

**Holy Protection of the Mother of God
Byzantine Catholic Church**

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Day/Commemoration	Time	Service
October 29nd – 21st Sunday after Pentecost	8:00 am	Divine Liturgy
	9:30 am	Third Hour
	10:30 am	Divine Liturgy
	3:00 pm	Divine Liturgy in Ft. Collins
November 1st – Wednesday: Cosmos & Damian, Unmercenaries	6:00 pm	Vespers
	6:30 pm	Divine Liturgy- for Bob L from Fr. Brian E.
November 2nd – Akindynos & Others, Martyrs	7:30 am	Matins
November 3rd – Aceptsimas & Others, Martyrs	12:05 pm	Divine Liturgy- for the Benefactors of the Divine Mercy billboards from T. Grondin
November 4th – Saturday: Joannicius, Venerable	4:30 pm	Vespers
November 5th – 22th Sunday after Pentecost	8:00 am	Divine Liturgy
	9:30 am	Third Hour
	10:30 am	Divine Liturgy
	3:00 pm	Divine Liturgy in Ft. Collins
Mystery (Sacrament) of Reconciliation: Sundays at 9:30am or by appointment		

Summary of the 10/15/2017 All-Parish Meeting

Thank you to all who prayerfully and thoughtfully filled out the parish survey. The results reveal that we are a community that has been, and will continue to be, responsive to Christ’s work in our parish. A vast majority of you are able to give more “time, treasure and talent” as we respond to our spiritual and quantitative growth. It was clear that we need a bigger temple (church building) so that we can all worship together on Sundays. You’ve asked to see improvements in communication of upcoming events and future planning, quicker response time in decision making and especially change-of-ritual-church applications, and more adult catechesis (education in Byzantine Catholicism).

At the all-parish meeting we discussed the steps we will take, with Bishop John’s permission, in acquiring another property that will allow all of us to worship together on Sundays. This new property will retain as much of the beauty and atmosphere of our current building, while improving on our ability to pray and gather as one community, and worship and live out our Byzantine Catholic faith. You will receive at-least bi-weekly updates on this process in the parish bulletin. An “ad hoc finance committee”, made up of parishioners with experience in finance, business, real estate and law, will be appointed to research the feasibility of potential properties. I will also continue to delegate other administrative ministries to well-suited parishioners. Catechesis will be measured with a 7 Pillar structure including Liturgical Year, Saints, Holy Mysteries, Church History etc. These topics will be presented in homilies, adult ed classes, written resources and ECG/CGS. I will celebrate house blessings throughout the year so that parishioners can spend more time with their pastor. We will develop and support smaller geographically oriented “house communities” that can gather mid-week to pray, learn and commune. We will develop a packet that introduces new parishioners to the Byzantine faith, and encourage, through education and encouragement, more participation in the fullness of the Byzantine liturgical life (Matins, Vespers, Molebens etc.). We will also continue to work on our partnership with Sophia Montessori, tapping into the benefits a Byzantine education will provide for our children; being spiritually and dogmatically supportive while remaining financially independent. Let me know if you have any questions!

Love, Father Michael

Pray for our ill and homebound parishioners:

O Christ God, Divine Physician of soul and body, send your blessings upon your servants:

Fr. Christopher Zugger, Olga Bodnar, Matthew Suppes, Tracy Pender, Fred Fraikor, Lance Spitzner, Margaret Chando, Ray Mega, Helen Kmeck, Jeanne "Grammy" O'Loughlin, Erica Cornett, Dough Cramer, Renee Nelson, Kevin McKaskey, Jerzy Zielinski, Chris Berry, David, Debbie Berry, Mary Thomas, Jesse Wright, Geraldine Schulz, Caitlin Mulryan, Gary, Nydegger, Christine Lentz, Sandy Woods, Victoria Teunissen, Marco Zawadowych, Marge Driscoll, Richard Horning, Gretchen Lambert, Michael Mancinelli, and Thomas Plahovinsak, and all those in need of your blessings.

Bless also those whom you have given the ministry of caring for the sick. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen

Please tell Fr. Michael if there are any who should be added to this list or if there are any shut-ins to whom the Holy Mysteries (the Sacraments) should be administered.

Announcements

Christmas Cookie Platters

The Ladies Guild is having a Christmas Bake Sale! We will take pre orders starting Sunday, November 5th. Enjoy home made cookies and sweet treats made by the Ladies Guild! \$10 guarantees you 2 dozen assorted baked goods. Gluten free options will be available! Treat your family and friends this Christmas season! Pre order forms will be handed out Nov 5th. For more information, contact Theresa Fedorco at terifed@yahoo.com or Theresa Grondin at chattykathytmg@yahoo.com

Dress-up Day

Holy Protection Families are invited to bring your children dressed like Saints on November 5th. Both Divine Liturgies will be participating. Feel free to bring a snack/treat to share.

