

Annunciation Byzantine Catholic Church

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Located on West Street just 400 feet south of La Palma Avenue

**Holy Protection of Mary Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Phoenix
Bishop Artur Bubneyvich**

SUNDAY LITURGY
10:00 am

DAILY LITURGIES
9:00 am

No Liturgy on
Wednesday
Office is Closed

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



All Holy Services are
livestreamed on
[facebook.com/
stephen.washko](https://www.facebook.com/stephen.washko)

CONFESSIONS Before
all Services Sunday 9:00
am Daily 8:30 am or by
appointment

Allergy Alert contact Father
or Deacon before the Liturgy
if you have problems in
receiving Holy Communion
under both forms. Bread &
Wine

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 10am-4pm

Closed on Tuesdays & Wednesdays.

Please Call before coming to the office.

PARISH ADVISORY COUNCIL

Nina Erickson, Beth Gath, Bruce Terry, Jan
Washicko, Sherill Franklin, & Ed & Katrina Chow

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Irene Lovas, Stephen Kopko, Jan Washicko

EASTERN CHRISTIAN FORMATION

September -June on Sundays after the parish
Liturgy. Beth Gath Coordinator

**Need a Spiritual Home
Contact the Parish Office**

Served by

Right Reverend Stephen G Washko, pastor

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Deacon Greg Gath

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Eparchial Web Page: www.ephx.org

Eparchial [facebook.com/hpmcatholic](https://www.facebook.com/hpmcatholic)

On-Line Contributions & Tithing
Available at our Web Site. **Donate**

BAPTISM/CHRISMATION & EUCHARIST scheduled for the
10 am Liturgy. Membership in parish & preparation classes
required.

MYSTERY OF CROWNING Arrangements are made 6
months in advance. PreCana instructions required.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK Family members or friends
must contact the parish office. Anointing are also giving in
church after the Liturgy on request.

QUINCEANERA must be registered member of the parish.

GIFT SHOP is open on Sunday morning after the 10 am
Liturgy till noon Ann Brewer Coordinator

THE BYZANTINE CATHOLIC EPARCHY OF PHOENIX subscribes to the

Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People
adopted by the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops.

The Eparchy, within all its parishes, institutions and programs, is committed to
assuring a safe environment in ministry for its children and vulnerable adults
that conforms to the Charter for Protection of Children and Young People.

For additional information regarding the eparchial Safe Environment Program
or to report any incidents of concerns, please contact:

Fr. Dcn. Michael Hanafin

Victim Assistance Coordinator

Cell: (480) 307-5182 - - email: vac@ephx.org

Sbdcn. Paul F. Kilroy

Safe Environment Program Coordinator

Office: (602) 861-9778 ext. 205 - - Cell: (480) 745-0316

email: sbdcnkilroy@ephx.org

ALL THE LITURGIES ARE LIVE STREAMED ON
[facebook.com/stephen.washko](https://www.facebook.com/stephen.washko)

The page numbers noted are for the Green Pew Books

Schedule of Holy Services

Sat Feb 28, SECOND ALL SOULS SAT, p. 378

9:00 am Divine Liturgy with the Panachida &
Reading of the names our deceased

Hebrew Readings for Sunday

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

**Sunday, Mar 1 SECOND SUNDAY OF THE GREAT
FAST, TONE 5 P. 146 & 222**

9:00 am Confessions & Choir Practice
9:40 am Third Hour
10:00 am Divine Liturgy of St Basil the Great
for our parish members
11:45 am ECF Classes & Enquiry Meet

THIRD WEEK OF THE GREAT FAST

Mon Mar 2 No Morning Service

Tue Mar 3 Martyrs Eutopius & others

9:00 am Lenten Matins with Holy Communion

**Wed Mar 4 Venerable Gerasimus, p 75 Purple
books**

7:30 pm Presanctified Liturgy +Dennis Rock
by Sally & Sons

**Thur Mar 5, Parish Office Closed
No Morning Service**

Fri Mar 6, 43 Martyrs of Ammonium

9:00 am Lenten Matins with Holy
Communion

Sat Mar 7 THIRD ALL SOULS SATURDAY, p 378

9:00 am Divine Liturgy with the Panachida &
Reading of the names our deceased

Hebrew Readings for Sunday

Sirach 2:1–9, and Isaiah, 50:4–92

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME-SPRING AHEAD

**Mar 8 THIRD SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST,
VENERATION OF THE HOLY CROSS & TONE 6,
P. 152 & 223**

