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#### LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Sunday, October 14, 2012

Tone 2 / Eothinon 8
Sunday of Holy Fathers of Seventh Ecumenical Council
Martyrs Nazarius, Gervasius, Protasius and Celsus of Milan;
Cosmas the Hymnographer, Bishop of Maïuma;
Venerable Paraskeva of the New of Thrace



#### **WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!**

We are glad you are with us this morning. If you are not Orthodox, we invite you to partake of the blessed bread during communion. Please join us at Coffee Hour ~ we'd love to meet you!

### Calendar for this Week

#### Sunday, October 14

8:45 a.m. Religious Ed. Ages 3-17

9:00 a..m. Matins

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy/Blessing of Choir

11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour12:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

#### **Monday October 15**

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins 5:00 p.m. Outreach Meal

6:30 p.m. Viewing of Documentary:

"The Line" on Poverty in

America

#### **Tuesday, October 16**

10:30 a.m. Catechesis Level I 5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers

#### Wednesday, October 17

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

12:00 p.m. Women's Prayer Group

#### **Thursday, October 18**

5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers

6:30 p.m. TEENS ONLY session:

Liturtical Arts Festival

#### Friday, October 19

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

7-9 p.m. Liturgical Arts Festival

Lectures:

"Poetry as a Way of Knowing,"
"What if Narnia were True?"

#### Saturday, October 20

3-4:15 p.m. Liturgical Arts Festival Lecture:

"Head, Heart & Belly"

6:00 p.m. Great Vespers

7:00 p.m. Liturgical Arts Festival Lecture:

"Our Journey through the Valley

of the Shadow"

#### Sunday, October 21

8:45 a.m. Religious Ed. Ages 3-17

9:00 a..m. Matins

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour

5:00 p.m. High School "Fire on Father"

#### Sunday Morning Ministries Schedule

#### **Eucharist Bread**

October 14 Thomas
October 21 Hedges
October 28 Meyer
November 4 D. Braun

#### **Coffee Hour**

October 14 Madrigal/Young (in honor of the

Rivera Family)

October 21 Giordani October 28 McQuade

November 4 Brunner (in memory of Cyrus)

#### **Greeters**

October 14 P. King

October 21 K. & L. Jacobs

October 28 S. & C. Shackelford

November 4 D. & D. Alexander

#### <u>Ushers</u>

October 14 S. & L. Speier, P. Brunner
October 21 D. Meyer, Barre, P. King
October 28 Craig & Gabe Speier

November 4 J. King, G. Braun, P. King

#### CHANGEABLE TEXTS FOR THE DAY

# AT THE END OF THE MATINS SERVICE, WE SING THE GREAT DOXOLOGY. ("Glory to You, Who have shown us the light..." - Complete text is in the front of the Liturgy Book.)

#### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### **GREAT LITANY**

#### FIRST ANTIPHON—Psalm verses with refrain

Vs. It is good to give praise unto the Lord, and to chant unto thy name, O Most High; To proclaim thy mercy in the morning, and thy truth by night. [Refrain]

Refrain: Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

- Vs. Upright is the Lord our God, and there is no unrighteousness in Him. [Refrain]
- Vs. Glory...now & ever...Amen. [Refrain]

#### **SECOND ANTIPHON—Psalm verses with refrain**

Vs. The Lord is King, He is clothed with majesty; the Lord is clothed with strength and hath girded himself.

Refrain: O Son Of God Who rose from the dead, save us who sing to Thee, Alleluia!

- Vs. For He hath established the world which shall not be shaken. [Refrain]
- Vs. Holiness befits thy house, O Lord, forevermore. [Refrain]

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

**Only Begotten Son** and immortal Word of God who for our salvation didst will to be incarnate of the holy Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary, who without change didst become man and wast crucified, O Christ our God, trampling down death by death, who art one of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit: save us!

#### THIRD ANTIPHON—The Beatitudes or "Sermon on the Mount"

In Thy kingdom remember us, O Lord,

when Thou comest in Thy kingdom.

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of Heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled.

Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the sons of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness sake,

for theirs is the kingdom of Heaven.

Blessed are you when men shall revile you and shall persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely for my sake.

Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven.

### AT THE LITTLE ENTRANCE, WE SING THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL

#### HYMNS FOR THE DAY:

#### **Troparion of the Resurrection**

(Music on page 42 of Liturgy Booklet)

When Thou didst submit Thyself unto death,

O Thou deathless and immortal One,

then Thou didst destroy Hell with Thy Godly pow'r,

and when Thou didst raise the dead from beneath the earth,

all the pow'rs of heaven did cry aloud unto Thee.

O Christ, Thou art the Giver of life, Glory to Thee.

#### **Troparion for the Father of the Ecumenical Councils**

Most glorious are you, O Christ our God!

You have es<u>tab</u>lished the <u>Ho</u>ly Fathers as <u>lights</u> on the earth.

Through them You have guided us to the true Faith.//

O greatly compassionate One, glory to You!

Tone 2

Tone 8

Troparion to St. Athanasius (Music is on p. 54 of Liturgy Book)

Tone 3

Holy Bishop Athanasius,

you became a stronghold of Orthodoxy,

strengthening the Church through your divine teachings.