Daylight Savings Time Ends

Daylight Savings Time ends at 2:00am on Sunday, Nov. 5th. Remember to "Fall back".

Parish Growth Updates

-The parish Advisory Board has decided on 5 parishioners, experienced in finance, business, real estate and law to be on a proposed ad hoc committee to study and advise on acquiring a larger property for the parish. We are awaiting Bishop John's approval. **UPDATE: I saw Bishop John at retreat and he assured me he will get back to me about this soon.**

-We are developing a "Change of Ritual Church Guide" so facilitate this process. Deacon Basil will be the Coordinator, and will make sure that applications are sent to the Eparchy on the first Tuesday of the month after the application is complete. This guide will be available by the first Tuesday in November.

-Deacon Basil will kick-off the "house community" program **during the Philip's Fast** by hosting Wednesday evening local gatherings near his home in Thornton.

Parish Celebrations

Happy Birthday to

Peter Barstad
10/31

Demetrios Cary
11/2

Isabelle Grondin
11/4

May God grant you many happy and blessed years!

**Did we miss you?
Please email your name, birthdays and anniversaries to:
bulletin@holyprotection.org**

Collections

October 22, 2017

Parish

Souls
8:00 am: 45
10:30am: 83
Tithe: \$913

Outreach

Souls: 35
Tithe: \$989.90

**Mark your calendars for these upcoming
Parish & Liturgy Events:**

Oct 31 – Bl. Theodore Romza, Martyr

Nov 5 – ECF

Nov 8 – Feast of St. Michael

Nov 11 – Ladies Guild breakfast with Fr Michael, at Four Friends Kitchen in Stapleton. Please RSVP to Theresa Grondin at chattykathytmg@yahoo.com

ASAP for an accurate headcount.

Nov 12 – ECF

Nov 15 – Philip's Fast begins

Nov 21 – Entrance of the Theotokos Into the Temple

Dec 3 – ECF

Dec 6 – Feast of St. Nicholas

Dec 8 – Feast of the Maternity of Anne

Dec 9 – St Nicholas Dinner and party

Dec 10 – ECF

Upcoming Eparchy of Phoenix Online Classes

The Eparchy of Phoenix Department of Religious Education and Evangelization is offering the following online seminars:

Tuesday Night Ongoing Classes

- On Holy Mysteries

10/24/2017-12/5/2017 - Kyle Washut

Thursday Night Stand Alone:

- The Psychology of Sanctity

11/9/2017 - Dcn. Basil Ryan Balke

- Crowned With Glory and Honor: A Therapist's View of Marriage

12/14/2017 - Dcn. Basil Ryan Balke

For more information or to register

visit: http://eparchyofphoenix.org/faith_formation.html

Divine Liturgy Guide

The Divine Liturgy begins on page 11. Option [A] unless noted.

**October 29nd – The 21st Sunday after Pentecost
Tone 4**

<u>When you get to the...</u>	<u>Go to...</u>
<i>Troparion on pg. 27</i> _____	pg. 141
<i>Kontakion on pg. 27</i> _____	pg. 141
<i>Prokeimenon on pg. 34</i> _____	pg. 142
<i>Alleluia on pg. 34</i> _____	pg. 142
Readings: Gal 2:16-20; Lk 8:26-39	
<i>Communion Hymn on pg. 78</i> _____	pg. 142

THIS WEEK'S SANCTUARY LAMP continues to burn before the real presence of our Lord, God and Savior, Jesus Christ

October 29-November 4

In memory of the deceased members of the Leshinsky Family

Offered by Tom Leshinsky

From the GCU:

You are invited to sponsor the weekly Sanctuary Lamp in our Church for your intentions. The Sanctuary Lamp is a special candle that remains perpetually lit (near the front of the Church) to honor Our Lord Jesus' Eucharistic Presence: Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Tabernacle on the Holy Table (Altar). If you are interested in sponsoring this vigil candle, the usual stipend is \$10. It will burn from Sunday through Saturday, and the bulletin will remind your fellow parishioners of your special intention or the memory of a loved one. You may request as often as you would like. To submit, please contact John or MaryEllen Oslick at 303-284-2304 or jwoact@comcast.net. Please include your name, intention, and the week you would like it to burn (every effort will be made to honor the week requested). Checks should be made payable to: GCU LODGE 144.