

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

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 Holy Protection of Mary Byzantine Catholic Eparchy
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Day/Commemoration	Time	Service
Mar 20 - 3rd Sunday of the Great Fast (Veneration of the Cross)	9:00am	Third Hour
	9:30am	Divine Liturgy (for the parish)
	7:00pm	Vespers for the Great Fast
Mar 22 - Priest-Martyr Basil of Ancyra	12:00pm	NO Terce-Sext
Mar 23 - Venerable-Martyrs Nicon and Others	6:30pm	NO Pre-Sanctified Liturgy
	7:00pm	Vesperal DL
Mar 25- Annunciation of the Theotokos	10:00am	Panachida (All Souls)
Mar 26- Synaxis of the Archangel Gabriel	4:00pm	Confessions
	5:00pm	Great Vespers
	9:00am	Third Hour
Mar 27- 4th Sunday of the Great Fast (Veneration of the Cross)	9:30am	Divine Liturgy (for the parish)
	2:30pm	Ft Collins DL

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.

3/20 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.

Next ECF class will be March 27th.

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

3/20 Michaela Hoskins
3/27 Sonja Satkowski
4/3 Sophia Cary
4/10 Eve Satkowski

Feast of the Annunciation of the

Theotokos will be celebrated on Friday evening at 7pm with a Vespers Divine Liturgy.

Counters: We are looking for volunteers to count the collection after DL.

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

PRAY FOR UKRAINE!

Adult Catechesis

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

Reception of Holy Communion

The Eparchy directs us to 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. We also bring a collection basket after the Homily. Please support your parish. We have a monthly deficit and need your loving support.

The Great Fast

The **Liturgy of the PreSanctified Gifts** is every Wednesday and Friday at 6:30pm.

Great Vespers for Sundays of the Great Fast tonight and April 3 at 7pm.

The Metropolia requests Wednesdays and Fridays be meatless & without dairy during the Great Fast.

Bishop's Appeal

You should all be receiving the Bishop's Appeal package in the mail. The recommended contribution is \$300. If you don't receive one, Fr. Brian has extra forms.

Aid to Ukraine Special Collection

A special collection is scheduled by the USCCB for Ukraine on Sunday March 27th. You may give prior to that of course by writing an envelope "Ukraine" and putting your check/cash inside. Make your checks out to Holy Protection.

Parish Celebrations:

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

Collection: March 13

Parish:

Souls: 61

Tithes: \$415.00

(Plus \$50.00 mailed in tithes)

Outreach:

Souls: 34

Tithes: \$323.00

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.

Mar 20 3rd Sunday of the Great Fast Tone Two

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Readings: Heb 4:14-5:6; Mk 8:34-9:1

THIS WEEK'S SANCTUARY LAMP

continues to burn before the real

presence of our Lord, God and Savior, Jesus Christ

Mar 20- 26

For the Health of Thomas Oslick, Sr.

Offered by John and 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.