

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

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

All Our Holy
Services are Live-
streamed on
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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

MASKS & SOCIAL DISTANCING REQUIRED when attending the church or parish hall.

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 & HOLY SERVICES FOR THIS WEEK

ALL OUR SERVICES 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 AKATHISTOS SATURDAY

AKATHIST TO THE THEOTOKOS.....8:45 AM
Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom9:00 am
God's blessing on Matthew Joseph Sandavol by the Gath Family

HEBREW SCRIPTURES

1 Judges 9: 1-25, 50-56 & Isaiah 53: 7-12

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

Tone 1, p. 104 & 123

God's blessing on Eddie Chow & Family by Helen Bruce

21 FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT & MEMORY OF OUR HOLY MOTHER MARY OF EGYPT, Tone 1. p. 230 & 125

Liturgy of St. Basil the Great.....10:00 am
For our parish members and friends

Sixth Week of the Great Fast

During this week, we go from the canon of Lazarus, the poor man abused by the rich, and follow Christ on his way to Bethany to give life to Lazarus, his friend, the promise of resurrection to all. On Friday we conclude the fast of 40 days and begin the fast of holy week. At Vespers, we read the story of Joseph and his brothers. Joseph is a type of Jesus the Messiah, who died and is risen.

Special Kontakion, Tone 8: Jacob lamented before the coat, as the brothers revealed their cruelty. Making a slave of Joseph, they sold him to the impious, but Joseph placed all his hope in God, and from him received a royal crown, as he proclaimed, "the Lord alone is great. He is our Savior."

22 Monday Martyr Basilides, Priest of Ancyra

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

23 Tuesday Venerable Martyr Nikon & his students
Matins with Holy Communion.....9:00 am

24 Wednesday (Sixth Week)

Presanctified Liturgy.....7:30 pm
God's blessing on Eddie Chow & Family by the Fotinakes Family

25 Thursday THE SOLEMN FEAST OF THE ANNUNCIATION—No Fasting Today

VESPER/LITURGY.....7:30 pm
God's blessing for Eddie Chow & Family by the Gath Family



26 Friday Leave-taking of Annunciation

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

27 LAZARUS SATURDAY

Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom9:00 am
God's blessing on Eric Cline by the Gath Family

HEBREW SCRIPTURES

Genesis 49: 1-2, 8-12, Zephaniah 3: 14-19 & Zechariah 9: 9-15

Blessing Of The Palms & Pussywillows, At The Everflowing Fountain & Vesper/Liturgy Of St John Chrysostom For Sunday.....4:00 PM
Tone 8, p. 104 & 159

+Libby Distefano by Helen Bruce

28 PALM SUNDAY Tone 8. p. 161 & 225

Blessing of the Palms & Pussywillows at the Everflowing Fountain, Procession with the Branches and the Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom.....10:00 am

For our parish members and friends

COME EARLY & BRING YOUR OWN BRANCHES for the blessing and for the Divine Liturgies.

CONFESSIONS Father is available before all Holy Service. Just let him know and he will meet you in the chapel. Father needs to meet with the faithful for the coffee social after the social Father will return to the Little Chapel for Confessions.

**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

God's blessing on Robert Yarosik by Ingrid Spisak
Icon of Our Lord
Tanya Johnson by Donna Safian
Tetrapod AVAILABLE

ANSWERING GOD'S CALL

“Your faith has saved you. Go in peace.” Jesus met the sinful woman, and her deep faith and love led to profound forgiveness. Have you received His love? Would you like to share it by dedicating your life to Him in a special manner as a member of the clergy or a monastic? Contact the Vocations Office at 206-329-9219 or email:

vocations@ephx.org

SPECIAL PRAYER PETITION

Deacon: Gracious Lord, Heavenly King, you came into this world to serve and to give your life as a ransom for many. Your servant Mary of Egypt gave her whole life to you, walking on the path of repentance. Help us to walk on that same path, calling consecrated others to follow her example, granting your Church an increase of monastic women, consecrated men, and vocations to holy orders, we pray you, hear and have mercy.

Response: Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy.

Adult Tithes: \$27,618.00
 Youth tithes: \$10.00
 Candles: \$221.00
 Sanctuary Fund: \$50.00
 Easter Flowers: \$550.00
 Coffee Social: \$43.00
 Paska Sale: \$98.00
 Kolbaszi: \$45.00
 Smile.Amazon.com: \$241.36
Tithe.Jy on-line Donate
 Tithes: \$880.80

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”

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

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

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THIS WEEK

The envelopes designated for the **Mortgage and Principle Reduction** will now officially go to the **“Sanctuary Fund.”** This will go toward our Iconostasis which is a necessary feature in a Byzantine Church and for Worship. Thank you for your generosity and love for our parish.



COFFEE SOCIAL We need you to help with the weekly coffee social. PLEASE SIGN UP.

