



Annunciation Byzantine Catholic Church

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Holy Protection of Mary Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Phoenix
Most Reverend Artur Bubnevych

A suffragan Eparchy of
The Byzantine Catholic Archeparchy of Pittsburgh
The Most Reverend William C. Skurla, D.D., Metropolitan Archbishop
Website: archpitt.org

SATURDAY
9:00 am Liturgy
6:00 pm Vespers

SUNDAY
10:00 am Liturgy

DAILY
9:00 am Liturgy
No Liturgy on
Wednesdays

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



OFFICE HOURS
Monday-Friday
10:00 am -5:00 pm

**Office is Closed on
Wednesdays**

**Please call before
coming to the office.**

**ST NICHOLAS OF
MYRA FONTANA**
Sundays
5:00 pm Liturgy
HolyDays
7:00 pm Liturgy

PARISH ADVISORY COUNCIL

Deacon Greg Gath, Nina Erickson, Beth Gath,
Doug Ward, Jan Washicko, Sherill Franklin, &
Ed Chow

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL Doug Ward, Irene
Lovas, Dr. Luis Sandoval & Jan Washicko

**EASTERN CHRISTIAN FORMATION &
ATRIUM** September to May 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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www.ephx.org

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CONFESSIONS Before all Services Sunday 9:00 am Daily
before the morning Liturgy 8:30 am or by appointment

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.

GIFT SHOP is open on Sunday morning after the 10 am
Liturgy till noon Jessica 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
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ALL THE LITURGIES ARE LIVE STREAMED ON
facebook.com/stephen.washko

Numbers 11:16-17, 24-29, Joel 2:23-32, Ezekiel 36:24-28

The page numbers noted are for the Green Pew Books

Sat May 16 Post-Festive Ascension, p. 191

9:00 am Divine Liturgy
God's blessing on Jeannie Beltran Family

**6:00 pm Vespers for the Sunday of the Fathers
Hebrew Reading for Sunday**

Genesis 14:14-20,
Deuteronomy 1:8-11, 15-17,
Deuteronomy 10:14-21

**SUN, May 17 SUNDAY OF
THE FATHERS OF THE
FIRST ECUMENICAL
COUNCIL, p. 196**

9:00 am Confession &
Choir Practice
9:40 am Third Hour
10:00 am Liturgy
Coffee Social in the Parish
Hall
ECF Classes for our Youth
Inquiry Session in the lower
level



5:00 pm Liturgy at St Nicholas Fontana

MON, May 18, Post Festive of Ascension, p. 191

9:00 am Divine Liturgy God's blessing on the
Stephanie Rimmer Family

TUES, May 19, Post Festive of Ascension, p. 191

9:00 am Divine Liturgy +James & Rose
Lavenia by Charles Lavenia

WED May 20 Parish Office Closed

No morning Liturgy

THURS May 21, Post Festive of Ascension, p. 191

9:00 am Divine Liturgy +The Priest John
Monastero by Fr Stephen
7:00 pm Ecumenical Service at 40 Martyrs
Armenia Apostolic Church-Santa Anna

FRI May 22 Leave-taking of Ascension, p. 191

9:00 am Divine Liturgy +John & Kate Kcarab
by John & Barbara Fishell

SAT May 23, FIFTH ALL SOULS SATURDAY

9:00 am Divine Liturgy with the Panachida &
Reading of the Names of our Deceased
6:00 pm Vespers for Pentecost Sunday
Hebrew Readings for Sunday

SUN MAY 24 PENTECOST SUNDAY

9:00 am Confession & Choir Practice
9:40 am The Third Hour
10:00 am Divine Liturgy
Coffee Social in the Parish Hall
ECF Classes for our Youth
Inquiry Session in the lower level

5:00 pm Liturgy at St Nicholas Fontana

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Lord our Savior, you call us to unity with yourself and with our brothers and sisters. Give to your Church men and women who serve you in a life of prayer, fasting and almsgiving, so that we may be united as you brought the truth to the Fathers at the First Nicean Council. Strengthen your Church with an increase of faithful priests, deacons, monks and nuns, we pray you hear and have mercy.

