and teachers we need. Our first day of Sunday School instruction (equivalent to CCD) will be on Sunday, September 24. Instructors usually start class about 12 or 12:30pm depending on the instructor. Details on books and instructors will be coming soon.

**Volunteer Group Safe Environment Training on September 17:** For St Anne's volunteers who help in various capacities (except for occasionally bringing coffee social food), our annual Virtus training will be given on Sunday, September 17, from 12:30 - 1:45pm in the social hall. This will enable volunteers who prefer to do the training in a group and in person, the opportunity to do so. Otherwise, you will need to complete the training online. Please see Fr. Michael or Sean Baird if you have questions.

### **Stress in Your Marriage?**

This is a program for married couples that feel bored, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Most don't know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. This program has helped 10's of 1000's of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on September 15-17, please call 831-479-1260 or email:

Monterey@RetroCA.com or visit the web site at [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org)

**Congratulations** to Josephine Arakaki, Gianna C., and Ignatius Sheehan for completing their First Confession on Friday and Saturday, August 25 and 26, and for making their public Profession of Faith on Sunday, August 27 during the Divine Liturgy.

### **Eparchial Appeal 2023:**

Thank you! We have surpassed our goal of \$16,931.17. As of August 31, we collected \$21,200. We will no longer be accepting donations for this year's Eparchial Appeal. Thank you to all those who contributed, especially the anonymous parishioner who donated \$5,000 in matching funds. Kudos!



**Attention Moms and Kids:** Here is a great Byzantine resource for you: <https://www.byzimom.com/> with a corollary for kids: <https://www.byzimom.com/byzikids>

**Free online course on the Four Cardinal VIRTUES:** Here is a course on the virtues starting on September 11. Check it out: <https://instituteofcatholicculture.org/events/the-cardinal-virtues>

**Online Byzantine courses and resources:**

Check out [www.BecomingByzantine.net](http://www.BecomingByzantine.net) where you can watch the Study Series on the Christ Our Pascha Catechism, listen to the podcast version of this series, download new tools and resources, register for other series, and more! The recording for the webinar PART 1 is now available on the website at: <https://becomingbyzantine.updates.church/#4257cc1b-a09a-4955-998f-cb8a70d5bc08>

Other great websites of Byzantine Catholic resources can be found at *God With Us Online* at <https://godwithusonline.org> and *Institute of Catholic Culture* at <https://instituteofcatholicculture.org>.

**Vocation Corner:**

***FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST– September 3, 2023***

Holy Lord, you invite us to the wedding feast of union between yourself and your Church. Help us answer your call with lives filled with your holiness that we may be found wearing the spiritual wedding garment of union with you. We especially ask that you would call those servants who prepare the way for you, those priests, deacons, monks and nuns who go to the ends of the earth and share your love and truth, we pray you hear and have mercy.

“Indeed, many are called but few are chosen!” Our Lord shows mercy to all and calls each of us to our own particular vocation. Will we respond to his call with an open heart? For most of us, this is the life of the family, the domestic Church. For some of us, he is calling us to consider a life as a priest, deacon, monk, or a nun, to build up his kingdom and celebrate the wedding feast of the Lord in a special way. If this may be his will for you or someone you know, please call the Vocations Office at 206-329-9219 or email: [vocations@ephx.org](mailto:vocations@ephx.org)



**Career Opportunity:** The Knights of Columbus is seeking a Fraternal Insurance Agent for a career opportunity representing their insurance program. Help Catholic families while providing for your own. They offer a complete benefits package with this full-time position. For More information, please contact Pablo Contreras, General Sales Manager, at (559) 270-1765.

# St Joseph's in Nipomo Retreat for Men

*Hosted by Fr Skip Thompson, MSA*



The Knights of Columbus, Council 8177, of St Joseph's Church in Nipomo is happy to announce its third annual Men's retreat this September 23rd, from 9:00 am to 3:45 pm and the best part is that it's free. The conference is open to all men. The doors will open at 8:00 am and the retreat will start at 9:00. The retreat will conclude at 3:45 pm followed by Confessions. Mass will be celebrated at 5:00 pm. Breakfast snacks and lunch will be provided.