9:00 am Confessions & Choir Practice
9:40 am Third Hour
10:00 am Liturgy of St Basil the Great
For our Parish Members
11:45 am ECF Classes & Enquiry Meet

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Merciful God who forgives our sins and heals our bodies, we ask that you pour the life of your uncreated energies into our lives. Give us hearts to carry our friends and loved ones through the roofs of life to bring others into your presence. We ask you for a growth in priestly, religious and monastic vocations so that your love and presence may heal what is lacking in this world, we pray you, hear and have mercy.



“Arise, take up your mat and go to your house.” Our Lord healed the paralysis of the suffering man brought through the roof. His words of healing centered on spiritual healing by forgiving his sins. In response to God’s love and forgiveness, are you being called to a life of prayer and intercession as a religious, monastic, or a priestly life? Contact the Vocations Office at 602-861-9778 or email: vocations@ephx.org

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Choir practice at 9:00 am before the 10:00 am Divine Liturgy. Contact Stephen Kopko

March 1 Kester Bailey March 8 Mike Petyo
March 15 Sherill Franklin March 22 George Petyo
March 29 Kester Bailey

7 DAY CANDLE OFFERING

The special envelopes are available on the greeting table.
The donation for the Icon Candles are \$10.

Eternal Light

Memory of Mark Bergeron by Michael Bergeron

Icon of Our Lord

Msgr Michael Moran by Michael Bergeron

Icon of Theotokos

Stephen Demora by a friend

PRAYERS NEEDED

Parishioners Homebound: Lee Smith, Dr Stephen Torday, Helen Bruce, Nancy Nester, Andy Spisak & Sal & Gloria Solis.

Special needs: Joseph Tullia, Joannie Kopko, Susan Deane, Frank Malinick, Susan Dean, Robert & Rita Pipta, Frances Bisaha, Annabelle Rock, Kathy Gibbons, Michael Bergeron, Helen Malinick, John Crans, Nina Erickson, Chuck & Tanya Johnson, Angelica Villarin & A plea for employment, Thanksgiving for grace received.

Expectant Mother: Guadelupe Ceron & Melissa Davies.

Clergy needs: Fr Christopher Zugger, Msgr Michael Moran, Fr Robert Rankin, Fr Marcus Gomori & Fr Lee Perry.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

From Father Stephen thank you for your kind love and support last Sunday in celebration of the Birthday. The fabulous cake, words, cards, gifts and prayers brings joy and a feeling of being loved. Thank you.

FOOD COLLECTION for St Vincent de Paul Service Center - A ministry of St Boniface Church. During the Great Fast we need to collect no perishable food for the Food Bank as part of our lenten effort in remembering the least among us.

BE SURE TO REVIEW THE SPECIAL VOLUNTEER NEEDS OF OUR PARISH the sign up list is located on the Greeting Shelf in the Narthex of the Church. Thank you for your response.

GIFT SHOP ADDITION

Byzantine Easter Cards Packet of 5—\$15
Proceeds benefit UKRAINE RELIEF

www.misionboronyavo.org

Divine Liturgy of the Resurrection offered for the family & Friends by Bishop Teodore Matsapula, Uzghord, Ukraine.

See Jessica in the Gift Shop after the Sunday morning liturgy.

TITHING AND ATTENDANCE REPORT

Our Stewardship for February 22

Attendance: 130 plus Souls

Adult Tithes: \$2,833.00, Candles: \$174.00, Coffee Social: \$33.00, Sanctuary: \$80.00, Eastern Europe Church: \$75.00 & Bake Sale: \$243.00.

The tithes and contributions from Zelle are not shown in this report.

Sanctuary Fund Balance: (1-29-26) \$114,522.56

We are on **ZELLE** use **angelgabriel995** to make your contributions from your smart phone to our gift shop, bake sale and tithings for our parish. Be sure to use the memo.

OR—On-line Giving go to our Web Page click on “Donate”

annunciationbyzantine.org click on “DONATE” Thank you for your generous tithing and special gifts to support our Church and its Mission to bring Christ to the World.

