



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](https://www.facebook.com/stephen.washko)

The page numbers noted are for the Green Pew Books

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

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

SUN MAY 24 PENTECOST SUNDAY, P. 203

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

MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND

PENTECOST MON, May 25, P. 210

9:00 am Divine Liturgy

PENTECOST TUES, May 26, P. 210

9:00 am Divine Liturgy

PENTECOST WED May 27 Parish Office Closed

No morning Liturgy

PENTECOST THURS May 28, P. 210

9:00 am Divine Liturgy

PENTECOST FRI May 29, P. 210

9:00 am Divine Liturgy

Sat May 30 LEAVE-TAKING OF PENTECOST, P. 210

9:00 am Divine Liturgy *God's blessing on*
Zelie Martin by The Gath Family

6:00 pm Vespers for the Sunday of All Saints
Hebrew Reading for Sunday

Genesis 12:1-9, & Sirach 44:1-15

SUN, May 31 SUNDAY OF ALL SAINTS, p. 211

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

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Lord Almighty, God of our Fathers, we thank you for dwelling within us through the Heavenly King, the Holy Spirit. We pray that your presence would animate your sons and daughters to answer when you call us to a life of service to your Church. Give your Church an abundant harvest of vocations, we pray you, hear and have mercy.



“Whoever follows me will not walk in the darkness but will have the light of life.” The Holy Spirit is our light and life. The Church is strengthened by those servants filled with the Spirit, whose life of prayer and service brings light and life to the world. Is the Holy Spirit guiding you to this life as a priest, deacon, monk or nun? Call 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 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

Frank Malinick by Helen Malinick

Icon of Our Lord

Happy Birthday Nathan Hougard

by John & Linda Crans

Icon of Theotokos

Happy Birthday Cheri Vislay

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

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.
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.

**TITHING AND ATTENDANCE REPORT
 Our Stewardship Sunday of the Blind Man**

Attendance: 130 Souls

Adult Tithes: \$3,313.00, Tithly: \$882.00, Candles: \$236.00, Coffee Social: \$39.00, Sanctuary: \$150.00, Holy Day: \$230.00, Bishop's Appeal: \$300.00, Neighborhood Flea Market: \$20.00.

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

We are on ZELLE use [angalgabriel995](https://www.zelle.com) 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 5-19

Parish Goal \$24,000.00

Pledges \$20,409.25

Balance Needed \$3,509.25

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

Special Thank You for your pledgers:

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| 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 |
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| Abel & Gaudelupe Ceron | Deacon Greg & Beth Gath |
| James Yutronich | Kathy & Michael Hamaker |
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| Liam Solis Wagenbach | Robert & Rita Pipta |
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| Nicolas & Alissa Speitel | Stephen & Melissa Davies |
| Charles & Patricia Kanenbley | Alice Marcotte |
| Luis Vargas | |

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

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.

About the Kneeling Prayers:

Kneeling Prayers: Father Alexander Schmemmann writes:

We are invited to kneel. This is our first kneeling since Easter. It signifies that after these fifty days of Paschal joy and fullness, of experiencing the Kingdom of God, the Church now is about to begin her pilgrimage through time and history. It is evening again, and the night approaches, during which temptations and failures await us, when, more than anything else, we need Divine help, that presence and power of the Holy Spirit, who has already revealed to us the joyful End, who now will help us in our effort towards fulfillment and salvation.

All this is revealed in the three prayers which the celebrant reads now as we all kneel and listen to him. In the first prayer, we bring to God our repentance, our increased appeal for forgiveness of sins, the first condition for entering into the Kingdom of God. In the second prayer, we ask the Holy Spirit to help us, to teach us to pray and to follow the true path in the dark and difficult night of our earthly existence. Finally, in the third prayer, we remember all those who have achieved their earthly journey, but who are united with us in the eternal God of Love. The joy of Easter has been completed and we again have to wait for the dawn of the Eternal Day. Yet, knowing our weakness, humbling ourselves by kneeling, we also know the joy and the power of the Holy Spirit who has come. We know that God is with us, that in Him is our victory. Thus is completed the feast of Pentecost and we enter "the ordinary time" of the year. Yet, every Sunday now will be called "after Pentecost" — and this means that it is from the power and light of these fifty days that we shall receive our own power, the Divine help in our daily struggle.

At Pentecost we decorate our churches with *flowers and green branches* — for the Church "never grows old, but is always young." It is an evergreen, ever-living Tree of grace and life, of joy and comfort. For the Holy Spirit - "the Treasury of Blessings and Giver of Life - comes and abides in us, and cleanses us from all impurity," and fills our life with meaning, love, faith and hope.

The Prayers in these Kneeling Prayers there's actually seven different prayers, done in three sets of kneeling: two in the first set, two in the second set, and three in the third set.

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In the second prayer, we ask the Holy Spirit to help us, to teach us to pray and to follow the true path in the dark and difficult night of our earthly existence.

In the third prayer, we remember all those who have achieved their earthly journey, but who are united with us in the eternal God of love.

PENTECOST SUNDAY:

Pentecost is a feast which has Old Testament antecedents, but, of course on this feast we now celebrate the New Testament events recording in the Book of Acts (2:1-41). It is the day on which the Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles, and the second day of the feast, the Monday, is still kept as a feast of the Holy Spirit. The Old Testament readings which are appointed for the Vespers part of the Vigil service for the feast underline the continuity between the Old Testament promise and the New Testament realization of that promise. In the first we hear of the visitation of the Spirit upon the seventy elders of Israel in the time of Moses the God-seer, which was a foreshadowing of the present event; in the second, we hear from the prophecy of Joel which the Holy Apostle Peter used in his sermon on the day of Pentecost when explaining to the Jewish people the significance of the gift the Apostles had received; in the third we hear the prophecy of Ezekiel regarding Pentecost. By these and so many other indications we see that the God Who spoke to us through the Old Testament Scriptures is the God also of the New Testament. By the coming of the Holy Spirit, He, the One God worshipped in Trinity, is now fully revealed to us, and so this day is also kept as a celebration of the Holy Trinity.

To represent the newness of life granted us through the Holy Spirit, our churches are decorated on this day with branches of greenery, and oftentimes the floor is strewn with grasses and leaves. During the fifty days since Pascha, we have not been using the prayer "Heavenly King" in church or in our daily prayers at home - during Pascha itself it was replaced by "Christ is Risen" (three times) and after that is simply omitted. At this feast again we begin to use it daily for the rest of the year.