

# The Basilica

BYZANTIUM NOVUM

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## THE JOY OF THEOLOGY BY THECLA PORPHYROGENITA

Recently I was at a workshop on "Philosophical Reflections on Liturgy" at which we read Aidan Kavanaugh's *On Liturgical Theology*. Kavanaugh describes what Sunday liturgy, would have been like in the Byzantine world of Late Antiquity:

By the 5th century, Sunday and festal worship in major churches such as those of Jerusalem, Antioch, Alexandria, Rome, and the new Christian city of Constantinople had already come to be not a single service, as we are used to today but an interlocking series of services...the time-scale of this entire series of services was the whole of a Sunday. The space-scale was the whole city....

The first service occurred, as in the synagogue, with psalms of praise (*laudes*) around daybreak, when business began in the world of the time. The second service consisted in the gradual assemblage, around early or mid-morning, of clergy and people at a designated place (*statio*) in some city neighborhood or

open space large enough to accommodate large numbers of people. After prayer and reading from the Bible, the group set off in procession, accompanied by psalmody, to the church designated for the day, probably picking up other people as the procession wound its way through the streets.

By late morning or midday, a third service, this time that of the Word, began in the station church...After this a fourth service of petitionary prayers together with dismissals of the unbaptized, penitents and certain others took place... By this time it was afternoon and bread and wine were brought to the altar table in a procession accompanied by psalmody and increasingly elaborate ceremonial in larger churches. Like any parade, this took time to organize and was often a rather rowdy affair of considerable proportions... The day concluded before sundown, when all business ceased, with a seventh and final service of lamp-lighting (*lucernarium*) and hymnic psalmody, or vespers. (Kavanaugh, 1981)

"Worship in earlier days," Kavanaugh notes, "was richer and of vaster scale... Whatever else such a civil liturgy may have done to those who knew and took part in it...it did not separate them out into exclusivist ghettos, concerned with consolation, passivity, and self-therapy. (Kavanaugh, 1981)

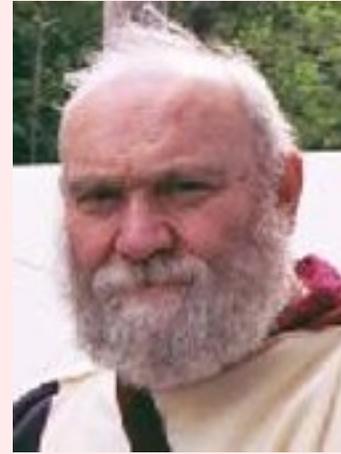
In those days theology was a popular pastime. Gregory of Nyssa, writing a generation earlier, complained that you could not do business in Constantinople without getting into a theological argument. Ask a tradesman for change and he would opine that the Father was greater than the Son; go to the bathhouse and the attendant would harangue you about the procession of the Holy Spirit. Like the chariot races in the hippodrome, theology was a sport that engaged everyone from emperors to the peasantry and urban proletariat.

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## MARCUS MUNICIUS AUDENS

My name is Marcus Minucius Audens, and I am from a long line of patricians. My great, great, grandfather, a legionnaire in Britain, was raised to the Roman patrician status for unusual service to the Republic. This line of service has continued in my family through the years of the empire, and I am honored to serve in the BN Senate. I am also honored to be chosen as the Praefectus Castrorum of the BN Militarum as well as the BN Historian of the Islamic (Saracen) military.

I have a naval background of some twenty years, with some exploration into the sea depths, and in the years following my military service. I was engaged in constructing both warships and merchant vessels for the empire. I have served in local government for twenty years as a volunteer, and also have volunteered for some thirty years as a leader in the development of outdoor skills for young men. I am currently retired and my spare time is filled with military research, model building, reenactment, and map making. I am honored to be the commander of a re-enactment group of engineers.



## PRISCUS PSELLUS

I am presently a member of Byzantium Novum as a Senator and Count of Kansas.

I am interested in all things Ancient Roman and Byzantine. I am primarily interested in the Roman and Byzantine Intelligence Services.

I am a Ex-US Navy Photographer and a Lifetime Member of the National Association of Naval Photography. As a Navy photographer, I was stationed at NAS Norfolk, Virginia. The commands I was assigned to from 1974 to 1980 were Fleet Photo Center Atlantic, Fleet Audio-Visual Command Atlantic, and Combat Camera Group Atlantic.



## HELP WANTED!

BY BADUILA CHALKEUS

The Empire of Byzantium Novum is seeking volunteers in several key positions. If you are interested in any of these or have questions regarding them, contact the Grand Chancellor, Senator Baduila Chalkeus, at [jsmithcsa@yahoo.com](mailto:jsmithcsa@yahoo.com).

