

July 26, 2015

9th Sunday after Pentecost

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 3:9-17; Gospel: Matthew 16:22-34



**Seven Maccabean Brothers
their Mother, Solomonia and Master, Elazar**



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SCHEDULE:

Sunday:

Rosary 8:30 am
Festal Matins 9:00 am
Divine Liturgy 10:00 am

Monday, Divine Liturgy 9:00 am

Tuesday, Divine Liturgy 9:00 am

Wednesday

OLPH Devotions, 5:30 pm

Divine Liturgy 6:00 pm

Friday, Divine Liturgy 6:00 pm

Saturday: Great Vespers 5:00 pm
Divine Liturgy 6:00 pm

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Friday: 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Thursday OFF

Parish Advisory Board Members:

Dorothy Curl, Dave Dark, Lubomyra Kmetyk,
Brian Fitzpatrick, Harry DeLap

Parish Finance Council Members:

Matthew Blain & Eva Schuler

Confession Schedule (Mystery of Reconciliation):

9:30-9:50 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!

Eastern Christian Formation Program:

All grades meet every Sunday after Liturgy for 45 min

Welcome to our Church! If you are looking for a spiritual home, contact Father Artur or the office staff for more information. God bless you.

Today
 8:30 am Rosary
 9:00 am Festal Matins
 10:00 am Hierarchical Divine Liturgy by Bishop Kurt Burnette
 Ordination to Priesthood of Deacon Tyler Strand
 Fr. Chris: Intention of Fr. Gene Yackanich by brother Demetrius
 Eternal Lamp: Special Intentions by Carol Donlin

Monday
 July 27 *Panteleimon Great Martyr*
Epistle: 1 Corinthians 15:12-19; Gospel: Matthew 21:18-22

Tuesday
 July 28 *Prochorus & Others Apostles*
Epistle: 1 Corinthians 15:29-38; Gospel: Matthew 21:23-27

Wednesday
 July 29 *Callinicus Martyr*
Epistle: 1 Corinthians 16:4-12; Gospel: Matthew 21:28-32
 5:30 pm OLPH Devotions

Thursday
 July 30 *Silas & Others Apostles*
Epistle: 2 Corinthians 1:1-6; Gospel: Matthew 21:43-46

Friday
 July 31 *Eudocimus Venerable*
Epistle: 2 Corinthians 1:12-30; Gospel: Matthew 22:23-33



Saturday
 August 1 *Procession of the Cross*
7 Maccabee Brothers, their Mother Salomonina and Master Eleazar
Epistle: 1 Corinthians 1:18-24; Gospel: John 19:6-11.13-21.25-27.30-35
 (Start of the Dormition Fast)
 9:00 am Divine Liturgy; Blessing on Deacon James Danovich & Family
 Little Blessing of the Water
 10 am-12 noon Book Club Meeting
 5:00 pm Great Vespers
 6:00 pm Divine Liturgy; Blessing on Block Family (Stephen & Stephanie)

Sunday
 August 2 *10th Sunday After Pentecost*
Epistle: 1 Corinthians 4:9-16; Gospel: Matthew 17:14-23
 8:30 am Rosary
 9:00 am Festal Matins
 9:30 am Confessions
 10:00 am Divine Liturgy
 Fr. Chris: Intention of Fr. Gene Yackanich by brother Demetrius
 Eternal Lamp: Open

***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!***

Fr. Julian Gnall
Fr. Anthony Romero



Roy Smith	Paola Terlaza	Laura Dominguez
Sven & Barbara Svensson	Henry Zegger	Robert Zadel
Michele Koetter	John & Margie Disque	William Frank
Abraham Haddad	Phillip Fall	Joseph Koetter
Lillian Murphy	Walter Jakymiw	Mary Nell Preisler
Stephen Horner	Olga Bodnar	Jackie De Paolis
Demetrius Yackanich	Frances Brannan	Donny Terry
Jenny Ford	John Deflice	Mary Murphy
Marilyn Fore	Kristoff Rajala	Lorraine Hubbell
Robert Hasaka	Jordan Smith	Quintin Santamaria & Family
Frank & Martha Arden	Marge Merrills	Heather Mattax
Pricilla Hughes	Maggie Batsel	Larry Bennett
Sharif Rabadi	Katrina Anderson	Chris Overlin
Threima Leech	Belita Halber	Mary Ellis
Alicia Wells	Mike Harahuc	Tony Lucero

Prayers in honor of and to the Blessed Virgin are a powerful weapon against sin, and for healing.

Glorious Mysteries are recited on Sunday, Tuesday & Thursday; Joyful Mysteries on Monday & Saturday; Sorrowful Mysteries on Wednesday & Friday.

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

- 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 July

Universal: Politics. That political responsibility may be lived at all levels as a high form of charity.

