



ST. ATHANASIUS ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

A Parish of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America

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DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Sunday, July 4, 2021

**Tone 1 / Eothion 2; Second Sunday after Pentecost
& Second Sunday of Matthew**

ALL SAINTS OF NORTH AMERICA

Andrew, Archbishop of Crete, Author of
the Great Canon;
Martyrs Theodore of Cyrene and Lucia;
Venerable Andrei Rublev



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 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, July 4—ALL SAINTS OF AMERICA
ST. ANDREW OF CRETE
TEEN RETREAT**

9:00 a.m. Matins
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
11:45 a.m. Independence Day Celebration on
the patio

Monday, July 5

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

Tuesday, July 6

5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers

Wednesday, July 7

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins
12:00 p.m. St. Xenia Prayer Ministry

Thursday, July 8

10:00 a.m. Showers of Blessing
5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers
6:30 p.m. Youth Group

Friday, July 9

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

Saturday, July 10

6:00 p.m. Great Vespers/Confessions

**Fr. Nicholas & Kh. Jan will be away
July 3-5.**

SUNDAY MORNING MINISTRIES SCHEDULE

EUCCHARIST BREAD

July 4 Jacobs
July 11 D. Washburn
July 18 Sieck
July 25 Tinyayeva

READERS

July 4 Rdr. J. Butler
July 11 D. Washburn
July 17 M. Braun
July 18 Rdr., V. Gish
July 25 D. Alexander

USHERS

June 27 P. King J. King
July 4 C. Speier, S. Speier
July 11 D. Meyer, M. Loulias
July 18 C. Berari, D. Washburn
July 25 K. King, D. Alexander

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

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

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 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.”

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

Troparion of the Resurrection

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 All Saints of North America

Tone 8

As the bountiful harvest of Your sowing of salvation,
the lands of North America offer to You, O Lord,
all the saints who have shone in them.
By their prayers keep the Church and our land in abiding peace
through the Theotokos, O most Merciful One!

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 for All Saints of North America

Tone 3

Today the choir of Saints who were pleasing to God
in the lands of North America
now stands before us in the Church and invisibly prays to God for us.
With them the Angels glorify Him,
and all the Saints of the Church of Christ keep festive with them;
and together they all pray for us to the Pre-eternal God.

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)

Tone 1

Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us, as we have set our hope on Thee. (Ps 32/33:22)

Verse: Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise is becoming to the upright.

THE EPISTLE READING

Romans (2:10-16)

Brethren, glory and honor and peace for everyone who does good, the Jew first and also the Greek. For God shows no partiality. All who have sinned without the Law will also perish without the Law, and all who have sinned under the Law will be judged by the Law. For it is not the hearers of the Law who are righteous before God, but the doers of the Law who will be justified. When Gentiles who have not the Law do by nature what the Law requires, they are a law to themselves, even though they do not have the Law. They show that what the Law requires is written on their hearts, while their conscience also bears witness and their conflicting thoughts accuse or perhaps excuse them on that day when, according to my gospel, God judges the secrets of men by Christ Jesus.

Alleluia before the Gospel

Tone 1

Chanter: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

People: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Verse: It is God Who avenges me, and subdues people under me. (Ps 17/18:47)

Verse: He gives great deliverance to His King, and shows mercy to His anointed,
to David and his seed forever. (Ps 17/18:50)

THE GOSPEL READING

Matthew (4:18-23)

At that time, as Jesus was walking by the Sea of Galilee, He saw two brothers, Simon who is called Peter and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. And He said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men." Immediately they left their nets and followed Him. And going on from there He saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and He called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed Him. And He went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the Kingdom and healing every disease and every infirmity among the people.

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 Hymns

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! *(Ps 148:1)*
Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous; praise befits the just! *(Ps 32/33:1)*
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.

CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

Wedding Anniversaries

7/10 Chris & Christie Robinson

Birthdays

7/5 Beau Brunner
7/7 Ekaterina Nikolov
7/9 Laurie Baker

Patronal Feast Days

7/4 St. Alexandra of Russia Sandra Talmadge
7/8 Saints Priscilla & Aquila Julie Gross

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fr. Nicholas & Kh. Jan will be away July 3-5.

PLEASE KEEP OUR TEENS IN YOUR PRAYERS, and their adult leaders (Subdn. Michael Easbey and Ellen King) as they travel back tomorrow from their weekend retreat in the Bay Area.

TODAY IS THE LAST DAY TO SIGN UP FOR OUR SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM: HIGHWAYS & HEDGES! Parents, if your teen would like to attend, please make sure that they fill out the Google registration form today: <http://bit.ly/HighwaysandHedges2021>

NOMINATIONS FOR 2 ELECTED PARISH COUNCIL SEATS are being accepted until July 10. You can put written nominations in the tithe box, give to Fr. Nicholas or Kristi King, or email to frnicholas@stathanasius.org. Please see the orange insert for nominee qualifications. Only active parish members 18 yrs or older may make nominations. Only active, Orthodox parish members in good standing who are 25 years or older may run for the Parish Council.

LECTURE OUTLINES , BIBLIOGRAPHY, & AUDIO RECORDINGS from Fr. Symeon's 7-week series, "What is Man that Thou art Mindful of Him?" can be accessed on the parish website at: <https://www.stathanasius.org/media/lectures/what-is-man-that-thou-art-mindful-of-him/>

**INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION
TODAY after Liturgy on the PATIO!
Chili dogs, salad, potato chips, & rocket pops
\$5/adults — Kids are free!**

THE PASTOR'S BENEVOLENCE FUND

The Pastor's Fund began as a means to help those in need in our own church and community, and charitable organizations that provide help and assistance to others. Through the generous support of our parishioners (some on a monthly basis) and the good will of many others, we have a substantial fund that has benefitted many, especially during the pandemic. Below is a list of the types of recipients we have been able to assist this past year. May the Lord continue to bless us and those we help.

