

THIS WEEK we have daily Services. Take some time out to come pray with us. Father is available before and after the services for confession. For those who need to watch the time—The Matins with Holy Communion is a 50 minute service. **Our Pussywillow** sources in Colorado informs us that it is too early for the pussywillows to bud out. It's been a cold winter for them. So we will use the Olive Branches from our Olive Trees. **How Biblical.**



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Sat 3/12 AKATHISTOS SATURDAY, P 228
8:45 am Akathist Hymn to the Theotokos
9:00 am Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom
63rd Anniversary Fr. Gregory Petruska

**Sun 3/13 FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST
MEMORY OF HOLY MOTHER MARY OF EGYPT
& Tone 1, p. 125 & 230**
9:00 am Choir Rehearsal
9:30 am Confessions
10:00 am For members of our parish family
Panachida Service for +Lawrence Kessel

SIXTH WEEK OF THE GREAT FAST

Mon 3/14 Venerable Father Benedict
9:00 am Matins with Holy Communion

Tues 3/15 Martyrs Agape's & Companions
9:00 am Matins with Holy Communion

Wed 3/16 Martyrs Sabines & Papas meatless day
7:30 pm Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
God's blessing on Kay Terry by Dennis & Sally Rock

**Thu 3/17 NO SERVICES—
FATHER IS NOT AVAILABLE.**

Fri 3/18 Father Cyril of Jerusalem meatless day
9:00 am Matins with Holy Communion

Sat 3/19 LAZARUS SATURDAY, p. 232
9:00 am Liturgy of St. John
God's blessing on Aubra Rauchwenger
by Jessica Hoskinson

Sun 3/20 PALM SUNDAY, p. 235
9:30 am Confessions
10:00 am **Blessing of the Olive Branches & Palms
by the Water Fall, Procession into the
Church & the Liturgy of St. John
Chrysostom,**
For members of our parish (Fr. Stephen)
Fr. Harold Drexler by Kay Terry
Family (Fr. George)

ECF CLASSES after the Liturgy for our youth

PRAYER REQUESTS Charles Krofchik, Fr. Gregory Petruska, Chet Vogel, Joseph Moran, Fr. Marcus Gomori, Ruth Terry, Adrian Flores & Veronica Navarette, Jessica Kanenbley, Judy Livingston, Bob & Rita Pipta, Margaret Bevins, Nicholas Moyta, Jean Anderson, Betty Perebzak, David, the brother of Marilyn Cooper, Richard Sesma, Deanna Keefe, Ron Lowery & Family, Alex Vida, Susan Dovin, Kay Weil, Janet Lambert, and Ron, Carol & Gilbert Pasmant, Ethan McArthur.

+**GEORGE MORAN**, the brother of Msgr. Michael Moran, fell asleep in the Lord. Kindly remember +George and the family in your prayers. Eternal Memory and Blessed Repose.

7 DAY CANDLE OFFERING

Eternal Light:

Intention for Dennis & Sally Rock

Icon of our Lord:

+Evdokiya Obushko by Charles & Tanya Johnson

Icon of the Theotokos

Thanksgiving by Betty Bohner

READERS & REHEARSAL SCHEDULE for more information contact Robert Pipta.

TODAY

3/13	REHEARSAL Nick Olszyk	9:00 - 9:45 am Hebrews 9: 11-14
3/20	Blessing of Palms at Waterfall Steve Kopko	10:00 am Philippians 4: 4-9
3/27	The Resurrection of our Lord Mike Petyo	Acts 1: 1-8

COFFEE SOCIAL HOST FOR MARCH our appreciation to Liz & Becky Halahan.

SPECIAL THANK YOU TO our wonderful kitchen staff who prepared the luncheon for the Eastern Catholic Pastoral Association of Southern California. The priests appreciated the excellent luncheon and the dedication of our parishioners who provide hospitality to our visitors to our parish. Thank you.