Please email or text Brad Du Fault to reserve your spot: [bradufault@aol.com](mailto:bradufault@aol.com) or text 562-208-1646.

Here's an "preview" to the conference Fr. Skip will give about "Being a Catholic Man in Today's Culture."

- Reconnaissance and braving out cultural headwinds.
- The priority of Christ and the essence of Masculinity.
- Spiritual weapons, tactics and allies.

As Catholic men, we must all put on the full armor of Christ and the only way for peace is to prepare for war.

## **Safe Environment Info**

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 incidents or concerns, please contact:

Sbdcn Paul Kilroy, Safe Environment Program Coordinator

Cell: (480) 745-0316 -- Office: (602) 861-9778 ext. 203 -- Email:

[sbdcnkilroy@ephx.org](mailto:sbdcnkilroy@ephx.org)

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## Historic Gathering of the Byzantine Catholic Church in America

You are invited to Participate!

The clergy track will be presented on Thursday and Friday, November 2nd and 3rd, and a laity tract will occur from Friday to Sunday, November 3rd to 5th.

Fr. Michael will be attending, so it would be great for you to join him at either track that fits your schedule.

Metropolitan Archbishop William, Bishop Kurt, and the Council of Hierarchs of the Byzantine Catholic Church invite YOU to attend the “Metropolitan Assembly” at St. Mary

Byzantine Catholic Church in Hillsborough, New Jersey, on Friday, November 3, through Sunday, November 5, 2023! The theme of the Assembly is to “learn about our past and to prepare for our future!” Guest speakers include Dr. Paul Magosci, noted Author and Historian; Bishop Nil Lushchak of the Eparchy of Mukachevo; Cardinal Timothy Dolan, Archbishop of New York; as well as other clergy and lay leaders.

The Assembly includes lectures, discussions, fellowship, and a gala dinner with folk music and dancing. The fee includes meals, breaks, presentations, materials, and the gala on Saturday evening. The Assembly cost is \$250 for individuals and \$400 for couples. The Maria Theresa Foundation will underwrite the registration fees of individuals and couples between 18 and 35.

For more information, contact the Assembly coordinators, Fr. Ed Cimbala, at 212-677-0516 or Fr. Yuriy Oros at 609-394-5004.

The assembly website is <https://www.byzantineassembly2023.org/> and the email is [byzantineassembly2023@gmail.com](mailto:byzantineassembly2023@gmail.com).

The registration deadline is October 1, 2023.

Hope to see YOU there!







# METROPOLITAN ASSEMBLY

## NOVEMBER 2 - 5, 2023

### LIVING OUR FAITH

### Moving Forward

### Appreciating Our Past

### Art | History | Presentations | Prayer | Dancing

A gathering for all Byzantine Catholic faithful to learn about their past and plan for growth in the future.

## Schedule



## Speakers and Topics

Schedule and speakers subject to change

<b>Thursday, November 2, 2023</b>	<b>Clergy Day</b>
9:30 AM-Noon	Registration
	Vendors Throughout Assembly
Noon	Lunch
1:30 PM to 6:00 PM	Welcome and Presentations
6:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Dinner
8:00 PM	Presentation
9:00 PM	Compline
9:30 PM to 10:30 PM	Social
<b>Friday, November 3, 2023</b>	<b>Clergy Days Continue</b>
8:00 AM	Morning Prayer
8:30 AM to 9:15 AM	Continental Breakfast
9:30 AM to Noon	Presentations
10:00 AM to Noon	Laity Registration
Noon to 1:30 PM	Lunch
	<b>Clergy and Laity</b>
1:30 PM to 7:00 PM	Presentations to Clergy and Laity
7:30 PM to 9:45 PM	Dinner and Keynote
10:00 PM	Compline
<b>Saturday, November 4, 2023</b>	<b>Clergy and Laity</b>
8:00 AM	Morning Prayer
8:30 AM to 9:15 AM	Continental Breakfast
9:30 AM to Noon	Presentations
Noon to 1:30 PM	Lunch
1:30 PM to 5:30 PM	Presentations
6:00 PM	Vespers
7:00 PM to 11:00 PM	Gala Dinner & Dancing to the Music of Pajtaši
<b>Sunday, November 5</b>	
8:30 AM	Divine Liturgy
10:00 AM	Breakfast Buffet
11:00 AM to 1:30 PM	Final Presentation, What's Next?, Wrap-up, and Farewell

