

Annunciation Byzantine Catholic Church

Established on July 20, 1969 + Church Blessed May 16, 2006

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Located on West Street just south of La Palma

Holy Protection of Mary Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Phoenix

Bishop John S. Puzak, C.Ss.R

DIVINE LITURGIES

SUNDAY 10 am

HOLY DAYS

Vesper/Liturgy

7:30 pm

Feast Day 9 am

DAILY LITURGIES

Mon, Tues, Wed &

Fri 9:00 am

CONFESSIONS

Sun 9:30 -9:50 am

Daily 8:30 8:50 am

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday

10am-4pm

Closed on Thursdays

Give a courtesy call

before coming to the

Office. Use the

doorbell.

BAPTISM/ CHRISMATION & COMMUNION

Membership &
Preparation Classes
required.



**ANOINTING OF
THE SICK & SHUT-
INS** the parish office
must be contacted.

**CROWNING OF
MARRIAGE**
Arrangements must be
made 6 months in
advance.

**EASTERN
CHRISTIAN
FORMATION**
September - June on
Sunday after the
Parish Liturgy. Marya
Weil Religious
Coordinator.
Preschool through
High School

PARISH CHOIR
Cantor Robert Pipta.
Rehearsal every other
week. Want to join? See
our Cantor.

QUINCEANERA
available for parish
members.

Welcome to our Parish

*Be sure to put your cell phone on "Airplane Mode"
and join us for the celebration of the Divine Liturgy
and God's Holy Mysteries of our Faith*

Let your time with God be Uninterrupted and Sacred.

***For Registration Information,
See one of our Ushers or Fr. Stephen.
You may contact the Parish Office.***

Served by Father Stephen G Washko, pastor

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facebook.com/annunciation.byzantine



Schedule of Holy Services & Intentions

23 Sat 3rd All Souls with the Reading of the names
 9:00 am Divine Liturgy & Panachida

Hebrew Reading in preparation for the Sunday Gospel
 Sirach 2: 1-9 & Isaiah 50: 409

24 Third Sunday of the Great Fast, Veneration of the Holy Cross, Tone 3, p. 223 & 135

9:00 am.....Choir Rehearsal
 9:30-9:50 am....Confessions
 10:00 am ..Liturgy of St Basil the Great

For our parish family and friends.

- * *Bishop Gerald N. Dino will be the main celebrant and the homilist for the Liturgy.*
- * *Be sure to join us in the parish hall with Bishop Gerald*
- * *Class today*



Fourth Week of the Great Fast

SOLEMN FEAST OF THE ANNUNCIATION OUR PARISH FEAST DAY. (No fasting today)

- ☼ *Bishop Gerald N. Dino will be the main celebrant and homilist for the 9:00 am Liturgy.*
- ☼ *The 4 Gospels will be read at the 4 sides of the church*
- ☼ *We anticipate 60 children between ages 8-12 attending from Saint Ceciliias Roman Catholic School in Tustin.*

25 Monday The Parish Feast Day
 9:00 am Liturgy of St John with Procession
God's blessing on Gloria by Salvador

7:30 pm Liturgy of St John with Procession
 +Dennis Rock & +Key Terry by Sally Rock

26 Tues Leave-taking of the Feast of Annunciation & Synaxis of the Archangel Gabriel
 9:00 am Matins with Holy Communion

27 Wed Mid-Lent
 7:30 pm Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
 +Luka & Slavica Pejich by M. Amilia Lipovac

**28 Thur NO SERVICES SCHEDULED
 PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED**

29 Fri The Holy Cross is removed from the Tetrapod.

9:00 am Matins with Holy Communion

30 Fourth All Souls Saturday, p 428 & 432

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

Hebrew Reading in preparation for the Sunday Gospel
 1 Samuel 17: 1-11, 32-51 & Isaiah 52: 13-53:6)

31 Fourth Sunday of the Great Fast, St John Climacus (author of "The Ladder") & Tone 4 p. 226 & 141

9:30 - 9:50 amConfessions
 9:40 amThe Third Hour
 10:00 am.....Liturgy of St. Basil the Great
 * *For our parish family & friends*
 * *Coffee Social in the parish hall*
 ECF Classes after the Liturgy

