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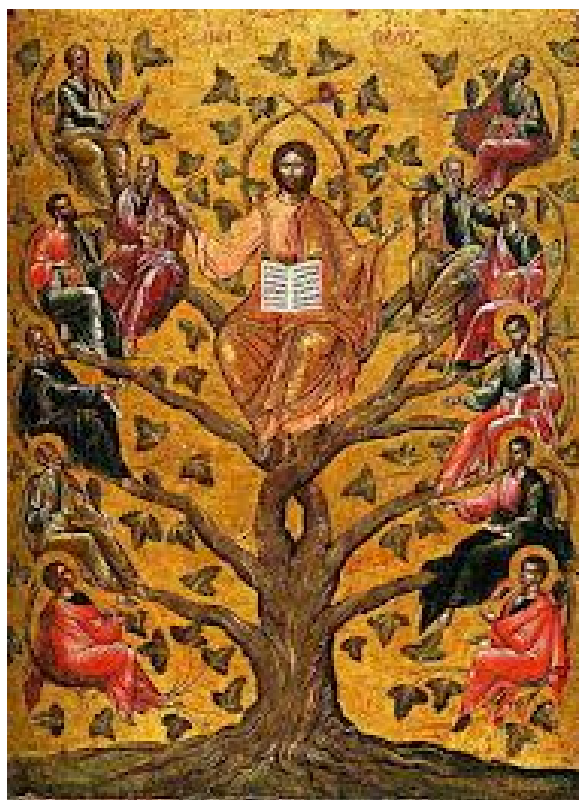
LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Sunday, September 1, 2013

Tone 1 / Eothinon 10

Beginning of the Indiction: Ecclesiastical New Year

Righteous Simeon the Stylite;
Synaxis of the Theotokos at Miasena



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 and to join us at Coffee Hour ~
we'd love to meet you!*

Calendar for this Week

Sunday, September 1

Church New Year

9:00 a.m. Matins
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour
12:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Monday, September 2-LABOR DAY

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins
5:00 p.m. Outreach Meal at St. Michael's
University Church in Isla Vista

Tuesday, September 3

5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers

Wednesday, September 4

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins
12:00 p.m. Women's Prayer Group

Thursday, September 5

5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Friday, September 6

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

Saturday, September 7

6:00 p.m. Great Vespers/Confession

Sunday, September 8

Nativity of the Theotokos

Blessing of Religious Education Teachers

9:00 a.m. Matins
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
11:45 a.m. POTLUCK

Sunday Morning Ministries Schedule

Eucharist Bread

September 1 Hedges
September 8 Mark Kern
September 15 Dan Braun
September 22 McConnell

Coffee Hour

September 1 Fr. Jim & Jon King Families
September 8 Potluck for the Feast of the
Nativity of the Theotokos
September 15 Wallace Family
September 22 Gail Shannon -
In Memory of Dn. Howard

Greeters

September 1 P. King & P. Matthews
September 8 D. Washburn & D. Lewis
September 15 S. & C. Shackelford
September 22 D. & D. Alexander

Ushers

September 1 Jon King, G. Braun Jr., P. Brunner
September 8 S. & L. Speier, P. Brunner
September 15 D. Meyer, R. Barre, D. Lewis
September 22 C. & G. Speier, Rita Schneider

**At the conclusion of Matins, we sing the Great Doxology,
followed by the Post-Doxology Troparion.**

**THE DIVINE LITURGY
OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM**

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.

THIRD ANTIPHON—The Beatitudes from the Sermon on the Mount

After each of the verses sung by the choir, the congregation sings the refrain:
“Remember us, O Lord, when you come in your Kingdom.”

**AT THE LITTLE ENTRANCE, WE SING THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL
HYMNS FOR THE DAY**

Troparion of the Resurrection (music on p. 40 of Liturgy Book) Tone 1

While the stone was sealed by the Jews,
and the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body,
Thou didst arise on the third day,
O Savior, granting life to the world.
For which cause the heavenly pow'rs cried aloud unto Thee, O Giver of life;
Glory to Thy resurrection, O Christ!
Glory to Thy kingdom!
Glory to Thy providence, O Thou
Who alone art the lover of mankind.

Troparion of Indiction (New Year) Tone 2

O Creator of the Universe,
You appointed times by Your own power;
Bless the crown of this year with Your goodness, O Lord!
Preserve in safety Your rulers and Your cities://
And through the intercessions of the Theotokos, save us!

