

Annunciation Byzantine Catholic Church

Established on July 20, 1969

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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

Website: www.annunciationbyzantine.org

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Schedule of Divine Liturgies for this week

1 Saturday No Service Scheduled

2 SUNDAY OF THE PUBLICAN AND PHARISEE, & THE SOLEMN FEAST OF THE MEETING OF OUR LORD WITH SIMEON AND ANNA, TONE 1, P. 215 & 321
 Confession.....9:30-9:50 am
 Divine Liturgy.....10:00 am

*For the members of our parish and friends
 Blessing of Candles after the Ambon Prayer
 ECF Classes*

3 Monday Post-festive Synaxis of the Holy Prophet Simeon & the Prophetess Anna, p. 321
 9:00 am +*The Priest Benjamin Fama by Diana Fama*

4 Tuesday Post-festive Venerable Father Isidore of Pelusium, p. 321
 9:00 am +*Priests & Religious by Sally Rock*

5 Wednesday Post-festive Holy Martyr Agatha, p. 321
 9:00 am +*Priests & Religious by Sally Rock*

**6 Thursday No Schedule Services
 Parish Office is Closed for the Day**

7 Friday Post-festive, Venerable Father Parthenius & Free from Abstinence due to Octive of the Feast p. 321
 9:00 am +*The Priest Francis Vivona*

**8 Saturday No Service Scheduled
 Hebrew Scripture Readings for Sunday's Gospel**
 Isaiah 55: 1-7 & Hosea 14: 1-9
Hebrew Readings are to open a fuller reading of the Old Testament for the Saturday evening Vigil. The reading here are a contemporary proposal by the Priest Theodore Pulcini, based on the Sunday Gospels. Hope you will take advantage of preparing for your Sunday worship by reading the suggested Readings.

9 Sunday of the Prodigal Son, leave-taking of the Feast of the Meeting of our Lord & Tone 2, p. 321, 216 & 130
 Confessions 9:30-9:50 am
 Divine Liturgy 10:00 am
*For our parish members and friends
 NO ECF Classes
 Saint Valentine Pot-luck in the parish hall. Plan on joining us for the feast.*

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 Perezbak |
| 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 |

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

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALL SOULS LIST ARE DUE FOR 2020 be sure to get your list of deceased loved ones to the parish office by **Sunday February 9th. List only the First Names of the deceased. You may email the list to abcc72069@gmail.com**

SCHEDULED LITURGY FOR ALL SOULS will be moved to 8:00 am to accommodate our parishioners who want to attend the Liturgy and help out in the parish kitchen making pirogi and baking for our Easter Orders.

DID YOU SIGN UP FOR THE VALENTINE POT-LUCK? A list is provided in the parish hall.

COFFEE SOCIAL HOSTS NEEDED for February. Have you taken your turn in helping with the coffee socials? Let Stephen Kopko know that you are ready to take your turn of service to our fellow parishioners and visitors to our parish for a month or for a couple of weeks.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT BACKGROUND CHECKS
 We have not completed the background checks on our volunteers. Most of our volunteers have given the permission we still have a few that have not completed the background check. The forms are available on the greeting shelf in the nathrex of the church. We need your permission to make the background check.
Be sure to seal it in an envelope or hand it to Father.

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

Special Intention for Sally Rock

Tetrapod Lamps

available

Our Lord

+Cherie Loewe by Mary Washko

The Mother of God

God's blessing on Helen Malinick by Helen Bruce

to our parish. Please take a moment to review your report and contact Helen or the parish office if there are any problems. *We are not infallible.* Thank you for your support and generosity to Our Lord's Holy Temple.

MORTGAGE BALANCE 1-10-20

\$752,162.97

Thank you for your generous donations *on the principle of* our mortgage. Thank you.

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 9:00am on these six Saturdays. (If it is an All Souls Saturday, the Liturgy will be celebrated at 8:00am. Volunteers who elect to attend Liturgy will be a little late for the baking.)

Please sign up for these 2020 dates:

Sat., Feb. 15 – perogies

Sat., Feb. 29 – nut and apricot rolls

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

TITHING AND ATTENDANCE REPORT

Our Stewardship January 26

Attendance: Sun—110 souls

Daily Liturgies: 6 souls

Adult Tithes: \$10,989.00

Youth Tithes: \$3.00

Memory of +Cherie Loewe: \$100.00

Coffee Social: \$344.50

Sanctuary Fund: \$59.19

Craft Fair Vendors: \$150.00

Please remember our parish in your **Will & Bequests.**

YOUR INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTION REPORTS

are available in the narthex of the church. Thank you Helen Malinick for posting and keeping track of the contributions

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING

FEBRUARY

NEXT Saint Valentine Luncheon Pot-Luck after the 10:00 parish Liturgy.