**Deputy Foreign Minister:** This is the principal assistant to the Foreign Minister, with responsibility to contact other microstates and similar organizations with the purpose of establishing diplomatic relations. Must be a good writer and diplomat.

**Assistant Foreign Ministers:** These are assistants to the Foreign Minister and regional experts on areas important to our Empire in a historical context. Must be willing to participate by sharing information on the area of your regional assignment on the Foreign Ministry YahooGroup. The two areas available are: (1) The German and Italian States and (2) Successor States to the Empire (Trebizond, Epirus, Athens, Achaea, Nicaea, and the Latin Empire)

**Magistrates:** Seeking magistrates (governors) to form colonies of Byzantium Novum in the following parts of the world, with assistance from the Grand Chancellor. Must be willing to organize a local group and operate it in accordance with the directions of the Senate.

**USA:** Washington-Oregon-Idaho, Colorado-Arizona-Utah-New Mexico, Illinois-Wisconsin, Michigan-Indiana-Ohio, Pennsylvania-New Jersey, Maryland-Delaware and New York.

**Europe:** England-Wales, Netherlands, Germany, Greece and Serbia.

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Are you a writer, photographer, artisan or have an interest in writing a piece for our newsletter? We'd love to have your input, and articles, book reviews, recipes, photos, poems, stories, drawings, and more would be wonderful additions to *The Basilica*! You must be willing to sign a release for anything used in this, or any other, publication by Byzantium Novum. Release forms can be received by contacting [Amma Doukaina](#), editor. Let us know what you'd like to see in *The Basilica*! Your time and input are valuable! Your knowledge should be shared! The options here are wide open, and we are eager to take items by our citizens to share! Please include a photo with your submission if possible!

The Joy of Theology continued:

The Byzantines, throughout the history of their empire, were very religious, and it is not hard to see why: *in their world religion was fun*. It was a source of aesthetic pleasure and intellectual stimulation. There were, of course, religious freak shows and spiritual athletes, who lived on pillars or in hollow tree-trunks. The Byzantines admired them but, for the most part, did not emulate them. And there were of course regulations on the books, but few took them seriously. These days the very idea of religion *as fun* strikes most people as bizarre. What is religion after all? Currently the paradigm is the evangelical mega-church, where a “pastor” yaps at his congregation in an auditorium filled with theater seats. Religion these days seems to be nothing but a system of obligations—rules about how to behave and what to believe. It doesn’t have to be this way. The Byzantines got something out of their religion—in this world as well as the next. There were processions and ceremonies, and there was mysticism—the vision of another world. Religion was a source of *pleasure*. As for doctrine, it was, at least early on, a conceptual playground. Charles Freeman claims that there is internal evidence to suggest that Gregory of Nazianzus was responding to questions from the floor during his theological orations. (Freeman, 2009)

Here in my world I don’t know anyone who would be caught dead going to church or admit to being a religious believer. People I know see religion as nothing more than a scam perpetuated by fat, yapping “pastors,” promoting the puritanical morality of the lower classes and right-wing politics. And they don’t make fine distinctions between Episcopalians and Holy Rollers: they despise us all as white trash, out to ruin their fun.

It’s a pity. We live in a world that is at once opulent and bleak, without ceremony, without ritual, without mysticism. We’ve lost all the good things of religion. Can we get them back without buying into the “traditional morality” of the lower classes? Can we have the fancy church buildings and processions, the art, music and mysticism, all the fun stuff of religion, without sexism, social conservatism and bigotry?

I think we can. And I’d like to start a new religion here in Byzantium Novum, a religion of ritual and mysticism, of theology and art, a religion for people who ache for beauty. Join me, [Thecla Porphyrogenita](#).

THE BIRTH OF A PEARL  
BY  
KRYSANTHE MERIDIA ALTESSA  
AETERNIA



By the rippling waves she came to me,  
Rising out of the foam,  
Under moonlit water,  
A golden beacon against the dark sky,  
As clouds stirred by my command,  
Lightning bolts confirming her birth,  
From the foam came a pearl made into flesh,  
And that of bone,  
The essence of love and beauty,  
Captured within her heart,  
By the shoreline,  
I admire what the foam created,  
The future Mother of the Roman people,  
I look to the sea in approval,  
In thanks to what the water gave me.



