St. Thomas the Apostle Byzantine Catholic Church

Glory to Jesus Christ! **Glory Forever!**

Liturgical Schedule

Saturday Vigil
5pm – Vigil Vespers Divine Liturgy

Sunday
10am – Divine Liturgy

Weekdays
Weekday Divine Liturgy: Check bulletin

Holy Mystery of Repentance (Confession)
Saturdays: 4:00-4:30pm
Sundays: 9:00-9:30am
(Also available by appointment)

Chaldean Liturgy
Sunday: 6pm
Mar Abraham parish meets at St. Thomas.
Call 480.905.1545 for more information.

Other Information

Church Address
19 West Bruce Avenue
Gilbert, AZ 85233

Mailing Address
P.O. Box 667
Gilbert, AZ 85299-0667

Parish phone: 480.497.6726
- press 1 for the parish office
- press 2 for a sacramental emergency

Website
www.stabcc.org

Office Hours–
(call ahead to confirm as the priest is often out of the office for sick calls or other parish obligations)
Tuesday-Friday: 10:00am-4:00pm



Father Michael Sidun **Deacon Michael Sullivan**
Parochial Administrator

Welcome!

St Thomas Byzantine Catholic Church is a vibrant parish community which seeks to live the liturgical year in solemnity and celebration. Our church follows the ancient Eastern traditions, while remaining in union with the Pope of Rome.

The Byzantine Catholic Church is uniquely beautiful – enhanced by the story of the life of Christ and the saints in icons. Our liturgy is rich in tradition and based in scripture. As a bonus, almost all liturgical prayers are chanted.

We welcome visitors who wish to share in our sacred worship services.

Schedule



Monday, October 1
Holy Protection of the Theotokos & Ever-Virgin Mary
Divine Liturgy 7:00 PM
Hebrews 9:1-7; Luke 10:38-42; & 11:27-28
Intention: Father Michael & family (by Sidun family)

Saturday Evening, October 6
Vigil Vespers Divine Liturgy 5:00 PM
Intention: Father Douglas Lorig (Kowalczyk Family)
Men's Group meeting After Liturgy
Sunday, October 7 Tone 3
20th Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Martyrs Sergius & Bacchus
Third Hour 9:45 AM
Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM
Galatians 1:11-19; Luke 7:11-16
Intention: Parishioners of St. Thomas

Wednesday, October 10
Holy Martyrs Eulampius & Eulampia
Divine Liturgy 7:00 PM
Colossians 1:18-23; Luke 8:22-25
Intention: Martha healing (Bullock Family)

Saturday Evening, October 13
Vigil Vespers Divine Liturgy 5:00 PM
Intention: Mike & Barbara Little (Helen & Al Ferencz)
Men's Group meeting After Liturgy
Sunday, October 14 Tone 4
21st Sunday after Pentecost
Memory of the Fathers at the Seventh Ecumenical Council
Third Hour 9:45 AM
Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM
Galatians 2:16-20 & Hebrews 13:7-16; Luke 8:5-15 & John 17:1-13
Intention: Parishioners of St. Thomas
Sunday Potluck After Liturgy

Wednesday, October 17
Holy Prophet Hosea; Holy Venerable Martyr Andrew of Crete
Divine Liturgy 7:00 PM
Colossians 3:17-4:1; Luke 9:44-50
Intention: Joseph Barnes (Doreene Stacy)

Saturday Evening, October 20
Vigil Vespers Divine Liturgy 5:00 PM
Intention: Nicholas Kowalczyk (Bullock family)
Men's Group meeting After Liturgy
Sunday, October 21 Tone 5
22nd Sunday after Pentecost
Venerable Father Hilary the Great
Third Hour 9:45 AM
Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM
Galatians 6:11-18; Luke 16:19-31
Intention: Parishioners of St. Thomas

Monday-Friday October 22-26
Eparchial Clergy Retreat: Father Michael & Deacon Michael less available

Saturday Evening, October 27
Vigil Vespers Divine Liturgy 5:00 PM
Intention: Mr. & Mrs. Michael Wren (Lorig family)
Men's Group meeting After Liturgy
Sunday, October 28 Tone 6
23rd Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Martyrs Terence & Neonila; Holy Father Stephen the Sabbaite & Hymnographer; Holy Martyr Paraskevia of Iconium
Third Hour 9:45 AM
Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM
Ephesians 2:4-10; Luke 8:26-39
Intention: Parishioners of St. Thomas



Tuesday Evening, October 30
Vigil: Feast of Blessed Martyr Theodore Romzha, Bishop of Mukachevo
Vigil Vespers Divine Liturgy 7:00 PM
4 (2) Kings 2:9-14; Isaiah 26:7-13; Sirach 2:1-6; Philippians 3:7-11; Luke 22:24-30
Intention: †Andria Kowalczyk (Kowalczyk Family)

Saturday Evening, November 3
Vigil Vespers Divine Liturgy 5:00 PM
Intention: †Andria Kowalczyk (Kowalczyk Family)
Men's Group meeting After Liturgy
Sunday, November 4 Tone 7
24th Sunday after Pentecost
Venerable Father Joannicus the Great; Holy Martyr Nicander, Bishop of Myra; Priest Hermas
Third Hour 9:45 AM
Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM
Ephesians 2:14-22; Luke 8:41-56
Intention: Parishioners of St. Thomas

