

St. Athanasius Antiochian Orthodox Church

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DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Sunday, January 30, 2022
Tone 7 / Eothinon 10
The Three Great Hierarchs and Ecumenical Teachers:
Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian
& John Chrysostom
& Fifteenth Sunday of Luke ("Zacchaeus")

Hieromartyr Hippolytos, Pope of Rome; Virgin-martyr Chrissa of Rome; New-martyr Theodore of Mitylene; Julian, Priest of Aegina



WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

We are glad you are with us this morning.

Please join us on the patio after the Liturgy for Coffee Hour.

We'd love to meet you!

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, January 30		
9:00 a.m.	Matins	
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9:00 a.m.	Religious Education for ages 6-12	
10:00 a.m.	Divine Liturgy	
11:30 a.m.	Teen Religious Education	
11:45 a.m.	Coffee Hour	
12:30 p.m.	Adult Catechism (The Eucharist and	
•	Repentance)	

Monday, January 31

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins St. Xenia Prayer Ministry—Akathist **READERS** 5:00 p.m. by Zoom

Tuesday, February 1

Great Vespers for the Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord 6:00 p.m. with Litia & Artoklasia

Wednesday, February 2

8:30 a.m.	Festal Divine Liturgy for
	Presentation of Our Lord
12:00 p.m.	St. Xenia Prayer Ministry

Thursday, February 3

7:45 a.m.	St. Xenia Prayer Ministry by Zoom
10:00 a.m.	Showers of Blessing
3:30 p.m.	Catechesis Level I
5:30 p.m.	Daily Vespers
6:00 p.m.	Youth Group

Friday, February 4

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

Saturday, February 5

8:30 a.m.	Men's Fellowship of St. John
6:00 p.m.	Great Vespers/Confessions

Sunday, February 6

9:00 a.m.	Matins
9:00 a.m.	Religious Education for ages 6-12
	Blessing of the Atria
10:00 a.m.	Divine Liturgy
11:30 a.m.	Teen Religious Education
11:45 a.m.	Coffee Hour
12:30 p.m.	Adult Catechism (Priesthood and
•	Spiritual Guidance—Fr. Nicholas)

SUNDAY MORNING MINISTRIES SCHEDULE

EUCHARIST BREAD

January 30	Jacobs
February 2	Kern
February 6	D. Washburn
February 13	Morrison
February 20	Sieck

January 30	Rdr. J. Butler
February 1	D. Meyer (Vespers)
February 2	Rdr. V. Gish (Liturgy)
February 5	D. Washburn (Vespers)
February 6	D. Meyer
February 13	Rdr. H. Lange
February 20	D. Alexander

GREETERS	
January 30	K. P. King/D. Washburn
February 6	G. & L. Hoppe
February 13	H. Lange/D. Washburn
February 20	K. Fox/D. Lewis

USHERS

January 30	C. Berari/D. Alexander
February 6	P. King/J. King
February 13	D. Meyer/M. Loulias
February 20	D. Washburn/K.L. King

January 30	N1K0l0V
February 6	Alexander
February 13	Reception for Met. Joseph's Visit
February 20	Berari

THURSDAY SHOWERS OF BLESSING HOSPITALITY TEAM

February 3	D. Washburn/D. Alexander
February 10	F. Young/S. Saunders
February 17	L. Ballew/D. Franzen
February 24	M. Loulias/P.Cocores

HOLY COMMUNION

In the Orthodox Church, the sacrament of Communion is offered only to Orthodox Christians who have prepared to receive. Non-Orthodox believers and others **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.

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 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"

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

Troparion of the Resurrection (Music on p. 51 of Liturgy book)

Thou didst shatter death by Thy Cross; Thou didst open paradise to the thief; Thou didst turn the sadness of the ointment bearing women into joy, and didst bid Thine apostles proclaim a warning that Thou hast risen, O Christ, granting the world the great mercy.

Troparion for the Three Hierarchs

Let us who <u>love</u> their words come to<u>gether</u> with hymns, and honor the three great torch-bearers of the triune <u>God</u>head:
Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian and John <u>Chry</u>sostom!
These men have en<u>ligh</u>tened the world with the rays of their divine <u>doc</u>trines. They are sweetly flowing rivers of <u>wis</u>dom, and have filled all creation with springs of heavenly <u>know</u>ledge.
They <u>cease</u>lessly inter<u>cede</u> for us// before the Holy <u>Trin</u>ity.