Everyone is invited. For admission bring a dish to feed 8 Adults. Be sure to sign up and let us know what you intend to bring.
Make it special

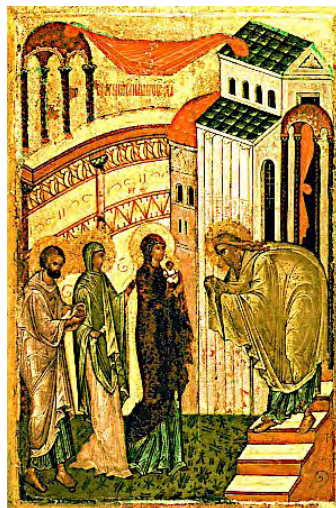
15 SAT FIRST ALL SOULS 8:00 am Liturgy followed with the reading of the names.
PIROHI WORKSHOP

21-22-23 Friday, Saturday & Sunday LAS ANGELES CATECHETICAL CONGRESS at Anaheim Convention Center.

23 FORGIVENESS SUNDAY Bishop John Pzak and Retired Bishop Gerald Dino and the Clergy from the L A Catechetical Congress will be with us for the 10:00 am Divine Liturgy & for the Forgiveness Service.

Special Collection for the Church in Central & Eastern Europe.

24 MON FIRST DAY OF THE GREAT FAST Strict Fast-7:30 pm Presanctified Liturgy

SYXARION*(Lives of the Saints)***February 2****The Encounter of Our Lord, God, and Savior Jesus Christ**

Hypapante, or the Feast of the Encounter of Our Lord, God, and Savior Jesus Christ, began in Jerusalem. We have knowledge of its celebration, such as was done in this city in the Fourth century, through the account of the pilgrimage from Etheria. From Jerusalem the feast spread to the whole Church. In the west the solemn procession and the blessing of candles, which was already done in Jerusalem in the Fourth century, has been retained to our day.

This feast, which closes the cycle of the Nativity according to the Flesh of Our Lord, God, and Savior Jesus Christ, reminds us that on the fortieth day after the birth of her first-born Son, Mary carried Him to the Temple in accordance with the Mosaic Law to offer Him to the Lord, and to ransom Him by the sacrifice of a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons (Luke 2:22-37). "Today He who formerly gave the Law to Moses lowers Himself before the Law's precepts, becoming made like us for us in His love for men..." (Vespers). The divine Word lowers Himself because He is true man and in submitting to the law: "You who faithfully reproduce the imprint of Him who begot You before the ages, by compassion You clothed Yourself with the weakness of mortals" (Ode VI).

This lowering is also Jesus' first official encounter with His people in the person of Simeon. This is why the feast is called "Hypapante" (Encounter). "He who... the spirits beseech with trembling is received here below in the weak arms of Simeon, and he proclaims the Union of the divinity with men" (Great Vespers). It is not only an encounter, but also a manifestation. "Today the Holy Mother, higher in honor than the sanctuary, enters it to manifest Him to the world who gave the Law and fulfilled it" (Great Vespers). The Virgin today accompanies the Child in His first offering to the Father, but she will also

accompany Him even to the realization of His sacrifice for humanity: "Simeon announced to the Theotokos, 'You, O Immaculate One, a sword will pierce your heart when you will see your Son on the cross'..." (Ode VII).

The hymnographers do not have expressions beautiful enough to praise the role of the Virgin who is thus connected in the work of her Son. "Adorn your bridal chamber, O Sion, and receive Christ the King. Welcome Mary, the gate of heaven, for she appeared as the throne of the Cherubim. She carries the King of Glory. The Virgin is a cloud of light carrying in her flesh her Son born before the morning star..." (Great Vespers).

She is indeed the gate of heaven, since she brings among us Him whom we cannot approach, and who liberates us. This is what the Church expresses through Simeon's mouth: "O my Creator, now I ask You for my release for I have seen You, O Christ, my light and my salvation" (Ode IX). The old man prophesies of joy to come: "I go to gladden Adam shut up in hell, and to announce the good news to Eve" (Ode VII).

Today, with the Church, "let us also to go encounter Christ and welcome Him with inspired hymns, in whom Simeon saw salvation" (Great Vespers).

THE BLESSING OF CANDLES

Jesus Christ, You are the True Light that enlightens every man coming into the world (Jn. 1, 9); bestow Your blessing on these candles and sanctify them with the light of Your grace; deign, O Gracious One, that as they, kindled with the visible flame, dispel the darkness of night, so also our hearts, enlightened by the invisible light of Your Holy Spirit, may escape the darkness of sin; and that with cleansed eyes of our soul we may see all those things that are pleasing to you and necessary for our salvation; so that after having triumphed over the powers of darkness in this world we may finally attain the everlasting light of heaven.

For You are our salvation, and we render glory to You, with Your Eternal Father and Your All-Holy, Gracious and Life-giving Spirit, now and ever, and forever. Amen.