Parish Calendar & Upcoming Events

TODAY-EASTER BOUTIQUE IN THE PARISH HALL See Sue and Carol.

3/16 Wednesday & 3/17 Thursday PASKA BAKING DAYS 8:30 am Come and help us bake. See Nina for more information.

PALM SUNDAY—EASTER BAKE SALE AND EASTER BOUTIQUE

EASTER SUNDAY MARCH 27TH 9:00 AM
Procession, Matins & Divine Liturgy. *Plan on staying after the Easter Services to enjoy your Blessed Easter Foods with our parish family.*

NEXT MONTHLY LUNCHEON Sunday April 10th—
Ukrainian Lunch. See Stephen Kopko for your reservation and dinner tickets.

50/50 RAFFLE

Winner for last week's drawing: Stephen Kopko \$172.50
Consolation prize winner: George Washicko *donated by Sue Petyo.

Drawings on the 1st of the following month at \$5 each or \$20 for 5 tickets. The only exception is that 50/50 tickets will not be sold during fundraising luncheons. See *Jennifer Washicko* for your tickets for our April 3 drawing.

EASTER BOUTIQUE looking for that special gift items for your family or friends to celebrant the Resurrection of our Lord? Visit our Easter Boutique which is in the parish hall. There is something for everyone.

HERE IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO SHINE MUSIC WORKROOM is completed and in good working order except, *we need special people* to organize, sort and label the various liturgical books and pamphlets. Give Bob Pipta or Stephen Kopko a call.

EASTER BAKE SALE for Palm Sunday we need your special Easter Cookies and bake goods for our Bake Sale. See Helen or Nina in the kitchen.

WE NEED YOU to invite your friends, neighbors, people you met in line at Coscos or at the super market to our Easter Celebration. Easter Sunday at 9:00 am. We have plenty of room for most of Anaheim.

BISHOP'S APPEAL 2016

Our Bishop has been very good to our parish and helped us to manage our Mortgage. Now, it's our turn to help our Eparchy and our Church. He is asking a pledge of \$200 from each household of our parish. Give what you can and help our Eparchy.

Our goal for our parish is \$13,200.00
If we make our goal our 30% rebate: \$3,960.00
35% of our members have responded!

Be sure to fill out the pledge card or let us know what you plan to pledge and make your checks out to
"ANNUNCIATION CHURCH."

We accept Credit Cards/Debit Cards through the Square just see one of our ushers. Or you may want to consider a payment schedule to pay off your pledge for the next few months. Just fill out your pledge form and drop it into the collection basket on Sunday. *Only the paid up pledges will be sent to the Chancery.* Bishop Gerald will respond with an acknowledgement and card.

BISHOP'S HONOR ROLL— THANK YOU.

Stephen & JoAnne Kopko, Francine Kanenbley, George & Jan Washicko, Coquita Guerra & Donna Safian.

TITHING AND ATTENDANCE REPORT

February 28 3rd Sunday the Great Fast

Attendance: Sun: 10:00 am 100 Souls

Adult Tithes : \$3,525.00

Youth Tithes: \$2.50

Easter Flowers: \$390.00

Mortgage Reduction: \$200.00

Principle Reduction: \$190.00

In Memorial of George & Audrey Washicko \$500.00

Easter Bake Sale: \$408.00

Jam: \$34.00

Thank you for your support and love for our Parish. Especially for those who use E-CHECKS or mail into the parish office their tithings.

We accept credit and debit cards by way The Square. Your receipts are e-mailed. We appreciate your comments.

Lesson in Evangelization – Seek the Lost Go out to the roads and country lanes and compel them to come in” (Luke 14:23)

In the previous five lessons of this evangelization series, we discussed the importance of prayer, sacred scripture, the Eucharist, serving God and sharing our encounter with Him. This lesson focuses on how to live out an authentic Byzantine Catholic faith by

SEEKING THE LOST

Jesus repeatedly told stories of God's love for the lost: He is the good shepherd that searches for each lost and vulnerable sheep. The parable of the Prodigal Son illustrates God's earnest and patient search for every person. "The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance" (2 Peter 3:9). Evangelism, then, is joining God's search to bring everyone to participate in the Kingdom of God, here and now and for all eternity. There are many who have yet to be baptized, chrismated and receive Holy Eucharist. Sadly, there are many who have been welcomed into the bosom of the Church, and still have not converted in their hearts. These are the lost that God seeks, and that we must, with gentle perseverance, follow him in seeking.

