A pril 15, 2018, Festal T one S unday of the O intment-B earers A cts 6:1-7; Mark 15:43-16:8

Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!



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Parish Membership

From time to time it is good for us to reflect on what constitutes membership at Our Lady of Perpetual Help...a time to reflect on our relationship to God and His Church which is expressed by our commitment to this parish.

Our parish community is open to any Catholic and to anyone

- 1. who is interested in seeking the Lord Jesus through His Word, the teachings of the Apostles, and the Sacred Mysteries;
- 2. who accepts the teachings of the Catholic Church;
- 3. who will help form a community based on the Lord's love;
- 4. who is willing to grow as a Christian within the legitimate spiritual traditions of the Byzantine Catholic Church within our American context;
- 5. who acknowledges the legitimate authority of the Pope, Bishop, and Pastor;
- 6. who will attend liturgical services on Sundays and great holydays;
- 7. and who is willing to support the growth of the Church (Eparchy and Parish) by sharing his/her time, talent and treasure (financial support);

Actual Parish membership is based on the above and is determined by the following criteria:

- 1. Being registered
- 2. Attending liturgical services regularly on Sundays and Holydays
- 3. Contributing to the support of the Church—both Eparchy (Bishop's Appeal) and Parish through use of the Sunday Tithing envelopes!

Membership in the parish gives the parishioners the right to have their children receive the Holy Mysteries of Christian Initiation, be married in church and be buried from the church.

Summary from the Eparchial Pastoral Handbook on "Membership in a Parish"

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

8:30 am Rosary Today 9:00 am Matins & Confessions 10:00 am Divine Liturgy for Parish Family, Benefactors and Friends ECF Classes Fr. Chris: Intention of Dorothy Curl and Ann Rajala Agape, Irene & Chionia Martyrs / Acts 6:8-7:5 & 47-60; John 4:46-54 April 16 Monday 9:00 am +Fr. Francis Vivona by Shari Sanderson 6:00 pm Advisory Board Meeting April 17 Tuesday Simeon of Persia Venerable-Martyr / Acts 8:5-17; John 27-33 9:00 am Health and Salvation of David Watral Jr. 6:30 pm CAFE meeting at UNM April 18 Wednesday John Venerable / Acts 8:18-25: John 6:35-39 5:30 pm OLPH Devotions 6:00 pm +Alexander E. Vida Fr. Chris: Health of Frank Gimbrone & Gimbrone Family April 19 Thursday John the Hermit Venerable / Acts 8:26-39: John 6:40-44 April 20 Friday Theodore the Hairshirt Wearer Venerable / Acts 8:40-9:19: John 6:48-54 9:00 am Prayer and witness in front of Abortion Clinic on San Mateo 6:00 pm Health and Salvation of Bea and Dave Lowe by Pam Pettit Fr Chris: Intention of Ralph Pesce April 21 Saturday Januarius and Others Bishop-Martyr / Acts 9:19-31; John 15:17-16:2 April 22 Sunday Sunday of the Paralytic Man / Acts 9:32-42; John 5:1-15 4:00 pm Great Vespers 5:00 pm Divine Liturgy/Blessing on Sangre De Cristo Explorers on their 1st Anniversary followed by Installation Anniversary for Sangre de Cristo Explorers in the hall: ceremony, dinner and entertainment 8:30 am Rosary **FCF Classes** 9:00 am Matins & Confessions

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Fr. Chris: +Fr. Francis Vivona by Shari Sanderson

Fr. Julian Gnall Sharif Rabadi William Frank Katrina Anderson Henry Zugger Mary Nell Preisler Abraham Haddad John & Margie Mike Harahuc Tim & Jenny Ford Lorraine Hubbell Disque Threima Leech Phillip Fall Heather Mattax Priscilla Hughes Laura Dominguez Larry Bennett Steve Jakymiw Olga Bodnar Paola Terlaza Frances Brannan Ruth Sousa Marilyn Fore Demetrius Yackanich John Deflice Linda Granci Sven & Barbara Svensson Mary Ann Kosty Mary Danyluk Jordan Smith Laurie Bienz Richard Hornung Brent & Nicole Dodson-Jean Pesce Kris Nelson Sands Tracy McTernan Scott Fafrak Eva Schuler Terry Rains Dana Papai Peter Dzek Eli Griego Charlie & Maggie Batsel Brother Vittorio Vicki Frank

Remember Those Who Request Our Prayers:

Physician and Help of T hose in sickness, Redeemer and S avior 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 C hrist, from their Iniquities, that they may glorify Your might divine

Prayers in honor of and to the Blessed Virgin are a powerful weapon against sin, and for healing. If you recite the Rosary at home, please offer these intentions, and join us on Sunday at 8:30 am. Those who recite the Akathist to the Mother of God or the Rosary receive a partial indulgence when they do so in private, plenary indulgence when they do so as a group.