Troparion of the Righteous Simeon, the Stylite Tone 1

You were a pillar of patient endurance,
having imitated the Forefathers, O Venerable One:
Job in suffering and Joseph in temptations.
You lived like the Bodiless Ones while yet in the flesh,
O Simeon, our Father.//
Beseech Christ God that our souls may be saved!

Troparion to St. Athanasius **Tone 3**
(Music on page 54 of Liturgy Book)

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 for Indiction (New Year)

Tone 4

O Creator and Master of time and the ages,
Triune and Merciful God of all:
grant blessings for the course of this year,
and in Your boundless mercy save those who worship You
and cry out in fear://
“O Savior, grant blessings to all mankind!”

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 (Prokeimenon)
(Music on p. 56 of Liturgy Book)

Tone 3

Great is our Lord and abundant in power! His understanding is beyond
measure! ((Ps 146/147:5)

*v: Praise the Lord! For it is good to sing praises to our God,
for He is gracious. (Ps 146/147:1)*

THE EPISTLE READING
1 Timothy 2:1-7

Timothy, my son, first of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all men, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life, godly and respectful in every way. This is good, and it is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave Himself as a ransom for all, the testimony to which was borne at the proper time. For this I was appointed a preacher and apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

Alleluia before the Gospel
(Page 64 of Liturgy Book)

Tone 4

Chanter: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

People: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

v: Praise is due to You, O God, in Zion, and to You shall vows be performed. (Ps 64/65:1)

v: Bless the crown of the year with Your goodness, O Lord!
(Ps 64/65:11)

GOSPEL READING

Luke 4:16-22

At that time, Jesus came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up; and He went to the synagogue, as His custom was, on the Sabbath day. And He stood up to read; and there was given to Him the book of the prophet Isaiah. Jesus opened the book and found the place where it was written, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He has anointed Me to preach good news to the poor and to heal the broken hearted. He has sent Me to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord." And Jesus closed the book, and gave it back to the attendant, and sat down; and the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on Him. And He began to say to them, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." And all spoke well of Him, and wondered at the gracious words, which proceeded out of His mouth.

Hymn to the Mother of God (Meglynarion)

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:

Bless the crown of the year with Your goodness, O Lord! (*Ps 64/65:11*)

The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance! He shall not fear evil tidings! (*Ps 111/112:6*)

Hymn during Communion of the People

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

The Miasena Icon of the Most Holy Theotokos was thrown into Lake Zagura in the ninth century in an effort to save it from the iconoclasts. After a long time, the wonderworking icon emerged from the water unharmed and was brought to the Miasena Monastery.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

The first day of the Church New Year, September 1st, is also called the beginning of the Indiction. The term Indiction comes from a Latin word meaning, “to impose.” It was originally applied to the imposition of taxes in Egypt. The first worldwide Indiction was in 312 when the Emperor Constantine (May 21) saw a miraculous vision of the Cross in the sky. Before the introduction of the Julian calendar, Rome began the New Year on September 1.

According to Holy Tradition, Christ entered the synagogue on September 1 to announce His mission to mankind (Luke 4:16-22). Quoting Isaiah 61:1-2, the Savior proclaimed, “The spirit of the Lord is upon me; because He has anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent me to proclaim release to captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord...” This scene is depicted in a Vatican manuscript (Vatican, Biblioteca. Cod. Gr. 1613, p.1).

Tradition says that the Hebrews entered the Promised Land in September.

May God bless us and bless our community as we begin another Liturgical Year that offers us so many opportunities to encounter Him and “learn of Him” through the liturgical cycle of services and feast days.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! UPCOMING 2013 FEAST DAY CELEBRATIONS

Birth of the Theotokos	Sunday, September 8	Matins 9:00 a.m. Liturgy 10:00 a.m. Potluck after Liturgy
Elevation of the Holy Cross	Saturday, September 14	Liturgy 8:00 a.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

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

Fr. Nicholas and Jan will be out of town from September 9-13.

FALL WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Ladies, we are gearing up for a 6 week study of the book of Ephesians. We will begin on Monday, October 7th at 7:00 pm. Our last study will be on Monday, November 11th. If you would like to be a part of this time together, please email Karen Jacobs by Monday, September 23rd. Our Spring study of Philippians was a full, enriching time of both study and fellowship. Please consider joining us for our Fall endeavor! Karen's email: kjacobs@cox.net

ALL MINISTRY HEADS WILL MEET on Saturday, September 21st from 10 a.m.-12:00 noon.

MINISTRY BLESSINGS:

The following groups will receive a blessing on their ministries for the coming liturgical year:

September 8	Religious Education Teachers & Youth Ministry Teams
September 15	Students
September 22	All Ministry Heads
September 29	Musicians

WE NEED YOUR HELP...

