

SECOND SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST

March 17, 2019



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 are not registered, please fill out the form below and place in the collection basket or mail to the Parish Office. We invite you to join us for our Coffee Social, held in the fellowship hall, immediately after the Divine Liturgy and ask that you make yourself known to our Pastor who would be happy to answer your questions.

St. Anne's email list: Would you like to be added to our weekly St. Anne bulletin email list? Request it at slosa.email@gmail.com

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory forever!

This week's liturgical schedule

<p>Sunday March 17 <i>(Use handout for pages)</i></p>	<p>10:00 AM Divine Liturgy <i>For the Parishioners, Friends, and Benefactors of St. Anne's</i></p>	<p>SECOND SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST Confessions: 9:00-9:45am <i>Hebrews 1:10-2:3; Mark 2:1-12. <u>Tone 2.</u></i> <i>ECF classes continue</i></p>
<p>Monday March 18</p>	<p>No liturgical services today.</p>	<p><i>Parish office closed.</i></p>
<p>Tuesday March 19 <i>See booklet</i></p>	<p>9:00 AM Lenten Matins</p>	<p>The Holy Martyrs Chrysanthus and Daria. <i>Genesis 7:1-15; Proverbs 8:32-9:11</i></p>
<p>Wednesday March 20 <i>See booklets and guides</i></p>	<p>6:30 AM Matins 6:30 PM Presanctified Liturgy <i>+Joe & Bonnie Wilson by Dana & Debbie Christianson</i></p>	<p>Our Venerable Fathers of the St. Sabbas Monestary, Killed by Saracens. Confessions: 5:45-6:15pm <i>Genesis 7:6-9; Proverbs 9:12-18</i></p>
<p>Thursday March 21 <i>See booklet</i></p>	<p>9:00 AM Lenten Matins</p>	<p>Our Venerable Father and Confessor James, Bishop of Catania. <i>Genesis 7:11-8:4; Proverbs 10:1-22</i></p>
<p>Friday March 22 <i>See booklets and guides</i></p>	<p>9:00 AM Office Terce-Sext 5:30 PM Presanctified Liturgy <i>+Daniel & Anita Webster by Constantino & Maryann Santos</i> 7:00-8:00 PM Free dinner and reflection</p>	<p>The Holy Martyr Basil, Priest of Ancyra. Confessions: 4:45-5:15pm <i>Genesis 8:4-21; Proverbs 10:31-11:12</i> Fr. Michael gives a Lenten 30 minute reflection with the free dinner.</p>
<p>Saturday March 23 <i>p. 428</i></p>	<p>9:00 AM Diving Liturgy <i>Deceased loved ones submitted</i></p>	<p>Third All Souls Saturday. The Holy Venerable-Martyr Nikon and His Students Martyred With Him. Our Holy Mother Rafka. Confessions: 8:15-8:45am <i>Hebrews 10:32-38; Mark 2:14-17</i></p>
<p>Sunday March 24 <i>(Use handout for pages)</i></p>	<p>10:00 AM Divine Liturgy <i>For the Parishioners, Friends, and Benefactors of St. Anne's</i></p>	<p>THIRD SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST: VENERATION OF THE HOLY CROSS Confessions: 9:00-9:45am <i>Hebrews 4:14-5:6; Mark 8:34-9:1. <u>Tone 3</u></i> <i>ECF classes continue</i></p>

UPCOMING CALENDAR DATES

MARCH 25: FEAST OF ANNUNCIATION OF THE THEOTOKOS

Monday, March 25 at 9am and 6:30pm

3rd and 4th ALL SOULS SATURDAYS

Divine Liturgies at 9am on March 23 and 30

APRIL 9-11: EASTER BAKE SALE WORK

Social Hall. Please help out!

April 9: Make rolls and Lenten bars; April 10: Make Pirohi; April 11: Make Pascha bread.

SUNDAY GIFTS TO THE LORD

March 10, 2019

Attendance: 52

Tithes: \$2,305

Debt Reduction: \$45

Donations: \$181

Candles: \$17

For cantor CD's: \$150

Eparchial Appeal: \$100

Gift Shop: \$10

PLEASE REMEMBER SAINT ANNE'S IN YOUR WILLS AND BEQUESTS

May God bless your generosity to His Church!

Birthdays: March 22: Suzie Trockman; March 23: Jim Shepard

Cleaning Angels: March 17-30: Aguirre family

God grant them many blessed years!

OIL LAMP INTENTIONS

Eternal Lamp above Ambon in church: **+John Anthony Dunn by Phillip & Rachel Slagel (12/7/19)**

Eternal Lamp to St. Anne in the narthex: **[Available]**

Icon of Jesus Christ: **[Available]** Icon of the Theotokos: **[Available]**; Icon of St. John the Baptist: **[Available]**

Icon of St. Anne: **+Carla Anne Kndimuk by Phillip & Rachel Slagel (7/6/19)**

Icon of St. Nicholas: **[Available]** Icon of St. Mary Magdalene: **[Available]**

The large "eternal" vigil oil lamps have a suggested offering of \$10.00 and will burn continuously from Sunday through Saturday. The other smaller oil lamps are each available for a suggested \$2.00 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. See narthex envelopes.