Thank you!

Upcoming Events-Mark Your Calendar

·☞ **Wednesday March 4 11:30am Planning Meeting for the Roman & Eastern Catholic & Orthodox Christian Ecumenical Service** at 40 Martyrs Armenian Apostolic Church, Santa Ana

·☞ **Saturday March 21 Paska Baking for Easter**

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BISHOP’S APPEAL 2026 update 1-1 to 2-24

Parish Goal \$24,000.00

20 Pledges \$6,530.00

Balance \$17,470.00

You may pledge on line : <https://ephx.org/appeal>

WHY DO WE USE CANDLES

It is impossible to imagine an Eastern Church without burning candles. We use candles made of pure beeswax as a form of prayer offering and devotion to God, Most Holy Theotokos or Saints. Candles are used in all church solemnities and ceremonies and are symbolic of Christ, who is “the Light of the World.”

According to a different symbolism, the two elements of a candle represent the two natures of Christ: the Divine (the burning wick) and the Human (the wax body). According to Saint Simeon of Thessalonica (XV century), the pure wax symbolizes the purity and innocence of people offering it.

The wax is offered as a sign of our repentance for our obstinacy and willfulness. The softness and malleability of the wax speak of our readiness to obey God. The flame of the candle shows the warmth of love to God. We should not put up a candle just for the sake of the ritual, with our hearts remaining cold.

The next Byzantine Youth Rally will take place

July 9-12, 2026 in Cleveland, Ohio!



Act of Repentance

Using the Beatitudes Matthew 5: 3-12 (Green Faithful's Book, page 23) New American Bible

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”

Are we preoccupied with money and worldly goods?
Do we dare try to increase our personal wealth at the expense of justice?

“Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted.”

Are we impatient in bearing our own burdens?
Are we unconcerned about the burdens of others?

“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land.”

Are we at times ruthless with each other?
Is our personal world full of discord and violence?

“Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied.”

Do we thirst for You, O Lord, the fountain of all holiness?
Are we too slow to spread Your influence in our lives and in our society?

“Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.”

Are we slow to forgive and quick to condemn?

“Blessed are the pure of heart, for they will see God.”

Are we prisoners of our senses and evil desires?
Are we caught up in our selfish intentions and needs?

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.”

Do we fail to make peace in our families, in our work, in our Church, in our country and in the world?

“Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”

Do we prefer to practice injustice rather than suffer for the sake of righteousness?
Do we discriminate against people and oppress and persecute them?

“Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me. Rejoice and be glad for your reward will be great in heaven.”

Have we suffered because of our faith and for following our Lord, Jesus Christ?
If so, we are on the right road to the Kingdom of Heaven.

**Lord, Jesus Christ, son of God
have mercy on me a sinner.**



A photo from March of 2018 of our Holy Rollers making Nut Rolls and Easter Paschas

“Give Up” By Rev. Craig Gates

GIVE UP grumbling! Instead, "In everything give thanks." Constructive criticism is OK, but "moaning, groaning, and complaining" are not Christian disciplines.

GIVE UP 10 to 15 minutes in bed! Instead, use that time in prayer, Bible study and personal devotion.

GIVE UP looking at other people's worst points. Instead concentrate on their best points. We all have faults. It is a lot easier to have people overlook our shortcomings when we overlook theirs first.

GIVE UP speaking unkindly. Instead, let your speech be generous and understanding. It costs so little to say something kind and uplifting. Why not check that sharp tongue at the door?

GIVE UP your hatred of anyone or anything! Instead, learn the discipline of love. "Love covers a multitude of sins."

GIVE UP your worries and anxieties! Instead, trust God with them. Anxiety is spending emotional energy on something we can do nothing about: like tomorrow! Live today and let God's grace be sufficient.

GIVE UP TV one evening a week! Instead, visit some lonely or sick person. There are those who are isolated by illness or age. Why isolate yourself in front of the "tube?" Give someone a precious gift: your time!

GIVE UP buying anything but essentials for yourself! Instead, give the money to God. The money you would spend on the luxuries could help someone meet basic needs. We are called to be stewards of God's riches, not consumers.

GIVE UP judging by appearances and by the standard of the world! Instead, learn to give up yourself to God. There is only one who has the right to judge, Jesus Christ.