Happy Birthday

Wilma Kafora	Oct	1
Dominic Bronson	Oct	5
Nathalie Antonios	Oct	15
Lydia Thurow	Oct	15
John Hratko	Oct	16
Emily Holzhauer	Oct	19
Mike Hrynik	Oct	20
Cece Forbes	Oct	20
Peter Thurow	Oct	21
Barb Little	Oct	22
Greg Bartlett	Oct	23
Janet Park	Oct	25

Happy Anniversary

Joseph & Janice Barnes	Oct	2
Gregory & Carole Bullock	Oct	7
Thomas & Elizabeth Mcdonald	Oct	10

Remember Those Who Request Our Prayers

O Divine Physician of Souls and Body, rest your healing and protecting hand upon your servants: Helen Ferencz, Donald Thompson, Jr., Stephanie & Terry Faust, Lisa Kirila Mendez, Eileen Derevenko, Julianne Betzold, Ted Bronson, Fr. Michael Bezruchka, and Fr. Michael Sidun.

All those serving our country in the military including: Scott Karnya, Sam Karnya, Capt. Patrick Whalen, Gregory Whalen, and Tim Little.

"With the souls of the just brought to perfection give rest, O Savior to the souls of your servants, keeping them for the blessed life with you, for you love us all."
† Fr. Francis Vivona, † Andria Kowalczyk, † Eleanor Shields, † Sr. Jean Marie Cihota, † Peter Broznak, † James Sandrock, † Fr. Wes Izer, † Cathy Simpson, † Anna Hrynik, † Joseph Hrynik, † John Hrynik, † Watler Hrynik, † Mary Petun, † Mary Rogees

Collections

Summary for September 1 - September 23

Total deposits	$10,802.31
September 2	
Tithes: Adults	$1,448.00
Donations: source not identified	182.00
Improvements, Remodeling	150.00
Candles	48.25
Rent: Church, Hall	300.00
Total for St. Thomas:	$2,128.25
September 9	
Tithes: Adults	$887.00
Birth of Theotokos	40.00
Donations: source not identified	151.00
Improvements, Remodeling	30.00
Coffee Social	5.00
Gift Shop	20.00
Total for St. Thomas:	$1,103.00
September 16	
Tithes: Adults	$1,779.00
Birth of Theotokos	20.00
Donations: source not identified	203.00
Candles	82.50
Coffee Social	5.00
Total for St. Thomas:	$2,139.50
September 23	
Tithes: Adult	$1,100.00
Holy Protection of Mary	20.00
Donations: source not identified	153.05
Improvements, Remodeling	5.00
Candles	27.00
Rent: Church, Hall	100.00
Bishop's appeal rebate	3,350.00
Coffee Social	33.00
Total for St. Thomas:	$4,788.05
September 23	
Anaheim Loan payment	$643.51
Total for St. Thomas:	$643.51

Calendar Highlights

- **Monday, October 1**–Feast of the Holy Protection of the Theotokos & Ever-Virgin Mary Divine Liturgy at **7:00 PM**
- **Saturday Evening, October 13 & Sunday Morning, October 14**–Priests' Medical Insurance Collection
- **Saturday, October 20**–Silent Auction and Oktoberfest at **6:30 PM**
- **Tuesday, October 30**–Vigil: Feast of Blessed Martyr Theodore Romzha, Bishop of Mukachevo Vigil Vespers Divine Liturgy at **7:00 PM**
- **Saturday, November 3**–Eucharistic Procession beginning at 9 am from St. Anne's to St. Thomas and back to St. Anne's followed by a BBQ lunch at John Allen Park



Parish Advisory Board

Danny Forbes
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

ECF (EASTERN CHRISTIAN FORMATION) CLASSES: St. Thomas the Apostle Byzantine Catholic Church is now accepting registration for ECF (Eastern Christian Formation) classes. Please register your children by completing the forms that are in the Parish Hall on the desk. Contact Person: Honora Bullock.

PRIEST'S MEDICAL INSURANCE COLLECTION: Every year, a special collection is taken up to pay the extra cost that our health insurance premiums put on our eparchy for our priests. Each parish pays $1,100.00 in health insurance to the eparchy and the eparchy pays the bill for all its priests. Currently, $1,100.00 is not enough to cover the average cost of health insurance because the average age of our priests is 58 years old and also because the premiums for our married priests is higher in order to cover the whole family. With these considerations, our eparchy takes up a special collection each year to help pay for the extra cost. **This special collection will be taken up the weekend of October 13-14**. Envelopes are available from the *Our Sunday Visitor* monthly mailings or in the narthex next to the guest book.

Oktoberfest & Silent Auction (Saturday, October 20 at 6:30 pm): Tickets are now available to purchase after Liturgies. Adults are $12.00 and children ages 6 to 12 - are $8.00. A family rate is available for Parishioners only. Items are needed for the Silent Auction. Please see Liz Zackowski or Martha Coonrod if you have any questions.

EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION: Please plan to attend the Eucharistic Procession from St. Anne's to St. Thomas and back again to St. Anne's taking place on **November 3 from 9 am to 11:30 am**. If you are able, stick around for the BBQ lunch at John Allen Park and further share in company with our own parishioners as well as our neighboring St. Anne parishioners.

Icon of the Fathers of the 7th Ecumenical Council

