

Saint Nicholas of Myra

Byzantine Catholic Church

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Holy Protection of Mary

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Sunday Liturgy 5:00 pm Confession: 4:30 pm

Holy Day Liturgy 7:00 pm Confession: 6:30 pm

3:30 pm Inquiry Meetings with Robert Escobedo

SUN Sept 6 15th Sunday after Pentecost, Tone 6, p. 152

No Morning Liturgy

3:00 pm Cantor's Practice & Inquiry Class

4:30 pm Confession & The Akathistos Service

5:00 pm Divine Liturgy +James Emery

Washko by Fr Stephen

All invited to our Coffee Social in the Parish hall

MON Sept 7 LABOR DAY - Civil Holiday

Scheduled— Special Work Crew to clean the rectory. Come and join us. See Robert Escobedo for information.

BIRTH OF THE MOTHER OF GOD-

Solemn Holy Day

TUES Sept 8

7:00 pm Divine Liturgy

Healing for Esther Calamore



SUN SEPT 13 16TH PENTECOST

SUNDAY TONE 7 P. 156 & 247

No Morning Liturgy

3:30 pm Cantor's Practice & Inquiry Class

4:30 pm Confessions

& The Third Hour

5:00 pm Vesper/ Liturgy G

All invited to our Coffee Social in the Parish hall

PRAYERS NEEDED for our parish family, Esther Calamore, Elmira Calamore, Charles Amelin, Paul & Marcy Basay, Enedina Lopez & Special Intentions.

Expectant Mothers: Brittny Barlund, Eileen Escobedo & Meagan Odicino.

Clergy: Fr James Bankston, Msgr Michael Moran, Fr Robert Rankin & Fr Marcus Gomori.

7 DAY CANDLE INTENTIONS (donation \$10)

Contact Fr Stephen or Andy Gaydos

Eternal Light available

Icon of the Theotokos available

Icon of our Lord available

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Lord our God, you show us that the greatest commandments are to love you with all our being and to love our neighbors as ourselves. We beseech you to give us eyes of faith to respond to these commandments in the best way by answering your calling for our lives. Help those called to the priestly, diaconal, and monastic life to hear your voice, to respond with open hearts, and to remain faithful to you all their lives, we pray you hear and have mercy.



"The entire law and the prophets depend on these two commandments." To love our God and our neighbor is the calling from God that is for each one of us. It manifests differently because each of us have a special vocation to make our lives the greatest gift of ourselves possible. May God be asking you to follow these commandments through a vocation to the priesthood, diaconate, religious or monastic life? Contact the Vocations Office at 602-861-9778 or email: vocations@ephx.org

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

EASTERN CHRISTIAN FORMATION FOR OUR CHILDREN our Director of Religious Education, Eileen Escobedo has submitted the Registration Forms. Please fill them out as soon as possible and return them to the parish office or to Eileen Escobedo.

BE SURE TO VISIT OUR PARISH WEB SITE

Special Thank you to Jessica Acevedo(from Annunciation) for updating our Web Site.

stnicholasfontana.org We thank Alexander Huber for helping our Web Site and we keep him in our prayers.

15th Sunday After Pentecost & Labor Day Weekend

THE IMPORTANCE OF THE MOTHER OF GOD

The conception of the Son of God, in the womb of the virgin is the fulfillment of the prophecy of Isaiah: "Therefore, the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, the virgin shall conceive. (Is 7:14)

The Church contemplates the sign in the icon of *The Mother of God of the Sign*. The Son of God comes to dwell within a virginal womb, and the Virgin Mary (in her person the church), raises her hands and prayerfully contemplate the child, hidden for the time being from the outside world.

Rejoice Mary full of grace the Lord is with you, blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb for you have borne Christ the Savior and the Redeemer of our souls.

How to Read the Bible

Ten Principles of Scriptural Exegesis

adapted from Bishop MICHAEL (Dahulich)

1. Christ - God is real and is incarnate in Jesus Christ; He is the Key to the Scriptures.
2. Life - One's ability to interpret depends upon one's spiritual state; one must live it in order to fully understand it.
3. A Love Letter - We read scripture to fall deeper in love with God and put on the Scriptural Mind.
4. Theosis - We read Scripture to become by grace what God is by nature.
5. Tradition - Only within the Church and her Tradition (the consensus of the Fathers) is there full and correct interpretation.
6. Scripture is a witness to the truth, the pinnacle of Holy Tradition; it is not an exhaustive manual of church life.
7. We must interpret the Bible as the Church has handed it, not try to reconstruct the canon of Scripture.
8. Personal - Ask yourself not only: what does the text mean, but what does it mean for me?
9. Humility - As many Church Fathers, consider your understanding of difficult texts a provisional.
10. Use secondary knowledge (history, literary criticism, archeology) to illuminate our understanding, not redefine dogma.

OUR TITHING AND GIFTS TO THE LORD'S HOLY TEMPLE

Our Stewardship August 30

Souls in Attendance 36

Tone 6

September 6, 2026

Tithes: \$875.00, Zelle: \$270.00 Thank you!

We depend on you to support our parish. You may mail your or use e-checks, or Zelle for your contributions ([saintnicholasofmyra12-06](#)) or use the QR code to send your donations.

Thank you

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

BIRTH OF THE MOTHER OF GOD-Solemn Holy Day

Sept 8 Tuesday

7:00 pm Divine Liturgy—St Nicholas Fontana

SUNDAY & EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS-Solemn Holy Day (Red Vestments)

Sept 13 Sunday

5:00 pm Vesper/Liturgy —St Nicholas Fontana

Sept 19 Saturday CRAFT FAIR at Annunciation Anaheim.

Sept 20 Divine Liturgy & Chrismation

Joel Martinez

HOLY PROTECTION OF MARY 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

- or -

Sbdcn. Paul F. Kilroy Safe Environment Program Coordinator

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Anaheim Craft & Vintage Fair

Saturday, Sept. 19, 2026

9:00AM TO 4:00PM

Where: Annunciation Byzantine Catholic Church
995 N. West St., Anaheim, CA 92801

*Crafters and artists selling their own creations

*No multi-level marketing vendors *Food sale including homemade Eastern European favorites, baked goods

*Convenient free parking *Handicapped accessible

*No entrance fee *Stop on by and have a great time!

