

Holy Lenten Services & Activities for this Week

Come and Join us for The Lenten Services

Sat 3/3 Third All Souls Saturday p. 379

9:00 am Divine Liturgy & Panachida Service with the Reading of the Names

Pierogi Workshop

Hebrew Readings from Vespers for Sunday

Sirach 2: 1-9 & Isaiah 50: 4-9

Sun 3/4 Veneration of the Holy Cross Tone 6, p. 223 & 152

9:40 am THE THIRD HOUR

9:30-9:50 am Confessions

10:00 am *Members of our Parish & Friends.*

11:45 am ECF Classes

Fourth Week of the Great Fast

Mon 3/5 Martyr Conon

9:00 am *Matins with Holy Communion*

Tue 3/6 Forty-two Martyrs of Ammorium

9:00 am *Matins with Holy Communion*

7:30 pm Bible Studies in the parish hall

Wed 3/7 Mid-Lent —The Fast is Half Completed The Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts

7:30 pm *God's blessing on Linda Bolt
by Dennis Dutt*

Baking Nut Rolls 9am

Thu 3/8 Parish Office is Closed Father is not available

Baking Nut Rolls 9am

Fri 3/9 Forty Martyrs of Sebaste

9:00 am *Matins with Holy Communion*

Sat 3/10 Fourth All Souls Saturday

9:00 am *Liturgy with the Panachida Service
with the reading of the names of our
deceased.*

Hebrew Readings for Sunday

Samuel 17: 1-11 & Isaiah 52: 13-53: 6

Daylight Savings Time—Spring ahead one hour.

Sun 3/11 Fourth Sunday of the Great Fast, Memory of Holy Father John Climacus & Tone 7, p. 226 & 156

9:00 am Choir Rehearsal

9:30-9:50 am Confessions

10:00 am *Members of our Parish & Friends*

11:45 am 50th Anniversary Meeting in Classroom
upstairs. No ECF Classes Scheduled.

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

Margarette Samul Family

Chuck Johnson

Bill Drahusz

Nina Erickson

Frances Bisaha

Christopher Torday

Stephen Torday

Joseph Moran

Ruth Terry

Veronica Navarette

Judy Livingston

June Yontos,

Betty Perebzk

Deanna Keefe

Alex Vida

Janet Lambert

Ethan McArthur

Johnny Dushanko

Frank Malinick

Sister Chris Malcovsky

Ron & Isabel Christian

Joel Rivera

Fr Milan & Maria Kasperek

Stella Navarette

Fr. Christopher Petruska

Bob & Rita Pipta

Adrian Flores

Jessica Kanenbley

Brian Safian

Lauren Harnett

Richard Sesma

Ron Lowery & Family

Susan Dovin

Ron, Carol & Gilbert Pasmant

Fr Christopher Zuger

Thank you Lord for the Rain

For prayer requests: call Fr. Stephen or E-mail to

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

For those near & far

by Richard Kaikonapiliani Sesma

Our Lord

Special Intention by Jessica Hoskinson

Clergy & Seminarians by Salvador & Gloria Solis

Theotokos

Thanksgiving by Helen Bruce

Tetrapod

Special Intention for Sally Rock

Schedule of Readers

3/11	REHEARSAL Mike Petyo	9:00 - 9:45 am Hebrews 6:13-20
3/11/2018	REHEARSAL Mike Petyo	9:00 - 9:45 am Hebrews 6:13-20
3/18/2018	3 rd Hour Greg Gath	9:40 am Hebrews 9:11-14
3/25/2018	REHEARSAL Brad Franklin	9:00 - 9:45 am Phillipians 4:4-9 or Hebrews 2:11-18

2018 VOCATION ICON SCHEDULE

Mar 11	Sally Rock
Mar 18	Ann Caldryn

LORD, JESUS CHRIST, SON OF GOD
HAVE MERCY ON ME A SINNER.

