

HOLY ANGELS BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH



The Calling of Simon and Andrew

June 22, 2025

2nd Sunday after Pentecost

The Holy Hieromartyr Eusebius, bishop of Samosata

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Schedule of services for the week of June 23- June 29

Saturday, June 28 – *Translation of the Relics of the Holy Unmercenary Physicians Cyrus and John. The Passing of the Blessed Venerable Martyrs Severian Baranyk and Joachim Senkivskyj (1941).*

- 9:00 AM – Divine Liturgy & Panahida; + Nancy Busch - Req: Janet Greenwell
- 4:00 PM – Confessions
- 5:00 PM – Great Vespers

Sunday, June 29– *Third Sunday after Pentecost; The Holy, Glorious, All-Praiseworthy and Preeminent Apostles Peter and Paul*

- 8:40 AM – 3rd Hour
 - 9:00 AM – Divine Liturgy
- For all parishioners

O Physician of Souls and Bodies, we pray for:

Barbara Alexander, Maria Amaro, Janice Andre, Peter Andre, Fr. Christopher Andrews, Kim Birdsall, Harry and Virginia Bowden, Julia Camberos, Kim Camplisson, Patrick Carmack, Fr. Andriy Chirovsky, Dennis Cline, Amy Cohn, Vivian Corr, Maria Cruz, Joe Danscuk, Fr. Daniel Dozier, Gabriel Espedal, Ana Fandrey, Mary Fernandez, Karen Foto, Christine Galgano, Janet Greenwell, Deborah Harris, Michael Havens, Martha Hill, Doris Huber, Rebecca Huber, Gavin Hudspeth, Melissa Hunter, Kareen Ignacio, Taylor Kessler, Jacob, Jamie Kohanyj, Pauli Martin, Taleen Matrick, Mila Mina, Maryann Nagrant, Julia Ohnysty, Genevieve Paquette, Sylvia Psnak, Fr. Lee Perry, Anthony Porrello, Nina Porrello, Fr. Robert Rankin, Margaret Raya, Michael Raya Jr. Rosemary Raya, Maha Salazar, Gretchen Sharpe, Karen Simonich, Debbie Stark, Tava Tomc, Hong Truong, Pat Walsh, Maria Zhukova, Mark Zimmer, Gianna, Nicole, Subdcn Eddie and his wife Viane.

“Immediately they left their nets and followed him.” Hearing the call, Peter, Andrew, James and John left one calling to become fishers of men. The life of prayer and devotion in monasticism and holy orders is a special way to live this calling. Is Christ calling you or someone you know to do the same? Contact the Vocations Office at 602-861-9778 or email: vocations@ephx.org

EPARCHIAL APPEAL

The goal for our parish is \$25,000. We ask all members of our parish to help contribute to the appeal. You will receive a large envelope with the Bishops letter and list of goals for the parishes of our Eparchy. If we make our goal 10% will come back to our parish and if we exceed our goal we will receive it back. Do whatever you can to help our Eparchy to do Christ's work!

We have 78 registered households so the average per household is \$321.00

If you cannot give the full amount, please give what you can so that we can have 100% participation.

Matching Challenge!

A parishioner has pledged to match up to \$10,000.00! Please be generous! Our current total is: \$8262.30 which is 33% of our goal.

Please check out the Sunday Social Sign-up sheet in the hall. We are seeing a possibility of only coffee/juice at some socials without donors. We also need weekly Hosts. There is also a great need for clean up volunteers.

Please see Janet to find out more.

By the grace of Almighty God, through the power of the Holy Spirit, at the hands of His Grace, the Most Reverend Artur Bubnevych, the Sixth Bishop of Holy Protection of Mary Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Phoenix, the following men were ordained for service in the Eparchy of Phoenix at St. Stephen Byzantine Catholic Cathedral in Phoenix during a Divine Liturgy celebrated at 2:00 pm Arizona time by Bishop Artur:

Reverend Father Joshua A. Johnson, was ordained to the Holy Order of the Presbyterate Father Joshua will be at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton Ohio for approximately four weeks and then return to the eparchy to begin his service here as Administrator of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Byzantine Catholic Church in Albuquerque on 27 July 2025.

Fr. Deacon Forrest G. Tucker, was ordained to the Holy Order of the Diaconate and has been assigned for service at SS. Cyril & Methodius Byzantine Catholic Church in Spokane Valley.

Fr. Deacon Arthur Kyle Washut, was ordained to the Holy Order of the Diaconate, after his reception earlier in the Divine Liturgy of the Minor Orders Fr. Deacon Kyle, while continuing his duties at Wyoming Catholic College in Lander, Wyoming, has been assigned at the present time to Holy Protection of the Mother of God Byzantine Catholic Church in Denver.