**1. Fr. Edward Cimbala** - "We Knew not Whether We Were in Heaven or on Earth" Young Adults and Their Motives for Joining the Byzantine Catholic Church: A Case Study of St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church in New York City - St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church, New York, NY



**2. Timothy Kearns** - *From Light to Light: A Theological Cosmology for Our Times and a Renewed Christian Life* - St. Nicholas Byzantine Catholic Church - Danbury, Connecticut

**3. Adam Kemner** - *Small But Mighty: Why Small Parish Size is the Byzantine Catholic Church's Biggest Potential Way Forward* - Iowa Outreach, Muscatine IA



**4. Fr. Thomas Loya** - *A Blueprint for the Growth of the Byzantine Catholic Church in America* - Annunciation Byzantine Catholic Church, Homer Glenn, IL

**5. Dorothy Mayernik** - *Bethany Ministry: Caring for the Sick, Homebound, and Grieving in the Parish Family* - St. Gregory of Nazianzus Byzantine Catholic Church - Upper Saint Clair, PA



**6. Dn. Jeffrey Mierzewski** - *All Creation Should Sing: What Our Chant Teaches Us and What Our Church Singing Can Offer to a Fractured and Anxious World* - Metropolitan Cantor Institute, Pittsburgh, PA

**7. Fr. Thomas Shubeck and Br. Simeon, CFR** - *Poustinia: The New Evangelization in the Light of the Byzantine East, a new and evolving outreach to young adults of Theosis in Action* - St. Nicholas Church, Dunellen, NJ; St. George Church, Linden, NJ, and College Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, Seton Hall University.



**8. Fr. Andrew Summerson** - *What's a Byzantine Catholic Culture* - St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church - Whiting, IN



**9. Lynn Wardach** - *Introducing ByziMoms and ByziKids* - St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church - Taylor, PA

**10. Rev. Paul R. Varchola West** - *You Will Know Them by Their Fruits: Rooting Parishes in the Fertile Soil of the Divine Office* - Our Lady of Perpetual Help Byzantine Catholic Church - Levittown, PA



**11. Phil Yevics** - *Antinomical Expectations of Presbyteral Ministry: How to Please ALL Your Parishioners... NOT!* - St. John Byzantine Catholic Church - Scranton, PA

**12. Seminarians** of the Byzantine Catholic Seminary of Saints Cyril and Methodius, Pittsburgh, PA



#### Special Guests

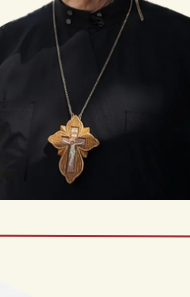
**Cardinal Timothy Dolan**, Archbishop of New York, will offer the keynote address at the opening dinner on Friday evening.

**Bishop Nil Lushchak, O.F.M.**, Apostolic Administrator of the Eparchy of Mukachevo, the Mother Church of the Byzantine Ruthenian Metropolitan Church of Pittsburgh.

**Dr. Paul Magosci** - The cultural aspect of the Assembly will be addressed by Dr. Paul Magosci, focusing on the history of the founders of the Byzantine Catholic Church in America. His influential book, *Our People: Carpatho-Rusyns and Their Descendants in North America*, has just been released in a new and expanded edition. Dr. Magosci will also present on the art and culture of this community. His book on the artists of the Transcarpathian School will be published shortly.



**Fr. Christopher Zegger** - Fr. Christopher Zegger will explore the history of the foundation of the Byzantine Catholic Church in America. Next year marks the 100th anniversary of the arrival of Basil Takach, the first bishop of the Byzantine Ruthenian Catholic Church in America. Fr. Zegger is the author of *The Forgotten: Catholics of the Soviet Empire from Lenin through Stalin and Finding a Hidden Church*. His third book, which focuses on the history of the Byzantine Ruthenian Church from its founding to the present, will be released in November.



**Registration Now Open!**

Registration deadline is  
October 1, 2023



### Get in touch

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Bridgewater, New Jersey 08807

### Location

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1900 Brooks Boulevard,  
Hillsborough, NJ, 08844

