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Byzantine Catholic Church

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Holy Protection of Mary

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SUN Oct 25 22nd Sunday After Pentecost

& TONE 5 P. 146

No Morning Liturgy

3:30 pm Cantor's Practice & Inquiry Class

4:30 pm Confessions & The Third Hour

5:00 pm Divine Liturgy For Paul & Marci Basay

All invited to our Coffee Social in the Parish hall

SATURDAYS Lion's Club use our parish hall for

Bingo

SUN Nov 1 23rd Sunday after Pentecost, Tone 6,

& Blessed Theodore Romzha, p. 152

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3:00 pm Cantor's Practice & Inquiry Class

4:30 pm Confession & The Third Hour

5:00 pm Divine Liturgy + The Priest Robert

Stash by Fr Stephen

All invited to our Coffee Social in the Parish hall

PRAYERS NEEDED for our parish family, Esther

Calamore, Elmira Calamore, Charles Amelin, Paul &

Marcy Basay, Enedina Lopez & Special Intentions.

Expectant Mothers: Brittney Barlund & Meagan Odicino.

Clergy: Fr James Bankston, Msgr Michael Moran, Fr

Robert Rankin & Fr Marcus Gomori.

Pray for Pope Leo XIV: Please pray for the holy father

undergoing surgery and during his recovery. There are

special intentions and liturgical propers in the 2006 pew

book (pages 421-424).

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

TIME CHANGE NEXT SUNDAY be sure to
"FALL BACK" on hour Saturday night before
turning in for the night.

OCTOBER FEST last week was filled with
German Sausages, and other wonderful dishes.
Thank you to our members treating us to the
foods that make it a great celebration without
beer. Thank you

SCAM ALERT someone is using Fr Stephen's
name and email address for unholy reason—do
not respond. Bishop Artur's email was use at one
time. If it sounds strange and asking for privacy
or secret meeting —dump it.

CONGRATULATIONS TO Robert & Eileen Escobedo
on the birth of their son, Ezra. Many more happy and
blessed years.

NEEDED- A BABY CHANGING TABLE-see Robert
Escobedo.

HEROES OF OUR CHURCH is now available in
the narthex of the church to only our Parishioners. One
book per household. For an extra copy of the book—
\$9.00.

OUR TITHING AND GIFTS TO THE LORD'S HOLY TEMPLE

Our Stewardship October 18

Souls in Attendance 28

Tithes: \$178.00, & Candles: \$4.00 Thank you!

We depend on you to support our parish. You may mail
your or use e-checks, or Zelle for your contributions
(saintnicholasofmyra12-06) or use the QR code to send
your donations.

Thank you

Living the Gospel as Missionary Disciples

- Notice someone at your "gate." Reach out to a
lonely neighbor, struggling family, or person in
need with a concrete act of charity.
- Pray for the protection of all human life. Offer a
daily prayer for the unborn, their mothers and
fathers, the elderly, and all who are vulnerable.
- Form your conscience. Spend time with
Scripture, Church teaching, and prayer so that
your decisions reflect your citizenship in God's
Kingdom rather than the values of the world.