May God in His mercy grant to each of these good men peace, health, and happiness, for many blessed years!

Mark your calendars – Friday, July 4



Holy Angels traditional Moleben, barbecue and fireworks viewing.

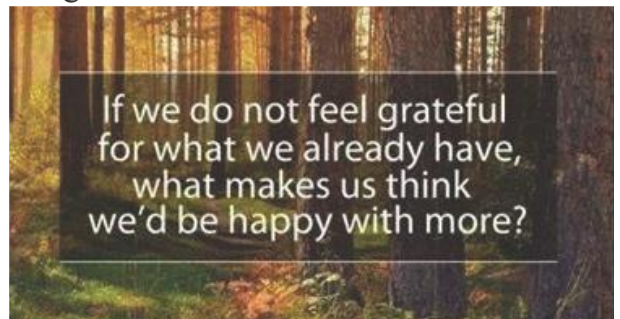


CHURCH BELLS

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Long ago, church bells were rung far more often than today. They indicated the time, warned of fire or other dangers, and even announced whether the baby

just born to the queen was a boy or girl. (A different number of rings was used.) Of course, they also called the faithful to church, and that's often the only purpose they are used for today. One thing that is the same for bells of any time is that someone must ring them. As loud as a bell can be, it will not be heard unless someone takes the time to pull its rope. In the same way, as powerful as is the Bible's message, it will not be heard unless people take the time to study it (at home as well as in church), sing it (in the choir and elsewhere), and live it (everywhere)! So somewhere in your schedule, find time to hear God's message of hope and to bring it to those in need.





The divinely-blessed Peter was from Bethsaida of Galilee. He was the son of Jonas and the brother of Andrew the First-called. He was a fisherman by trade, unlearned and poor, and was called Simon; later he was renamed Peter by the Lord Jesus Christ Himself, Who looked at him and said, "Thou art Simon the son of Jonas; thou shalt be called Cephas (which is by interpretation, Peter)" (John 1:42). On being raised by the Lord to the dignity of an Apostle and becoming inseparable from Him as His zealous disciple, he followed Him from the beginning of His preaching of salvation up until the very Passion, when, in the court of Caiaphas the high priest, he denied Him thrice because of his fear of the Jews and of the danger at hand. But again, after many bitter tears, he received complete forgiveness of his

transgression. After the Resurrection of Christ and the descent of the Holy Spirit, he preached in Judea, Antioch, and certain parts of Asia, and finally came to Rome, where he was crucified upside down by Nero, and thus he ascended to the eternal habitations about the year 66 or 68, leaving two Catholic (General) Epistles to the Church of Christ.

Paul, the chosen vessel of Christ, the glory of the Church, the Apostle of the Nations and teacher of the whole world, was a Jew by race, of the tribe of Benjamin, having Tarsus as his homeland. He was a Roman citizen, fluent in the Greek language, an expert in knowledge of the Law, a Pharisee, born of a Pharisee, and a disciple of Gamaliel, a Pharisee and notable teacher of the Law in Jerusalem. For this cause, from the beginning, Paul was a most fervent zealot for the traditions of the Jews and a great persecutor of the Church of Christ; at that time, his name was Saul (Acts 22:3-4). In his great passion of rage and fury against the disciples of the Lord, he went to Damascus bearing letters of introduction from the high priest. His intention was to bring the disciples of Christ back to Jerusalem in bonds. As he was approaching Damascus, about midday there suddenly shone upon him a light from Heaven. Falling on the earth, he heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou Me?" And he asked, "Who art Thou, Lord?" And the Lord said, "I am Jesus Whom thou persecutest; it is hard for thee to kick against the goads." And that heavenly voice and brilliance made him tremble,

and he was blinded for a time. He was led by the hand into the city, and on account of a divine revelation to the Apostle Ananias (see Oct. 1), he was baptized by him, and both his bodily and spiritual eyes were opened to the knowledge of the Sun of Righteousness. And straightway - O wondrous transformation! - beyond all expectation, he spoke with boldness in the synagogues, proclaiming that "Christ is the Son of God" (Acts 9:1-21). As for his zeal in preaching the Gospel after these things had come to pass, as for his unabating labors and afflictions of diverse kinds, the wounds, the prisons, the bonds, the beatings, the stonings, the shipwrecks, the journeys, the perils on land, on sea, in cities, in wildernesses, the continual vigils, the daily fasting, the hunger, the thirst, the nakedness, and all those other things that he endured for the Name of Christ, and which he underwent before nations and kings and the Israelites, and above all, his care for all the churches, his fiery longing for the salvation of all, whereby he became all things to all men, that he might save them all if possible, and because of which, with his heart aflame, he continuously traveled throughout all parts, visiting them all, and like a bird of heaven flying from Asia and Europe, the West and East, neither staying nor abiding in any one place - all these things are related incident by incident in the Book of the Acts, and as he himself tells them in his Epistles. His Epistles, being fourteen in number, are explained in 250 homilies by the divine Chrysostom and make manifest the loftiness of his

