

**OUR TITHING AND GIFTS TO THE LORD’S HOLY TEMPLE**

Our Stewardship for October 10: *24 Souls in Attendance*

Tithes: \$708.00, Candles: \$50.00 Lion’s Club: \$500.00

**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

**BECOMING BYZANTINE**

**2021-22 Fall / Winter CurriCulum**

All courses are offered as live webinars, free of charge. Register at [EasternCatholic.org/Events](http://EasternCatholic.org/Events)

**2021-22 Fall / Winter CurriCulum**

**GENESIS An Eastern Christian Perspective Andrew Hayes, Ph.D.**

Wednesdays, November 3 - 17 @ 5:00 pm California Time

Join us as we immerse ourselves in the study of Genesis, which St. Ephrem the Syrian called “the treasure house of the Ark, the crown of the Law.” With Sts. Ephrem, John Chrysostom, Basil the Great & Gregory of Nyssa as our guides, we will dive deeply into the Sacred Word which created the world in the beginning.

**Upcoming events—mark your calendar**

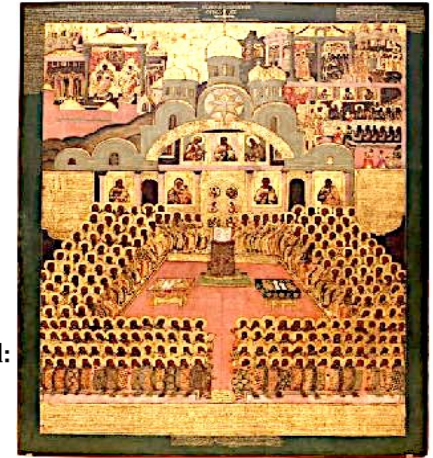
Every Saturday	<b>Lion’s Club Bingo</b> 2:30 pm to 10:30 pm
<b>Oct 18-22</b>	<b>ANNUAL CLERGY RETREAT</b> No Liturgical Services and Parish Office Closed
Tues Oct 26 thru Sat Oct 30	Fr. James Lane will be on vacation. <b>No Daily Liturgy scheduled from Tuesday —Saturday</b> <i>Fr Stephen will be in the office on Tuesday</i>
Sun Nov 7	We “FALL” back one hour.
Mon Nov 8	<b>FEAST OF ARCHANGEL MICHAEL &amp; ALL ANGELS</b> Solemn Holy Day 7:00 pm Divine Liturgy
Sun Nov 14	<b>SAINT PHILIP’S FAST BEGINS</b>
Wed Nov 24 Thu Nov 25	<b>THANKSGIVING</b> Civil Holiday 7:00 pm Divine Liturgy 9:30 am Divine Liturgy
Sun Dec 5	<b>SAINT NICHOLAS OF MYRA PARISH FEAST DAY CELEBRATION</b>

**St. Nicholas of Myra  
Byzantine Catholic Church**

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**Fr. James Lane** in Residence  
**Parish Advisory/Finance Council:**  
Patricia Olmos, John Coffman,  
Lance Flambures, Lora Lopez  
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**Sundav of the Fathers of the 7th Council**

**October 17, 2021**

**SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 1) **CLERGY RETREAT THIS WEEK** the clergy of our Eparchy will be on retreat this week. We ask for your prayers. A reminder — no daily liturgies Monday-Saturday.
- 2) **+LEONARD FAWLEY** 93 fall asleep in the Lord, a long time parish-ioner many years ago. Funeral Services planned for Wednesday October 27 at 11:00 am at Riverside Veterans Cemetery. Kindly remember him and his family in your prayers.
- 3) **THANK YOU** to the gentlemen who helped repaired a leaking pipe in the front yard of the rectory and helped to repair the heater in the rectory.
- 4) **ETERNAL LIGHT** is sponsored weekly by one of our parishioners and greatly appreciated. The Red Eternal Light reminds us of the presence of our Lord in the tabernacle on our Altar. In all our Byzantine Catholic Churches you will see this near the Altar or on the Altar.

**FATHER’S WISH LIST**

- \* We need more volunteers to help clean the church, the sanctuary and the classrooms. See Maggie Hernandez for more information. We need at least 2 hours of your time.
- \* We need someone to launder the white purificators and red communion cloths. See Andy Gaydos.
- \* Increase in contributions to help us pay our bills.
- \* Volunteers to sponsor the weekly coffee socials.

**SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS:** We join with the Saints in heaven to pray for those in need. Request Prayers: [abcc72069@gmail.com](mailto:abcc72069@gmail.com)  
Special Intentions: John Coffman, John Phillips, Sylvia Flamburse, Martha Yniquez, Paul Bruckler, Gloria Brissette, Paul Basay, Margaret Geluso, Edward Lopez, Lupe Nevaré, Beatriz Perez.

