

Sunday of the Paralytic Man

April 17, 2016

Epistle: Acts 9:32-42; Gospel: John 5:1-5



St. George Great Martyr

April 23



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SCHEDULE

Sunday: Rosary 8:30 am
Matins & Confessions 9:00 am
Divine Liturgy 10:00 am

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

Weekday:
Monday & Tuesday Divine Liturgy 9:00 am
Wednesday OLPH Devotions 5:30 pm
Divine Liturgy 6:00 pm
Friday Divine Liturgy 6:00 pm

Theosis: 2nd & 4th Thursday
pot luck dinner 6:00 pm
Bible Study 7:00 pm

OFFICE HOURS:
Monday - Friday: 10:00 am – 4:00 pm
Thursday OFF

Eastern Christian Formation Program:
All grades meet every Sunday after Liturgy for 45 min

**Confession Schedule (Mystery of
Reconciliation):**

9:15-10:00 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!

**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	Matins/ Confessions
10:00 am	Divine Liturgy for Parish Family & Friends
ECF Classes	Fr. Chris: +Dmytro Dzek & Mary HechtI by Helga Dzek

**Monday
April 18**

John Venerable
Epistle: Acts 10:1-16; Gospel: John 6:56-60
 9:00 am Divine Liturgy +Archmandrite Wes Izer

**Tuesday
April 19**

John th Hermit Venerable
Epistle: Acts 10:21-33; Gospel: John 7:1-13
 9:00 am Divine Liturgy Blessing on Danovich Family
 6:15 pm CAFE meeting at UNM

**Wednesday
April 20**

MID-PENTECOST
Epistle: Acts 14:6-18; Gospel: John 7:14-30
 9:30 am Church tour for Annunciation 8th Grade Confirmation Class
 5:30 pm OLPH Devotions
 6:00 pm Divine Liturgy Blessing on Dorothy Curl
 Fr. Chris: Intention of Dolores Sullivan

**Thursday
April 21**

Januarius and Others Bishop-Martyr
Epistle: Acts 10:34-43; Gospel: John 8:12-20
 Father's Day Off

**Friday
April 22
*Abstinence***

Theodore Sykiot Venerable
Epistle: Acts 10:44-11:10; Gospel: John 8:21-30
 6:00 pm Vigil Divine Liturgy for the Feast of St George, blessing of Litija bread and Mirovanije
 +Paul Gutierrez by Debbie Sanchez
 Fr. Chris: Intention of Gary Henry & Chad Nelson

**Saturday
April 23**

George Great-Martyr/Simple Holy Day
Epistle: Acts 12:1-11; Gospel: John 15:17-16:2

**Sunday
April 24**

Sunday of the Samaritan Woman
Epistle: Acts 11:19-26 & 29-30; Gospel: John 4:5-42
 5:00 pm Great Vespers
 6:00 pm Divine Liturgy; +Keenan Alan by Jilek Family

8:30 am	Rosary
9:00 am	Matins/Confessions
10:00 am	Divine Liturgy for Parish Family, Benefactors & Friends
ECF Classes	Fr. Chris: Intention of Bob Hasaka by Henry Zugger

***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
Stephen Horner
Katrina Anderson
Lillian Murphy
Marilyn Fore
Demetrius Yackanich
Sven & Barbara Svensson
Abraham Haddad
Jenny Ford
Robert Hasaka
Threima Leech
Pricilla Hughes
Sharif Rabadi

Paola Terlaza
Henry Zugger
John & Margie Disque
Phillip Fall
Laura Dominguez
Olga Bodnar
Frances Brannan
John Deflice
Joe & Mary Ann Kosty
Jordan Smith
Maggie Batsel

William Frank
Joseph Koetter
Mary Nell Preisler
Mike Harahuc
Robert Zadel
Nathan Barkocy
Jack & Lorraine Hubbell
Quintin Santamaria & Family
Heather Mattax
Larry Bennett

Prayers in honor of and to the Blessed Virgin are a powerful weapon against sin, and for healing. Glorious Mysteries are recited from Easter Sunday until All Saints Sunday.

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

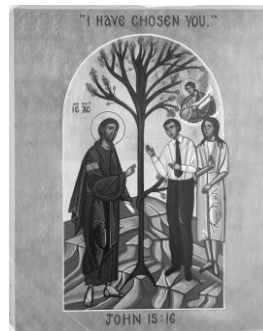
Intentions of the Rosary

- 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 the
5th Decade: Healing of the sick in body, mind and soul

Holy Father's Intentions for April

Universal: That people may learn to respect creation and care for it as a gift of God.

