

Announcements

The Celebration of the Feast of the Great Martyr and Healer Panteleimon will be Thursday evening July 28th through Saturday morning July 30th. This Healing Pilgrimage will include Vespers, Blessing of Water, Akathists to St. Panteleimon and veneration of his Icon, Divine Liturgy and Anointing of the Sick Processions and much more. This celebration is for those in need of healing of any kind and is open to all Catholics – East and West. A detailed Flyer will be available soon.

The 2022 Bishop's Appeal - The Eparchy of Phoenix continues their 2022 Bishop's Appeal campaign. Each registered household should have received a form and postage paid envelope (*pledges and payments can also be made with a credit card*). Please submit your Appeal Form as soon as possible and help us to reach not only our **financial goal**, but our goal of **100% participation**. *St. John's is thankful for the many families and individuals who have generously given in the past, enabling us to reach our financial goals. May we continue to be blessed with your generous support!* For more information please visit <https://ephx.org/eparchial-appeal/>. For making an online donation to directly benefit the campaign for St. John's, please visit the following link: <https://ephx.org/st-john-chrysostom-eparchial-appeal/>.

Sunday Dress – Do you remember a time when people put on their "Sunday best" to go to church? In fact, dress clothes were often referred to as Sunday clothes. In some parts of the country this is not as common today. In fact, all too often, dress in church has become very casual. In all areas of our lives, we should offer Christ our best. And the same should be true of our dress. We should offer Christ our "Sunday best", not our everyday or common wear. And we should dress modestly and not in a flashy way that would bring attention to ourselves. Our dress should always be becoming of a Christian - especially at Church.

Here are some guidelines:

Children - Only young children (*under 5*) should wear shorts to church - and then only dress shorts. Athletic shorts, cut-offs, and spandex shorts/leggings are never appropriate church wear (for children or adults!). Shoes or sandals should be clean and tied. No one should wear T-shirts with any kind of writing/ advertisement on them

Women - Dresses should be modest. No tank tops or dresses with only straps at the shoulders, no short skirts (miniskirts), and no dresses that are close fit to the entire body. Dresses should have backs and not be cut low in the front. If women choose to wear pants to church, they should be dress pants (preferably not jeans, leggings, etc.). Shorts of any type are not appropriate for church.

Men - Men should also dress modestly. While coat and tie are not mandatory, shirts should have collars and be buttoned to the collar (the actual collar button may be left undone, but two or three buttons undone is inappropriate). Slacks should be cleaned and pressed. Jeans (of any color) are usually too casual for church, especially ones with patches or holes. Again, shorts are not appropriate church wear.

If you're going somewhere after church where you need to dress casually, please bring a change of clothing with you and change after Liturgy. Remember, use your best judgment and good taste when dressing for church. After all, you don't go to Liturgy to be seen by everyone else - you go to meet and worship God.



[Sundays of July Vocation Themes:](#)

Contact the Vocations Office at 206-329-9219 or email: vocations@ephx.org

[NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – August 7, 2022](#)

“Take heart! It is I! Do not be afraid.” Our Lord came to his disciples walking on water, and he called Peter to do the same. In fear and faith, he answered Jesus’ call. Is he calling you to follow him as a priest, deacon, monk, or nun? Answering with your own fear and faith may be a blessing to you and to our Church. Contact the Vocations Office.

[TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – August 14, 2022](#)

“Nothing will be impossible for you!” Jesus taught his disciples to pray and to fast with faith. In that faith, nothing would be impossible for them. This is still true today. To see this more clearly, we need people of faith to serve the Church as priests, deacons, subdeacons, monks and nuns. If God may be calling you to this life, contact the Vocations Office.

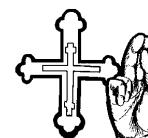
[ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – August 21, 2022](#)

“The lord of that slave, moved with compassion, released him, and forgave him the debt.” In today’s parable, we see our Lord acting out of a compassion that transcends what we deserve and brings forgiveness in the midst of debt. Is a life of prayer and compassion through the religious or ordained life something that God is calling you to consider? To learn more, contact the Vocations Office.

[TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – August 28, 2022](#)

“If you want to be perfect, go, sell what you have, give it to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, and follow me!” These words of our Lord inspired great saints such as Anthony the Great and Francis of Assisi. While each of us may answer this calling in different ways, we see that Jesus wants all of us to follow him. Is he seeking you to follow him as a priest, deacon, monk, or nun? If this may be the case, contact the Vocations Office.

[The Parish Advisory Council](#) will meet next on August 8th at 7:00 p.m.



[Religious Education](#)

Eastern Catholic Formation will resume in the Fall.

Safe Environment Information *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 information regarding the Eparchial Safe Environment Program, please contact:*

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To report an allegation, please notify your pastor and then contact the Safe Environment Office.

For assistance and support of anyone who has been abused or victimized by anyone representing the Catholic Church, please contact the Victim Assistance Coordinator.