PRAYER REQUESTS (Submit requests by email or physical note.) John Barlow, Daniel Baron, Jeff Baron, Rebecca Baron, Betty, Stephen Bezruchka, Myrna Bradley, Celi Carnazzo, Celi Carnazzo's mom, Dana Christianson, Debbie Christianson, Alexis Curley, Jay Dicky, Joyce Dicky, Victor Ely, Sophie Emmons, Chris Evans, Government (national, state, local) Amalia Guzman, Robert Hanley, Raphael Jenkins, Juraj Kasperek, Jessica Lowes, Matthew Marx, Howard Nobert, John Procopchuk, Rebecca Procopchuk, Sol Rudnick, Michael Santos, Jim Snead, Silvia Soto, Sarah Standley, Carolyn Tatum, Maria Turley. **CONFESSIONS** Saturdays: 8:15-8:45am, Sundays: 9:00-9:45am, and when Fridays have a 5:30pm evening Liturgy: 4:45 -5:15pm. Also before holydays as listed in the bulletin and by appointment. **ANOINTING OF THE SICK** After the Holy Services in church before hospitalization. For emergencies, please call the Parish Office immediately. **BAPTISM/CHRISMATION/EUCHARIST** Must be arranged at least three months in advance. **CROWNING IN MARRIAGE** Must be arranged at least six months in advance.

EASTERN CHRISTIAN FORMATION Contact Ed Stewart: macejstewart@gmail.com

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. Although donations are not required, the suggested stipend is \$10, which is later paid to the priest offering the Liturgy.

St. Nicholas Food Drive: While preparing for Pascha (Easter), we have a tradition of donating non-perishable food items to the Loaves and Fishes food pantry of Atascadero. More information can be found at Atascadero Loaves and Fishes (805) 461-1504 or from Constantino or Maryann Santos at (805) 286-0309. Please bring your contribution of food items and place them below the St. Nicholas icon of our church's icon screen on or before Sunday, April 14. Thank you!

Eparchial Appeal update: As of March 13, St. Anne's has raised \$3,805 toward our \$7,425 goal from 13 of the 27 households. This means 48% of registered parishioners have participated. Thank you and bless you for your contributions!

St Anne's is now 51% of the way toward fulfilling our monetary goal. To those who have not yet donated, please respond to your letter by donating to the eparchy directly via mail or online, or by donating through the green Bishop Appeal envelopes in your box of envelopes [or located in the narthex??]. If you use the church envelopes for your donation, make the check payable to St. Anne Byzantine Catholic Church and write "Eparchial Appeal" in the memo line. Here's an important bit of extra incentive for us to far exceed our goal this year. If we achieve our goal of \$7,425, the parish will receive a rebate of 20%. However, any additional money we raise over \$7,425, but under \$7,992.47, will give St. Anne's a rebate of 50%. For donations above \$7,992.47, St Anne's will receive a 85% rebate. I encourage all parishioners and others who attend St Anne's to give generously and lovingly to support our eparchy and our parish.

Why do Byzantine Catholics begin Lent two days earlier than Roman Catholics? The answer is that the period of paschal preparation is structured very differently in the two traditions. Byzantine Catholics have two fasting periods in preparation for Pascha (Easter). The first 40-day period, called the Great Fast, begins seven Mondays before Pascha Sunday and ends the Friday before Lazarus Saturday (the day before Palm Sunday). This period includes Sundays, which explains why there is only a mitigation for wine and oil on Sundays and special feast days in the traditional fast. Byzantine Catholics then celebrate a second intense fasting period, from Holy Monday to the Divine Liturgy of Pascha Sunday. Traditionally, during the weekend between the two fasting periods, namely Lazarus Saturday and Palm Sunday, meat and dairy are allowed.

By contrast, the Roman Catholic Church has a single 40-day fasting period from Ash Wednesday to Holy Saturday, the day before Easter. There are actually 46 days in this period, but Sundays are counted as "an island in the fast" and not included in the 40 days.

A Lenten Reflection talk by Fr. Michael: This Friday, March 22, Fr. Michael will give a 30 minute reflection on aspects of applying Great Lent in our lives. Come to the free dinner to feed your body while also feeding your soul with the reflection. If you have extra time, come to the Presanctified Liturgy beforehand.

Two-part Series on the Divine Liturgy: During the Friday evening classes on March 29 and April 5, Fr. Michael will give an overview of the structure and theology of the Divine Liturgy and Presanctified Liturgy. The classes will run from 7:30-8:30pm after the 5:30pm Presanctified Liturgy and free dinner at 7:00pm.

Alive in Christ: Mark your calendars dads and sons! This year's Alive in Christ summer ascetical boot camp will be held July 11-14 in Auburn, Washington. Application materials are due in Seattle on May 12. More information can be found in the social hall or 206-799-4917.