Gift Shop is Open Sue & Carol have updated the shop and added a few new items. Be sure to stop in after the Liturgy for a browse. The shop is only available on Sunday after the Liturgy

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ☞ **50th Parish Anniversary Meeting** after the 10am Liturgy in the Classroom March 11th—No ECF Classes. Everyone is invited for your input.
- ☞ **Thank You** to the kitchen staff who helped served the luncheon for the Catholic, Orthodox, Eastern Catholic association which met at Annunciation planning the Special Service which we will host in May 2018.
- ☞ **Baking Workshops**— here is an opportunity to do something special for the Great Fast. Come and join us in preparing the special foods for the Pascha Celebration/Fund Raiser. A good way to meet other parishioners of our parish. *Wednesday & Thursday of this week beginning at 9:00 am.*
- ☞ **Bibles Studies** every Tuesday evenings at 7:30 Revelation: The Kingdom Yet to Come
Upcoming Session Dates and Reading Assignment.
Mar 13 Rev 16-18– 7 Bowls of Judgment & Fall of Babylon
Mar 20 Rev 19-20 The Marriage Supper & Judgment
Mar 27 Rev 21-22 New Heaven & New Earth
- ☞ **Bishop's Appeal 2018** —The chancery mailed out Bishop John's letter and the Donation/Pledge for this year's Bishop's Appeal. *All payments and administration of the appeal is handled directly in Phoenix instead of the parishes.*
Please return your pledges, payments and forms directly to the Eparchy of Phoenix.
Checks and Money Orders made out to **EPARCHY OF PHOENIX**. Be sure to note Annunciation in the memo line for credit to our parish.
Credit/Debit Cards may be used for payments—Please do not send cash.

Payments/Correspondence to:

**Eparchy of Phoenix
Bishop's Appeal
8105 N. 16th Street
Phoenix, AZ 85020**

**11 Total Pledges as of 2/16/18: \$2,875.00
120 Households X \$275 = \$33,000.00—Our Goal**

- ☞ **50/50 RAFFLE** a big thank you to *Joanne Kopko*, she will be selling the tickets for the **Sanctuary Fund**. The sale of the tickets will take place in the parish hall.
\$5 per ticket \$20 per five tickets.
The drawing will take place at the end of the month. Need not be present to win.

COFFEE SOCIAL HOST

*Thank you for your love
and service to the parish community.*

February Host: Jean Berardi & Albert & Margaret Hatton
We thank our parishioners for helping our hosts keep our parish hall clean after the Coffee Social.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesdays Bible Studies The Book of Revelation-

The Kingdom Yet to Come. 7:30 pm in the parish hall Session. Final Session March 20

Save these dates:

3/7 Wednesday & 3/8 Thursday—Nut Rolls Baking 9am

3/15 Wednesday—Cookie Baking 9am

3/20 Tuesday & 3/21 Wednesday—Paska Baking 9am

Do you want to do something extra special for the Great Fast? Come and join us in making the Pascha Foods.

Give us about 2 hours of your TIME.

Contact Nina at 714-904-4603 or Helen at 714-778-4722

3/16, 17, 18 Los Angeles Catechetical Congress at the Convention Center, Anaheim.

3/16 Friday We will host a Lenten dinner for the Bishops and Priests attending the Convention

3/18 Sunday Bishop & the Priests from the Convention will join us for the Sunday Divine Liturgy

TITHING AND ATTENDANCE REPORT

Our Stewardship February 18

Attendance: Sun: 10:00 am 125 Souls

Adult Tithes : \$3,410.00

Youth Tithes: \$15.00

Candles: \$163.00

Mortgage Reduction: \$85.00

Bake Sale: \$348.00

Dividends: \$82.41

Mortgage Balance 1/10/18 \$954,558.98

Please remember our parish in your **Will & Bequests**.
Thank you for your generous support and contributions to the Lord's Holy House

The Holy Protection of Mary Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Phoenix Office of Vocations presents
ALIVE IN CHRIST 2018

“An Ascetical Boot Camp” Retreat for Byzantine Catholic Young Men. July 12 to 15, 2018

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: Palomar Christian Conference Center (PCCC)
34764 Doane Valley Road
Palomar Mountain CA 92060
www.pccc.org

PCCC is approximately just under a 2 hour drive from San Diego International Airport

When: 2:30 PM (Pacific Daylight Time) Thursday, July 12 to 1:00 PM Sunday (or after lunch), July 15, 2018
[n.b. Leaders must arrive at 10:00 AM on July 12.]

