

# Annunciation Byzantine Catholic Church

*Established on July 20, 1969*

**995 N. West Street - Anaheim, CA 92801-4305 - (714) 533.6292**

*Located on West Street just south of La Palma*

Holy Protection of the Mary Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Phoenix

## **SUNDAY LITURGY**

10:00 am

**Third Hour**

9:40 am

## **DAILY LITURGIES**

Monday, Tuesday

Wednesday, Friday

9:00 am

## **HOLYDAYS**

Vigil Vesper/Liturgy

7:30 pm

Feast Day

Divine Liturgy

9:00 am



## **WELCOME TO OUR PARISH**

On the Feast of Saint  
Elijah July 20th, we  
will be celebrating 50  
years of faithful  
Service to the  
Catholic Community.

We ask for your  
prayers and support  
as we look to the  
future in our  
mandated mission to  
bring our Lord, Jesus  
Christ to the people  
of California.

**BAPTISM** Membership is required &  
preparation class.

**CONFESSIONS** Sun 9:30-9:50 am,  
Daily 8:30-8:50 am or by appointment

## **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday-Friday 10 am - 4pm

Closed on Thursdays & Holy Days

***Please call before coming to the office.***

## **PARISH ADVISORY BOARD**

Stephen Kopko, Jan Washicko, Marya Weil, Bruce Terry,  
Helen Malinick, Nina Erickson, John Sheftic & Beth Gath

## **PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL**

Andy Spisak, Stephen Kopko & Robert Erickson

## **ANOINTING OF THE SICK & SHUT-INS**

Family members must contact the parish  
office. Anointing of the Sick is  
given in church after the Liturgy.

## **MYSTERY OF CROWNING**

Arrangements must be made 6 months in  
advance.

## **QUINCEANERA**

Member of the parish and attends our  
Eastern Christian Formation Program.

## **EASTERN CHRISTIAN FORMATION**

September- June on Sunday after the  
Parish Liturgy Marya Weil Coordinator

***For registration information, please contact the Parish Office.  
Served by Right Reverend Stephen G Washko, pastor***

E-mail: [abcc72069@gmail.com](mailto:abcc72069@gmail.com)

**Website: [www.annunciationbyzantine.org](http://www.annunciationbyzantine.org)**

**[facebook.com/annunciation.byzantine](https://facebook.com/annunciation.byzantine)**

**Schedule of Divine Liturgies for this week**

**29 Saturday Commemoration of the Miracle of the Great Martyr Theodore, p. 379**

**8:00 am Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom,** With blessing of the (Kutia) boiled wheat with honey & fruit

+*The Priest Benjamin Fama* by *Diana Fama*



**Hebrew Scripture Readings for Sunday's Gospel**

DEUTERONOMY 5: 1-5, 18: 15-19 ISAIAH 42: 1-12

**1 FIRST SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY & MEMORY OF THE HOLY PROPHETS, P. 220 & 146**

Confession.....9:30-9:50 am  
 Procession & Blessing the Holy Icons & The Liturgy of Saint Basil the Great.....10:00 am

*\*Panachida for +Dennis Rock 3 year Anniversary For the members of our parish and friends*

*\*Provided for those who may be hard of hearing or just to follow along, a Special White Books is available in the pews for the reading of St. Basil's Anaphora*

*\*ECF Classes*

**SECOND WEEK OF THE GREAT FAST**

**2 Monday Bishop Martyr Theodotus**  
**9:00 am** Matins with Holy Communion

**3 Tuesday Martyrs Eutropius & Others**  
 9:00 am Matins with Holy Communion

**4 Wednesday Venerable Gerasimus**  
 7:30 pm Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts, p. 67 in the Purple Books  
 +*The Priest Francis Vivona*

**5 Thursday No Services Scheduled**  
**Parish Office is Closed**

**6 Friday 42 Martyrs of Ammorium**  
 9:00 am Matins with Holy Communion

**7 Saturday SECOND ALL SOULS, p. 428**  
 8:00 am Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom & Panachida with the Reading of the Names.

**Hebrew Scripture Readings for Sunday's Gospel**  
 Sirach 28: 1-7 & Isaiah 58: 1-11

**8 Second Sunday of the Great Fast & Tone 6, p. 222 & 152**

Confessions .....9:30-9:50 am  
 The Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great.....10:00 am  
*For our parish members and friends*