“Keep them through your Name which you have given me, so that they may be one, even as we are one.” Jesus prayed that we would share in the unity of the life-creating Trinity. The Church needs men and women who are called to live this prayer out in a religious vocation. He may be calling you to become a monk, a nun, or to ordained ministry. To learn more, 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
May 17 Mike Petyo May 24 Sherill Franklin
May 31 George Petyo

7 DAY CANDLE OFFERING

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

Eternal Light

+Msgr George Vida by John & Linda Crans

Icon of Our Lord

Michael Pace John & Linda Crans

Mary Lavenia by Charles Lavenia

Icon of Theotokos

Happy Birthday Helen Bruce by John & Linda Crans

+The Priest John Monastery by Ed & Andrea Pribonic

Tetrapod

Happy Birthday Kristine Kohler by John & Linda Crans

Blessings on Tom Drnach by John & Linda Crans

OUTDOOR NEIGHBORHOOD FLEA MARKET
Saturday June 20, 2026 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
 (Set up -8:00 am)
 On the church grounds and hall patio
 10 X 10 Spaces are available for a donation of \$20.00
 Reserve your space or spaces—*first come first serve*
 Help clear out your garage and storage space.
 Contact Nina at 714-904-4603

Expectant Mother: Amarany Masterson, Melissa Davies, & Eileen Escobedo (Fontana)
Clergy needs: Msgr Michael Moran, Fr Robert Rankin & Fr Marcus Gomori.
In Military Service: Cortney Franklin, Jerret Soto, Nigel Ward & Fr Brad Guillory.
Our Veterans: David Bohner, Robert Pipta, Nicholas Speitel, Robert Erickson, Charlie Kanenbley, Jessica Hoskinson, Lance Flambures, Alexander Avalos, Michael Petyo and George Petyo.

PROSPHORA BAKING-ALTAR BREAD CLASS

From Beth Gath:

Dear Parishioners and Friends,
 Father Stephen would like the children to again experience making the Prospora this year. Jan has kindly agreed to teach the children and to let them participate in the making of the bread which Father consecrates during Liturgy. What a wonderful opportunity!

This will take place on **Saturday, June 13th at 10am**, and should last about 2.5-3 hours. Lunch will be provided.

For the older children it is ok if you just drop them off, but for younger children we ask that at least one parent stay (although of course all parents are welcome!).

Please let me know by **June 8th** how many people (children and adults) from your family will be participating.

CRAFT FAIR SPACES September 26 open for reservations. See Nicole Perlman. You may use Zelle or Donate on our parish web site \$40 reserves a space.
annunciationbyzantine.org

COFFEE SOCIAL FOR MAY our list for May is open. Be sure to sign up for serving the Coffee Social. Your donations are welcome and great appreciated. It helps us cover the cost of the doughnuts and coffee supplies. Again Thank you.

PRAYERS NEEDED

Parishioners Homebound: Lee Smith, Dr Stephen Torday, Helen Bruce, Andy Spisak & Sal & Gloria Solis.
Special needs: Lawrence Hoskinson, Sucha Singh, Joseph Tullia, Rick & Mitzi Moore, 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 & Thanksgiving for grace received.

TITHING AND ATTENDANCE REPORT

Our Stewardship Sunday of the Blind Man

Attendance: 130 Souls

Adult Tithes: \$2,283.00, Tithly: \$82.00, Coffee Social: \$48.00, Craft Fair: \$40.00, Sanctuary: \$130.00, Holy Day: \$40.00, Craft Fair: \$40.00 & Gift Shop: \$143.00.

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!

