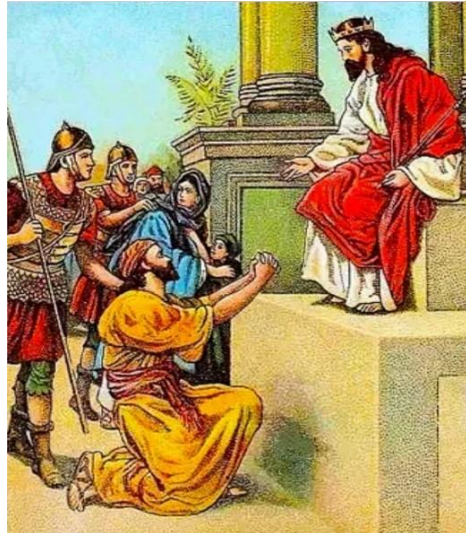




*The Dormition of the Theotokos  
August 15*



*11th Sunday After Pentecost—Matthew 18:23-35  
The Parable of the Unforgiving Servant*

## **St. Anne Byzantine Catholic Church**

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Holy Protection of Mary

Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Phoenix

Welcome! We are honored to have you come to worship with us. If you are unfamiliar with the worship of the Byzantine Church, simply listen to the Liturgy and allow the rest of the congregation to carry you in worship. We extend our hands and hearts in Christian fellowship to you here, celebrating with us, whether long-time residents or newly arrived in the parish. We thank God that you are with us. If you would like to be an active member of our Byzantine Catholic community, please contact the parish office. Since we are one Catholic Church with many Traditions (each that includes a liturgical rite), becoming a parishioner does not require that you make a canonical transfer of Rite, for example, from the Roman Rite to our Byzantine Rite. Yet we invite you to join us in our traditions, fast days, and feast days so as to better understand and perhaps one day embrace our Eastern Catholic spirituality. **Please join us for our Coffee Social, held in the fellowship hall, immediately after the Divine Liturgy and make yourself known to our Pastor who would be happy to answer your questions. Welcome to St. Anne's!**

St. Anne bulletin email list: Would you like to have our bulletin emailed to you each week? Request it at [slosa.email@gmail.com](mailto:slosa.email@gmail.com)

## Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory forever!

**This week's liturgical schedule:** (Check the MCI <https://mci.archpitt.org> for music and prayers.) Livestreaming of Sunday in the parking lot is available for those taking extra health precautions. Contact the pastor.

<p><i>Saturday, August 12</i> Use handout</p>	<p><b>5 PM Great Vespers</b></p>	<p>Deuteronomy 15:1-11; Nehemiah 5:1-3.</p>
<p><i>Sunday, August 13</i> Use handout</p>	<p><u>Confessions: 8:30-9:20 AM</u> <u>9:30 AM Matins</u> <b>10 AM Divine Liturgy</b> Intention: For Parishioners</p>	<p><b><i>ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST</i></b> <i>Final Day of the Feast of the Transfiguration.</i> 1 Corinthians 9:2-12; Matthew 18:23-35. <u>Tone 2</u></p>
<p><i>Monday, August 14</i> MCI or p. 351</p>	<p><u>Confessions: 5:30-6:00 PM</u> <b>6:30 PM Vigil Vespersal Divine Liturgy</b> Clare Thomas (birthday) by the Thomas Family</p>	<p><b><i>DORMITION OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD</i></b> <b><i>(Vigil--Holy Day of Obligation)</i></b> Genesis 28:10-17; Ezekiel 43:27 - 44:4; Proverbs 9:1-11. <b><i>Blessing of Flowers.</i></b></p>
<p><i>Tuesday, August 15</i> MCI or p. 352</p>	<p><b>8 AM Festal Matins</b> Confessions: 9-9:30 AM <b>10 AM Divine Liturgy</b> Intention: For Parishioners</p>	<p><b><i>DORMITION OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD</i></b> <b><i>(Holy Day of Obligation)</i></b> Philippians 2:5-11; Luke 10:38-42 &amp; 11:27-28. <b><i>Blessing of Flowers.</i></b></p>
<p><i>Wednesday, August 16</i> MCI</p>	<p><b>7 AM Divine Liturgy</b> Mary Lynn Cihak by Fr. Michael</p>	<p><b><i>Translation of the Icon of Our Lord Jesus Christ, the Icon Not Made by Human Hands, From Edessa to Constantinople (944)</i></b> Galatians 3:23 – 4:5; Luke 9:51-56</p> <p>Parish Office Open</p>
<p><i>Thursday, August 17</i></p>	<p>No liturgical services today.</p>	<p><b><i>Holy Martyr Myron</i></b> Parish Office Closed</p>