Intentions of the Rosary

Glorious Mysteries

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 for April Universal – For those who have Responsibility in Economic Matters

That economists may have the courage to reject any economy of exclusion and know how to open new paths.



Vocation Icon
T oday: RileyFamily
Next S unday: E llefson Family



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Now this I say, whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully, Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. (2 Corinthians 9:6-7)

April 22, 2018

April 22, 2010	
Cantor	Evie Jilek Andrea Riley, 4/21
Reader	Michael Wells
Trojca	Katara Dodson-Sands
Greeter	Open
Usher	Dan Riley, Jeff Brewer
Counter	Cindy Loescher, Patricia Covarrubias
Host	Blain Family
Church Cleaners	Tom Plut, Tom Ellefson
Altar Servers:	Thomas Donlin Michael Grega

Joe Ellefson

Daniel Fogg

Patricio Chavez

Caden Dodson-Sands

Cyrus Dodson-Sands

Bishop's Appeal 2018: Collected to date: \$8,465.00 Participation: registered OLPH Families 59; Paid in full pledges 24 families (40.67%) Thank you to families/parishioners that completed their pledges: Tianna Sevachko, Chris Basista.

Our parish goal is \$16,225.00 which breaks down to \$275 per household. If we reach our goal, our parish will receive a 20% rebate which is \$3,135.00!

You can also make your full donation to the Appeal via your credit card in the gift shop. Deadline for Bishop's Appeal this year is May 31. May the Lord reward your generosity and sacrificial response!

SAVE THE DATE: summer camps/retreats: Myrrh-Bearers Retreat for all girls, 7-11, teens 12-17 & women18+ The Myrrh-Bearers Retreat will be held from Friday, June 22nd to Sunday, June 24th at the Franciscan Renewal center, Scottsdale, AZ. *The Akathist Hymn to the Theotokos* is the theme for this Retreat. All girls and teens 7-17 and women 18+ are invited to attend this annual Retreat. Fliers are available on the greeting table. For registration and full info go to: www.myrrh-bearers.com

"Who is My Neighbor?" ByzanTEEN Youth Rally July 5 - 8, 2018 for youth ages 13 to 18 (through high school years). This year the Archeparchy of Pittsburgh is hosting the Rally on the campus of St. Vincent College, Latrope, PA. Cost: \$310 for early registration before May 1st, 2018. From May 1 through June 16 the cost will be \$335.

Alive in Christ Camp for boys and dads July 12 - 15 2018 at Palomar Christian Conference Center, CA.

Forms and flyers with the information re: the abovementioned events available on the welcome shelves in the narthex or in the office with Fr Artur. Thank you.

Barbara's Hall Report

Thanks to the Wells family for serving brunch to celebrate the birthday of 3 year old Emma! They served chicken enchiladas, rice, beans, and salad. Plus a yummy cake!

Luke and Holly Watson brought another yummy cake to celebrate the Baptism, Chrismation, and First Holy Communion of their baby Heidi Ann. Congratulations to the whole Watson family!

Coming Events—Mark Your Calendars

April 23-27	Clergy Conference in Phoenix
April 28 Saturday	9:00 am –4:00 pm making stuffed cabbage for Bazaar
May 9 Wed. May 10 Thursday	Ascension of Our Lord / Holy Day of Obligation 6:00 pm Vigil Liturgy / Litija 9:00 am Divine Liturgy / Myrovanije
May 12 Saturday	Annual Byzantine Bazaar
May 19 Saturday	9:00 am 5th All Souls Liturgy / Panachida
July 1	

OUR ANNUAL BAZAAR this year is Saturday, May 12, 10am - 3pm. We are once again asking for homemade baked goods. There is a sign-up sheet on the greeting table by the Holy Water font. We will sell whole cakes, whole pies, breads, cookies by the dozen etc. Please, think about making your favorite baked goods. Traditional Eastern European bakery products are most popular. Make sure that cakes and pies are in containers that will be sold with the item. Your items must be visible. If we know in advance exactly what you are making, we can make professional tags and have professional boxes. Please, no gluten free or sugar free they do not sell. Breads (which sell very well) can be either sweet or savory. There will be baking day for kolachi, so that is already covered. All baked goods must be brought to the church the Friday before the Bazaar. If you have questions or need ideas, please, see Rafael Plut. Thank you!

Bazaar team, PLEASE, mark these dates in your calendars: Making holubki (stuffed cabbage rolls) – Saturday, April 28; Wrapping and pricing – Friday, May 11.