thoughts, the abundance of the revelations made to him, the wisdom given to him from God, wherewith he brings together in a wondrous manner the Old with the New Testaments, and expounds the mysteries thereof which had been concealed under types; he confirms the doctrines of the Faith, expounds the ethical teaching of the Gospel, and demonstrates with exactness the duties incumbent upon every rank, age, and order of man. In all these things his teaching proved to be a spiritual trumpet, and his speech was seen to be more radiant than the sun, and by these means he clearly sounded forth the word of truth and illumined the ends of the world. Having completed the work of his ministry, he likewise ended his life in martyrdom when he was beheaded in Rome during the reign of Nero, at the same time, some say, when Peter was crucified.

Two Saints, One Day?

“Self” Magazine is certainly a sign of the times. This is an age when it is socially acceptable to admit that life is all about me.

But selfishness is nothing new. Ever since Adam and Eve, human beings have made the choice to dethrone God and put in His place the unholy trinity of me, myself, and I.

But Jesus commands us to “love thy neighbor as thyself.” Doesn’t this imply that love of self is OK, even required?

Absolutely. God placed in us a drive towards self-preservation. He made beneficial activities, like eating, pleasurable. And he made destructive activities painful.

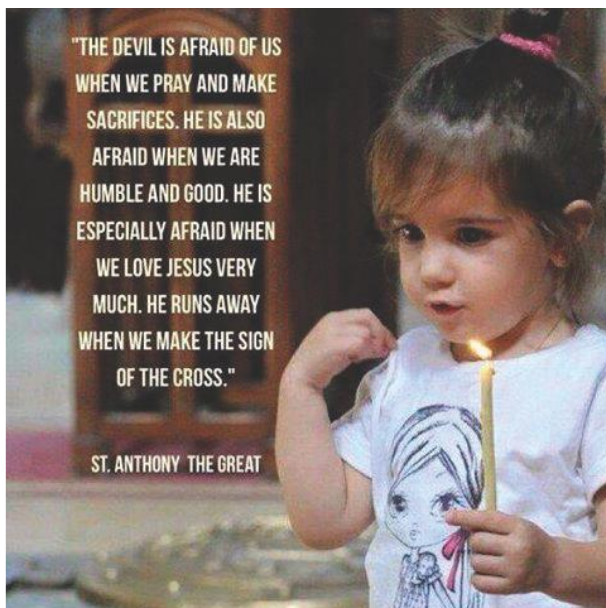
But He also gave us intellect and will so that we are not driven simply by instinct, as are the animals. So the ancient enemy of humanity does his best to deceive our intellect into thinking that what is destructive is actually good for us. And he entices us to use our will to choose these destructive things contrary to God’s commandments. The end justifies the means, he argues, and so if we have to trample over others and defy God to get what we want, so be it.

This is the kind of self-love that Jesus condemns (Matthew 10:37-42). It leads to ruin, confusion, and emptiness. There is no way to tame this or to fit religion into it. The only solution is to kill it. In baptism, this old egocentric self is crucified and buried with Christ (Romans 6:11). The man who wrote this line, Saul of Tarsus, knew what he was talking about. The about-face required of him was radical, turning him from persecutor to persecuted, agent of hatred to apostle of love. There can only be one Lord—Jesus or me.

Accepting Jesus means allowing Him to be boss, allowing Him to call the shots and direct my steps. Picking up the cross and following Him (Matthew 16:24-25) means accepting the Father’s will, even where it “crosses” my will, even when it leads to suffering. This is the meaning of Jesus’ words to Peter “as a young man you fastened your belt and went about as you pleased, but when you are older, you will stretch out your hands and another will tie you fast and carry you off against your will” (John 21:18)

As we celebrate the Solemnity of Ss. Peter and Paul, let us recall that before these saints were shepherds and apostles, they were sheep and disciples. God was able to do great things in them and through them because they made a decision to surrender control of their lives and destiny to the Son of Man who is also the Son of God.

Jesus says “follow me” to each of us. It may mean making a change of career. It may mean breaking off a relationship that is leading us away from Christ. Or it may just mean doing what we are already doing but for an entirely different reason ... achieving great things not to draw attention to ourselves, but to glorify Christ ... seeking an intimate relationship no longer to take but to give ... working not for the weekend, but for the kingdom.