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

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| Tom Atwood | Nina Erickson |
| Marc & Matt Lowery | Rosa Navarro |
| Carol Petyo | Kathy Hamaker |
| Kathy Mykeloff | Frank Malinick |
| Margaret Holston | Stephen Torday |
| Robby Dugan | Juana Cordova |
| Libby Distefano | Cherie Loewe |
| Fr. Marcus Gomori | Joel Rivera |
| John Galamba | Janet Lambert |
| Johnny Dushanko | Chuck Johnson |
| Frances Bisaha | Stella Navarette |
| Christopher Torday | Fr. Christopher Petruska |
| Margaret Kessel | Bob & Rita Pipta |
| Margarette Samul Family | Adrian Flores |
| Ruth Terry | Jessica Kanenbley |
| Veronica Navarette | Brian Safian |
| Judy Livingston | Lauren Harnett |
| Bill Drahusz | Elaine Nale |
| Betty Perezbak | Ron & Isabel Christian |
| Deanna Keefe | |

For prayer requests: call Fr. Stephen or E-mail to abcc72069@gmail.com

ETERNAL MEMORY +*Alberto Escobedo* the father of our priest Fr. Brian Escobedo pastor of Holy Angels in San Diego, CA fell asleep in the Lord. Kindly remember him and the family in your prayers. Eternal Memory and Blessed Repose.

“No law can give me the right to do what is wrong.”
President Abraham Lincoln

“Children and unborn children should be protected by law and welcomed into life.”
President George W. Bush

**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

+Cecilia & Nato Gerola by Chris Gerola

Tetrapod

God's blessing on Ingrid Spisak by Chris Gerola

God's blessing on Louis & Athena Rodriquez

Our Lord

Available

The Mother of God

Available

READER'S SCHEDULE

3/24	REHEARSAL	9:00 - 9:45 am
	Steve Kopko	Hebrews 4:14-5:6
3/31	3rd Hour	9:40 am
	Greg Gath	Hebrews 6:13-20

OUR COFFEE HOST FOR THIS MONTH

Joanne Kopko & Patricia Kannebley

Special thank you for sponsoring our social. We also thank you for keeping our hall clean and neat for others to enjoy.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**TODAY
EASTER ORDERS DEADLINE FOR ORDERS**

Monday March 25 9:00 am & 7:30 pm join us for the parish feast day of the Annunciation. No Fasting Today.

**MYHRR-BEARERS
RETREAT JUNE 28-30
Women's Retreat** Myrrh-Bearers is a Byzantine Catholic Women (7 years on up) at Madonna Retreat Center in Albuquerque, NM
Contact:
Pani Janet Escobedo
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ALIVE IN CHRIST 2019 –JULY 11-14
“Ascetical Boot Camp” Retreat for Byzantine Catholic Young Men 7 years to 17 years with their Fathers, or legal male guardian at Black Diamond Camps, Auburn, WA. Red Flyers are available on the Greeting Shelf in the narthex of the church.
Contact:
Fr. Michael mandelas-vocations@ephx.org
Phone: (206)-799-4917

2019 BISHOP'S APPEAL. Our Goal is **75 households X \$275 = \$20,625.00** Bishop is asking a pledge of \$275 from each household. Our parish has benefitted tremendously from the Eparchy in dealing with our mortgage. Let's respond in kind to the Bishop's request. We have extra forms in case you are missing one just let Bob Erickson or Stephen Kopko know.
Parish Goal: \$20,625.00
Received: \$6,705.00
Balance \$13,920.00
19 Households have responded—THANK YOU.

On-line giving: ephx.org then “Home Eparchy of Phoenix” then “Giving” and follow the prompts. Be sure to note “Annunciation Anaheim”

TITHING AND ATTENDANCE REPORT

Our Stewardship March 17
Attendance: Sun—10 am 110 Souls
Matins Mon, Tues & Fri—3 Souls
Presanctified Liturgy Wednesday—45 Souls
Adult Tithes : \$2,612.25
Youth Tithes: \$7.00
Mortgage Reduction: \$100.00
50th Table Sponsors: \$300.00
Kitchen: \$25.00
Bake Sale: \$784.00
Thank you for the donations.

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

MORTGAGE BALANCE 3-10-19
\$843,940.95
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND GENEROSITY!