## DIVINE LITURGIES

### FOR THIS WEEK & INTENTIONS

**SUNDAY @ 10 AM & DAILY SERVICES @ 9 AM ARE LIVE STREAMED  
FROM ANNUNCIATION IN ANAHEIM ACCESS IT THROUGH  
[ANNUNCIATIONBYZANTINE.ORG](http://ANNUNCIATIONBYZANTINE.ORG)**

**CONFESSIONS** are heard behind the Altar one half hour before all Divine Liturgies. 9:30 am for Sunday and 9:00 am for Daily Liturgy

#### 16 SATURDAY Martyr Longinus the Centurion, p. 379

+Ella Jane Pompa.....9:30 am

#### HEBREW SCRIPTURES FOR SUNDAY

ISAIAH 55: 6-11 & EZEKIEL: 2: 1-3 11

#### 17 21ST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST & MEMORY OF THE FATHERS AT THE SEVENTH ECUMENICAL COUNCIL – TONE 4, P. 138-140 & 263

*Confession behind the Altar.....9:00 am*

*Third Hour.....9:40 am*

*Liturgy for our Parish Family and Friends.....10:00 am*

*COFFEE SOCIAL in the hall -Come and join us.*

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#### 18 Monday Through 23 Saturday

#### NO MORNING LITURGIES

#### The Clergy are on Retreat this week

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#### HEBREW SCRIPTURES FOR SUNDAY

Wisdom 3: 1-9 and Ezekiel 18: 20-32

#### 24 22ND SUNDAY & TONE 5, P. 146

*Confession behind the Altar.....9:00 am*

*The Hour.....9:40 am*

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

*Coffee and Doughnuts Social afterwards.*

### SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF THE SEVENTH ECUMENICAL COUNCIL

This Council dealt predominantly with the controversy regarding icons and their place in Byzantine worship. It was convened in Nicaea in 787 by Empress Irene at the request of Thrasios, Patriarch of Constantinople. The Council was attended by 367 bishops.

Almost a century before this, the iconoclastic controversy had once more shaken the foundations of both Church and State in the Byzantine Em-

pire. Excessive religious respect and the ascribed miracles to icons by some members of society approached the point of worship (due only to God) and idolatry. This instigated excesses at the other extreme by which icons were completely taken out of the liturgical life of the Church by the Iconoclasts. The Iconophiles, on the other-hand, believed that icons served to preserve the doctrinal teachings of the Church; they considered icons to be man's dynamic way of expressing the divine through art and beauty.

The Council decided on a doctrine by which icons should be venerated but not worshipped. In answering the Empress' invitation to the Council, Pope Hadrian replied with a letter in which he also held the position of extending veneration to icons but not worship, the last befitting only God.

The decree of the Council for restoring icons to churches added an important clause which still stands at the foundation of the rationale for using and venerating icons in the Byzantine Church to this very day: "We define that the holy icons, whether in color, mosaic, or some other material, should be exhibited in the holy churches of God, on the sacred vessels and liturgical vestments, on the walls, furnishings, and in houses and along the roads, namely the icons of our Lord God and Savior Jesus Christ, that of our Lady the Theotokos, those of the venerable angels and those of all saintly people. Whenever these representations are contemplated, they will cause those who look at them to commemorate and love their prototype. We define also that they should be kissed and that they are an object of veneration and honor (timitiki proskynisis), but not of real worship (latreia), which is reserved for Him Who is the subject of our faith and is proper for the divine nature. The veneration accorded to an icon is in effect transmitted to the prototype; he who venerates the icon, venerated in it the reality for which it stands".

The Council issued also 22 canons relating to administrative and disciplinary matters, condemning Simony (ordination for payment), the election of bishops by secular authority, and the erecting of mixed monasteries. However, and in spite of the recognition of this Council by the Pope, Charlemagne refused to recognize it not only as Ecumenical but altogether. He disapproved of its decision for venerating the icons, and as a result of his hostility, a synod at Frankfurt in 794 condemned the veneration of icons and rejected the entire Council. And it was only by the end of the 9th century that the Council was recognized in the West but without its rules that were contrary to the established practices of the Roman Church.

An Endemousa (Regional) Synod was called in Constantinople in 843. Under Empress Theodora. The veneration of icons was solemnly proclaimed at the St. Sophia's Cathedral. Monks and clergy came in procession and restored the icons in their rightful place. The day was called "Triumph of Orthodoxy." Since that time, this event is commemorated yearly with a special service on the first Sunday of Lent, the "Sunday of Orthodoxy".