

**PASCHA SUNDAY (Easter)**

**April 21, 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](mailto:slosa.email@gmail.com)*

## Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen! **This week's liturgical schedule**

<p><b>Sunday</b> <b>April 21</b> <i>(Use handout for pages)</i></p>	<p><b>9:30 AM Matins with Divine Liturgy</b> <i>For the Parishioners, Friends, and Benefactors of St. Anne's</i></p>	<p><b>PASCHA: THE FEAST OF THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD, GOD, AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST</b> <i>No Confessions today unless an emergency. Acts 1:1-8; John 1:1-17; <u>Festal Tone.</u></i>  <i>(No ECF classes today)</i></p>
<p><b>Monday</b> <b>April 22</b> <i>p. 172 &amp; 164</i></p>	<p><b>6:30 PM Divine Liturgy</b> <i>Rev. Michael Bezruchka by the Lardizabal-Carnazzo family</i></p>	<p><b>Bright Monday. Parish office open</b> <i>Confessions: 5:45-6:15pm</i> <i>Acts 2:14-21, 12:1-11; Luke 24:12-35; John 15:17 - 16:2</i></p>
<p><b>Tuesday</b> <b>April 23</b> <i>p. 172, 164, &amp; 332</i></p>	<p><b>8:00 AM Divine Liturgy</b> <i>Diane Bagwell &amp; Family by MaryAnn Santos</i></p>	<p><b>Bright Tuesday. The Holy, Glorious and Victorious Great Martyr George the Wonderworker.</b> <i>Exodus2:5-10; Job 1:13-22; Matthew 24:36-36:2</i> <b>Parish office closed today.</b></p>
<p><b>Wed-Thurs.</b> <b>April 24-25</b></p>	<p><b>No Divine Liturgies</b></p>	<p><b>Parish Office closed. Fr. Michael on vacation.</b></p>
<p><b>Friday</b> <b>April 26</b></p>	<p><b>No Divine Liturgy</b></p>	<p><b>Parish office open 10:30am to 5:00pm</b> <b>Allowed to eat meat on Friday, April 26.</b></p>
<p><b>Saturday</b> <b>April 27</b> <i>p. 174 &amp; 164</i></p>	<p><b>9:00 AM Divine Liturgy</b>  <i>John &amp; Kathleen Barlow &amp; Family by Constantino &amp; Maryann Santos</i></p>	<p><b>Bright Saturday.</b> <i>Confessions: 8:15-8:45am</i> <i>Acts 3:11-16; John 3:22-33</i></p>
<p><b>Sunday</b> <b>April 28</b> <i>(Use handout for pages)</i></p>	<p><b>10:00 AM Divine Liturgy</b> <i>For the Parishioners, Friends, and Benefactors of St. Anne's</i></p>	<p><b>THOMAS SUNDAY</b> <i>Confessions: 9:00-9:45am</i> <i>Acts 5:12-20; John 20:19-31; <u>Festal Tone</u></i>  <b>Potluck Sunday: please bring a dish to share. (No ECF)</b></p>

### SUNDAY GIFTS TO THE LORD

<p><b>April 14, 2019</b> Attendance: 70</p>	<p>Tithes: \$1,370 Debt Reduction: \$200 Donations: \$260 Candles: \$65</p>	<p>Flowers/Palms: \$35 Eparchial Appeal: \$275 Bake Sale/Catering: \$553 Gift Shop: \$26</p>
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PLEASE REMEMBER SAINT ANNE'S IN YOUR WILLS AND BEQUESTS

**May God bless your generosity to His Church!**

**Birthday: April 23: Gregory Lee**

**Anniversary: April 27: Russell & Christine Tolchard**  
**Cleaning Angels: April 14 – 27: Tolchard 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, Myrna Bradley, Celi Carnazzo, Dana Christianson, Debbie Christianson, Alexis Curley, Jay Dicky, Joyce Dicky, Fr. Edwin, Elizabeth, Stephen Ely, Rachel Estrella, Chris Evans, Government (national, state, local), Caroline Farrow, Ernie Garcia, Amalia Guzman, Robert Hanley, Raphael Jenkins, Heidi Johnson, Juraj Kasperek, Sophie Kozinski, Kozitza family, +Beatriz Lardizabal, Crystal & Sumi Lee, Jessica Lowes, Fe Marcuzo, Josie Miramontes, Matthew Marx, Nella, Howard Nobert, Ofelia, John Procopchuk, Rebecca Procopchuk, Sol Rudnick, Michael Santos, Therese Santos, Donna Snead, Silvia Soto, Sarah Standley, Carolyn Tatum, Maria Turley, Elizabeth Wallace, Yolanda.

