23rd Sunday after Pentecost

The first English Bible carrying both was the Geneva Bible in 1560. Which means Christians held the Scriptures for well over a thousand years without a single verse number. None of that is an argument against them. They are enormously useful. Nobody wants to go back to describing a passage as the part about the trumpet. But it is worth knowing what the numbers quietly did to us. They made it easy to lift one sentence out of a paragraph and set it on the table by itself. And a sentence sitting alone on a table will say very nearly whatever you need it to say.

Whole arguments between Christians get conducted in single verses fired back and forth, with both sides quoting accurately and neither side reading. The Eastern Christian habit is older than the numbers. Scripture is read aloud, in long pieces, inside the service, in the same order every year, among the people it was written to. You do not get to pick the verse. You get the passage the Church hands you that morning, whether it suits you or not. Try reading a whole letter in one sitting sometime. No numbers. No stopping. You will hear things you have read a hundred times.

INFORMATION REGARDING DUCHOVNY DOM

This past September, Bishop Artur made a canonical visit to Duchovny Dom in Weston, Oregon. It was established that Duchovny Dom has not completed the necessary requirements to achieve the status of a canonically erected monastery.

As such, Duchovny Dom is a private property unaffiliated with the Eparchy of Phoenix. It is not permitted to accept men for monastic formation and should not be referred to as a monastery.

THE BYZANTINE CATHOLIC EPARCHY OF PHOENIX
subscribes to the
Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People
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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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SATURDAYS Lion's Club use our parish hall for Bingo
SUN Nov 1 23rd Sunday after Pentecost, Tone 6, p. 152
No Morning Liturgy
3:00 pm Cantor's Practice & Inquiry Class
4:30 pm **Confession &The Sixth Hour**
5:00 pm **Divine Liturgy** *+The Priest Robert Stash by Fr Stephen*
All invited to our Coffee Social in the Parish hall

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No Morning Liturgy
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5:00 pm **Divine Liturgy** *The Priest Jeronimo Guillen OSB by Robert & Eileen Escobedo*
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PRAYERS NEEDED for our parish family, Esther Calamore, Elmira Calamore, Charles Amelin, Paul & Marcy Basay, Enedina Lopez & Special Intentions.
Expectant Mothers: Brittny Barlund & Meagan Odicino.
Clergy: Fr James Bankston, Msgr Michael Moran, Fr Robert Rankin & Fr Marcus Gomori.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

COME EARLY TO CHURCH and spend some quiet time in prayer and adoration of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. You may use the special preparatory prayers before the Liturgy which is located in the **Green Pew books on page 4**. There are also Thanksgiving Prayers after the Liturgy located in the **Green Pew Books on page 95**. Expand your prayer life and love of the Lord

THANK YOU to the kind gentleman for donating the Baby Changing Table for our babies. The unit will be installed in the Parish Hall Women's restroom. It had the space and access to the sink.

BE SURE TO VOTE we just found out the our Holy Father Pope Leo*(An American Pope)* voted by mail from Vatican City to Chicago Illinois. The first Catholic Pope to vote in our American elections.

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 25

Souls in Attendance

Tithes: $331.00, & Candles: $5.00 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

Prayer of Thanksgiving to Our Lord, Jesus Christ
Lord Jesus Christ, our God, may your holy body bring me everlasting life, and made your precious blood remit my sins. May this Eucharist give me joy, health, joy, and happiness. At your dread second coming, grant that I, a sinner, they stand at the right hand of your glory, do the prayers of your most pure mother and of all the saints. Amen.

Four Reasons Why People Give
From "Compelled to Give" By Vev. Vladimir Berzonsky
1) Obligation – People who give only because it's an obligation. We pay taxes that way. We open our bills and write checks reluctantly. Perhaps that's the way we deal with society at large, but this is not the attitude to take when we are asked to give from our heart to the upkeep and enhancement of the holy Church;
2) Satisfaction – There's something satisfying about contributing to charity. When we make a gift to an established charity, we feel good about ourselves. In the autumn season after Labor Day and through the remaining days of the year, we are solicited by so many appeals that we must make choices. Do we put something in the Salvation Army pots at each shopping center, or do we pick and choose?
3) Pride – We all know those who make an issue of their contributions. It doesn't count unless it appears in the media that the contributors are People of Importance. They used to flaunt their donations to the party of their choice or even hedge their bets, giving to both major political parties. With new rules they must find a way to do the same, but not so conspicuously.
4) Love – All of the above are acceptable to the recipients, and all of them have value in their own right; however, gifts at the highest level first come as a true sacrifice. They are not just an excess of funds that the giver can well do without and even derives tax benefits from them, but they come from hearts that feel a compulsion to contribute. When the feeling arises within that you cannot do otherwise than to meet the needs laid
out before you, when you are presented with a situation, a crisis or a grief that so overwhelms you that you are desperate to provide from your means an alleviation for that person, group or situation, you are a cheerful giver.

HERE IS SOMETHING THAT SURPRISES PEOPLE. (FROM HOLY ANGELS BULLETIN)

The chapter numbers in your Bible are not from the Bible. Neither are the verse numbers. Nobody wrote Romans in chapters. Paul wrote a letter. Somebody read it out loud to a room full of people, beginning to end, the way you read a letter.

The chapter divisions we all use came from Stephen Langton, around 1205. The verse numbers came later. Robert Estienne numbered the verses, and they entered printed editions in 1551.