We need volunteers who can give a bit of time on Sunday mornings in the following ways:

- **Greeters** to arrive no later than 9:15 a.m., pass out the bulletin and make everyone who walks into the church feel welcome, both members and visitors. Greeters currently serve about every 5 weeks.
- **Ushers** to help visitors find seats and to maintain an orderly flow during Communion. Ushers currently serve every four weeks.

If you can serve as an usher or greeter, please contact Peggy King at: pking42@aol.com or 968-0095.

- **Potluck Coordinators**—We need a small team of people who are willing to do the following when we have Sunday potlucks instead of coffee hour:
 - Plug in the large coffee pot and the hot water for tea at 10:00 a.m.
 - Put the food out on the buffet table after Communion
 - Make sure there are appropriate serving utensils for the food
 - Put the large coffee pot and creamer out on the counter top after Communion
 - Clean off the buffet table, wash/dry/put away coffee pot and all church dishes and utensils.
 - Clear off and wipe all tables. (No need to empty trash or vacuum.)

The following are Potlucks for which we need someone to take the lead in the coming Liturgical year:

Sept. 8, 2013	Nativity of Theotokos
Dec. 1, 2013	Thanksgiving leftovers/snacks
Dec. 29, 2013	Christmas Cookies
April 13, 2014	Palm Sunday (Lenten Potluck)
June 8, 2014	Pentecost

If you can help with the potlucks, or would be willing to be the Coordinator for all of them, and recruit your own helpers, please contact Valerie at valerie@stathanasius.org.

CELEBRATIONS for THIS WEEK

Anniversaries

9/05 John & Fay Young

Birthdays

9/02 Benjamin Ballew, John Charles Finley

9/03 Bob Gundersen

9/04 Richard Ballew

9/06 Amanda Jacobs, Obadiah Robinson

9/07 Gage Braun

9/08 Mary Ellen Braun, Breanna Faria

Patron Saint Commemorations

9/1 **Prophetess Abigail, wife of David the King** Abigail Simonsen

9/1 **St. Joshua, the son of Nun** Josh Kern

9/1 **St. Penelope, the holy virgin martyr** Penny Cocores

9/3 **St. Phoebe** Phoebe Lenhart

9/5 **St. Elizabeth, mother of John the Baptist**

Atalia Finley, Elizabeth Heiduk, Lara Jacobs,
Elleny King, Peggy King, Jane Meyer, Terri Speier,
Elizabeth Ballew, Salem VanderLaan, Elizabeth Kinman

9/5 **Zachariah, father of John the Baptist** Zachary Nikolov

9/7 **St. Cassiana, the hymnographer** Kassiana Van Wagoner

9/8 **St. Adriana** Adriana de Bruin

9/8 **Theotokos, The Nativity of the Mother of God**

Amanda Jacobs, Fr. John Carrillo, Mary Ellen Braun,
Stephanie Braun, Ciara Giordani

**Countdown:
Only 4 Weeks to
September 27, 2013!**



***Register NOW
for the***

***St. Athanasius
Annual Golf & Dinner/Dance Gala
In Honor of Dn. Howard Shannon***

***Help Us Reach Our Goal of \$50,000!
How can you help?***

Buy your dinner tickets! Remember you don't have to Golf to participate.
(\$50/person.) Purchase at the Golf table during Coffee Hour,
online at www.stathanasius.org/golf, or by check to the church at
Attn.: Golf, P.O. Box 35, Goleta, CA 93116.

Donate in memory of Dn Howard Shannon.

Obtain gift certificates (especially restaurants) for our silent auction/raffle.
(Please give to Terri Speier by Sept. 15th. Phone: 563-2131)

Find a business or organization to sponsor a hole on the golf course.

Organize a foursome for golf, or golf as a single.
(Contact Jon King: 967-0192)

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:

Fr. Alexander Atty	Gail S.	Frank G.
Mother Victoria	Olga G.	Patrick B.
Met. Paul & Abp. John	Leona G.	Baby Christian F.
who have been	Presbytera Katherine H.	Richard
kidnapped by terrorists	Mick K. & Family	Eleni Z.
in Turkey.	Mary & Susan	Cameron W.
Fr. Gordon & Mary Sue W.	Duane F.	Bobbie B.
Greg & Margaret Y.	Marna D.	