Troparion to St. Athanasius

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.

Tone 7

Tone 1

Tone 3

Kontakion of The Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord in the Temple Tone 1

By Thy Na<u>tivity</u>, Thou didst sanctify the <u>Virgin</u>'s womb! And didst bless Simeon's hands, O <u>Christ</u> God. Now Thou hast come and saved <u>us</u> through love. Grant peace to all Orthodox Christians, O only Lover of Man!

TRISAGION (THRICE-HOLY) HYMN

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) Tone 8

Their proclamation has gone out into all the earth, and their words to the ends of the universe! (Ps 18/19:4)

v: The heavens are telling the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims His handiwork. (Ps 18/19:1)

EPISTLE READING Hebrews 13:7-16

Brethren, remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the Word of God; consider the outcome of their life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Do not be led away by diverse and strange teachings; for it is well that the heart be strengthened by grace, not by foods, which have not benefited their adherents. We have an altar from which those who serve the tent have no right to eat. For the bodies of those animals whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest as a sacrifice for sin are burned outside the camp. So Jesus also suffered outside the gate in order to sanctify the people through His own blood. Therefore, let us go forth to Him outside the camp and bear the abuse He endured. For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city, which is to come. Through Him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge His Name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Preparatory Psalm Verses with Alleluia Refrain Before the Gospel Tone 7

Chanter: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

People: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Verse: It is good to give thanks to the Lord, and to sing praises to Thy

Name, O Most High. Alleluia...

Verse: To declare Thy mercy in the morning, and Thy truth

in the night. Alleluia...

GOSPEL READING Luke 19:1-10

At that time, Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. And there was a man named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector, and rich. And he sought to see Who Jesus was, but could not, on account of the crowd, because he was small of stature. So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Jesus, for He was to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, He looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, make haste and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he made haste and came down, and received Him joyfully. And when they saw it they all murmured, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." And Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I restore it fourfold." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham; for the Son of man came to seek and to save the lost."

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.

Communion Hymn

Their proclamation has gone out into all the earth and their words to the ends of the universe. Alleluia (3x)

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 <u>ask that you show courtesy to those who are remaining to hear the prayers in their entirety by waiting until the blessing of the food at Coffee Hour to eat and socialize.</u>

CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

Birthdays

1/30 Audrey Carrillo
1/30 Glenn Hoppe
1/31 Gloria Morrison
2/3 Velislava Nikolov
2/4 Hannah Sieck
2/5 Galyna Tinyayeva

Patronal Saint Commemorations

1/30	Three Holy Hierarchs	Benjamin Hedges
2/3	Ann the Prophetess	Dorothy Alexander, Leslee Kinman

2/3 St. Simeon the God-receiver Dana Alexander, Fr. Symeon Halsell,

Tyler Speier

2/3 St. Oliver of Ancona Oliver Palmer

CONSIDER COMING FOR SOME WEEKDAY SPIRITUAL REFRESHMENT!

Mondays/Wednesdays/Fridays 6:45 --7:30 a.m. Daily Matins

Tuesdays/Thursdays 5:30—6:00 p.m. Daily Vespers

Wednesdays 8:30—9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy

Matins and Vespers provide the "bread and butter" of Orthodox liturgical life: Trisagion Prayers, Psalms, hymns about the Resurrection and Crucifixion, beautiful poetry that teaches us about the saints being commemorated on that day, prayers for peace, health, salvation, our leaders, and prayers for the living and those who have departed this earthly life.

As we begin the new year, consider making a commitment to attend one of the daily services offered by the Church for our spiritual nourishment.

Consult the parish website calendar for the schedule of services.





SINCERE THANKS...

...to all who helped to plan the beautiful, joyful, and fun retirement celebration last weekend for Fr. Nicholas and Kh. Jan, and to all who participated!