Evangelization: The poor in Latin America. That, amid social inequalities, Latin American Christians may bear witness to love for the poor and contribute to a more fraternal society.

VOCATION ICON
 Today: Jilek
 Next Sunday: Gloetzner



HIDDEN TREASURES OF BYZANTIUM

Twenty-eight enlightened souls from our parish want to attend the Santa Fe Desert Chorale's performance of inspiring Byzantine music on August 9, 4:00 p.m., at The Cathedral of St. John here in Albuquerque. Seats for this performance are selling well and the box office cannot reduce ticket prices more than their standard group discount. As a group, each adult ticket is \$31.50. Student tickets are \$20, there are five students attending. This ticket price is tier 2 seating, in front of the choir but towards the back.

Please, if you have responded to Pam Pettit that you want to go but cannot pay this price, please speak with her as soon as possible. **Pam has purchased all of the tickets and will have them available for pickup here at the church on Sunday August 3.** Please bring payment for your ticket(s) on August 3. She can also be reached at 299-1609 if you need to make payment arrangements at some other time.

Mark Johnson is looking for a helper to provide before/after school child care and transportation for his three young children, 2-3 weekdays per week during school year, from his home in Corrales. Please call him at 274-0095 if you are able to do this to discuss remuneration and schedules.

Thank you.

DATE	READER	TROJCA	GREETER	HOST	COUNTER
8/2	Christy MacMurchadha	Ana Elisa Talamante	Dorothy Curl Melinda Fitzpatrick	Riley	Rafael Plut Dorothy Curl

Barbara's Hall Report:

Thanks to Mary Blain for making her world famous frito pie. It was delicious as always, Mary. Christy brought lots of sweet snacks to celebrate her birthday. A delicious carrot cake was served for Tom and Rafael Plut for their belated birthdays a week ago. Yeah, they tried to sneak them by, but you can't fool us!

Mary Blain did all the dishes and helped clean up with the help of her lovely children, Peter and Pauline! Thanks guys! You know I like that!!!

Today we celebrate the ordination of Deacon Tyler Strand to the holy priesthood, at the hands of our former pastor, His Grace Kurt Burnette, Bishop of the Eparchy of Passaic. May God grant him many happy and blessed years, na mnohaja blahaja l'ita!

Special guests today include Fr. David Anderson of St. Peter's Eastern Catholic Church in Ukiah, CA, where Fr. Tyler was received and chrismated and Fr. Bernie Danber OSA of Chicago, a close friend of Fr. Tyler since 1977.

HEARTFELT THANKS

Fr. Tyler is very grateful to our community for the extra-special efforts surrounding the two ordinations on July 24 and 26. Special thanks to Fr. Artur, Fr. Chris, Ann, Carol Donlin, Steve Block and the choir, the server corps, Evie Jilek and so many others who made the day special.

Fr. Tyler's e-mail is:

tylerstrand@yahoo.co.uk. Starting with next Sunday he is going to serve as a pastor of Resurrection Church, Smithtown, and St. Andrew's, Westbury on New York's Long Island.

We begin the Dormition Fast on

Saturday, August 1. This is a two-week preparation for the feast of the Dormition of Our Lady, August 15. Keeping this fast is voluntary in the United States; traditionally abstinence from meat is observed on Monday and Wednesday in addition to Fridays. There is no fasting on August 6 due to the feast of the Transfiguration.

Saturday is the feast of the Procession of the Life-giving Cross and the Macabee Martyrs. Father Artur will celebrate the lesser blessing of the water during the **Divine Liturgy at 9:00 am.**

OLPH Book Club meeting will be held on Saturday August 1st from 10 am to 12 pm. We will gather at Mary Blain's house for potluck brunch and book discussion. Contact Lara Davis for more information – 710-1181.

All Ladies—

Please join us for OLPH Happy Hour! To be held Monday, August 17th from 6-8 pm in the OLPH hall.

We'll have smoothie drinks and lots of time to socialize together. Please bring Happy Hour Hors D'oeuvres (snacks) to share. Contact Alicia at 720-280-0710 or Cindy at 404-303-0082 for more information.

Coming Events—Mark Your Calendars Now!

Sat-Fri, Aug 1-14	Fasting Season in Preparation for the Solemn Feast of the Dormition
Thur., Aug 6	Solemn Feast of the Transfiguration: Blessing of Fruit after each Liturgy Divine Liturgy: Vigil on Wed. 6:00 PM and on Thursday at 9:00 AM
Sat, Aug 15	Solemn Feast of the Dormition of the Theotokos, Holyday of Obligation Divine Liturgy: Vigil on Friday at 6:00 PM and on Saturday at 9:00 AM Blessing of Flowers and Plants after each Liturgy
Sat, Aug 29	Simple Feast of the Beheading of John the Baptist. Divine Liturgy: Saturday 9:00 AM

MEN UNDER CONSTRUCTION
The 9th Annual Archdiocesan Men's Conference
Saturday, August 8, 2014
Late-Registration and breakfast begin at 7:00 am; Conference at 8:00 am
AT St. Pius X High School

Our day includes motivational talks, men's fellowship, Mass, Benediction and the Sacrament of Reconciliation available throughout the day. We are featuring nationally renowned speakers Mr. Jesse Romero and Fr. Bill Casey. Breakfast and lunch will be provided.