BISHOP'S APPEAL 2026 update 1-1 to 5-5

Parish Goal \$24,000.00

Pledges \$18,515.00

Balance Needed \$5,485.00

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

Special Thank You for your pledgers:

Fr Stephen G Washko	Tina Ricker
Jessica Hoskinson	Frances Bisaha
Robert & Nina Erickson	Anonymous
Joseph Tullai	George & Carolyn Petyo
Mihai & Lisa Chelu	Alex & Irene Fotinakes
Moon Gilbert	Sherill Franklin,
Irene Lovas	Stephen & Joannie Kopko
Joseph Adelman	Helen Bruce
Justin & Earley Lischak	Eddie & Katrina Chow
Lance & Sylvia Flambruse	Edward & Andrea Pribonic
Caleb Bauland	Karen Ybarra
Michael Marich	George & Janice Washicko
Abel & Gaudelupe Ceron	Deacon Greg & Beth Gath
James Yutronich	Kathy & Michael Hamaker
Carmela Yarosik	Jean Berardi
Liam Solis Wagenbach	Robert & Rita Pipta
Frank & Linda Malinick	Angelica Villarin
Nicolas & Alissa Speitel	Stephen & Melissa Davies
Charles & Patricia Kanenbley	Alice Marcotte

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday May 19 ANAHEIM RELIGIOUS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

11:30 am-1:00 pm meeting at City Church, Anaheim

Thursday May 21

6:30 pm ONLINE CATECHETICAL MEETING

7:00 PM ROMAN & EASTERN CATHOLIC & ORTHODOX ECUMENICAL SERVICE FOR UNITY 40 Martyrs Armenian Apostolic Church in Santa Ana.

Saturday May 23 5TH ALL SOULS SATURDAY

9:00 am Divine Liturgy & Reading of the Names

Wednesday May 27-Wednesday June 3 Our parish hall is a DESIGNATED VOTING CENTER FOR PRIMARY ELECTIONS from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Sunday May 31 LAST DAY FOR OUR ECF PROGRAM

Monday June 1 through June 5 CLERGY DAYS IN PHOENIX, ARIZONA for all clergy of the Eparchy of Phoenix. No Daily Liturgies at Annunciation

Sunday June 7 10:00 am BAPTISM-CHRISMATION FOR RUTH CERON & DIVINE LITURGY

Saturday June 13 PROSPHORA -Altar Bread Baking Class in the parish hall. See bulletin announcements above for details.

Nicea I.

On this Sunday, we commemorate the Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council. The Council was held in 325AD in the city of Nicea, not far from Constantinople. It ended on May 29 and came to be observed on the Sunday following the Feast of the Ascension.

The Council of Nicea I was a significant moment in Christianity as it settled the argument about Jesus' divinity. The bishops were concerned that some Christians were denying Jesus' divine nature, despite knowing that He had a human nature and Mary was His mother. The council concluded that Jesus is the true Son of God with both a human and divine nature, "one in essence with the Father," conceived through the power of the Holy Spirit and Mary. The Council also officially defined the date for Pascha.

This Sunday's Gospel reading, John 17:1-13, speaks to this reality of Jesus being the Son of God, one in essence with the Father. In this passage, Jesus prays to God the Father saying, "Now glorify me, Father, with you, with the glory that I had with you before the world began."

Through these words, Jesus tells us that He has existed before all creation and thus, that He is one with the eternal Father, not merely human but a divine person with a human nature and a divine nature. This union of divinity and humanity that we see manifest in Jesus Christ is a great mystery but is also the way in which our salvation is accomplished: God lowered Himself so that He could raise us up to be united to Him for eternity.

FROM THE DESERT FATHERS

A brother questioned Abba Poemen saying, "If I see my brother committing a sin, is it right to conceal it?" The old man said to him, "At the very moment when we hide our brother's fault, God hides our own and at the moment when we reveal our brother's fault, God reveals ours too."

Another brother questioned him in these words, "What does, 'See that none of you repays evil for evil' mean?" (1 Thess. 5:15) The old man said to him, "Passions work in four stages – first, in the heart; secondly, in the face; thirdly, in words; and fourthly, through deeds. If you can purify your heart, passion will not come into your expression; but if it comes into your face, take care not to speak; but if you do speak, cut the conversation short in case you render evil for evil."



Our clergy & choir will be participating.

The 19th Annual Roman & Eastern Catholic and Orthodox Christian Ecumenical Service of Prayer for Christian Unity

will be held at

Forty Martyrs Armenian Orthodox Church

5315 W. McFadden Ave., Santa Ana CA 92704

On

Thursday, May 21, 2026, at 7pm