

15th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 2, 2018



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Holy Protection of Mary Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Phoenix

Served by Rev. Pastor Michael Bezruchka

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 are not registered, please fill out the form below and place in the collection basket or mail to the Parish Office. We invite you to join us for Coffee Social, held in the fellowship hall, immediately after the Divine Liturgy and ask that you make yourself known to our Pastor who would be happy to answer your questions.

St. Anne's email list: Would you like to be added to our weekly St. Anne bulletin email list? Request it at slosa.email@gmail.com

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory forever!

This Week's Liturgy Schedule

Sunday September 2 <i>p. handout</i>	10:00 AM Divine Liturgy For the Parishioners, Friends, and Benefactors of St. Anne's	FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Confessions: 9:00-9:45am <i>2 Corinthians 4: 6-15; Matthew 22: 35-46</i>
Monday September 3	No Divine Liturgy <i>Parish office closed</i>	Holy Martyr Anthimus, Bishop of Nicomedia. LABOR DAY <i>Galatians 4:28-5:10; Mark 6:54-7:8</i>
Tuesday September 4 p. 383	9:00 AM Divine Liturgy Steve Williams by Mr. & Mrs. Sam Gutierrez	Holy Martyr Babylas, Bishop of Antioch. Holy Prophet Moses, who saw God. <i>Galatians 5: 11-21; Mark 7:5-16</i>
Wednesday September 5 p. 366	9:00 AM Divine Liturgy +Rudy Ynostrosa by Tim Stoner	Holy Prophet Zachary, Father of the Forerunner and his wife, the Holy and Venerable Elizabeth <i>Galatians 6:2-10; Mark 7: 14-24</i>
Thursday September 6 p. 361	9:00 AM Divine Liturgy +Poor Souls by Fr. Christopher Andrews	Memory of the Miracle of the Holy Archangel Michael at Colossae in Chionia. <i>Hebrews 2: 2-10; Luke 10: 16-22</i>
Friday September 7 p. 243 and handout	6:30 PM Vigil Vespers Divine Liturgy For the Parishioners, Friends, and Benefactors of St. Anne's	SOLEMN FEAST OF THE BIRTH OF THE THEOTOKOS Confessions: 5:45-6:15pm <i>Philippians 2: 5-11; Luke 10: 38-42; 11:27-28</i> <i>Old Testament readings: Genesis 28: 10-17; Ezekiel 43:27 - 44:4; Proverbs 9: 1-10</i>
Saturday September 8 p. 243	9:00 AM Divine Liturgy +Valinda Baron by the Baron Family	SOLEMN FEAST OF THE BIRTH OF THE THEOTOKOS Confessions: 8:15-8:45am <i>Philippians 2: 5-11; Luke 10: 38-42; 11:27-28</i>
Sunday September 9 <i>p. handout</i>	10:00 AM Divine Liturgy For the Parishioners, Friends, and Benefactors of St. Anne's	SUNDAY BEFORE THE EXALTATION OF THE CROSS Confessions: 9:00-9:45am <i>Galatians 6: 11-18; John 3: 13-17</i>

Bishop John would like us to consider watching this: On Friday, September 7 at 3:30 PM ET, EWTN will telecast the Hierarchical Divine Liturgy celebrated by Bishop Andriy Raby, Bishop John Bura and Bishop Kurt Burnette, which was recorded during the Call to Prayer Marian Pilgrimage in Centralia, Pa. Responses were sung by the choir of Ukrainian National Shrine of the Holy Family, Washington, D.C. Watch on your EWTN TV Channel or at the following website:

http://www.ewtn.com/multimedia/live_player.asp?sat=dome

New Year – In Byzantine reckoning from the age of the Byzantine Empire, this is the year 7527. Every liturgical year in the Byzantine Catholic Church begins on September 1 and ends August 31.

UPCOMING CALENDAR DATES

Solemn Feast of the Birth of the Theotokos-- September 8

September 7: Vigil Vesper Divine Liturgy at 6:30pm. September 8: Divine Liturgy at 9:00am.

Solemn Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross-- September 14

September 13: Vigil Vesper Divine Liturgy at 6:30pm. September 14: Divine Liturgy at 9:00am.

September Family Game Night

Saturday, September 22. Great Vespers at 4pm. Pizza and board games at 5pm. Open to all parishioners and guests.