Stewardship of Time

Time on this earth is one of our greatest privileges and yet one of our biggest responsibilities. Outside of Sunday morning, how much time does God really get? The daily choices we make in our lives, how we spend our time and energy, indicate not only what we truly value but also where we will spend eternity.

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"But I wonder whether people who ask God to interfere openly and directly in our world quite realize what it will be like when He does. When that happens, it is the end of the world. When the author walks on to the stage the play is over. God is going to invade, all right: but what is the good of saying you are on His side then, when you see the whole natural universe melting away like a dream and something else—something it never entered your head to conceive—comes crashing in; something so beautiful to some of us and so terrible to others that none of us will have any choice left? For this time it will be God without disguise; something so overwhelming that it will strike either irresistible love or irresistible horror into every creature. It will be too late then to choose your side. There is no use saying you choose to lie down when it has become impossible to stand up. That will not be the time for choosing: it will be the time when we discover which side we really have chosen, whether we realized it before or not. Now, today, this moment, is our chance to choose the right side. God is holding back to give us that chance. It will not last for ever. We must take it or leave it."

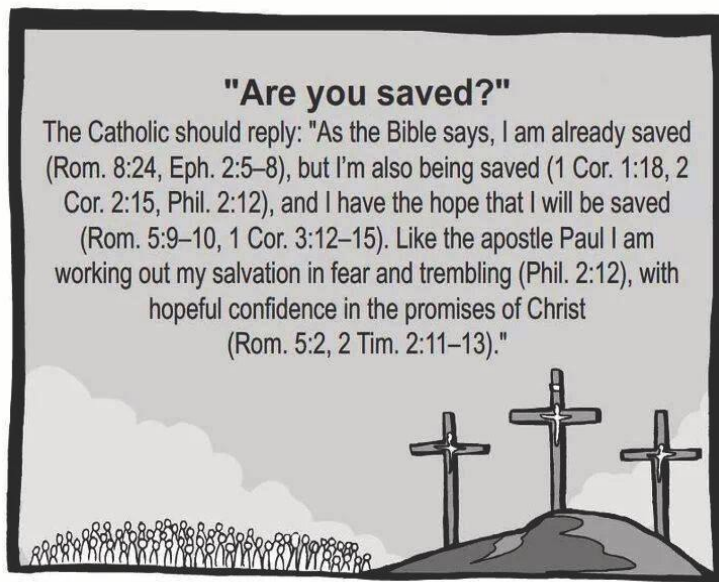
— C.S. Lewis (*Mere Christianity*)

If you do not live what you believe, you will end up believing what you live.

Venerable Fulton Sheen

"Are you saved?"

The Catholic should reply: "As the Bible says, I am already saved (Rom. 8:24, Eph. 2:5–8), but I'm also being saved (1 Cor. 1:18, 2 Cor. 2:15, Phil. 2:12), and I have the hope that I will be saved (Rom. 5:9–10, 1 Cor. 3:12–15). Like the apostle Paul I am working out my salvation in fear and trembling (Phil. 2:12), with hopeful confidence in the promises of Christ (Rom. 5:2, 2 Tim. 2:11–13)."



**LORD JESUS CHRIST.
SON OF GOD.
SAVOR**

We have a new Pope!

AND THE VATICAN WANTS TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Caring for the Eastern Catholic Churches was actually one of the TOP QUESTIONS raised by bishops worldwide during the Vatican Synod on Synodality.

Seize this **historic and unprecedented** opportunity to bear witness and make your voice heard before the representatives of **our new Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV** himself!

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Join us for the 4th Byzantine Assembly, happening July 16-20, 2025, in Whiting, Indiana. This biennial event is a rare and pivotal moment for us to come together in worship, reflection, and renewal.

Why is this year's Assembly so special?

- **Momentum with the New Pope:** With the recent election of Pope Leo XIV, there's a renewed focus on Eastern Catholic Churches.
- **Deep Discussions:** Engage in meaningful conversations about the future of Byzantine Catholic life in America.
- **Historical Connection:** Visit the childhood home of Pope Leo XIV, just 25 minutes from the venue!
- **Inspiring Keynote Speakers:** Hear from leaders who will explore the future of Byzantine traditions and Christian unity.

This is more than just a conference—it's a spiritual movement. Secure your spot by registering before July 1 and be part of this historic gathering!

Register by July 1!

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Vocation Icon: This week: Chambers Family
Next week: Deane Family

THE BYZANTINE CATHOLIC EPARCHY OF PHOENIX

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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 vulnerable adults that conforms to the Charter for Protection of Children and Young People.

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