

ST. ATHANASIUS ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRSOSTOM

Sunday, October 25, 2020

Tone 3 / Eothinon 9; Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost & Sixth Sunday of Luke

Martyrs Marcian and Martyrios the Notaries
Martyrs Valerios and Chrysaphios;
Tabitha the merciful, raised from the dead by the Apostle Peter;
Relics translation of Venerable Sabbas the Sanctified
& Venerable John of Beverly



October 26—GREAT MARTYR DEMETRIOS

We welcome children of all ages in our worship.

"Let the little children come unto Me for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven." Luke 18:16

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, October 25

9:00 a.m. Catechesis Levels I and II

9:00 a.m. Matins

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

11:30 a.m. "Holy Heroes: Stories of Awe

and Wonder" for children age 3-K

11:30 a.m. Teen Religious Education 11:45 a.m. Coffee /Beverages on patio

Monday, October 26—ST. DEMETRIOS

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins 5:00 p.m. Akathist by Zoom

Tuesday, October 27

11:00 a.m. FUNERAL FOR ZAC BRUNNER

5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers

Wednesday, October 28

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

12:00 p.m. Intercessory Prayer Ministry

Thursday, October 29

7:45 a.m. Akathist by Zoom 10:00 a.m. Showers of Blessing

(no refreshments served by our team yet)

5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers

6:00 p.m. Jr. High Youth Group 6:30 p.m. High School Youth Group

Friday, October 30

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

Saturday, October 31

4:30 p.m. Orthodox Study for Adults 6:00 p.m. Great Vespers/Confessions

Sunday, Nov. 1

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Fr. Nicholas will continue to give Confession and/or Communion by appointment.

Sunday Morning Ministries Schedule

EUCHARIST BREAD

Oct. 25	M. Kern
Nov. 1	Meyer
Nov. 8	Dn. G. Braun
Nov. 15	N. Tinyayeva

READERS

Oct. 25	D. Meyer
Nov. 1	D. Washburn

Nov. 7 D. Alexander (Liturgy) Nov. 7 Rdr. M. Kern (Vespers)

Nov. 8 Rdr. J. Butler Nov. 15 M. Braun

Nov. 21 V. Gish (Liturgy for

Presentation of Theotokos)

USHERS

Oct. 25 D. Washburn, M. Loulias

Nov. 1 P. King, J. King Nov. 8 C. Berari, D. Meyer Nov. 15 C. Speier, S. Speier

A PRAYER FOR PROTECTION AND HEALING

O God Almighty, Lord of heaven and earth, and of all creation visible and invisible, in Thine ineffable goodness, look down upon us, Thy people gathered in Thy Holy Name. Be our helper and defender in this day of affliction. Thou knowest our weakness. Thou hearest our cry in repentance and contrition of heart. O Lord Who lovest mankind, deliver us from this Corona Virus. Send Thine angel to watch over us and protect us. Grant health and recovery to those suffering from this virus. Guide the hands of physicians and frontline workers and preserve those who are healthy. Heal the wounds in our society created by racial tensions, bringing us all to a true love of neighbor. Enable us to continue to serve our suffering brothers and sisters in peace, that together we may glorify Thy most honorable and majestic name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

At the conclusion of Matins, we sing the Great Doxology followed by the Matins Dismissal Troparion

THE DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

THE 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 art risen 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 was 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"

After each of the verses, the choir and congregation sing the refrain: "Remember us, O Lord, when you come in your Kingdom."

AS THE CLERGY ENTER THE ALTAR AT THE LITTLE ENTRANCE, WE SING THE FOLLOWING HYMNS FOR THE DAY:

Troparion of the Resurrection

Tone 3

Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad, for the Lord hath done a mighty act with His own arm. He hath trampled down death by death and become the first born from the dead. He hath delivered us from the depths of Hades, granting the world the great mercy.

Troparion for Martyrs Marcian and Martyrius

Tone 3

In holy <u>zeal</u> you dispelled the <u>error of Arius</u> and proclaimed the Trinity, one in <u>es</u>sence. Holy <u>mar</u>tyrs Marcian and Mar<u>tyrius</u>, unshaken bulwarks of <u>Or</u>thodoxy, entreat Christ our God to <u>grant</u> us His great <u>mer</u>cy!

Troparion to St. Athanasius

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. 9 of Liturgy Book)

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us.
+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

Tone 3 Byzantine melody

Sing praises to our God, sing praises. Sing praises to our King, sing praises. (Ps 46/47:6)

Verse: Clap your hands all you peoples! Shout to God with a voice of joy! (*Ps 46/47:1*)

EPISTLE READING Galatians 1:11-19

Brethren, I would have you know that the Gospel which was preached by me is not man's gospel. For I did not receive it from man, nor was I taught it, but it came through a revelation of Jesus Christ. For you have heard of my former life in Judaism, how I persecuted the Church of God violently and tried to destroy it; and I advanced in Judaism beyond many of my own age among my people; so extremely zealous was I for the traditions of my fathers. But when He Who had set me apart before I was born, and had called me through His grace, was pleased to reveal His Son to me, in order that I might preach Him among the Gentiles, I did not confer with flesh and blood, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were Apostles before me, but I went away into Arabia; and again I returned to Damascus. Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas, and remained with him fifteen days. But I saw none of the other Apostles except James the Lord's brother.