The fact remains that all people, including unbelievers, matter deeply to God. And mankind desperately needs to meet the mystery hidden from all ages, the God-man, Jesus Christ. Sharing the gospel is a powerful way to love people. St. John reminds us, "Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because they have not believed in the name of God's one and only Son" (3:18). As Byzantine Catholics, our awareness that family, friends, and strangers will otherwise be eternally separated from God must motivate us to proclaim the mercy and love of Jesus Christ.

Similarly, St. Paul encourages us to "value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others" (Phillippians 2:3-4). There is nothing like the power of Jesus Christ to restore a broken world and many broken lives to what God originally intended (John 3:17). Witnessing our faith to the people around us places the utmost value on their lives—their eternal lives.

As a matter of fact, it brings joy to both God and us. St. Luke tells us there is rejoicing in heaven when even one sinner repents. Beyond the heavenly celebration, we too experience great joy when we see people's lives transformed by Jesus Christ (15:7 & 15:10). We share "this that our joy may be complete." (1 Jn. 1:4).

God is preparing for a full house in heaven. In my house, there are many mansions, our Lord says (John 14:2). We are blessed to help in the noble task of filling the heavenly kingdom. St. Paul points out in Romans 10:14 why this is so important: "How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them?" The next verse goes on to praise the "beautiful" feet of those who

share the good news and "go out to the roads and country lanes and compel them to come in" (Luke 14:23).

Invite anyone and everyone to our Holy Services, don't worry we have lots of room in our Great Church.

**ALIVE IN CHRIST 2016 – an "Ascetical Boot Camp" Retreat for Byzantine Catholic Young Men.
July 14-17. May 11 deadline for registration.**

What & Why: Inaugurated in 2003, "Alive in Christ" is a spiritual retreat camp conducted by the Vocations Office of the Holy Protection Eparchy of Phoenix. The camp aims at helping young men mature in their Catholic faith and a life of authentic Christian discipleship. Fed by Byzantine spirituality, the camp engenders a fervor that will deepen personal awareness of a boy's share in the Life of Christ, that will sustain him as he grows into adulthood in an ever-increasing secular world, that will teach him to exercise Christian values through self-mastery, and that will assist him in discerning well his God-given vocations and charisms. Conducted in a highly disciplined and somewhat rigorous environment, the camp accomplishes its goals with a focus on community and by means of liturgical prayer, friendship building, and team effort.

Who: Invited are young men and boys, ages 7 to 17, who are active and in good standing with their Byzantine Catholic parishes for at least 6 months prior to application. Each boy who is 7 to 10 years old during the camp requires his father or legal male guardian's registration and full participation. There are no exceptions to the age requirements. Each 7 and 8 year old should have made his first confession. All fathers of boy attendees are encouraged to register and participate in the camp. *As enrollment is limited, spaces for accepted applicants are filled on a first-paid-first-registered basis.* Boy applicants must be available for the entire duration of the camp. Except for medical and emergency situations, early departures are not to be requested.

Where: Treacy Levine Center (formerly Camp Brotherhood)

24880 Brotherhood Road
Mount Vernon, Washington 98274

info@treacylevine.org

[Administrator for Treacy Levine Center is Pat Slater (360-445-5061)]

Treacy Levine Center is an approximately 90 minute drive from the SeaTac Airport.

When: 2:30 PM (Pacific Daylight Time) Thursday, 14 July to 1:00 PM Sunday, 17 July 2016.

See Father Stephen for registration, requirements & information.