Theme 2015: "Theosis through Liturgy: The Work of the People and their God"

See Father Stephen for information.

THIRD SUNDAY OF GREAT LENT

In the middle of Lent, the Church sets before us the Cross of Christ. On two other occasions during the year, September 14th and August 1st, the Cross is presented for our remembrance and veneration. Both these feasts link the adoration of the Cross to historic events. However, the remembrance of the Cross on the third Sunday of Lent speaks only to our faith and reverence. It is to proclaim the part played by the Cross in the history of salvation and to prepare us for the vision, still far-off, of the Cross which, on Holy Friday, will be erected on Golgotha.

During matins, towards the end of the great doxology, the priest places a cross on a tray covered with flowers and, carrying the cross above his own head, he leaves the sanctuary and the iconostas. He is preceded by lighted candles and censers. Having reached the middle of the church, he places the cross on a table. He censes it. The choir sings: 'We bow to your Cross, O Lord, and we glorify your holy Resurrection'. The congregation comes to kiss the cross, which remains thus exposed in the middle of the church during the whole of the feast. The meaning of the feast is well expressed by this chant for matins:

'When, on this day, we look at the precious Cross of Christ, in faith let us adore it, let us rejoice, and embrace it ardently, beseeching our Lord, who of His own choice gave Himself to be crucified on it, to make us worthy of adoring His most precious Cross so that, free from all

defilement, we may attain the day of Resurrection.'

THIRD SUNDAY OF GREAT LENT

By St. John Chrysostom (c.347-407)

Adam and Christ, Eve and Mary

Have you seen the wonderful victory? Have you seen the splendid deeds of the Cross? Shall I tell you something still more marvellous? Learn in what way the victory was gained, and you will be even more astonished. For by the very means by which the devil had conquered, by these Christ conquered him; and taking up the weapons with which he had fought, he defeated him. Listen to how it was done.

A virgin, a tree and a death were the symbols of our defeat. The virgin was Eve: she had not yet known man; the tree was the tree of the knowledge of good and evil; the death was Adam's penalty. But behold again a Virgin and a tree and a death, those symbols of defeat, become the symbols of his victory. For in place of Eve there is Mary; in place of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, the tree of the Cross; in place of the death of Adam, the death of Christ.

Do you see him defeated by the very things through which he had conquered? At the foot of the tree the devil overcame Adam; at the foot of the tree Christ vanquished the devil. And that first tree sent men to Hades; this second one calls back even those who had already gone down there. Again, the former tree concealed man already despoiled and stripped; the second tree shows a naked victor on high for all to see. And that earlier death condemned those who were born after it; this second death gives life again to those who were born before it. Who can tell the Lord's mighty deeds? By death we were made immortal: these are the glorious deeds of the Cross. Have you understood the victory? Have you grasped how it was wrought? Learn now, how this victory was gained without any sweat or toil of ours. No weapons of ours were stained with blood; our feet did not stand in the front line of battle; we suffered no wounds; witnessed no tumults; and yet we obtained the victory. The battle was the Lord's, the crown is ours. Since then victory is ours, let us imitate the soldiers, and with joyful voices sing the songs of victory. Let us praise the Lord and say, Death is swallowed up in victory.

O death, where is thy victory?

O death, where is thy sting?

The Cross did all these wonderful things for us: the Cross is a war memorial erected against the demons, a sword against sin, the sword with which Christ slew the serpent. The Cross is the Father's will, the glory of the Only-begotten, the Spirit's exultation, the beauty of the angels, the guardian of the Church. Paul glories in the Cross; it is the rampart of the saints, it is the light of the whole world.