Opposing the heretical opinion of Arius,

you explained and taught that the Son is equal in nature with the Father.

O holy Father, intercede with Christ God

that He may grant us abundant mercy.

#### **Kontakion - Ordinary Sundays**

Tone 4

O undisputed intercessor of Christians,

O mediatrix, who is unrejected by the creator.

Turn not away from the voice of our petitions, though we be sinners.

Come to us with aid in time, who cry unto thee in faith,

for thou art good. Hasten to us with intercessions, O Theotokos,

who dost always intercede for those who honor thee.

#### TRISAGION (THRICE-HOLY) HYMN (p. 13 of Liturgy Book)

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us. (3 times)

+Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,

now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Holy Immortal have mercy on us.

Deacon: With strength!

People: Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us.

# Preparatory Psalm Verses before the Epistle (Prokeimenon) Tone 2 (Page 57 of Liturgy Book)

The Lord is my strength and my song. He has become my salvation.

Vs. The Lord has chastened me severely but He has not given me over to death.

#### EPISTLE READING FOR THE DAY Titus 3:8-15

Titus, my son, the saying is sure. I desire you to insist on these things, so that those who have believed in God may be careful to apply themselves to good deeds; these are excellent and profitable to men. But avoid stupid controversies, genealogies, dissension, and quarrels over the Law, for they are unprofitable and futile. As for a man who is factious, after ad-

monishing him once or twice, knowing that such a person is perverted and sinful; he is self-condemned.

When I send Artemas or Tychicus to you, do your best to come to me at Nicopolis, for I have decided to spend the winter there. Do your best to speed Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their way; see that they lack nothing. And let our people learn to apply themselves to good deeds, so as to help cases of urgent need, and not to be unfruitful.

All who are with me send greetings to you. Greet those who love us in the faith. Grace be with you all. Amen.

#### Alleluia Refrain and Psalm verses before the Gospel

Tone 2

**Chanter:** Alleluia, Alleluia! **People:** Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

**Verse:** May the Lord hear you in the day of trouble!

May the name of the God of Jacob protect you! (Ps 19/20:1) Alleluia

**Verse:** O Lord, save the King in the day we call on Thee! (Ps 19/20:9) **Alleluia** 

#### GOSPEL READING Luke 8:5-15

The Lord spoke this parable: "A sower went out to sow his seed; and as he sowed, some fell along the path, and was trodden under foot, and the birds of the air devoured it. And some fell on the rock; and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture. And some fell among thorns; and the thorns grew with it and choked it. And some fell into good soil and grew, and yielded a hundredfold."

And when His disciples asked Him what this parable meant, Jesus said, "To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God; but for others they are in parables, so that seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand. Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. The ones along the path are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts that they may not believe and be saved. And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy; but these have no root, they believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away. And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way, they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature. And as for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bring forth fruit with patience". As Jesus said this, He called out, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear".

#### LITURGY OF THE FAITHFUL

#### **Meglynarion** (Hymn to the Mother of God)

It is truly meet to bless you, O Theotokos, ever blessed and most pure and the Mother of our God. More honorable than the Cherubim, and more glorious beyond compare than the Seraphim. Without defilement you gave birth to God the Word. True Theotokos, we magnify you.

#### Hymn sung as the clergy receive the Eucharist:

Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the Highest!

#### **Hymn during Communion of the People**

Receive the Body of Christ, taste the fountain of immortality. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

#### **HOLY COMMUNION**

In the Orthodox Church, the sacrament of Communion is offered only to Christians who are baptized in the name of the Trinity and chrismated into the Orthodox Faith. Non-Orthodox believers **may approach the chalice for a blessing and the blessed bread instead of the Eucharist.** So that the priest is aware of this, please just say, "Father, bless" when you get to the chalice.

#### **Thanksgiving Prayers after Communion**

At the end of the Divine Liturgy, we offer the prayers of thanksgiving for having received the Body and Blood of Christ. These beautiful prayers help us to reflect on the mystery in which we have just partaken, and prepare us for our transition back into the "world." We invite you to listen to these beautiful prayers during and after the veneration of the cross at the end of the service, and ask that you show courtesy to those who are remaining to hear the prayers in their entirety by waiting until Coffee Hour to socialize.

### IS HOSPITALITY ONE OF YOUR GIFTS?

We need a few more Greeters and Ushers to join the Sunday rotation, as we have lost several people from this ministry in the past few months due to other commitments. Please consider if this is a way in which you could serve in the parish, and if so, contact Peggy King at: 968-0095 or pking42@aol.com

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

You can access a complete calendar of services and other parish activities on our website: **www.stathanasius.org.** 

#### CONGRATULATIONS AND MANY YEARS...

...to Ben and Viktoria Hedges on the birth of their son, Luke Ignatius, on September 8th. Congratulations, also, to grandparents Fr. Jon-Stephen and Melissa, big sister Sydney and big brother Noah!

...and to Josh and Silvia (Easbey) Porta on the birth of their son, Wesson Clay on October 7th, and many years to grandparents, Dn. Richard and June Easbey, and ALL of the many aunts, uncles, and cousins!

