

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

***Mask are required
on church property***

All Our Holy
Services are Live-
streamed on
**[facebook.com/
stephen.washko](https://www.facebook.com/stephen.washko)**

SUNDAY LITURGIES
**Saturday Vesper/
Liturgy 4:00 pm
Sunday
Divine Liturgy
10:00 am



LENTEN SERVICES
Mon, Tues, Fri
Matins w Communion
9:00 am
Wednesday
Presanctified Liturgy
7:30 pm
Saturday Liturgy
9:00 am

HOLYDAYS
Vesper/Liturgy
7:30 pm
Feast Day
Divine Liturgy
9:00 am

**BAPTISM /
CHRISMATION & HOLY
COMMUNION** Membership is required &

CONFESSIONS Before Daily Services 8:30-8:50 am
and 9:30-9:50 am or by appointment.

OFFICE HOURS
Monday-Friday 10 am - 4pm
Closed on Tuesdays & Wednesdays
Please call before coming to the office.

PARISH ADVISORY BOARD
Jan Washicko, Marya Weil, Bruce Terry, John Crans
Helen Malinick, Nina Erickson, John Sheftic & Beth Gath

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL
Andy Spisak, Stephen Kopko & Jan Washicko

ANOINTING OF THE SICK & SHUT-INS
Family members must contact the parish.
Anointing may 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
[facebook.com/annunciation.byzantine](https://www.facebook.com/annunciation.byzantine)**

*****We Added a Saturday 4:00 pm Vesper/Liturgy for Sunday Obligation***

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR THOSE ATTENDING OUR LITURGIES

DISPENSATION FROM ATTENDING THE SUNDAY AND HOLY DAY LITURGIES is in effect. Call Father if you have a question— 714-533-6292

IF YOU ARE SICK OR EXPERIENCING ANY SYMPTOMS or have compromised health issues, please stay home.

CONFESSIONS are heard ½ hour before ALL Services or by appointment.

LITURGIES & INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

ALL OUR LITURGIES ARE LIVE STREAMED ON [FACEBOOK.COM/STEPHEN.WASHKO](https://www.facebook.com/STEPHEN.WASHKO)

At times our internet connection will break down at times but we will provide the Holy Services daily.

20 SATURDAY Commemoration of the Miracle of the Great Martyr Theodore, p. 379

Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom9:00 am

+Todd Webb by the Gath Family

Blessing of the Boiled Honey Wheat (Just place your bowl of Boiled Honey Wheat or Rice on the Tetrapod for the Blessing)

HEBREW SCRIPTURES

Deuteronomy 5: 1-5, 18: 15-19 & Isaiah 42: 1-12

VESPER/LITURGY OF ST BASIL THE GREAT FOR SUNDAY.....4:00 PM

Tone 5, p. 104 & 143

+Christian Gerola by Helen Bruce

21 FRIST SUNDAY OF LENT, Tone 5. p. 146 & 220

Liturgy of St. Basil the Great.....10:00 am

For our parish members and friends

Fr James Lane will celebrate the Divine Liturgy this morning while Fr Stephen will be at St Nicholas Parish.

Second Week of the Great Fast

22 Monday Venerable relics of Martyrs at Eugenia

Matins with Holy Communion.....9:00 am

23 Tuesday Martyr Polycarp

Matins with Holy Communion.....9:00 am

Father is in St. Nicholas of Myra—Fontana

24 Wednesday Finding of the Head of John the Baptist

Presanctified Liturgy.....7:30 pm

Gospel—Matthew 11: 2-15

God's blessing on Sofia Cabrera by Jessica Hoskinson

25 Thursday Father Tarasius. Archbishop of Constantinople

Matins with Holy Communion.....9:00 am

26 Friday NO SERVICES

Father has Jury Duty in Santa Ana.

27 SATURDAY Second All Souls with the Panachida Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom9:00 am

HEBREW SCRIPTUES

Jeremiah 31 27-34, Jonah 3: 1-10 & Isaiah 49: 1-6

VESPER/LITURGY OF ST BASIL THE GREAT FOR SUNDAY.....4:00 PM

Tone 6, p. 104 & 149

God's blessing on Jacob Hoskinson by Jessica Hoskinson

28 SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT, Tone 6. p. 152-153 & 222-223

Liturgy of St. Basil the Great.....10:00 am

For our parish members and friends

**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 by Sally Rock

Icon of the Theotokos

Special Intention by Helen Bruce

Icon of Our Lord

Health of Mary Oakland by Tanya Johnson

Tetrapod

available

ANSWERING GOD'S CALL

Sunday of Orthodoxy

“We have found the one about whom Moses wrote in the law and also the prophets.” Finding our Savior during this Great Lent, we see that our “soiled image was restored to its original form, commingled with divine beauty.” God may be helping you find that a vocation to monasticism or holy orders is the beauty meant for you. To learn more, contact the Vocations Office at 206-329-9219 or email: vocations@ephx.org

SPECIAL PETITION

Deacon: O Lord our Savior, you called Philip with two simple words when you said, “Follow me”. You inspired Philip to share the life that he found in you with Nathaniel and you called Nathaniel to see that you are the Son of God, the Savior of Israel. Help us to hear and follow your call for us, guide us to share your life with our brothers and sisters so that our Church can grow in vocations, we pray you, hear and have mercy.