**LET US JOIN WITH THE SAINTS IN HEAVEN TO PRAY FOR THOSE IN NEED**

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|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Rob Yarosik             | Fr Stephen Casmus         |
| Albert Hatton           | Gloria Solis              |
| Charles Bivens          | Brian Safian              |
| Msgr Michael Moran      | Margaret Kessel           |
| Marc & Matt Lowery      | Stephen Demora            |
| Carol Petyo             | Rosa Navarro              |
| Kathy Mykeloff          | John Galamba              |
| Margaret Holston        | Frank Malinick            |
| Robby Dugan             | Betty Perebzk             |
| Charlotte Marie Moran   | Jessica Kanenbley         |
| Msgr George N. Vida     | John Galamba              |
| Joel Rivera             | Janet Lambert             |
| Bill Drahusz            | Judy Livingston           |
| Deanna Keefe            | Chuck Johnson             |
| Elaine Nale             | Stella Navarette          |
| Ron & Isabel Christian  | Fr. Chris Petruska        |
| Margarette Samul Family | Bob & Rita Pipta          |
| Ruth Terry              | Adrian Flores             |
| Veronica Navarette      | Fr. Marcus Gomori         |
| Alex Gomori             | Mary Washko               |
| Helen Malinick          | Petrice (Podhayny) Duncan |
| Margaret Dessureault    |                           |

For prayer requests: call Fr. Stephen or E-mail to [abcc72069@gmail.com](mailto:abcc72069@gmail.com)

**7 DAY CANDLE OFFERING  
 ICONS OF OUR LORD & THEOTOKOS**

The special envelopes are available on the greeting table.  
 The donation for the Icon Candles are \$5.

Eternal Light-Candle

*God's blessing on Helen Malinick*  
*by Helen Bruce*

Tetrapod Lamps

Our Lord

*God's blessing on Fr. Stephen Casmus by Helen Bruce*

The Mother of God

*Blessings on China & Nick Weil*  
*by Marya & Bob Weil*

**SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**BISHOP'S APPEAL 2020** you will be getting in the mail from the Bishop's Office your 2020 Eparchial Appeal brochure, Pledge/Payment form and a Postage-Paid Return Envelope.

OR you may want to donate online, please go to [ephx.org](http://ephx.org) then "Home- Eparchy of Phoenix" then: "Giving"

Make sure you note that you are from ANNUNCIATION

**Our parish GOAL \$30,954.20. Kindly give what you can to help our Eparchy and our Church.**

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**THREE TUESDAY NIGHTS INTRODUCTION TO THE BIBLE** with Father John Monastero March 10th, 17th & 24th. Here in our parish hall at 7:00 pm- 9:30pm. SEE THE SPECIAL FLYER.

**UPCOMING PROJECTS** repair parking lot (safety issue), replace roof on the rectory, install insulation in the attic, attack the termites in the rectory and paint the hall.

**\*COLLECTION FOR AID TO THE CHURCH IN CENTRAL & EASTERN EUROPE:** Through Bishop’s Conferences in Central & Eastern Europe and the ex-Soviet Union, this aid assists in the training of seminarians and lay church leaders, Church-sponsored social service programs, youth ministry, pastoral and catechetical center, school and church construction/renovation, and evangelization through the use of Catholic Media.

**Baking for Our Easter Bake Sale**

Our bake sales are important fund raisers for our parish! We need volunteers to get ready for the Easter bake sale. No experience is necessary. New and experienced bakers are welcome. On baking days, we start at 9:00 am on these six Saturdays. *(If it is an All Souls Saturday, the Liturgy will be celebrated at 8:00 am. Coffee and Danish Rolls after the Liturgy.)*

Please sign up for these 2020 dates:  
 Sat., March 7 – Nut and Apricot rolls  
 Sat., March 21 – Paska  
 Sat., March 28 – Paska

\*On each Saturday, bakers will be served a light lunch.

Please sign up with Jan Washicko at the coffee socials, or call 714-402-7386

**Welcome to AmazonSmile!**

Remember when shopping on Amazon, always start at [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) and Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases. Be sure to click on **“Supporting Annunciation Byzantine Catholic Anaheim.”**

At the end of the quarter Amazon will make a direct deposit into our account.

Thank you for supporting **Annunciation Byzantine Catholic Church Anaheim.**

**TITHING AND ATTENDANCE REPORT**

**Our Stewardship February 23**  
**Attendance: Sun—130 souls**  
**Mon Presanctified Liturgy: 50 souls**  
**Wed Presanctified Liturgy: 40 souls**  
**9am Matins 5 souls**  
 Adult Tithes: \$3,294.65  
 Youth Tithes: \$26.75  
 Craft Fair Vendors: \$160.00

\*Central & Eastern Europe Collection; \$524.19  
 Principle Reduction: \$35.00  
 Easter Bake Sale pre-sold orders: \$1,278.00  
 Please remember our parish in your **Will & Bequests.**

**MORTGAGE BALANCE 2-10-20**  
**\$740,581.77**

**Extra payment last month for \$2,235.00**  
 Thank you for your generous donations *on the principle of* our mortgage. Thank you.