Evangelization: That persecuted Christians may feel the consoling presence of the Risen Lord and the solidarity of all the Church.



***Vocation Icon
Today: Jilek
Next Sunday: Gloetzner***

**His Grace Bishop Gerald will ordain
a new Deacon at OLPH!!!!!!!!!!**

Bishop Gerald will be at our parish to ordain Subdeacon Adam Lowe as a Deacon on Pentecost Sunday, May 15; His Grace will also preside at the Saturday Vigil Liturgy. Subdeacon Adam is married to Amanda, daughter of Pam Pettit and granddaughter of Agnes Adamsko. The Lowe family will be present for the ceremonies.

**Myrrh-Bearers Retreat for all girls,
7-11, teens 12-17 & women 18+**

SAVE THE DATE: The Myrrh-Bearers Retreat will be held from Friday, June 24th to Sunday, June 26th at the Franciscan Renewal center, Scottsdale, AZ. *Journey to Holiness* is the theme for this Retreat. All girls, 7-11, teens 12-17 and women 18+ are invited to attend this annual Retreat. Fliers will be available in mid-April for Registrations. **PLAN NOW TO ATTEND!**

MARIOLOGY classes: Mondays, April 25, May 2, 9, 16, 23, 6 - 8p.m. at Queen of Heaven Parish, 5311 Phoenix Ave NE.

Dr. Jason Rodarte, instructor. \$10 one-time fee. To register contact Rosalie Romero at the Archdiocese of Santa Fe

Subdeacon Lowe is a convert to our Church, emigrating from Britain in order to study for holy orders. He has been a hospital chaplain in the Byzantine-Ukrainian Catholic Church in Canada, and currently is serving at St. Stephen Cathedral in Phoenix. Further details will be published as they become available.

**ByzanTEEN National Youth Rally
July 7-10, 2016 in Cleveland Ohio**

Sponsored by the Inter-Eparchial Youth Commission of the Byzantine Catholic Metropolia of Pittsburgh

Keynote Speaker: Father Damian Ference
(Priest, Musician, Philosopher, Youth Minister) For more info go to www.byzanteen.com or see Fr. Artur.

DATE	READER	TROJCA	GREETER	HOST
April 24	Sven Svensson	Sarah Sankel	Luba Kmetyk	Open

Barbara's Hall Report:

A big "thank you" to the Perpetual Helpers for putting on a wonderful Myrrh-Bearers social brunch. Yummy sausage quiche, and all kinds of delicious breads and fruits. And a special "secret" punch to top it all off.

Thank you again, Perpetual Helpers for all your hard work!

Coming Events—Mark Your Calendars Now!

Tuesday, April, 19, 26	6:15 pm CAFE meeting at UNM
Thursday, April 28	6:00 pm pot luck dinner 7:00 pm THEOSIS bible study
Wednesday, April 20	6:00 pm Vesper Divine Liturgy—Mid Pentecost
Friday, April 22	6:00 pm Vesper Divine Liturgy—St. George
5 th All Souls Saturday, May 14	9:00 am Divine Liturgy & Panachida for Souls of Deceased 2:00 pm Mandatory Altar servers rehearsal for Sunday ordination with Bishop Gerald
Pentecost Sunday, May 15	5:00 pm Great Vespers with Litija 6:00 pm Divine Liturgy & Holy Mysteries of Christian Initiation (Baptism, Chrismation & Holy Eucharist) for the Talamante's newborn baby girl. Main celebrant His Grace Bishop Gerald Dino 8:30 am Rosary; 9:00 am Festal Matins 9:50 am Blessing of the renovated church dome and new dome crosses by His Grace Bishop Gerald Dino 10:00 am Hierarchical Divine Liturgy; ordination of Subdeacon Adam Lowe to Diaconate by His Grace Bishop Gerald Dino followed by reception in church hall

ALIVE IN CHRIST Inaugurated in 2003, "Alive In Christ" is a spiritual retreat camp conducted by the Vocations Office of the Eparchy of Phoenix. The camp aims at helping young men mature in their Catholic faith and a life of authentic Christian discipleship. Fed by Byzantine spirituality, the camp engenders a fervor that will deepen personal awareness of a boy's share in the life of Christ; that will sustain him as he grows into adulthood in an ever increasing secular world; that will teach him to exercise Christian values through self-mastery; and that will assist in discerning his God-given vocation and charism. The camp is for young men and boys ages 7 through 17, who are active and in good standing with their Byzantine Catholic parish for at least 6 months prior to application. Each boy 7 to 10 years old during the camp **REQUIRES HIS FATHER OR LEGAL MALE GUARDIAN'S REGISTRATION AND FULL PARTICIPATION.** The camp will be held at the Treasy Levine Center In Mount Vernon, WA from July 14th through July 17th. Anyone who interested, please, see Fr. Artur for information/registration material. The registration deadline is May 11th 2016, no exceptions