# JOIN US FOR A VIEWING OF THE DOCUMENTARY "THE LINE" MONDAY OCTOBER 15TH at 7:00 P.M.

Next Monday, October 15th, after the Outreach Meal, St. Brigid Fellowship has invited some of our community partners in outreach to the homeless and working poor to join us in viewing the documentary, "The Line," in our fellowship hall at 7:00 p.m. Dessert and coffee will be served. Members of our parish family are invited to join the St. Brigid team. For more information about "The Line," a documentary about poverty in America, go to www.thelinemove.com

# COFFEE HOUR HOSTS ARE STILL NEEDED FOR THE FOLLOWING DATES:

	March 31	July 7
December 16	May 26	July 28
February 24	June 30	August 11

Please call or email the office if you can host or co-host on one of these dates. office@stathanasius.org 685-5400

#### CHRISTMAS WREATH ORDER TIME AGAIN!

Annunciation Parish in Santa Maria is selling live Christmas wreathes again for \$20 each. The wreathes are made of noble fir, berried juniper and incensed cedar, and come with a water-proof red bow and red faux holly berries. Orders must be given to our church office by Sunday, October 28 and the wreathes will be delivered by December 2nd. Please email or call: office@stathanasius.org, 685-5400.

#### **FAREWELL TO THE RIVERA FAMILY!**

Angel & Helen (Young) Rivera are in the US Air Force and being relocated from Vandenburg Air Force Base to Aurora, Colorado for the next 2 to 3 years. Angel is a Master Sargeant and Helen is an art teach and iconographer. We wish them God's protection and we will miss them! Today's Coffee Hour is hosted by their family (Youngs, Madrigals, Ballews) in their honor.

Angel. Helen, Trevon, Justin, & Jazmin Rivera



#### MONASTER WORK PARTY—SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27

Fr. Nicholas will lead a work party at St. Barbara Monastery in Santa Paula on Saturday, October 27th. More information will follow this week by e-mail.

### CELEBRATTONS for THIS WEEK

#### **Anniversaries**

10/17/92 Tyson & Sherie Shackelford (20 YEARS!)

#### **Birthdays**

10/16 Angel Speier

10/17 Elizabeth (Libby) Kinman, Abigail Simonsen

10/18 Jordan Williams

10/20 Noah Hedges

10/21 Diane Carrillo

#### **Patronal Feast Day Celebrations**

10/18 St. Luke the Apostle Luke Speier

10/19 St. John of Kronstadt David Lewis, Jill Wallerstedt

# TEEN SCENE

# RITE 13 plus (Grades 7-9)

Thursday, October 18th 6:30 p.m.—Liturgical Arts Festival "Teens Only" presentation and discussion, Fr. Andrew Cuneo

Friday/Saturday October 19-20—Liturgical Arts Festival—Teens will volunteer

Friday-Sunday/November 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>—YES Weekend hosted in Santa Barbara, sleep-over at the church on Friday and Saturday nights (More info coming soon.)

Saturday, Nov. 17th 6 p.m.—Vespers & "Fire on Father"

# YAC (Young Adults in Church-Grades 10-12)

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Sunday October 21st 5-7:00 pm- Fire on Father

**Friday-Sunday/November 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>-** YES Weekend hosted in Santa Barbara, sleep-over at the church on Friday and Saturday nights (More info coming soon .)

Sunday November 11<sup>th</sup> 5 pm- 7 pm- "Fire on Father"

**Monday December 3<sup>rd</sup> 4:45 pm-7 pm-** Provide food and serve for St. Brigid's Outreach meal, Out to dinner as a group afterwards.

Saturday December 29<sup>th</sup> 6 pm- 9 pm – Vespers/Dinner/Christmas Party

**Monday January 7th 4:45 pm-7 pm-** Provide food and serve for St. Brigid's Outreach meal, out to dinner as a group afterwards.

Saturday Jan 19<sup>th</sup> or 26<sup>th</sup> (Depending on when Bishop Joseph visits) 4 pm-10 pm- Vespers @ St. Herman's in Oxnard/Dinner/Sky High

#### PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayer requests received through the parish office will be printed in the bulletin and will be prayed for during the litanies at the daily services. Prayer requests received in the box at the church will be prayed for quietly at the altar at all services. Prayer requests remain for 40 days unless requested otherwise.

Send prayer requests for the bulletin to: office@stathanasius.org.

Please pray for the health of:

Metropolitan PHILIP	Olga G.	Mary & Susan
Archbp. JOSEPH	John H.	Kh. Terri Elizabeth B.
Fr. Alexander Atty	Leona G.	Fran R.
Mother Victoria	Presbytera Katherine H.	Brian S.
Fr. Gordon & Mary Sue W.	Mick K. & Family	Jim M.
John Weldon H.	Richard & Elizabeth	Frank A.
Greg & Margaret Y.	Sari W.	Pat M.
		Martha C.

For repose of the souls of: Badia, Dn. Howard George, The Nun Juliana

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-For the children to color during the homily or at home -