First Week - April 15, 2018

Every parish throughout the Byzantine Metropolitan Church of Pittsburgh (every Byzantine Catholic parish in the United States) is participating in *Called By Name*, a program of vocation awareness that begins this weekend. This program offers an opportunity for us to pray for vocations; to recognize gifts and potential for leadership and service in members of our parish; and finally, to call forth and encourage these members to share their gifts in the priesthood, diaconate, monastic and religious life. Perhaps you know a man or woman (senior high school age or older) who would, in your opinion, have the qualifications to become a priest, a deacon a religious sister or monk. Please recommend this person by filling out the nomination form found in today's bulletin and send it directly to Fr. Michael O'Loughlin, the Director of Vocations for the Eparchy.

Cantor Corner

Liturgical Propers for 4/22/18 (Sunday of the Paralytic Man)

Troparion - DL 181 v. Glory... (Tone 3) Kontakion (Paralytic) -DL 181 Now & Ever... (Tone 8) Kontakion (Resurrection) - DL 182 Prokeimenon & Alleluia - DL 182 Instead of 'It is Truly Proper' - DL 167 Our Father (Paschal) -DL 167 Communion Hvmn - DL 168-9 & 78-81 Dismissal - DL 170

OLPH Prayer Warriors

Believing in Jesus's promise that where two or more are gathered in His name, He is with us, please join our intercessory prayer group, the OLPH Prayer Warriors, Sunday mornings at 9:30 in the conference room to pray for our individual and collective needs. Although we will dedicate our prayers to particular themes each week, and if you cannot participate in our gatherings, do let us know of your particular petitions and we will include them in our prayers. Send your prayer requests to Patricia at pocb@unm.edu

April 2018 April 22 Miracles April 29 Persecution The Myrrh-Bearing Women Icon can have from three to seven women depicted. They are shown as either an assembly by themselves, holding the jars of spices used to anoint the dead, or at the tomb where they are met by the angel who announces the Resurrection. The central figure is always St Mary Magdalene, Mary of Magdala, from whom Jesus had cast out seven demons, and to whom He first appears. She is shown by her bright red robes.

Tradition, through Sacred Scripture, preserves these names as the women who came to fulfill their duty to their slain Lord on Easter Sunday morning:

- Mary Magdalene, who is known in the liturgy as "equal to the apostles", and whose name Magdalene means either from Magdala, or being a hairdresser;
 - Mary, the wife of Cleophas, and mother of James and Joses; traditionally said to be relatives of Saint Joseph;
 - Joanna, the wife of Herod's steward, Chuza who held a very important position under King Herod and Joanna benefited from his high place in the royal court. However Joanna is credited with rescuing the head of Saint John the Baptist from Herod's court, and she abandoned a life of luxury and power to follow Jesus in His preaching ministry;
 - **Salome**, the mother of the sons of Zebedee, James and John she and her sons left Zebedee and a comfortable life as middle-class fishermen in order to walk with Christ;
 - **Susanna** of whom nothing is known other than that she is one of the women who supported Jesus out of her own pocket;
 - Mary, the sister of Lazarus, the one who sat at Jesus' feet in Bethany and anointed Him before Palm Sunday;
 - Martha, the sister of Lazarus , the one who was "busy with details of hospitality" but after the death of her brother testified to her living faith in Jesus as the Son of God and the Messiah.

Saint Luke writes that **there were "many" women** who followed Jesus during His preaching ministry, and that they supported Him "out of their own substance", or from their own money. These were women who came not only from lives of content, and even privilege – Joanna being from a palace – but who also had the courage to break out of the traditional semi-enclosure of Jewish women in that time and publicly follow this rabbi, without their male relatives to chaperone them.

We don't always realize just how radical Jesus' preaching and ministry was. Men were never supposed to be alone with women to whom they were not related by marriage or blood. But Jesus defies that barrier, along with other barriers. His family is composed of those who "hear the word of God and act upon it." The disciples included married and single people, young and elderly, former public sinners and upright citizens. And they were a mixed company in gender – even today such things would be considered unusual in most of the Asian world, and Jesus and his fellow Jews were indeed Asians. Those who push for women's ordination and claim that the early Church had not ordained women was out of patriarchal pressures in society forget that that same early Church was a radical community, which kept up Jesus' other radical practices.

The liturgical tradition also remembers **Saint Joseph of Arimathea** and sometimes **Saint Nicodemus** as well, since they were the ones who went to Pontius Pilate to retrieve Jesus' body from the Cross and arranged for the burial in the new grave owned by Joseph. But today's **emphasis is properly on these holy women**. While it was their religious obligation to finish the anointing and wrapping of the body of Jesus, they came at dawn, as early as possible after the Sabbath, a sign of their great love for Christ, and they came in grief. Mary Magdalene's plaintive conversation with Jesus, when she thinks that He is the gardener, shows us how much she wishes to care for the sacred Body.