For repose of the souls of: Rae, Audrey L., Claudia

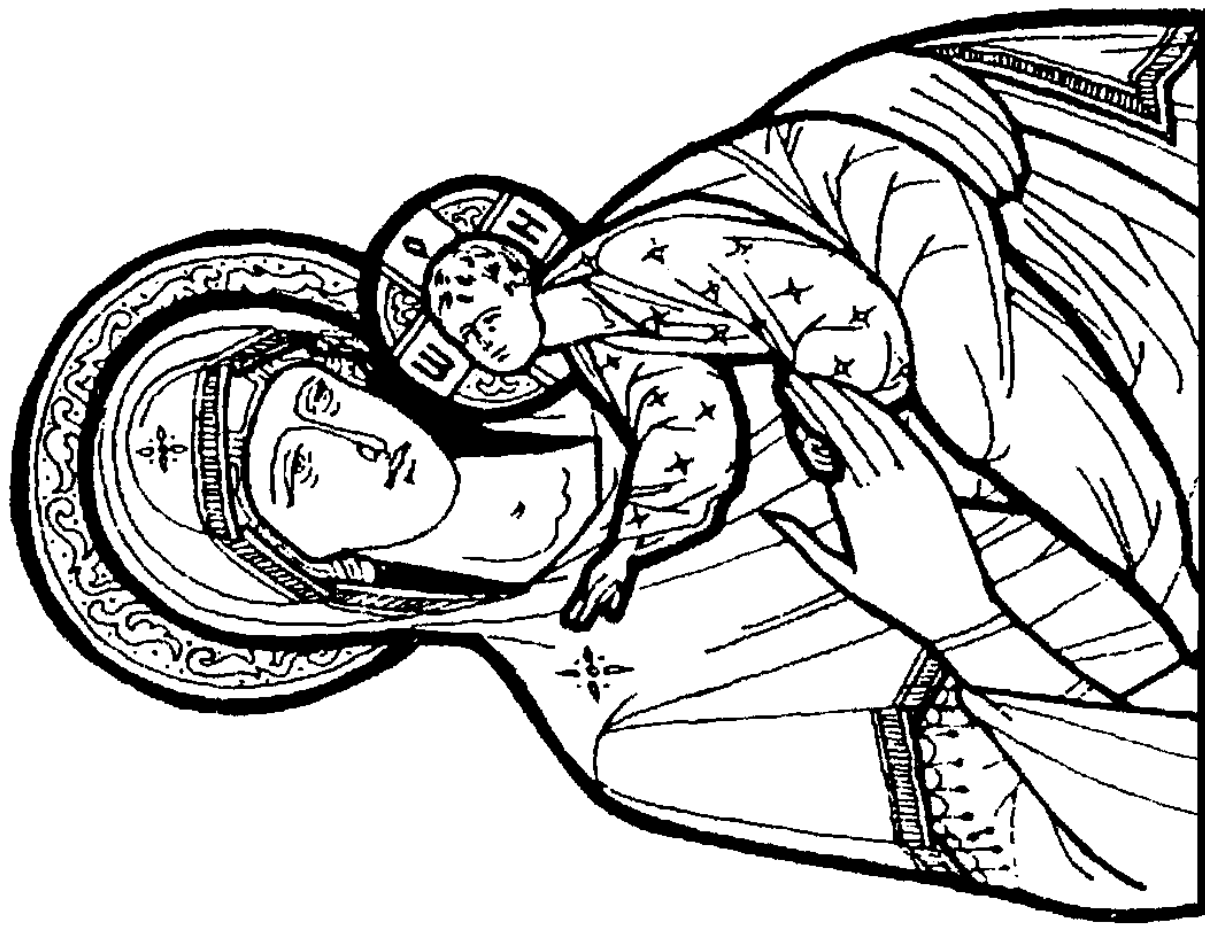
ABOUT OUR PRAYER LISTS:

Prayer requests in the bulletin are prayed out loud during the deacons' litanies and should be submitted to the church office—office@stathanasius.org.

Prayer requests put into the **wooden box in the narthex** will be said silently at the altar at most services. During the **Great Entrance of the Divine Liturgy**, only Orthodox Christians are commemorated, and that list is comprised of the sick, those celebrating special occasions listed in the bulletin, and those who prepared the Eucharist bread.

ST. ATHANASIUS BOOK CENTER

The church bookstore is located in the fellowship hall. The two enclosed cabinets hold icons, books, jewelry and other items that are FOR SALE. Payment should be made at time of purchase and placed in the brown lock box. Make checks payable to "St. Athanasius Book Center."



FOR THE CHILDREN TO COLOR
DURING THE HOMILY OR AT HOME -