THE ALTAR OF A Byzantine CHURCH

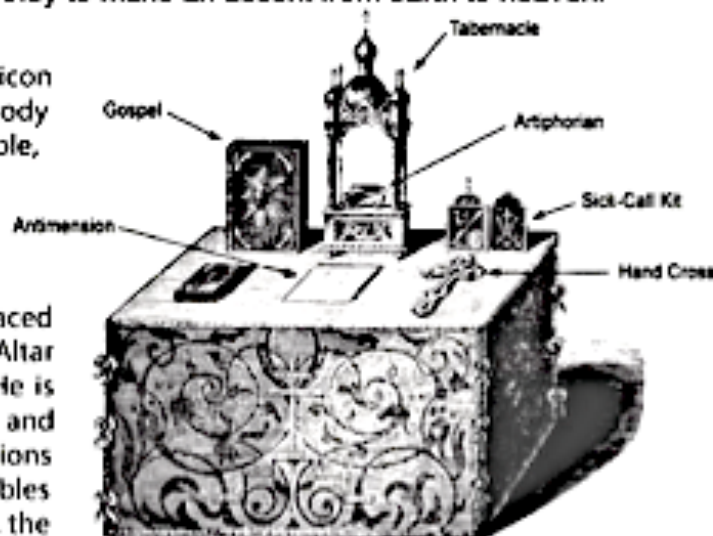


The altar, sanctuary, or the Holy of Holies is the eastern part of the church building, separated from the nave (the main body of the church) by the iconostas (a wall with icons). The altar contains the Holy Table and the Table of Oblation and has an adjoining sacristy and vestry for the storage of sacred vessels and vestments. Entry into the altar is through the Royal Doors in the middle of the iconostas and the deacon's doors to the north and the south. Only ordained clergy (priests, deacons, and bishops) are allowed through the Royal Doors, and only men or boys who are appointed to serve are allowed through the deacon's doors during the services. The altar area is elevated above the rest of the church to remind the faithful that just as the Lord descended from heaven to earth, so too in like manner are they to make an ascent from earth to heaven.

Holy Table

The Altar Table is located behind the iconostas (icon screen) and in the middle of the sanctuary. The Body and Blood of Christ are consecrated on the Holy Table, and before this Table stands the celebrant (priest or bishop) during the Divine Liturgy and at the more important parts of Vespers and Matins. The Holy Table contains relics of saints and the Table together with the liturgical items placed upon it may be touched only by ordained clergy. Altar Tables are also called the Throne of Christ since He is mystically present there in the form of His Body and Blood. Unlike altar tables in western denominations which face the people, in the Orthodoxy Altar Tables face east, away from the people but towards Christ, the Source of Light. Likewise, they are not attached to the wall, but can be circled, as while censuring. Altar Tables are

square to symbolize that Christ's doctrine and sacraments are equally offered to people of all the ends of the earth – north, south, east, and west. Sometimes a canopy is erected over the Altar Table, on four columns and beneath it hovers a dove with outspread wings, a symbol of the Holy Spirit.



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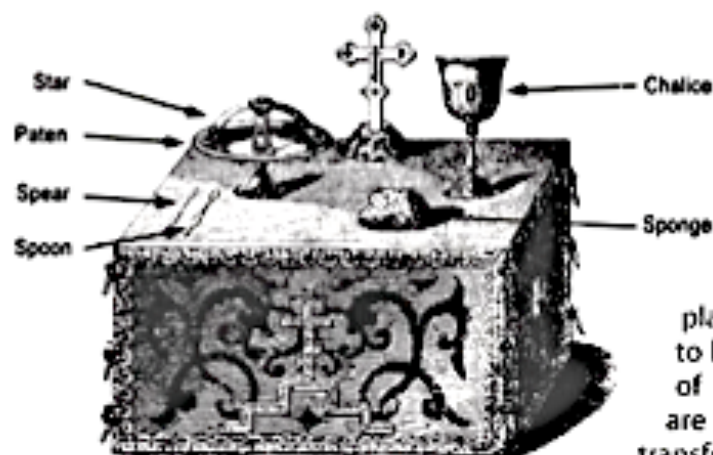


Table of Oblation

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A small table at the left side of the sanctuary on which bread and wine are prepared for the Eucharist. At the Office of Preparation or the Proskomedie (from the Greek, *proskomede*, or preparation), particles are taken out of the prosphora (offering bread) in commemoration of the living and the departed by name, and place before the Lamb or the piece of bread that is to be consecrated for Holy Communion. At the time of the Cherubic Hymn, the bread and wine which are to be offered for Holy Communion are transferred from the Table of Oblation in a solemn procession (the Great Entrance) out the (north) side door of

the altar and through the Royal Doors and placed on the Holy Table. Before the procession, if a bishop should serve, he commemorates all the concelebrating clergy by name as they come up to him one by one and kiss his shoulder.