**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.

**ANNOINTING 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.

**Eparchial Appeal update:** As of April 17, **St. Anne's has raised \$5,760 toward our \$7,425 goal** from 19 of the 27 households. (If you sent a recent donation directly to the eparchy and credited St. Anne's, it is not included here as our latest update from the eparchy is from April 4) This means **70%** of registered parishioners have participated. Thank you and may God bless you for your contributions! St. Anne's is now at about **77.6% of the way** toward fulfilling our monetary goal. 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. I encourage all parishioners who attend St. Anne's to give generously and lovingly to support our eparchy and our parish. **THIS IS THE MOST IMPORTANT SPECIAL COLLECTION** for the whole year. Thank you.

**Special collection for the Catholic Home Missions Appeal:** Launched in 1998, the Appeal strengthens the Catholic Church in the United States and its territories in 85 Latin and Eastern Catholic dioceses/eparchies. The Subcommittee on the Catholic Home Missions funds a wide range of pastoral services, including evangelization, religious education, and the maintenance of mission parishes, the training of seminarians and lay ministers, and ministry within ethnic groups. Grant funds are available to dioceses and eparchies for these purposes on an annual application basis. Our eparchy has received a grant each year for many years now. Thank you for your generosity.

CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED HE IS RISEN!

Dear St. Anne Parishioners,

What a blessing to share this Pascha with all of you at St. Anne's! This is a special parish full of beauty and spiritual zeal, and it's a joy for me to serve you as your pastor!!

This year has seen many things come to light in the Catholic Church that were disturbing. Jesus warned of scandals (Matt. 18:1-10) but did not say that was an excuse to abandon Him or His Church. However, even in dark times, the potential for the light to initiate an authentic renewal and purification in the Church is real. In dark times, we must remember that Christ is in charge and He will not abandon us.

When Jesus went up to Jerusalem to be condemned to death, He had prepared His disciples for what would happen. He often told them the Son of Man would be handed over to be crucified but would later rise on the third day. (i.e. Matt. 20: 17-19; Matt. 26:2; Mark 10:32-34; Luke 18:31-34) Yet even when Jesus warned that He would be crucified and rise again three days later, His disciples still thought everything was lost after the crucifixion. They forgot what He said! On the glorious day of His resurrection, His disciples still did not recognize Him on their way to Emmaus (Luke 24: 13-35). Jesus seemed no more than a stranger who had no idea of current world events (namely, that the hoped-for Messiah had been crucified a couple days before). When Jesus re-explained the Scriptures that pointed to all these things and that His crucifixion and death were necessary for the Son of Man to be glorified, they were filled with a new hope - yet still they did not recognize Him. It was not until He blessed the bread and gave it to them as His body and blood that they realized He was the RISEN LORD! *Now were their mouths full of laughter and their tongues filled with joy* (Psalm 125/126: 2).

Despite difficulties and turmoil, we also need to recognize Good News! After all, CHRIST IS RISEN! This is the Good News!! Like He did with His disciples, Jesus wants to turn our sorrow into hopefulness, expectancy, and joy. "Were not our hearts burning inside us as He talked to us on the road and explained the Scriptures to us?" (Luke 24: 32). Our Lord Jesus Christ holds all things in His hands. Let us **rejoice** with Him!

It is my prayer that our hearts be filled with deep peace and joy during this season of Pascha!

Sincerely yours in our Risen Lord Jesus Christ!

Fr. Michael Bezruchka  
Pastor



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Christ is Risen! Christos Voskrese! Cristo ha resucitado!

Indeed He is risen! Voinstinnu voskrese! En verdad, esta resucitado!

Dear clergy and faithful of Holy Protection of Mary Eparchy of Phoenix,

What is the message of Easter for our Church in this year of so much scandal, shame and sin that has found the headlines in today's multi-faceted media? The only acceptable answer is our traditional Easter greeting: "Christ is Risen!". We must look to the Risen Christ to heal and lift up our Church from this terrible mess. The Risen Christ once again offers us new life and hope in our troubled world.

Our simple yet profound greeting, "Christ is Risen!", offers each and everyone of us hope and joy not only during the Paschal Season, but throughout the entire year. The truth of our Faith is concentrated in that greeting and the meaning of our earthly lives as well. Without the Resurrection of Christ there is neither Christianity nor eternal life for us. The crucified Christ has died for us, but is risen from the dead and in the words of St. John Chrysostom: "the Risen Christ has liberated our life and the tomb is emptied of its dead for Christ having risen from the dead, has become the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep".

As we proclaim in the Resurrection Matins:

"This is the day of Resurrection. Let us be enlightened by this Feast and let us embrace one another. Let us call brethren those who hate us and in the Resurrection forgive everything and sing: Christ is risen from the dead! By death He TRAMPLED death and to all in the tombs He granted life."

May the Risen Christ unite all of us with His love, fill us with spiritual joy and establish peace and happiness in our hearts.

Sincerely yours in the Risen Christ,

Most Reverend John S. Pazak, C.Ss.R.