

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

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 Holy Protection of Mary Byzantine Catholic Eparchy
 of Phoenix Bishop (sede vacante)

Day/Commemoration	Time	Service
Feb 27 - Sunday of Cheese-fare	9:00am	Third Hour
	9:30am	Divine Liturgy (for the parish)
	2:30pm	Ft Collins DL
	7:00pm	Forgiveness Vespers
Mar 1 - Venerable-Martyr Eudoxia	12:00pm	Terce-Sext
Mar 2 - Bishop-Martyr Theodotus	6:30pm	Pre-Sanctified Liturgy
Mar 4 - Venerable Gerasimus	6:30pm	Pre-Sanctified Liturgy
Mar 5 - Commemoration of the Miracle of the Great-Martyr Theodore	4:00pm	Confessions
	5:00pm	Great Vespers
Mar 6 - 1st Sunday of the Great Fast	9:00am	Third Hour
	9:30am	Divine Liturgy (for the parish)
	7:00pm	Great Vespers for Sundays of the Great Fast

Ft. Collins Outreach Divine Liturgy: 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. The church is open for private prayer upon request. Please e-mail Fr. Brian.

"Let us commit ourselves and one another and our whole life to Christ our God."

Upcoming Sunday Social Schedule:

Due to the Covid-19 virus the downstairs hall remains closed for post-Liturgy social gatherings. Restrooms maybe used following the cleaning guidelines posted.

2/27 To sign up for future socials go to www.holyprotection.org and scroll down to "Parish Socials" at the bottom of the page and pick your Sunday, OR email Fr. Brian

Holy Mysteries

All requesting Holy Mysteries must be parishioners for at least six months.

Holy Baptism: Requires Pre-Jordan; Baptisms are conducted within a Divine Liturgy. At least one God-parent must be Catholic by faith and the other a practicing Christian. Both God-parents must be in good standing with their home parish.

Mystery of Crowning: Requires Pre-Cana; Consult the parish priest at least six months before making wedding plans. Marriages cannot be celebrated during the Fasting Seasons of the Church.

Church Funerals: Provided for practicing parishioners who are current in their spiritual and financial obligations to the parish; otherwise burial is from the funeral home.

Sick Calls/Anointing/Hospital Visits: Requested by the parishioner or family. Anointing prior to surgery/hospitalization or after Sunday Divine Liturgy. Contact Father for anointing. We understand the need for privacy so initiate the contact if hospitalized or when moved to a different care location.

THE BYZANTINE CATHOLIC EPARCHY OF PHOENIX SUBSCRIBES TO THE *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*

adopted by the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops. The Eparchy within all its parishes, institutions and programs, is committed to assuring a safe environment in ministry for its children and young people that conforms to the Charter requirements. For further information regarding the Eparchial Safe Environment program, please contact:

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Parish Prayer List

Pray for our ill and homebound parishioners:

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

Jade Baca, Jill Baca, Angie Bitsko, Christine Borodich, Michele Boyd, Mark Escobedo, Fred Fraikor, Steve Fuller, Tom Graham, Bob Haas, Clyde Harkins, George Kmeck Jr, Helen Kmeck, Mike Mancinelli, Gina Navarra, Rhys Nunnally, Thomas Plahovinsak, Joe Ptak, Rachel Renecke, Julianna Rodriguez, Lou Schornack, Tom Tancredo, Jill Velasco, Sandy Woods.

Email frescobedo@ephx.org if there is anyone who should be added or removed from this list or if there are any shut-ins to whom the Holy Mysteries should be administered.

Contacting Fr. Brian by phone: The parish phone is in the church and not in the rectory parish office. Fr. Brian's cell number is on the answering message. For an emergency, please call his cell phone. For fastest response, please email which is continuously monitored.

Announcements

Divine Liturgies

We honor the Lord's day and holy days in person. If you need **dispensation** contact Fr. Brian to discuss.

Vocations Reflection

"Is God calling you to a life of holy orders or monasticism? Contact the Vocations Office at 206-329-9219 or e-mail: vocations@ephx.org.

ECF

Next ECF is March 13th after Divine Liturgy.