OUR APOSTOLIC WORK we are collecting non perishable foods for St Boniface's Food Bank. Kindly leave it in the narthex of the church.

BISHOP'S APPEAL HAS BEGUN the goal for our parish is \$35,962.78. We ask all members of our parish to help contribute to the appeal. You will receive a large envelope with the Bishops letter and list of goals for the parishes of our Eparchy. It look like we are at the top of the list. If we make our goal 10% will come back to our parish and if we exceed our goal we will receive it back. Do whatever you can to help our Church on the West Coast.

TITHING AND ATTENDANCE REPORT

Our Stewardship March 14
4pm Vesper/Liturgy 35 souls
10am Sun Liturgy 60 souls
7:30 pm Presancified Liturgy Wed 39 souls

SCHEDULE OF GREAT & HOLY WEEK AND PASCHA

Great & Holy Monday March 29

**Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts.....7:30 pm

Great & Holy Tuesday March 30

**Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts.....7:30 pm

Great & Holy Wednesday March 31

**Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
and Anointing of the Sick.....7:30 pm

Great & Holy Thursday April 1

**Vesper/Liturgy of St Basil the Great.....7:30 pm

GOOD FRIDAY April 2

**Matins with the 12 Passion Gospels.....12 Noon

**Great Vespers with the Candlelight Procession with
the Holy Shroud of our Lord.....7:30 pm

Great & Holy Saturday April 3

**Jerusalem Matins.....9:00 am

**GREAT VESPERS & LITURGY OF SAINT BASIL
THE GREAT.....4:00 PM

*After the Liturgy the Blessing of the Paschal Foods
Pascha (Passover)*

EASTER SUNDAY-THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOR, JESUS CHRIST.

**9:00 AM The Resurrection Matins/Divine Liturgy of
Saint John Chrysostom with the Blessing of the
Paschal Foods after the Holy Services.

March 25

THE ANNUNCIATION: *By Fr. Michael Huszti*

The feast of the Annunciation on March 25th is most notably a feast of Mary and the Church. Mary's whole life prior to the Annunciation reflected her deep faith in God and servitude to His word and will. For her soul to proclaim the greatness of the Lord and for her spirit to exalt in God her Savior (Lk. 1:46), Mary's cooperation with God was, to say the least, exceptional. God took note of her dedication to Him in the sign of her virginity. Mary expressed her utter faith in God by her willful acceptance of virginity prior to the august announcement from Gabriel. Gabriel, God's heavenly angelic messenger to Mary, brought news well-worthy of rejoicing. But, just as Christ would later explain to His apostles and disciples, "Yet do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you; rejoice rather that your names are written in heaven," (Lk. 10-20). Mary's cause for rejoicing rested in the fact that she was highly favored and assured that, "The Lord is with you," (Lk. 1:28).

A mysterious event took place at the Annunciation described by Angel Gabriel in these terms: "The Holy Spirit will come upon you and the power of the Most High will cover you with its shadow," (Lk. 1:35). Not only does this pronouncement make clear the fact that no mortal man had any part in the conception of Jesus, even more so it supports the God-initiated and God-completed conception in Mary's womb of Jesus. Later, Jesus would silence the boast of a woman on the blessings of motherhood by His response, "Still happier those who hear the word of God and keep it!" (Lk. 11:28).

The boldness of Mary in proclaiming the greatness of the Lord did not take her on missionary adventures from one end of the Roman empire to the other as did St. Paul's. But Mary's faith was of such strength as to be a proclamation emanating from the solitude of her own soul. God foresaw Mary's greatness from eternity as he foresaw St. Paul's greatness while still in his mother's womb. Mary's greatness rested in her humility, in her willingness to serve God and through her consecrated motherhood. Yet she was no less an evangelist by her soul's proclamation than was Peter on Pentecost Sunday.

The Catholic Church has noticed the boldness and singularity of Mary's unwavering faith and has adorned her with an honor and veneration above that of any other human being. God chose this lowly handmaid to let God's salvation reach all humanity. Because of Mary's "let what you have said be done to me" the Church echoes her boldness in acclaiming Mary "our salvation". By this statement the Church intends not to overshadow the unrivaled salvation wrought through Jesus Christ by His sacrificial death on the cross, but to affirm God's plan of salvation wrought, in large part, by Mary's consent which we today celebrate.

Today's feast links up Mary's role toward the Church. Scriptural evidence points to Mary's prayerful presence among the apostles and disciples preparing for the descent of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost. For Mary the Annunciation anticipated Pentecost, now known as the birthday of the Church. Pentecost fulfilled the crowning mission of Christ on earth. The Holy Spirit came upon Mary at the Annunciation by a divine dispensation as effectively as it came down upon the Church gathered together in the upper room. Let us, the faithful, imitate the welcoming spirit of Mary in designing our lives prayerfully and humbly around the will of God.