Response: Lord, have mercy 3X

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

<i>Diana Major</i>	<i>Robert Yarosik</i>
<i>Michael Mykeloff</i>	<i>Margarette Samul Family</i>
<i>Helen Malinick</i>	<i>Veronica Navarette</i>
<i>Alex Gomori</i>	<i>Brian Safian</i>
<i>Tanya & Chuck Johnson</i>	<i>Stella Navarette</i>
<i>Irene Lovas</i>	<i>Petrice (Podhayny) Duncan</i>
<i>Rob Yarosik</i>	<i>Margaret Dessureault</i>
<i>Albert Hatton</i>	<i>Gloria Solis</i>
<i>Charles Bivens</i>	<i>Elaine Nale</i>
<i>Ruth Terry</i>	<i>Margaret Kessel</i>
<i>Marc & Matt Lowery</i>	<i>Stephen Demora</i>
<i>Rosa Navarro</i>	<i>Adrian Flores</i>
<i>Kathy Mykeloff</i>	<i>John Galamba</i>
<i>Margaret Holston</i>	<i>Frank Malinick</i>
<i>Robby Dugan</i>	<i>Fr. Chris Petruska</i>
<i>Irma Contera</i>	<i>Jessica Kanenbley</i>
<i>Ron & Isabel Christian</i>	<i>Joel Rivera</i>
<i>Janet Lambert</i>	<i>Bill Drahusz</i>
<i>Judy Livingston</i>	<i>Deanna Keefe</i>

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

TITHING AND ATTENDANCE REPORT

Our Stewardship February 14

4pm Vesper/Liturgy 46 souls

10am Sun Liturgy 66 souls

7:30 pm Presancified Liturgy Mon 46 souls

7:30 pm Presancified Liturgy Wed 36 souls

Adult Tithes: \$1,771.00

Candles: \$115.00

Eastern Catholic Collection: \$395.00

Gift Shop: \$110.00

Coffee Social : \$36.00

Jelly Sales: \$29.00

Tithe.ly on-line donate

Tithes: \$366.35

Thank you for your special gifts on the Principle of our mortgage. Please remember our parish in your **Will &**

Bequests.

THANK YOU FOR SENDING your tithing to the parish office by mail, by E Checks or by dropping your envelope in our Secure Locked Mail box by the door of the church to help us meet our financial obligations.

ONLINE GIVING IS AVAILABLE be sure to select the account(Tithe, Payment on Principle, Bishop's Appeal etc..) you want your donation to serve. Thank you. Go to our Web page annunciationbyzantine.org click on "donate"

2020 GIVING STATEMENTS were mailed out. If you did not receive it or any questions call Irene Lovas at 562-357-3217. Please note that the phone number for the parish office was incorrect. It should read 714-533-6292.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THIS WEEK

PROSTRATIONS Persian rugs are laid out in the main isle of the church for prostrations.

LITURGY OF ST BASIL BOOKS are available in the pews for those who have difficulty in hearing or to help you pray along with the beautiful words of St Basil the Great. Please do not take the books home.

COFFEE SOCIALS for Sunday morning after the 10am Parish Liturgy is available on the patio. We believe this can be done within the guidelines of social distancing.

NEW VENTURA COUNTY BYZANTINE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Our Byzantine Catholic presence in SoCal is expanding! We are celebrating a weekly Saturday evening Divine Liturgy in the beautiful **Saint Mary Magdalene Chapel** in Camarillo. The Liturgy begins Saturdays at 5pm at **2532 Ventura Blvd, Camarillo, CA 93010.**

We also have Presanctified Divine Liturgy on Wednesday evenings at a nearby home, Adult Education classes and events on feast days. Spread the word and come and visit! This is a community born out of the Proto-Cathedral of St. Mary in Sherman Oaks. You can visit our website at WWW.BYZANTINELA.COM. Email Father Michael O'Loughlin at FROLOUGHLIN@EPHX.ORG for more information.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wed Feb 24	7:30 pm Presanctified Liturgy for the 2nd Week of the Great Fast
Sat Feb 27	Second All Souls Saturday 9:00 am All Souls Liturgy/Panachida
Sun Feb 28 2nd Sun of Lent	10:00 am Baptism/Chrismation Matthew Joseph Sandoval
Wed Mar 3	7:30 pm Presanctified Liturgy for the 3rd Week of the Great Fast
Fri Mar 5	3:00 pm Zoom Meeting w OCTOC.org Orthodox, Catholic together Orange County
Sat Mar 6	Third All Souls Saturday 9:00 am Liturgy/Panachida

Glory to Jesus Christ!
Glory to Him Forever!

