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LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Sunday, November 4, 2012

Tone 5 / Eothinon 11; Twenty-Second Sunday after
Pentecost & Fifth Sunday of Luke

Venerable Ioanikios the Great of Mount Olympus

Hieromartyrs Nicander the Bishop of Myra and Hermias the Priest; Martyr Porphyrios of Ephesus; Emperor John the merciful



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, November 4

TURN CLOCKS BACK!

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

9:00 a..m. Matins

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

Trisagion Prayers for J. Hedges 5;00 p.m.

Monday, November 5

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

Funeral for John Hedges 10:00 a.m. Outreach Meal served at 5:00 p.m.

St. Michael's in Isla Vista

Tuesday, November 6—DON'T FORGET TO VOTE!

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

Wednesday, November 7

Daily Matins 6:45 a.m.

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

Thursday, November 8

Synaxis of Archangels

5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers & Canon for

Archangels

Choir Practice 7:00 p.m.

Friday, November 9-St. Nektarios
6:45 a.m. Daily Matins & Canon for

St. Nektarios

Saturday, November 10 7:30 a.m. Clergy Meeting Adult Catechism 4:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. **Great Vespers**

Sunday, November 11

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

Matins 9:00 a..m.

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

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

Sunday Morning Ministries Schedule

Eucharist Bread

November 4 D. Braun November 11 McConnell

November 18 Dillon

November 25 Dn. G. Braun

Coffee Hour

November 4 Brunner (in memory of Cyrus)

November 11 Harvest Festival

November 18 Craig & Jenny Speier

November 25 Thanksgiving leftovers Potluck

Greeters

November 4 D. & D. Alexander November 11 Genatone/Morrison

November 18 E. Fryer/L. Shackelford

November 25 Cheryl & Ciara Giordani

Ushers

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

November 11 S. & L. Speier, P. Brunner

November 18 D. Meyer, Barre, Lewis

November 25 Craig & Gabe Speier, 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 p. 47 of Liturgy Book)

Tone 5

Let us believers praise and worship the Word, co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation.

For He took pleasure in ascending the Cross in the flesh

to suffer death and to raise the dead by His glorious resurrection.

Troparion for Joannicius the Great

Tone 8

By a <u>flood</u> of <u>tears</u> you <u>made</u> the desert <u>fer</u>tile, and your <u>longing</u> for <u>God</u> brought forth <u>fruits</u> in <u>abundance</u>. By the <u>radiance</u> of <u>miracles</u> you il<u>lu</u>mined the whole <u>u</u>niverse.// Our Father Joannicius pray to Christ God to save our souls!

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 5

Thou O Lord shall keep us and preserve us from this generation forever. (Ps 11/12:7)

Verse: Save me O Lord, for there is now no saint. (*Ps 11/12:1*)

EPISTLE READING FOR THE DAY Galatians 6:11-18

Brethren, see with what large letters I am writing to you with my own hand. It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that would compel you to be circumcised and only in order that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. For even those who receive circumcision do not themselves keep the Law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may glory in your flesh. But far be it from me to glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me and I to the world. For nei-

ther circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. Peace and mercy be upon all who walk by this rule, upon the Israel of God.

Henceforth let no man trouble me; for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brethren. Amen.

Alleluia Refrain and Psalm verses before the Gospel

Tone 4

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

Verse: I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever; with my mouth;

I will make known Thy faithfulness to all generations. (Ps 88/89:1)

Alleluia...

Verse: For Thou hast said: "Mercy shall be built up forever;

In the heavens shall Thy truth be established." (Ps 88/89:2) Alleluia...

GOSPEL READING Luke 16:19-31

The Lord said, "There was a rich man, who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, full of sores, who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man's table; moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died and was buried; and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes, and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus in his bosom. And he called out, `Father Abraham, have mercy upon me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in anguish in this flame.' But Abraham said, `Son, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.' And he said, `Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.' But Abraham said, 'They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.' And he said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead."

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.

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.

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.

FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT—September 2012

TITHES—GEN. OPERATING BUILDING FUND

Monthly Goal: \$35,000 Monthly Goal: \$12,000

Received in Sept.: \$ 26,193 Received Sept. \$ 13,603

Year-to-date tithe goal: \$315,000 Year-to-date goal: \$108,000

Tithes received YTD: \$252,142 Received YTD: \$125,865

(not including Golf Tournament)

Total expenses Jan-Sept. 2012: \$ 314,649

Total income Jan-Sept: \$ 298,256

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

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

Men's Fellowship will meet on Tuesday, November 13th beginning with Vespers at 5:30 p.m., followed by a teaching, discussion and dinner out.

UPCOMING FEAST DAY CELEBRATION-Thanksgiving Eve

On Wednesday, November 21st at 6:00 p.m. we will celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Theotokos in the Temple with Divine Liturgy, followed by a portion of the beautiful Akathist of Thanksgiving. Join our parish family in worship and celebration and begin Thanksgiving by giving thanks to God.