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## REPORT FROM THE GRAND CHANCELLOR, BADUILA CHALKEUS

The last two quarters have been good for Byzantium Novum. As you will see in a separate report, the Senate was not especially busy but did create several more counts and more colonies. This indicates steady progress. There are many more opportunities for people to step forward as counts or local governors of colonies – you can find these in the help wanted article. If you are interested in being a count (or countess) or forming a local colony, please contact me – I'll be glad to walk you through the steps required to help you get there, this growth is important in helping us establish a real worldwide presence.

One significant accomplishment we made in the last quarter was crossing the line to more than 250 citizens in early September. We now at about 260 and pushing for 300 soon. Ideally recruiting will increase exponentially so we can cross 500 in 2012 but it will take all of us recruiting to get there.

So where are we right now? We have one diocese (regional chapter) consisting of three provinces (local groups), we have five colonies (autonomous local groups), and we have sixteen counts and countesses (local points of contact for information and recruiting). These are:

\* The Diocese of Anatoliou Pelagous: consisting of the provinces of Megalopotamia (Virginia and West Virginia), Prasino Boura (Tennessee and Kentucky) and Neophthia (North and South Carolina).

\* The Colonies of Valentia (Scotland), Nova Gallica (Eastern Canada), Nova Raska (Texas, Louisiana and Arkansas), Noviodunum (Northern New England) and Neoaustralia (Australia).

\* The Countships of Northern New England, Alaska, Australia, the United Kingdom, California, Germany, Greece, Kansas, Oregon, Slovakia, South Africa, Sweden, Texas, the Netherlands, Utah and New Jersey.

We are on the verge of creating more colonies (perhaps even some more dioceses) this year, but lack only people willing to step up and form the local groups. If you are interested in being a leader of that type, please [contact me](#). I look forward to hearing from you.

Baduila Chalkeus

Grand Chancellor of Byzantium Novum

## FOREIGN MINISTER'S REPORT BADUILA CHALKEUS



There has not been much happening in the Foreign Ministry in the last quarter. We have had a few posts about neighboring states and their leaders, but we are still lacking key leaders in our organization. As we roll into the next quarter, we hope to expand our studies of foreign powers during the Byzantine era and hope you will join us.

Baduila Chalkeus

Foreign Minister of Byzantium Novum

## HOW TO FORM A COLONY IN BYZANTIUM NOVUM BY BADUILA CHALKEUS

Our Empire is growing in leaps and bounds, but the vast majority of our members live outside of the organized local and regional groups (about 22% live in the diocese and colonies currently formed). For your information, local chapters in Byzantium Novum consist of provinces (local chapters that are part of a diocese; we have three provinces at present\*) and colonies (local chapters that are outside the dioceses, we currently have five colonies\*\*). There are a number of areas where colonies could be founded quickly – the population already exists and is awaiting only a leader to get them organized. These areas are Washington-Oregon-Idaho, California-Nevada, Utah-Colorado-Arizona-New Mexico, Wisconsin-Illinois, Michigan-Indiana-Ohio, Pennsylvania-New Jersey, Maryland-Delaware-DC, New York\*\*\*, England\*\*\*, Netherlands-Belgium-Luxembourg, Germany, Serbia\*\*\*, Russia and Greece.

So what do you need to form a colony?

First of all, you need five citizens. All of the areas in the last paragraph meet or exceed that requirement. Second, you need a slate of officers. Under an administrative waiver granted with the consent of the Senate last month, that means you need just two officers: a governor (called a magistrate in colonies) and one other officer – a chancellor (administrator), chamberlain (recruiter), tribune (security or re-enactor), or a treasurer. You can, of course, have all of them!

There is a handy-dandy form that I will send the prospective governor, where he or she will list the officers and all the citizens, provide a name for the colony, and tell me where it is. The governor signs the form and sends it back to me. At that point, I will take the form to the Senate for our monthly polling. The Senate polls the last half of every month (assuming we have something to vote on) and announces results on the first day of each month.

The whole process can be done in a few days, and I will help all I can before, during and after the approval process. I look forward to colonies and dioceses covering the globe. If you would like to form a colony, please contact me. Let's work together to make our Empire great!

-- Baduila Chalkeus, Grand Chancellor

\*Megalopotamia in Virginia and West Virginia, Prasino Boura in Tennessee and Kentucky, and Neophthia in North and South Carolina. They are all parts of the Diocese of Anatoliou Pelagous.

\*\* Valentia in Scotland, Nova Gallica in Eastern Canada, Nova Raska in Texas-Louisiana-Arkansas, Noviodunum in Northern New England and Neoaustralia in Australia.