Please plan to attend and hear the Catholic Conference speaker, Sister Ann Shields this April 22nd and 23rd at Annunciation Catholic Parish. Sr. Ann is a well-known, international speaker and author of many books. She also shares daily inspiration and Bible teaching on her radio program, "Food for the Journey". After many years as a religious sister, Sr. Ann also helped establish a new community of sisters in Southeast Michigan called The Servants of God's Love.

God has used her in many ways to inspire and strengthen those seeking deeper discipleship and relationship with Christ. You won't want to miss this extraordinary event. Friday night session starts at 7 PM, Saturday morning at 10 AM. Refreshments will be provided. See flyers in the foyer for more information.

Saint George

One of the most popular saints ever, his feast day of April 23rd is celebrated across the Christian world, from the ancient Churches to Anglicans and Lutherans. He reflects universal Christian values, ones that many men in the western world would do well to emulate: constancy, strength, fidelity, love of God and neighbor, self-sacrifice, upholding a true military code of chivalry and honor.

A saint like George, who inspired others both in life and death, and whose heavenly protection has been felt for over 1,700 years, is one who can move Christian men forward in their faith lives. Too often the gifts of Christian men are spurned in pseudo-feminist dialogues of the western world, missing the point of what a solid Christian man offers to the world, and how badly the world needs Christian men!

The basics of the St George icon are the bold warrior astride a white stallion, raising his spear to pierce the dragon in its open throat, while a woman stands in the distance waiting to be rescued. Out of that icon, comes the legend of George slaying a dragon who was fed with an annual tribute of a virgin from a besieged town. **But the icon has nothing to do with such a legend at all. Rather, the woman is Ekklesia, the Church.**

The warrior is indeed George, who we know was an officer in the Roman army and is one of many who died rather than sacrifice incense to a statue of the emperor. We also know that this George suffered a great deal in his martyrdom, probably because of both his high rank and own personal popularity among the troops, in order to frighten other Christian soldiers to convert to paganism.

The dragon is the force of Evil – and the righteous George plunges the spear, which is topped with the Cross of the Savior, right into the jaws of hell. Thus Satan is destroyed, the Church's victory won, and souls are inspired to follow George in his righteous behavior.

St George is the patron saint of the military - in these times, let us say a special prayer for his intercession for their Christian life and protection.

Mid-Pentecost

Mid-Pentecost is the midpoint of the fifty days between the Feasts of Pascha and Pentecost. In the Divine Liturgy Gospel passage, we read that “in the midst of the feast Jesus went up into the Temple, and taught” (John 7:14). The feast in question is the Jewish Feast of Tabernacles which commemorates the Israelites wandering in the desert for forty years, when they lived under tents and tabernacles. “Tabernacles” served as the middle link between the Jewish Passover, which recalls God's deliverance of His people from the Egyptian pharaoh, and the Jewish Pentecost, which remembers Old Israel's entry into the “promised land” of Mount Sinai.

The risen Christ is the link for New Israel as it celebrates the New Passover (Pascha, the Resurrection) and the New Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit descended upon the disciples and apostles. When Jesus had preached in the temple, he had just healed the Paralytic Man—which the Church recalled last Sunday—and was about to give sight to the Blind Man—which the Church will present in ten days.

The apolytikion of Mid-Pentecost announces the “waters of true worship”, which Christ will give us to drink, just as He gave the Samaritan Woman to drink; we commemorate that event on the coming Sunday. **Thus, Mid-Pentecost reveals to the world that Christ will heal all of its infirmities, both physical and spiritual.**

The giving of the Spirit unites the beginning and the end of the fifty day feast of our Lord. On Pascha, the Lord, the Giver of Life, breathed the Holy Spirit upon His apostles for the forgiveness of sin, and on Pentecost, the Lord sent the Holy Spirit upon His followers that the Gospel for the Baptism of repentance might be preached to all nations.

Through the Holy Spirit, we are united with Christ in Holy Communion and are deified by His power. In the middle of the feast, we celebrate all these wondrous works of God. - *Fr. David Petras in the Byzantine Catholic Typikon*



Shut ins outreach – visit to Katrina Anderson



Water gun fight: all were happy and wet