Another unexpected hit to our budget—Refrigerator died. **The replacement \$2,020.31.** Just when we thought we were getting ahead. God Provides.....

- **EASTER BAKING SCHEDULE** an opportunity to do something special for your parish and get to know our parishioners a little better and provide a traditional home-made bake goods to celebrate the Glorious Resurrection of our Lord. No experience needed just a willingness to help our parish project.
- **Baking Schedule**
- **Baking Our Famous Nut Rolls**
- Wednesday March 27 —9:00 am to 1:00 pm
- Thursday March 28 —9:00 am to 1:00 pm
- **Baking the Paska for your Easter Baskets**
- Wednesday April 3— 9:00 am to 1:00 pm
- Thursday April 4— 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

Another way to support our parish

Welcome to AmazonSmile!

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Remember when shopping on Amazon, always start at [smile.amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com/smile)

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.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS COMING UP

***March 30 Saturday HOMESCHOOL'S FAMILY CELEBRATION** 4:30 pm in our parish hall.

***EWTN Eternal Word Television Network** *The Catholic Station* will be filming a program from our church. Wednesday, April 3 to be shown on a latter day. (Dish channel 261 & Direct TV channel 370)

***EASTER BAKE SALE April 14.** Deadline for the prepaid orders *Sunday March 24th*.

***CLERGY DAYS** May 13—17 Phoenix, AZ

***ANNUAL MYHRR-BEARERS RETREAT** June 28-30 Women's Retreat

***July 11- 14 ALIVE IN CHRIST 2019** Young Men's Retreat

***July 20-21 50TH PARISH ANNIVERSARY** did you receive in the mail a postcard reserving this date? If not give the parish office a call.

MARCH 25 The Feast of the Annunciation, Solemn Holy Day and the Parish Feast Day

There's something about Mary. The Archangel Gabriel, God's own messenger, declares her to be the "favored one" (Lk. 1:28). God is with her. Her cousin, Elizabeth, says Mary is blessed among women (Lk. 1:42). Even Mary knows this about herself saying, "All generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me" (Lk. 1:48-49).

All of us, I suspect, want to know ourselves as favored and blessed by God. I wonder, though, (thanks to Nadia Bolz-Weber) whether Mary felt favored and blessed. Did Mary feel favored walking through town with her unwed pregnancy the subject of stares and judgment? And what about when Joseph planned to quietly leave her and avoid

the scandal? Where is the blessing in giving birth on the ground amongst the animals of the manger? There surely was no sense of favoring as she and Joseph took Jesus and fled for their lives to Egypt. Watching her son, the one to whom she gave life and her own flesh, be arrested, beaten, and killed does not sound much like favoring or blessing.

God's favor and blessing do not necessarily mean life is easy, we get our way, or we live happily ever after. It is not God's reward for right behavior or right believing. It is rather a state, a condition, a way of being. Mary's "yes" to God is not the source of or reason for her favoring and blessing. Rather, her favoring and blessing are the source and origin of and the means by which she can say "yes."

Mary understands that her favoring and blessing by God are not dependent upon or determined by the circumstances of life. So often we look at what is going on around us, the circumstances of our lives, and then declare ourselves or another to be blessed or not. Mary, however, teaches us to look and live more deeply; to look beyond the circumstance of life and see God within us.

It means trusting that God sees more for and about us than we often see for ourselves. That's what Mary did even as she asked, "How can this be?" She trusted God more than her life's situation. She felt the movement of God within her, the kick of new life, and the growth of something holy. The favoring and blessing of God wasn't around her. It was within her. It is who she is. It is also who we are. We too are favored and blessed but we must look deeper than the changing circumstances of our lives. Even when we do not see it or understand it God is deep within us, working secretly, creating new life where we thought there could be none. "For nothing will be impossible with God" (Lk. 1:37). Nothing. Like Mary we must go to that deep place where we ponder and treasure.

Pondering and treasuring ask us to wait, to be quiet and listen, to be still and receptive, to be open and vulnerable to God's life in our own. This is how we "let it be." This is not passivity or giving up. It is actively participating in our own salvation. The Annunciation to Mary is nothing less than God's invitation for us to participate in God's favoring and blessing of our lives.

Yes, there's something about Mary. There's also something about us.