\*\*\* Could actually form two colonies with the current population.

### ORTHODOX EASTER IS APRIL 15

Celebrate by [dying eggs red](#)! The color represents the blood of Christ.

### INTERNATIONAL BYZANTINE DAY IS MAY 11!

Check out these websites for information on how you can celebrate!

[Byzantium Novum](#)

[Amma's Kitchen](#)

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP PLAN AN EVENT FOR ANATOLIU PELAGOUS TO CELEBRATE SEPTEMBER 1,  
THE BYZANTINE NEW YEAR?**

Contact [Amma](#) to help!

## BOOK REPORT: BYZANTIUM AND ITS ARMY 284-1081

BY BADUILA CHALKEUS

Warren Treadgold, *Byzantium and Its Army 284-1081*.

Stanford, California: Stanford University Press, 1995.

This is a wonderful little book about the early Byzantine Army from the days of its founding until the death of Emperor Nicephorus III Botaniates (last of the pre-Komnenos emperors).

The book is divided into six chapters: The Roman Army's Second Millennium, Numbers, Structures, Pay, The Army and Society, and The Army and the State. I found the first three chapters interesting as they discuss the history of the late Roman and then the divided empire, evolving into a Byzantine Empire (it seems hardly right to continue to call it an 'Eastern Empire' after the fall of the West); the number of soldiers and sailors in the Byzantine military. and how hard it is to compute a good number, yet he manages to do so nevertheless; and then a good discussion of how the Roman legions and auxiliaries quickly gave way to *themes*, *tagmata*, *banda*, and the *drungus*.

In particular, I found the discussion on the *drungus* interesting although I learned a little about the other organizations, I had no knowledge of the *drungus* or its importance in the structure of the Byzantine military and society.

The last half of the book I admit I found tedious, as they dealt almost exclusively with the pay of the soldiers. I expected that discussion in the chapter marked 'pay' and I was, I admit, a little curious about it. However, I was surprised to find the last two chapters were also about soldiers pay and its collective influence on society and the state. A hundred and one pages (literally) about pay were more than I ever wanted to read. However, by grinding my way through it, I was able to learn that a soldier earned less than a lower-class prostitute and had a hard time surviving on their pay, which was sometimes cut dramatically by money-starved emperors.

Generals, on the other hand, were quite rich. I was also interested that pay came either every year (once a year) or even once every few years, depending on the era and regiment.

Do I recommend this book? This is, at heart, a reference book, although I didn't read it like one. I heartily recommend the second and third chapters. I recommend the first if you need a basic history of how the Empire came into being. The last three chapters I recommend only if you are really, really interested in mundane issues like pay for a medieval army or if you're an insomniac!

The book is available from [Amazon](#) and excerpts can be found on [Google Books](#).

### Reading Suggestions from Marcus Audens:

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--Hetherington, Paul, "Byzantine and Medieval Greece," London, John Murray, 1991.

--Ian Hogg, "The History of Fortification," New York, St. Martin's Press Inc., 1981.

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--Lampl, Paul, "Cities and Planning In the Ancient Near East," New York, George Braziller Inc., 1968.

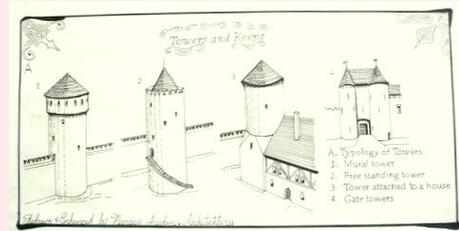
## TOWERS AND KEEPS

BY MARCUS AUDENS

In ancient times, when the fortress curtain wall was made of earth excavated from a ditch in front of the wall, towers, if they were used, were constructed of wood. Previously we have seen different styles of towers, open backed, accessed only over small draw-bridges in the curtain wall from the walkway or Allure. They were also constructed attached to buildings inside the fortification, or built standing alone, or constructed as solid towers supporting the curtain wall. Often they were used to defend the corners of the castle wall as well as to lend support the defenders with the use and housing of heavy artillery as well as an ammunition store. As this skill in castle building developed, the problems with certain aspects of tower construction were brought to the fore and solved by the master builders

of the day. Square towers created "dead angles" which left the towers open to the enemy's mines, The Roman engineers had already made this determination and we see round and D-shaped towers often incorporated into their fortress designs. These kinds of towers which sometimes projected out from the curtain wall were known as "flanking towers." These flanking towers, allowed the fighting men to cover the "flanks" or sides of the curtain wall easily. Use of towers along a curtain wall, including the style, shape, and spacing; all were determined to a great extent by the geography and terrain on which the castle and fortress was constructed. The material of the early towers was of wood which, of course, is easily subject to fire, and so it was not long before stone was used in their construction over the raw animal hides that covered wooden towers.