Jesse and Fr. Bill will present the following:

Three Types of Men: Wolves, Sheep & Sheepdogs

Bullet Proof Faith

Loyal Sons of the Church: Knowing and Defending the Faith

The Devil: Father of Lies, Murderer From the Beginning

The cost is \$30. Scholarships available. Open to all men, ages 18 and up (teen boys 15 and up welcome with an adult). Please register early (so that we can place a more accurate food order)!

Register at: www.mucnm.com or call 505-831-8253.

August 1 is a day of multiple events in the Byzantine rite calendar. It marks the start of the Dormition Fast; the Procession of the Holy Cross; the Seven Macabee Martyrs (Old Testament saints) with their mother and teacher; and the Little Blessing of Water.

Small or Little Blessing of Water – It was the practice in the Byzantine rite to bless holy water on the first day of the month, February – December. Only the August blessing has survived, probably because of the summer heat and the demand for new holy water, and the carrying of the Cross this day (a cross is inserted three times into the water being blessed). Holy water can be sanctified at other times, using the ritual of this day.

Dormition Fast – this second “summer Lent” lasts for only two weeks, ending at Vespers on August 14. The Dormition of Our Lady is a great feast, marked by pilgrimages across Eastern Europe to Marian shrines, and at our eparchy's shrine in Olympia, WA. This was a strict fast in Europe, excluding meat, dairy, fish, oil and wine. Basically people ate vegetables! This Fast is much mitigated today, is voluntary in the United States, and the Church suggests abstinence from meat on Monday and Wednesday in addition to Friday.

Procession of the Holy Cross – In medieval cities, summer was the season of plague and other ailments. This is why the Dormition Blessing of Flowers includes medical herbs, used in medicine. It became the custom to carry the Cross through the streets of Constantinople and other cities on August 1, height of the plague season, to ask for protection from illness. A Cross can be set up at the tetrapod, with flowers around it.

St. Panteleimon (also called Pantaleon) is an enormously popular saint. In the West he is counted among the Fourteen Holy Helpers. In the East he is one of the Holy Unmercenary Healers, (physicians who did not charge for their services and were known for miraculous cures during their lives on earth). He lived in Nicomedia, capital of the emperor Diocletian, and was executed there during the last Roman persecution in 303 AD.

*Seven Maccabee Martyrs
their Mother, Salomonía and Master, Eleazar*

The history of the Maccabean revolt against forced imposition of pagan practice is found in the Bible in 1 and 2 Maccabees. This story is found in 2 Maccabees 6:18–7:42. This chapter strongly influenced Christian writing about the sufferings of martyrs. In particular, the of the mother to her last, and youngest, son is deeply moving.

The Maccabee books recount the struggle that took place when Antiochus IV began his rabid persecution of the Jews, trying to force them into the Hellenic world and paganism. The first uses of the words "Judaism" and "Hellenism" appear in the Bible in these books. The last high one that could be traded around for bribes. The last one actually stole sacred vessels from the Temple, resulting in riots. Antiochus brutally suppressed the riots, installed altars of Greek gods and a statue of Zeus on the altar in the Temple itself, and ordered pagan worship.

Jewish sacrifice was forbidden, sabbaths and feasts were banned. Circumcision was outlawed, and mothers who circumcised their babies were killed along with their families. There was resistance, and there were Jews who caved, but in 166 BC Antiochus came up against this family. The mother, whose name is usually rendered Salome, was brought forward with her seven children, because they refused to eat pork.

The boys' names are generally given as Habim, Antonin, Guriah, Eleazar, Eusebon, Hadim (Halim) and Marcellus - which is a Greek name! Thus the family interacted with the larger society, but held firm to its Jewish beliefs.

The account says of her: "[she] was the most remarkable of all, and deserves to be remembered with special honor. She watched her seven sons die in the space of a single day, yet she bore it bravely because she put her trust in the Lord."

In addition, the scribe Eleazar, over 90 years old, was killed for the crime of teaching the Jewish faith, in particular to this stubborn family, and refusing to sacrifice to the idols. The mother died last, either executed or throwing herself off of a high building to save herself from the Greeks. The Church preserves this feast because of what it teaches about constancy in faith, no matter what the cost, and the Maccabean Martyrs have been invoked over the centuries as inspiring figures.



Sankel children receive
the Holy Mysteries of
Confirmation & First Holy Eucharist