ICONS SHOW THE HUMAN FACE OF GOD**Pope John Paul II**

Angelus, November 17, 1996

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

1. In recent months my Sunday reflections have frequently focused on our Christian brothers and sisters of the East. Wishing as it were to embrace their rich tradition of faith in a single glance, today I would like to refer once again to the sense of mystery which is apparent in their icons. The East and the West vie with each other to put their art at the service of the faith. But from the East, where icons had to be defended with bloodshed in the iconoclast crisis of the eighth and ninth centuries, comes a particular call jealously to preserve the religious nature of this art. It is based on the mystery of the Incarnation, in which God chose to assume a human face. In the last analysis, sacred art seeks to transmit something of the mystery of that face. This is why the East firmly insists on the spiritual qualities which must characterize the artist, to whom Simeon of Thessalonica, the great defender of Tradition, addresses this important exhortation: "Teach with words, write with letters, paint with colours, in conformity with Tradition; the painting is true, as is the writing of books; and the grace of God is present in them, because what is represented there is holy" (*Dialogue against Heresies*, 23: PG 155 113). By contemplating icons in the whole context of liturgical and ecclesial life, the Christian community is called to grow in its experience of God, and to become more and more a living icon of the communion of life between the three divine Persons. The East and West intend to walk towards this goal. Looking to the forthcoming Jubilee, in the Apostolic Letter *Oriente lumen* I wrote: "We cannot come before Christ, the Lord of history, as divided as we have unfortunately been in the course of the second millennium. These divisions must give way to rapprochement and harmony" (n. 4).

2. It is my task as Bishop of Rome "to search constantly for ways that will help preserve unity" (*ibid.*, n. 20). I would like to express to our Orthodox brothers and sisters—to whom I am joined by special ties of affection—my intense desire to walk together, with renewed trust, on the path of unity. I know that they too are deeply aware of this same need. In the history of the second millennium, there has been no lack of noble efforts in this direction, according to the perceptions of the time. I am thinking of the unity re-established at the Council of Lyons in 1274. It brought good fruits for Christian awareness, even if the effect was not lasting. Another moment of hope was the commitment to reconciliation made during the Council of Florence in 1439. The particular unions achieved later were viewed differently by East and West. But it is time

now to listen to the voice of the Spirit, who makes Christ's invocation: "Father, that they may be one in us" (cf. Jn 17:21), re-echo with new force in our hearts. The spiritual riches of the Church, in the East and in the West, cannot shine before the eyes of contemporary man in their full splendour without this witness of full reconciliation.

3. Let us entrust this great cause to the intercession of the Mother of God. Let us ask her to implore, at the throne of mercy of her beloved Son, this grace of graces which is the gift of unity. Christ told us the secret of effective witness when he said: "By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another" (Jn 13:35). May this love shine forth, witnessed to by disciples who have returned, like the first Church in Jerusalem, to being fully of "one heart and soul" (Acts 4:32).

The Prayer Language of Icons

Icon comes from the Greek word that means "image." It is the same word the Book of Genesis uses to express the idea that humanity is made in the image of God, the same word used by St. Paul when he says that Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God. Icons, then, are images of a greater reality than we now experience. St. Gregory of Nyssa writes of the "silent painting that speaks on the walls." Through icons, heaven reaches down to the worshiper. The language of icons, moreover, is the language of the heart, the language of intuition, the language of one soul speaking to another. There are no shadows in icons, as there are none in the Kingdom of God. The background is gold—the gold of another world, the gold of Eternal Light. There is no attempt to make the person in the icon look "real" as in much Western religious art. Intentionally, the figure is distorted so it cannot be confused with a real person. Thus, the eyes are large and luminous, for they have seen the glory of God. The nose is narrow, the mouth is small, because the presence of God has lessened the need for sensual satisfaction. Halos surround the figures, not as the "flat pancakes" of other religious art, but as essential parts of the person. The icon is an image. The worshiper focuses not on what is seen in the icon, but rather on what is seen through it: the love of God, expressed through God's creatures. Icons are painted to express Truth. The iconographer does not paint according to personal whims, but follows techniques and designs that have survived the centuries. An artist, moreover, enters a period of prayer and fasting before beginning work on an icon; divine inspiration, after all, is necessary to produce the inspirational. Icons are doorways into stillness, into closeness with God. If we sit with them long enough, we too can enter into that stillness, into the communion. And if we listen to them closely enough—with our hearts—we just may discern the voice of God.