**CALENDAR OF UPCOMING**

- TODAY** Special Collection for the Church in Central & Eastern Europe.
- 4 WED** 7:30 pm Presanctified Liturgy  
**EASTER ORDERS ARE DUE!**
- 7 SAT** **SECOND ALL SOULS**  
 8:00 am Divine Liturgy  
 & Panachida with the reading of names.
- 9:00 am** **NUT & APRICOT ROLLS BAKING**
- 3:00 pm** **Farewell to David & Catherine Majors**
- 14 SAT** **THIRD ALL SOULS** 8:00 am Divine Liturgy & Panachida with the reading of names.
- 4:00 pm** **Homeschoolers Dance**

*Glory to Jesus Christ!*  
*Glory to Him Forever!*

**FIRST SATURDAY OF THE GREAT FAST**  
 By Archpriest David M. Petras



This Saturday concludes “Clean Week,” a week of intense fasting for the purification of soul and body. It ends with a story, that can be summed up: the Emperor Julian, who wanted a return to paganism, had all manner of food sacrificed to the pagan gods, so Christians couldn’t eat anything. The Great-Martyr Theodore appeared to the bishop to reveal the cooking of wheat flavored by honey (koliva in Greek, kutija in Slavonic) so the people would have food. (Synaxarion of this event given below). This has a mystical meaning for our Lenten fast. How much of our lives, symbolized by the food we eat which becomes a part of us, is actually not an offering to God, but to the gods of this world. It was in selfishness that Adam and Eve ate of the fruit of the Tree of the knowledge of good and evil, believing the serpent’s lie that they would be like God. But this week ends on a note of joy! God has not abandoned us to our disobedience and selfishness, but he gives us a sweet food - laced with honey - to nourish our souls and bodies. The week of fasting ends on a note of triumph over sin.

### Synaxarion: (Lives of the Saints)



In 361 A.D. Julian the Apostate was doing his utmost to restore pagan customs. Knowing that the Christians were accustomed to sanctify the first week of Lent by fasting and prayer, the wily (evil) tyrant told the Prefect of Constantinople to have all the foodstuffs set out for sale in the markets sprinkled with blood of animals sacrificed to the gods, so that no one in the City would escape the contagion of idolatry. However, the Lord did not abandon His chosen people

(Christians), but sent his servant St. Theodore to outwit the pagan tyrant. Appearing in a vision to Patriarch Evdoxius (360-364 A.D.), the holy Martyr informed him of what was afoot from the markets but instead to instruct the Christians not to buy food from the markets but instead to eat kolyva made grains of boiled wheat. Thus, thanks to the intervention of the holy Martyr Theodore, the Christian people were preserved from the stain of idolatry. The Church has commemorated this miracle ever since on the first Saturday of Holy and Great Lent, in order to remind the faithful that fasting and temperance have the power to cleanse all the stains of sin. The commemoration of the appearance of Saint Theodore and the miracle of the kolyva is celebrated with the celebration of the Divine Liturgy and a memorial Service.

### Prayer of Blessing of Kutija:

Lord, you brought all things to perfection through your word. You commanded the earth to bring forth all manner of fruits for our enjoyment and food. Through grain and vegetables you made the three Children and Daniel fairer than the Babylonians who lived in luxury. Now, O all-loving King, bless this grain and fruit, and sanctify those who will partake of them: for they have been offered by your servants to your glory, in honor and memory of the Holy Great Martyr Theodore the Recruit, and for a memorial to those who have fallen asleep in the true faith. Grant, O good Lord, to those who have prepared this offering and who keep this memorial, all their petitions which are for their salvation, and count them worthy to rejoice in your eternal blessings: through the prayers of our most pure Lady the Mother of God and ever-Virgin Mary, of the Holy and Great Martyr Theodore, and of all your saints. For you bless and sanctify all things, O Christ our God, and to you we give glory, with your eternal Father and your most holy, good and life-creating Spirit, now and ever, and forever.

**Introduction to the Bible**

**Three Session Adult Education Course**

Session dates:  
**Tues., March 10, 2020**  
**Tues., March 17, 2020**  
**Tues., March 24, 2020**

**7:00pm to 9:30pm**

Presented: Father John Monestiro

The Bible is a library of 73 books written over a period of a thousand years in a culture very different from our own. In our three sessions we will explore how the Catholic Church approaches and interprets Scripture, how the canon of the Bible was formed and how to meditate and pray with the Scriptures.

The book we will be using is 'Introduction to the Bible' by William A. Anderson. ISBN 9780764021196.

Interested people, contact the parish office at:  
**714-533-6292**

Course Location:  
 Annunciation Byzantine Catholic Church Parish Social Hall,  
 995 N. West Ave., Anaheim, CA 92801

Response: Amen.