<b>Friday, August 18</b> MCI or p. 381	Confessions: 4:30-5:00 PM <b>5:30 PM Divine Liturgy</b> Special Intention by Fr. Michael	<b>Holy Martyrs Florus and Laurus</b> 2 Corinthians 7:10-16; Mark 2:18-22. Parish Office Open
<b>Saturday, August 19</b> MCI or p. 381	<b>9:30 AM Acolyte Training</b> <b>10:45 AM Divine Liturgy</b> Brian by Karen Schindler 12 PM Pizza Lunch	<b>Holy Martyr Andrew the Tribune and His Companions</b> 1 Corinthians 1:26-29; Matthew 20:29-34. Parish Office Open
Use handout	<b>5 PM Great Vespers</b>	Deuteronomy 5:1-22; Sirach 31:1-7.
<b>Sunday, August 20</b> Use handout	<u>Confessions: 8:30-9:20 AM</u> <u>9:30 AM Matins</u> <b>10 AM Divine Liturgy</b> Intention: For Parishioners	<b>TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST</b> 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Matthew 19:16-26. <u>Tone 3</u>

**UPCOMING CALENDAR DATES**

**AUGUST 15: DORMITION OF THE THEOTOKOS (Holy Day of Obligation)**

August 14 at 6:30pm—Vigil Vespersal Divine Liturgy; August 15 at 8am—Festal Matins and 10am Divine Liturgy (Bring flowers to be blessed.)

**AUGUST 19: Acolyte Training Session**

August 19 at 9:30am—training session, at 10:45am—Divine Liturgy (to practice what was learned), and at 12:00pm—pizza lunch for participants.

**Beheading of John the Baptist—Simple Feast**

August 29 at 7am—Divine Liturgy

**Eparchial Events:**

**August 18-20:** Annual Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Shrine in Olympia, WA. Information and registration: <https://stgeorgeolympia.org/shrine/>

**November 2-5:** Assembly of the Byzantine Church 2023: Gathering of Byzantine Catholics from across the US. (in Hillsborough, NJ). Sign up for email updates here: <https://form.jotform.com/230514012134134>

## SUNDAY GIFTS TO THE LORD

<p><b>July 23, 2023:</b> Total bank Deposit: \$3,000. <b>Total parish income: \$1,285.</b></p>	<p>Tithes: \$445. Donations: \$545. Candles: \$30. Holy Day, Dormition: \$95. * Eparchial Appeal: \$1,715.</p>	<p>Gift Shop: \$120. Landscaping: \$50. * These are special collections initiated by the Eparchy and do not count as income to the parish.</p>
<p><b>July 30, 2023:</b> Total bank Deposit: \$7,854. <b>Total parish income: \$1,539.</b></p>	<p>Tithes: \$830. Donations: \$484. Candles: \$39. Holy Day, Dormition: \$80. * Eparchial Appeal: \$6,315.</p>	<p>Bake Sale: \$84. Gift Shop: \$22. * These are special collections initiated by the Eparchy and do not count as income to the parish.</p>
<p><b>July 2023</b></p>	<p>Online donation: \$20.</p>	<p>Total online deposits for July: \$20. <b>Total online parish income: \$20.</b></p>
<p><b>August 6, 2023:</b> Total bank Deposit: \$2,648. <b>Total parish income: \$2,598.</b></p>	<p>Tithes: \$1,695. Building Fund: \$20. Donations: \$797. Candles: \$26.</p>	<p>* Eparchial Appeal: \$50. Gift Shop: \$60. * These are special collections initiated by the Eparchy and do not count as income to the parish.</p>

Your donations are enabling us to continue paying our bills at St Anne's. Thank you!  
Please note that you have three ways to contribute: 1) Place your donation in the collection basket or the secure locked box in the Narthex; 2) Mail it; or 3) Go to [www.stanneslo.org](http://www.stanneslo.org) and click on the Giving tab.  
**May God bless your generosity to His Church!**