First Day of ECF

Sunday, September 23. Please talk to Ed Stewart for more details on enrolling your children in classes.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 19 GIFTS TO THE LORD

Sunday August 19, 2018 Attendance: 102	Tithes: \$ 1275 Holyday--Dormition: \$292	Donations: \$303 Candles: \$28; Coffee Social: \$5
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SUNDAY, AUGUST 26 GIFTS TO THE LORD

Sunday August 26, 2018 Attendance: 96	Tithes: \$ 650 Donations: \$259; Candles: \$19	
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PLEASE REMEMBER SAINT ANNE'S IN YOUR WILLS AND BEQUESTS
May God bless your generosity to His Church!

Birthdays: September 2--Ed Stewart; 8th--Annette Bradley

God grant them many years.

Cleaning Angels: Trockman family-- September 2-15

OIL LAMP INTENTIONS

Eternal Lamp above Ambon for this week: [available] Eternal Lamp to St. Anne in narthex: [available]

Icon of Jesus Christ: [available] Icon of Theotokos: [available]

Icon of St. John the Baptist: [available] Icon of St. Mary Magdalene: [available]

Icon of St. Anne: +Carla Anne Kndimuk by Philip & Rachel Slagel (7/6/19)

Icon of St. Nicholas: [Available]

You are invited to sponsor the weekly candles/lamps in our church for your intention(s). If you are interested in sponsoring one or two of the "eternal" vigil oil lamps, the usual suggested offering is \$10.00 and it will burn continuously from Sunday through Saturday. The other smaller oil lamps (Christ, Theotokos, St. John Baptist, St. Mary Magdalene, St. Anne, and St. Nicholas) are each available for a suggested \$2.00 offering per week which will burn for each Divine Liturgy for one week. The bulletin will remind your fellow parishioners of your special intention or loved one. You may request and sponsor as many weeks/Sundays as you like. See envelopes in narthex.

PRAYER REQUESTS: *(The prayer list is empty because September 1 is the beginning of the liturgical New Year. We are starting with a new slate for the prayer list to keep names current and make room for new names and intentions. Previous names may be re-submitted to Fr. Michael via email or typed note or handwritten note.)*

CONFESSIONS: *Saturdays: 8:15-8:45am, Sundays: 9:00-9:45am, and when Fridays have a 6pm evening Liturgy: 5:15-5:45pm. Also before holy days as listed in the bulletin and by appointment.*

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: *after the Holy Services in church before hospitalization. For emergencies, please call the Parish Office immediately.*

BAPTISM/CHRISMATION/EUCHARIST: *must be arranged at least three months in advance.*

CROWNING OF MARRIAGE: *must be arranged at least six months in advance.*

EASTERN CHRISTIAN FORMATION: *See bulletin and contact Ed Stewart: macejstewart@gmail.com*

LITURGY INTENTIONS: *use envelopes available on the greeting table in the church narthex (vestibule), call the parish office, or ask the pastor.*

An important letter from Bishop John (dated September 1):

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

The month of August, 2018 will be remembered as a month of infamy for the Catholic Church in the United States. The revelations of the Pennsylvania Grand Jury about clerical abuse of children by priests and the cover-up that happened after the fact is a stain that the Church will have to live with for generations. The victims of this abuse have had their lives irreparably damaged physically, psychologically and spiritually that it is impossible to know how harmed they and maimed their lives have been. Please remember these innocent victims whose souls have been ravaged by clerical sexual abusers in your daily prayer. There are no excuses for this behavior by men who masquerade as priests of our loving Lord.

During the Liturgy of St. Basil the Great we pray: "Remember, O Lord, the presbyterate, the diaconate in Christ and every holy order (Bishops & Cardinals) let none of us who surround your holy altar be put to shame." This prayer has been violated in the most extreme way. Nonetheless, we need to remember how much those of us who serve at the Lord's altar need to live our life in a most worthy way. This is a time of penance and purification for us who serve at the altar of the Lord. The Holy Father has spoken about this terrible wound inflicted on the Body of Christ and I do hope that we trust in the Lord and the Holy Spirit to show us the way to regain the trust that has been lost by the scandalous horrible actions of the unfaithful men of the cloth. Again if there are any kind of allegations in our Eparchy please contact the Safe Environment Office. Hopefully, all our priests are faithful in their service to the Lord.

I will conclude with the latter section of that prayer: "Visit us in your goodness, O Lord. Reveal yourself to us in your rich compassion." Despite the horrific actions of priests and the hierarchy the Church is Christ's work from the beginning at Pentecost and He has promised us that the "gates of hell will not prevail or destroy it." Thank you for your love and faithfulness and may Mary, our Eparchy's Protectress show us the way to wholeheartedly serve her Son, our Saviour and Redeemer.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Bishop John Pazak, C.Ss.R.