

how it was wrought? Learn now, how this victory was gained without any sweat or toil of ours. No weapons of ours were stained with blood; our feet did not stand in the front line of battle; we suffered no wounds; witnessed no tumults; and yet we obtained the victory. The battle was the Lord's, the crown is ours. Since then victory is ours, let us imitate the soldiers, and with joyful voices sing the songs of victory.

Let us praise the Lord and say, Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is thy victory? O death, where is thy sting? The Cross did all these wonderful things for us: the Cross is a war memorial erected against the demons, a sword against sin, the sword with which Christ slew the serpent. The Cross is the Father's will, the glory of the Only-begotten, the Spirit's exultation, the beauty of the angels, the guardian of the Church. Paul glories in the Cross; it is the rampart of the saints, it is the light of the whole world.

GLORY TO JESUS CHRST! GLORY TO HIM FOREVER!

OUR TITHING AND GIFTS TO THE LORD'S HOLY TEMPLE

Our Stewardship for March 13

23 Souls in Attendance

Tithes: \$290.00 & Candles: \$26.00

We depend on you to support our parish. We also need your time and talents to grow as disciples of the Lord and to form a Parish Family for you and your family. Thank you for mailing your tithes to the parish office

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THIRD SUNDAY OF THE FAST Tone 2 March 20, 2022

WE NEED YOU

- 1) Thank you to the couple helping to clean the rectory. We need more volunteers to clean windows...
- 2) Thank you for the kind lady who decorated the Holy Cross for today's veneration.
- 3) We also need someone to vacuum the church and dust the pews. Please let Fr. Stephen know if you can help. Our acknowledgement of God's presence in our church is keeping His Temple perfect for Him welcoming to our worshippers.

EPARCHIAL APPEAL2022 has started. Please give what you can for the Appeal to help grow the Church on the west coast. Every dollar helps. Be a supporter of the Church.

Parish Goal: \$1,845.68 Pledges 3/17. \$324.00 Balance: \$1,541.68

On-line is available: EPHX.ORG/GIVING be sure to note that you are a parishioner of St Nicholas

Thank you

Mary Washko & Father Stephen G Washko contributed at Annunciation's Appeal. Gloria Brissette, & Paul Bruckler contributed to St. Nicholas' Appeal.

SIGN UP for a week to host the Coffee Social. A special service to our parish family and visitors to our Church and a great way to meet our parishioners.

SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS: We join with the Saints in heaven to pray for those in need. Request Prayers: abcc72069@gmail.com
 Special Intentions: John Coffman, Sophia Gaydus, Victor & Patricia Olmos Family, John Phillips, Sylvia Flamburse, Martha Yniquez, Paul Bruckler, Gloria Brissette, Paul Basay, Margaret Geluso, Edward Lopez, Lupe Nevaré, Beatriz Perez

HOLY SERVICES FOR THE GREAT FAST
SUNDAY @ 10 AM & DAILY SERVICES @ 9 AM ARE LIVE
STREAMED FROM ANNUNCIATION IN ANAHEIM ACCESS IT
THROUGH [facebook.com/stephen.washko](https://www.facebook.com/stephen.washko)
OR [facebook.com/annunciation.byzantine](https://www.facebook.com/annunciation.byzantine)

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CONFESSIONS are heard behind the Altar one half hour before all Holy Services. 9:30 am for Sunday.

19 Saturday THIRD ALL SOULS, p. 428

9:30 am Divine Liturgy of St John & Panachida with the Reading of the name of our beloved

HEBREW SCRIPTURES FOR SUNDAY

Sirach 2: 1-9 & Isaiah 50: 4-9

20 THIRD SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST Veneration of the Holy Cross, P.

223 (Fr. Stephen is the main celebrant this morning)

9:00 am Confession (in the chapel) 9:00 am

9:40 am The Third Hour

10:00 am Liturgy of Saint Basil the Great



Coffee & Doughnuts in the parish hall

FOURTH WEEK OF THE GREAT FAST

21 Monday No Service Scheduled

22 Tuesday No Service Scheduled

23 Wednesday MID-LENT



7:00 pm Liturgy of the Pre-sanctified Gifts & the

Removal of the Holy Cross in anticipation of the Solemn

Holy Day of the Annunciation.

Shirley Lane

24 Thursday Parish Office Closed

9:30 am The Hours with Holy Communion

SOLEMN FEAST OF THE ANNUNCIATION

(No Fasting)

25 Friday Feast Day, p. 325

9:30 amDivine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom



26 Saturday Leave-taking of the Feast of the Annunciation & Synaxis of Archangel Gabriel

9:30 am Divine Liturgy & Panachida Service with the Readings of the Names of our Beloved Deceased

HEBREW SCRIPTURES FOR SUNDAY

1 Samuel 17: 1-11, 32-51 & Isaiah 52: 13-53:6

27 FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST, TONE 3, P. 133-137 & 226.

Confession in the Chapel.....9:00 am

The Third Hour9:40 am

Liturgy For our parish family and friends.....10:00 am



COFFEE SOCIAL in the hall

VENERATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

By St. John Chrysostom (c.347-407)

Adam and Christ, Eve and Mary

Have you seen the wonderful victory? Have you seen the splendid deeds of the Cross? Shall I tell you something still more marvellous? Learn in what way the victory was gained, and you will be even more astonished. For by the very means by which the devil had conquered, by these Christ conquered him; and taking up the weapons with which he had fought, he defeated him. Listen to how it was done. A virgin, a tree and a death were the symbols of our defeat. The virgin was Eve: she had not yet known man; the tree was the tree of the knowledge of good and evil; the death was Adam's penalty. But behold again a Virgin and a tree and a death, those symbols of defeat, become the symbols of his victory. For in place of Eve there is Mary; in place of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, the tree of the Cross; in place of the death of Adam, the death of Christ. Do you see him defeated by the very things through which he had conquered? At the foot of the tree the devil overcame Adam; at the foot of the tree Christ vanquished the devil. And that first tree sent men to Hades; this second one calls back even those who had already gone down there. Again, the former tree concealed man already despoiled and stripped; the second tree shows a naked victor on high for all to see. And that earlier death condemned those who were born after it; this second death gives life again to those who were born before it. Who can tell the Lord's mighty deeds? By death we were made immortal: these are the glorious deeds of the Cross. Have you understood the victory? Have you grasped