CELEBRATTONS for THIS WEEK

Anniversaries

11/04	Troy & Carla Harris
11/11	Jason & Jody Wallace

Birthdays

Diffilladys	
11/06	Kirsten Franzen
11/08	Justina King
11/09	John Ronan Meyer
11/10	David Lewis
11/11	Lauren King

Patronal Feast Day Celebrations

November 8—Archangel Michael (Synaxis)

Caleb Braun, Michiel de Bruin, Dn. Richard Easbey, Michael Easbey, Michael (Jimmy) Easbey, Kent Jacobs, Mick Kronman, Angel Rivera, Mia Schmitz, Kevin Speier, Scott Speier, Trent Speier, Scott Williams

November 11—St. Martin of Tours

Bob Gundersen, Brody Hansen

November 11—St. Victor

Viktoria Hedges

TEEN SCENE

RITE 13 plus (Grades 7-9)

Wednesday, November 7 from 5:45pm to 8pm, Service Project: serving Hot Cocoa in Isla Vista

Sunday, November 11 from 5 to 7pm, Social Event at Girsh Park: playing games, eating delicious food, and getting to know each other better

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

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

Wednesday, November 7 from 5:45pm to 8pm, Service Project: serving Hot Cocoa in Isla Vista

Sunday November 11th 5 pm- 7 pm- "Fire on Father"

Monday December 3rd 4:15pm-7 pm- Provide dessert and serve for St. Brigid's Outreach meal, Out to dinner as a group afterwards. [**NOTE EARLIER TIME FOR WINTER.**]

Saturday December 29th 6 pm - 9 pm - Vespers/Dinner/Christmas Party

Monday January 7th 4:15pm-7 pm- Provide dessert and serve for St. Brigid's Outreach meal, out to dinner as a group afterwards. [**NOTE EARLIER TIME FOR WINTER.**]

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

IT'S FALL HARVEST FEST TIME! Sunday, November 11th after Divine Liturgy

BBQ, Activities for the Kids, Farmer's Market & Bookstore Specials

All proceeds will go to Building Fund.

Please bring fresh produce from your garden and home baked goodies to be sold. A donation of \$5/person is suggested for the barbecue lunch.

MINISTRY TEAM LEADERS' MEETING SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2012

We had an excellent meeting of the ministry leaders on Saturday morning, Sept. 29th, led by Fr. Nicholas. He reminded us of our common vision:

That we would be rooted and grounded in love and humility so that we can experience and manifest the fullness of the Faith in:

- the worship of the Holy Trinity
- the life of each member
- the care of one another and the community

...unto the inheritance of the Kingdom of Heaven.

We discussed how each of our various ministries manifest this vision, including:

- How we can minister in love and humility:
 - Forgiveness, patience, diakonia, selflessness, acceptance, confession, reaching out
- The obstacles we face:
 - Time, perfectionism, priorities, commitment, pride, excuses, communication, fatigue, pride of opinion
- How we express the fullness of our Faith:
 - Prayer, witness, compassion, hospitality, refusal to judge, remember that the work we do is salvific, keep it simple, be thankful, see the good
- How our ministries contribute to worship:
 - Preparation, lead by example, build the Eucharistic community, build family, education, spiritual support, physical/financial support, "We get our strength from the altar, and then GO AND DO IT."
- How our ministries can help others participate in the life of the Church:
 - Strength, influence/attract by our enthusiasm, inspire, preparation (prayer and fasting) followed by fulfillment, learn to identify each person's unique gifts, INVITE (personal contact), remember to thank people.
- How we can help others to participate:
 - Identify gifts, invite, thank
- How different ministry groups can cooperate with each other:
 - Seasonal changes, cross generational activities, be respectful of each others' efforts and schedules, be creative!
- How our ministries support the care of the community:
 - Concern for the well-being of the "family," call on each other, support the work of the priest, protect each other
- How our ministries minister to the greater community we live in:
 - Be ready, pay attention! God brings opportunities to us. Do all things to the glory of God and to the benefit of the other.

ULTIMATE GOAL: TO INHERIT THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN!

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.	Fran R.
Archbp. JOSEPH	Leona G.	Brian S.
Fr. Alexander Atty	Presbytera Katherine H.	Jim M.
Mother Victoria	Mick K. & Family	Frank A.
Fr. Gordon & Mary Sue W.	Richard & Elizabeth	Pat M.
John Weldon H.	Sari W.	Marta C.
Greo & Margaret Y	Mary & Susan	

Greg & Margaret 1.

For repose of the souls of: Dn. Howard George, Marion G., Kh. Terri Elizabeth B., Theophano, Roman, John H.

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."

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All proceeds go to the parish Building Fund.