Special thanks to:

- *Our Good Lord for the mild weather and the blessing of being together.*
- The Planning Committee:
 - Fr. Symeon, Christie Robinson, Tyler Speier, Jami Stetler & Valerie Yova
- The generous donors who underwrote part of the cost for the evening celebration.
- Christie Robinson, Suzi Wiley and our Coffee Hour team for the festive Coffee Hour.
- All who baked Fr. Nicholas' favorite cookies!
- Howard Lange, Erik Lawrence, Verne Gish, Kh. Jan, Jami Stetler and Catherine Braun for the musical program at Coffee Hour.
- Our Master of Ceremonies, Craig Speier and the speakers at the dinner.

Fr. Symeon, Dr. Scott Speier, Jared Speier, Penny Brunner, Tyler Speier, Douglas Meyer, Fr. John Finley, Fr. John Braun, Fr. John Henderson.

- Kh. Cayce-Marie for painting the beautiful icon of St. Nicholas and St. Johanna that was given to Fr. Nicholas and Kh. Jan.
- For their contributions of talent and time:

Subdn. Michael Easbey—Audio Visual

Nataliya Tinyayeva & John Butler—Photography

Tati Speier — Slideshow

Kellie Landrum—Calligraphy

- Everyone who contributed to the group gift. (\$45,535 total!) and...
- Everyone who attended the celebrations and made them so memorable for Fr. Nicholas and Kh. Jan!

May God grant them many, many years!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THERE ARE LOTS OF NEW PHOTOS on the parish website from the retirement festivities! https://www.stathanasius.org/media/photo-gallery/

MANY THANKS to Jami Stetler for organizing and leading the effort to clear out the big kitchen in preparation for construction. And during the Christmas holidays, no less! Thanks, also, to the ministry leaders and other volunteers who assisted with this project, which got finished in record time! Subcontractors have been able to visit the clean site, which helps them visualize the project as they prepare bids and schedules. Final Budget is under review and, with God's help, we will get started shortly.

ST. BARBARA MONASTERY FRIENDS GATHERING

The Monastery Friends will gather today at 4:00 p.m. for a presentation by Rdr. **MARK KERN** entitled: "The Seventy Apostles: The First Bishops of the Church," based on his thesis, written to fulfill part of the requirements for the Master of Theology degree through the Antiochian House of Studies. Mark's presentation will be followed by Vespers and a potluck dinner.

BLESSING OF HOMES with the Water of Theophany!

In this season it is customary to invite a priest to bless your home and your family. To partake in this blessing, please speak to any of our priests to schedule a time for him to bless your home.

METROPOLITAN JOSEPH will be with us on Sunday, February 13th. We will have a special reception for him that day after the Divine Liturgy.

UPCOMING FEASTS & SPECIAL SERVICES

FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD IN THE TEMPLE

Tuesday, February 1 — 6:00 p.m. Festal Great Vespers with Litia & Artoklasia Wednesday, February 2 — 8:30 a.m. Festal Divine Liturgy

SANTA BARBARA POINT-IN-TIME COUNT of those living without shelter or in transitional housing

Santa Barbara County is looking for volunteers to assist with a census of those experiencing homelessness. The 2022 Count will take place on Wednesday, February 23rd between 5:30 - 8:30 a.m. For more information or if you are interesting in volunteering, go to: https://countyofsb.pointintime.info/

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 Mother Victoria

Met. Paul & Abp. John Fr. Markos

Fr. Jon B. Dn. Richard E. Kh. Diane C. Greg & Margaret Y. Hoppe Family in Albania Joseph Wm. B. in Kenya

Duane F.

Richard and Susan B. Monsignor J. Yanek

Bob N.

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Kh. Melissa H. Cole K. (military)

Jeremiah H. (Airforce Academy) Lauren & Fernando J. (military)

Chase K. (military)

Nick & Kristine J. (military) Connor V. (military)

Steve T. Bev R. Phyllis M. Scott L. Abp. Benjamin Kris F.

Temmo K. Sarah B.

Coleman Family (Lori, Abby,

Matt) Jerry J. Chuck S.

Mat. Trudi & Richter Family

Linda Gish & Family

Kevin F. Debbie S. Steve H. David L.

Joanne R. James A.

Dn. John & Fay Y.

Zachary B.

Samantha & Chris N. & Family Lander and Washburn Families

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: Larissa F., Liz. P., Archpriest Nicholas N., Tom W., Fr. Thomas L

************************* 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. ******************************