**Birthdays:** August 14—Clare Thomas; August 16—Genevieve C.  
**Anniversaries:** August 18—Jon & Melinda Couch  
**God grant them many blessed years!**

## OIL LAMP INTENTIONS

Eternal Lamp above Ambon in church: **+Janice Sawko by Paul Sawko (10/14/23)**

Eternal Lamp to St. Anne in the narthex:

**+Ann & Alex Sawko by Paul Sawko (10/14/23)**

Icon of Jesus Christ: **+Alex & Catharine Sawko by Paul Sawko (10/14/23)**

Icon of the Theotokos: **+Michael & Antonia Kozub by Paul Sawko (10/14/23)**

Icon of St. Anne: **+Ann & James O'Malley by Paul Sawko (10/14/23)**

Icon of St. Mary Magdalene: **+Sheryl Ibarra by Paul Sawko (10/14/23)**

Icon of St. John the Baptist: **+Neil & Velma Perry by Paul Sawko (10/14/23)**

Icon of St. Nicholas: **+Nicholas Sawko by Paul Sawko (10/14/23)**

The large "eternal" vigil oil lamps have a suggested offering of \$10 and will burn continuously from Sunday through Saturday. The other smaller oil lamps are each available for a suggested \$2 offering, which will burn for each Divine Liturgy for one week. The bulletin will remind your fellow parishioners of your special intention or loved one above. (These donations are probably not tax-deductible and are not included in your tax-deductible letter.) See narthex envelopes to sponsor a lamp. Make checks payable to **St. Anne Catholic Church**.

**LITURGY INTENTIONS** Please fill out one of the Liturgy Intention envelopes on the greeting table in the narthex with the name of your living or deceased person. Make checks payable to **St. Anne Stipends** and write "Liturgy Stipend" in your memo line. Donations are not required, though the suggested stipend from the Pastoral Handbook is \$10, which is later paid to the priest offering the Liturgy. (These donations are probably not tax-deductible and are not included in your tax-deductible letter.)

### **Typicon 2024 orders DUE TODAY:**

The Typicon (also spelled Typikon) is a "how-to manual" for celebrating the liturgical services of our Byzantine Ruthenian Catholic Church. The Common Typicon needs to be purchased only once until a new edition comes out (usually every 10 - 20 years). However, the Annual Typicon needs to be purchased every year to stay current. These materials are especially useful to cantors, but can be helpful to anyone wanting to understand how to pray Matins, Vespers, the little hours, and Divine Liturgy. Typicons are available for \$20 each by Pre-Order from our Gift Shop. Order forms (available in the gift shop) and payments are **due no later than this Sunday, August 13, 2023.**

## Stress in Your Marriage?

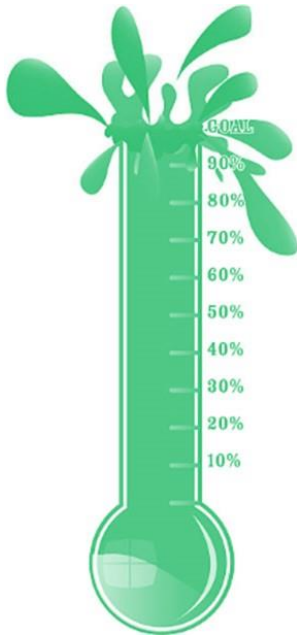
This is a program for married couples that feel bored, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Most don't know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. This program has helped 10's of 1000's of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on September 15-17, please call 831-479-1260 or email: [Monterey@RetroCA.com](mailto:Monterey@RetroCA.com) or visit the web site at [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org)

## Acolyte training session:

On Saturday, August 19, there will be a training session at 9:30am, Divine Liturgy at 10:45am (to give extra practice for what we just learned), and a pizza lunch at 12:00pm. Acolytes are male altar servers: boys and men. Our age range is 7 to 75.

## Parish Hike—September 2:

Our parish hike will be Saturday, September 2, at *Montaña de Oro State Park* near Los Osos. The hike will begin at 10am with the particular trail yet to be determined as well as the location of the possible Divine Liturgy on the hike at approximately 11:30am. Be sure to bring a sack lunch for after the Divine Liturgy. Please mark your calendar now.