Preparatory Psalm Verses with Alleluia Refrain Before the Gospel Tone 3

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

Verse: In Thee, O Lord, I have hoped; let me never be ashamed. (Ps. 30/31:1)

Verse: Be unto me a God and protector, and a house of refuge to save me. (Ps 30/31:2)

GOSPEL READING Luke 8:26-39

At that time, Jesus arrived at the country of the Gadarenes, which is opposite Galilee. And as He stepped out on land, there met Him a man from the city who had demons; for a long time he had worn no clothes, and he lived not in a house but among the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him, and said with a loud voice, "What hast Thou to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beseech Thee, do not torment me." For Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. [For many a time it had seized him; he was kept under guard, and bound with chains and fetters, but he broke the bonds and was driven by the demon into the desert.] Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. And they begged Jesus not to command them to depart into the abyss. Now a large herd of swine was feeding there on the hillside; and they begged Jesus to let them enter these. So He gave them leave. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. When the herdsmen saw what had happened, they fled, and told it in the city and in the country. Then people went out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus, and found the man from whom the demons had gone, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind; and they were afraid. And those who had seen it told them how he who had been possessed with demons was healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gadarenes asked Jesus to depart from them; for they were seized with great fear; so He got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with Jesus; but Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare all that God has done for you." And he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city all that Jesus had done for him.

HOMILY

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.

Communion Hymn

Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest! (*Ps 148:1*) Their proclamation has gone out into all the earth, and their words to the ends of the universe. Alleluia, Alleluia! (*Ps. 18:4*)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- OUR SINCERE CONDOLENCES to Penny Brunner on the falling asleep in the Lord of her son, Zac, on Friday, October 16th. Our sympathies also to the entire Brunner family. The funeral is inside the nave this Tuesday, Oct 27 at 11:00 a.m. Parishioners are welcome. Audio will be broadcast out on the patio for overflow crowd.
- WE WILL CONTINUE TO SERVE BEVERAGES AFTER THE SUNDAY DIVINE LITURGY. If you are able to help pour coffee or juice, please let Suzi Wiley know.

• ON SATURDAYS AT 4:30 p.m., ALL ADULTS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND AN ORTHODOX STUDY GROUP. This class will cover a wide variety of topics, and is open to all adults 18 years and older. It is not our regular Catechism class, but inquirers and catechumens are invited and strongly encouraged by the clergy to attend as a part of their preparation.

UPCOMING TOPICS for ORTHODOX STUDY GROUP

Oct. 31 Veneration of the Saints Nov. 14 Advent: "Come, Lord Jesus" Nov. 7 Devotion to the Mother of God Nov. 21 Developing a Spirit of Thanksgiving

CONTINUED SAFETY PROTOCOLS



Please note that the local health department continues to mandate social distancing and the wearing of masks in public gatherings. The Parish Council asks the members of the parish to adhere to the following:

- During services, please maintain at least 6 ft. of distance on all sides, including in the Communion line, and wear a mask that covers both YOUR MOUTH AND NOSE. (Families may sit together but should have six feet of space in front and behind them.
- The Sunday Divine Liturgy is being broadcast in the hall-way and on the patio for overflow crowd and for those who are not comfortable sitting inside the nave.
- DURING COFFEE HOUR; After being served your beverage, please sit down at one of the tables to ensure better distancing and to limit contact. If you do not sit down, or are not drinking a beverage, please keep your mask on and maintain social distancing while standing in conversation.

CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

Wedding Anniversaries

10/28 Andy and Alyssa Simonsen

Birthdays

10/26 Tiffany Van Wagoner

10/27 Ben Hedges, Lizabeth Hoppe

10/28 Penny Brunner, Micah Kelly Landrum

Patronal Feast Days

10/26 St. Demetrios Jackson Stetler 10/28 St. Paraskeva the Martyr Penny Brunner

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 JOSEPH Cole K. (military)

Mother Victoria Jeremiah H. (Airforce Academy) Met. Paul & Abp. John Lauren & Fernando J. (military)

Fr. Jacob Chase K. (military)

Mother Christophora Nick & Kristine J. (military) Fr. Jon B. Steve T, Joseph B. Olga Marie G.

Dn. Richard E. Dn. John Y. Glenn F. Kh. Diane C. Greg & Margaret Y. Mitch D. Sr. Michael K.

Hoppe Family in Albania David W. Joseph Wm. B. in Kenya Duane F. Dn. Gary B.

Richard and Susan B.

Monsignor J. Yanek Kent F.

Bob N. Fr. Jon-Stephen H.

The Ethiopian Orthodox Church The Church & people in Lebanon

All those suffering and in danger in Ukraine, Africa, and the Middle East

Please pray for the raising up and support of long-term missionaries from our parish.

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For repose of the souls of:

Zac B., Hilda

Harvey G.

Stephen B.

Kris F. Dn. Gary B.

David D.

All who have died in the conflicts in Ukraine Africa & the Middle East Those who lost their lives in the explosion in Lebanon

*********************** ST. ATHANASIUS CHURCH BOOKSTORE

The church bookstore is located in the foyer of the fellowship hall - two enclosed cabinets containing items that are FOR SALE. One cabinet holds icons, crosses, incense, prayer ropes, etc. The bookshelf has books for sale, arranged alphabetically by book title. Children's books ** are on the bottom shelf. See Terri Speier if you are looking for jewelry such as a cross or ** chain. Payment should be made at time of purchase and placed in brown lockbox on wall next ** to Fr. Nicholas' office. Make checks payable to S.A.O.C. Bookstore. (The pamphlets in the rack are FREE, as are the 12-month liturgical calendars.) *

All proceeds go to the parish Building Fund. ********************************