The Desert Fathers and Mothers

Fr. Deacon Basil presents on the Desert Fathers and Mothers after Divine Liturgy.

Sophia-Montessori Academy

Enrollment for the Sophia Montessori Academy summer camp is open on their website. Register now for the Camp is from June 13-July 1.

Trojja Schedule

2/27 Sonja Satkowski

3/6 Sophia Cary

3/13 Eve Satkowski

3/20 Michaela Hoskins

The propers for each Sunday's Divine

Liturgy are in the bulletin on page two. The cantor also provides supplements. The Divine Liturgy is to be celebrated with the faithful singing the various parts.

Contacting Fr. Brian The best way to reach Fr. Brian is either by phone or email. He doesn't monitor texts as frequently.

Adult Catechesis

Next catechesis will be in March. Previous classes are on the parish website.

Reception of Holy Communion

The Eparchy directs us to currently use wooden spoons but the manner of reception is the same. Open your mouth wide, tilt back your head and wait for Father to remove the spoon. Don't scrape the spoon with your teeth. **Remind your children too.** Thank you!

Sunday Collection

The collection basket is in front of the tetrapod but we also bring a collection basket through the faithful after the Homily. Please support your parish. We have a monthly deficit and need your loving support.

The Great Fast

We begin the Great Fast tonight with **Forgiveness Vespers** at 7pm.

Tomorrow is **Pure Monday** and we begin the Great Fast. It is a day of strict fast and abstinence. No meat or dairy products.

During the Great Fast, the **Liturgy of the PreSanctified Gifts** is every Wednesday and Friday at 6:30pm.

Plan to attend **Great Vespers for Sundays of the Great Fast** on alternating Sundays - March 6, March 20 and April 3 at 7pm.

Parish Celebrations:

Did we miss you? Please email your name, birthdays and anniversaries to: frescobedo@ephx.org.

Eternal memory to Joyce Bonn who fell asleep in the Lord last month.

Collection: February 20 Parish
Souls: 71
Tithes: \$ 1,284.00
(Plus \$50.00 mailed in tithes)

Outreach:

Souls: --

Tithes: \$ --

Tithing: God bless all sending in their tithes when not at Divine Liturgy.

O Lord, Bless the Worship and Stewardship of your faithful servants.

Divine Liturgy Intentions

It is a holy act to remember individuals in Divine Liturgies. Sundays are always for the People of the Parish but Saturdays and weekday Divine Liturgies are open for intentions. We remember our living loved ones on birthdays, baptism and wedding anniversaries, health needs and any intention. We should remember our deceased family and friends on the anniversaries of their death or any other time we wish. Offertory stipends are traditionally given to the priest for these services but no one is ever denied a Divine Liturgy intention based on a stipend. To pray for one another is directly from Our Lord and His holy church. **"Pray for those who love us and pray for those who hate us"**. See Fr. Brian to schedule Divine Liturgy intentions.

Sponsorship of Lamps

If you want to sponsor the 7-day lamps (candles) on the tetrapod or in front of our holy Ruthenian martyrs (right side by iconostasis) see Fr. Brian. The cost is \$5 per lamp. Your intention will be commemorated through the entire week. You may keep your intention private or have it published.

Guidelines for our Public Liturgies

1) Masks are requested to be worn by the unvaccinated, 2) Maintain Social Distancing 3) Hall use is limited, 4) Teal Divine Liturgy books cleaned after use or the faithful may bring their own from home, 5) Venerate the icon on the tetrapod by bowing and crossing yourself in the Byzantine manner, 6) Offertory basket is at the foot of the tetrapod.

Parishioners should ensure appropriate distancing and wear masks at Divine Liturgy unless they have been fully vaccinated. Any outbreak could risk closing down public Liturgy for all. Please help keep our church open!

Divine Liturgy Guide

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

Feb 27 1st Sunday of the Great Fast Tone Seven

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Readings: Rom 13:11-14:4; Mt 6:14-21

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

Feb 27 - Mar 5

**In memory of RoseMarie Oslick Odem (+2/26)
Offered by John & MaryEllen Oslick**

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 Mary Ellen 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.