## Eparchial Appeal 2023:

Congratulations! We have surpassed our goal. Anything over the goal of \$16,931.17 will be completely rebated to our parish later this year. Donations will be only be accepted through this Sunday, August 13. After that donations will be gladly accepted for other projects such as the Landscape Fund. Thank you to all those who contributed to this year's Eparchial Appeal, especially the anonymous parishioner who donated \$5,000 in matching funds. As of August 6, we have collected \$21,200. Kudos!!!

### **Online Byzantine courses and resources:**

Check out [www.BecomingByzantine.net](http://www.BecomingByzantine.net) where you can watch the Study Series on the Christ Our Pascha Catechism, listen to the podcast version of this series, download new tools and resources, register for other series, and more! The recording for the webinar PART 1 is now available on the website at:

<https://becomingbyzantine.updates.church/#4257cc1b-a09a-4955-998f-cb8a70d5bc08>

Other great websites of Byzantine Catholic resources can be found at *God With Us Online* at <https://godwithusonline.org> and *Institute of Catholic Culture* at <https://instituteofcatholicculture.org>.

### **Vocation Corner:**

Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost – August 13, 2023

O compassionate Lord, you see us in our spiritual poverty and debt and your compassion looses us from what binds us. You also call us to show compassion to our brothers and sisters by forgiving them of their trespasses from our hearts. Grant your Church an abundance of spiritual guides, priests, deacons, monks and nuns who pour out love and forgiveness to the world, we pray you hear and have mercy.

“The lord of that slave, moved with compassion, released him, and forgave him the debt.” In today’s parable, we see our Lord acting out of a compassion that transcends what we deserve and brings forgiveness in the midst of debt. Is a life of prayer and compassion through the religious or ordained life something that God is calling you to consider? To learn more, contact the Vocations Office at 206-329-9219 or email: [vocations@ephx.org](mailto:vocations@ephx.org)

### **Safe Environment Info**

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 USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People.

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

Sbdcn Paul Kilroy, Safe Environment Program Coordinator

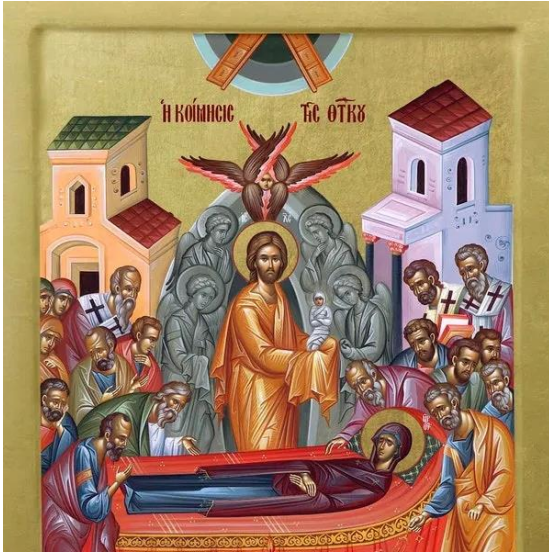
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**Dormition Feast on August 15—please bring flowers:** The feast of the Dormition of the Theotokos is on August 15 and is a Holy Day of Obligation. This means you must come unless you get sick or need to take



care of a family member or friend who is sick. Failing to do so is failing to fulfill an obligation owed to God. On this feast day, we celebrate Our Lady's falling asleep and passing from this life to heaven. The icon of the feast shows that Our Lady has died. Her son Jesus is holding her soul in His hands and taking her up to heaven. St. Thomas the Apostle was missing again. When he came after the funeral, he wanted to see her body. When they opened her coffin, it was not there

but only the winding sheet and some accounts say there were flowers there as well. As a result, we bless flowers and herbs on this feast day to honor Our Lady, the most Holy Theotokos and ever-Virgin Mary. Flowers and small herb plants will be blessed at the end of each of the two Liturgies so feel free to bring a bouquet. The Vigil Vespereal Divine Liturgy on Monday evening, August 14, at 6:30pm will also fulfill your obligation.

**Attention Moms and Kids:** Here is a great Byzantine resource for you: <https://www.byzimom.com/> with a corollary for kids: <https://www.byzimom.com/byzikids>

**Free online course on the Four Cardinal VIRTUES:** Here is a course on the virtues coming in September. Check it out: <https://instituteofcatholicculture.org/events/the-cardinal-virtues>