This took a longer period of time to build, but was a more lasting medium with which to build. Tower design often revealed the amount of money available to build such fortifications, and the design also depended greatly upon the master builder or designer who laid out the plans for the fortifications.



Towers and Keeps Original Drawing

## REPORT ON SENATE ACTIVITIES

In September 2011, the Senate held no polls.

In October 2011, the Senate approved the request of the Colony of Nova Raska (Texas, Arkansas, and Louisiana) to form as a local chapter in Byzantium Novum.

In November 2011, the Senate approved Maria Aegyptica as Countess of South Africa.

In December, 2011, thanked Marcus Cassius Julianus for his year of service as Count

Third Class and appointed him to a one-year term as Count Second Class of Northern New England.

In January 2012, the Senate held no polls.

In February 2012, the Senate: Approved the request of the Colony of Noviodumum (Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont) to form as a local group in Byzantium Novum.

Approved the request of the Colony of Neoaustralia (Australia) to form as a local group in Byzantium Novum.

Thanked Tiberius Tullius Lucianus for his year of service as Count Third Class of the United Kingdom and appoint him to a one-year term as Count Second Class.

Appointed Kirill Vasil Vladimirovich as Count Third Class of New Jersey.

[Baduila Chalkeus](#)  
Clerk of the Senate

## RECIPES TO SHARE FROM CASSIUS

### Byzantine Savory

¾ cup mixed color peppercorns  
 ½ cup pine nuts  
 ½ cup parsley  
 ½ cup whole coriander  
 ½ cup savory  
 ½ cup ground cumin  
 ½ cup cinnamon  
 ½ cup celery seed  
 ¼ cup whole white peppercorns  
 ¼ cup whole juniper berries  
 6 tablespoons ground nutmeg  
 1 tablespoon ground cloves  
 Grind whole spices  
 Grind together in a 1 quart jar

### Byzantine Sweet Spice

¼ cup Byzantine Savory  
 ½ cup cinnamon  
 ¼ cup whole coriander  
 ¼ cup whole cardamom  
 2 tablespoons orange peel  
 1 tablespoon nutmeg  
 1 tablespoon ground cloves  
 Grind whole spices  
 Grind together in a 1 quart jar  
 Use 1 tsp. per serving for best results.

### Byzantine Carrot Paste

2 lbs of carrots, peeled and cut into 3 inch pieces  
 Cook 15-20 minutes until tender  
 In a food processor, blend carrots, ½ cup honey, and 2 Tbs Byzantine Sweet Spice.

### Byzantine Asparagus

Blanche one bunch of asparagus. Set aside.  
 Remove most of the stems from a bunch of cilantro. Place in food processor with:

- zest of one lemon
- juice of two lemons
- 1 Tbs of extra virgin olive oil
- 1 Tbs of Byzantine Savory
- 1 Tbs honey

In a deep skillet or dutch oven brown the following:

- 2 Tbs extra virgin olive oil
- 1 fine chopped bunch of green onions
- 1 lb sliced portabella mushrooms
- 1 Tbs Byzantine Savory Spice

When brown, add asparagus and cilantro mix, reduce heat to simmer, cook additional 15 minutes. Serve over grain, if desired.

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Are you a writer, photographer, artist or have an interest in writing a piece for *The Basilica*? We would love to have your input, and articles, book reviews, recipes, photos, stories, drawings and more would be wonderful additions to the newsletter! You must be willing to sign a release for anything used in this, or other publications

by Byzantium Novum.  
[Release forms are available from Amma.](#)

Let us know what you'd like to see in upcoming issues! Your time and input are valuable! Your knowledge should be shared! The options here are wide open! Please include a photo of yourself with your submissions if you can.

Senators and other officers please send in your biographies with photos!

[Questions and ideas can be sent to the editor.](#)

*Even worldwide  
 we are very few,  
 but it's the very  
 few that make  
 history when the  
 many fail.  
 ~~Amma  
 Doukaina~~*

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[Marcus Cassius Julianus](#)- Structure, Government, Citizenship and Economies of Micro-nations, Ancient Artifacts and Coins, and Ancient Classical Religion

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If you have a video of yourself lecturing on a Byzantine topic that we could share via our YouTube.com page, [let us know!](#) We'd love to start sharing video of the ways we all incorporate Byzantium into our daily lives.

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