Individual Benevolences	\$4,500	Work/School Assistance	\$2,000
Assistance to Houseless Friends	\$5,000	Misc. Urgent Needs (rent, medical, etc...)	\$9,000
Covid Assistance	\$8,000	Non-profit organizations	\$8,000
Monasteries	\$3,500	Archdiocese Special donations	\$8,000

TOTAL FOR JUNE 2020-JUNE 2021 = \$48,000

DEADLINE TO REGISTER: TODAY!



CALLING ALL TEENS & YOUNG ADULTS!!

ages 13-30 yrs.

Register now for an inspiring, energizing week of service
in the

HIGHWAYS & HEDGES!

Sunday, July 25—Saturday, July 31, 2021

in memory of Fr. Jon-Stephen Hedges

We will begin Sunday with a sleepover at the church,
and then will meet daily for prayer, discussion, social time,
and service activities within our local community.

Here's a sneak preview:

Sunday, July 25	Introduction & Discussion: The reasons for poverty and homelessness, and what we can and cannot do to help. Jennifer Ferraez, Orthodox mental health professional Dinner, ice-breakers, sleepover at the church
Monday, July 26	A morning with the Hoppe Family, Missionaries to Albania
Tuesday, July 27	In-reach Day: Hands-on learning about some of our parish ministries with the folks who run them (Altar, Music, Festal Decorating, St. Brigid, Catechesis, Iconography, Coffee Hour, St. Xenia Prayer Ministry)
Wednesday, July 28	Presentation by Sally Cook, Founder of Hope Refuge
Thursday, July 29	Morning with St. Brigid Fellowship>Showers of Blessing, afternoon presentation about the work of Network Medical, and shopping for and assembling New Mom Kits
Friday, July 30	Visit/Workday at St. Barbara Monastery
Saturday, July 31	MAGIC MOUNTAIN

The cost for the week-long program is **\$100** and includes the cost of materials for the kits we will make for Network Medical and Hope Refuge, and dinner each day except Monday, when we will end the day after lunch. Participants are asked to bring a lunch each day.

Except in extraordinary circumstances, **participants must attend EACH DAY** of the program in order to be able to join the group at Magic Mountain on Saturday.

Scholarships are available.

DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS JULY 4th. Registration forms are available here:

<http://bit.ly/HighwaysandHedges2021>

**“As many as have been baptized into Christ
have put on Christ. Alleluia!”**

JUNE BAPTISMS
Many years to the newly illumined
and their large, extended families!

- Hunter Scott Braun, son of Gary & Cheyenne,
on Saturday, June 12.



- Levi Harvey Silouan Denny, son of Mitchell and Mary,
on Sunday, June 27.



SAVE the DATE

THE HOWARD SHANNON
GOLF TOURNAMENT

SEPT 17, 2021

AT GLEN ANNIE GOLF CLUB



ST. ATHANASIUS ORTHODOX CHURCH

You're invited....

**to a mini-recital by our resident
pianist extraordinaire,**

Erik Lawrence



NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 11, 2021

**Featuring 8 Preludes by Sergei Rachmaninoff
right after Coffee Hour in the Grand Hallway of the Church**

No reservations necessary.

Seating is first come/first served.

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.
Kh. Melissa H.
Cole K. (military)
Jeremiah H. (Airforce Academy)
Lauren & Fernando J. (military)

Chase K. (military)
Nick & Kristine J. (military)
Steve T,
Nina
Dasha
Bev R.
Phyllis M.
Lee Family
Audrey
Scott L.
Dan A.
John S.
Earle L.
Barbara W.
Phoebe L.
Abp. Benjamin
Kris F.
John N., Samantha & Chris
Harvey G.

Temmo K.
Dr. Andrew G.

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.

For repose of the souls of: Peter R., Augusta J.

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.

On the second Sunday after Pentecost, each local Orthodox Church commemorates all the saints, known and unknown, who have shone forth in its territory. Accordingly, the Church in America remembers the saints of North America on this day.

Saints of all times, and in every country are seen as the fulfillment of God's promise to redeem fallen humanity. Their example encourages us to "lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily besets us" and to "run with patience the race that is set before us" (Hebrews 12:1). The saints of North America also teach us how we should live, and what we must expect to endure as Christians. Although it is a relatively young church, the Orthodox Church in America has produced saints in nearly all of the six major categories of saints: Apostles (and Equals of the Apostles); Martyrs (and Confessors); Prophets; Hierarchs; Monastic Saints; and the Righteous.

The first Divine Liturgy in what is now American territory (northern latitude 58 degrees, 14 minutes, western longitude 141 degrees) was celebrated on July 20, 1741, the Feast of the Prophet Elias, aboard the ship Peter under the command of Vitus Bering. Hieromonk Hilarion Trusov and the priest Ignatius Kozirevsky served together on that occasion. Several years later, the Russian merchant Gregory I. Shelikov visited Valaam monastery, suggesting to the abbot that it would be desirable to send missionaries to Russian America.

On September 24, 1794, after a journey of 7,327 miles (the longest missionary journey in Orthodox history) and 293 days, a group of monks from Valaam arrived on Kodiak Island in Alaska. The mission was headed by Archimandrite Joasaph, and included Hieromonks Juvenal, Macarius, and Athanasius, the Hierodeacons Nectarius and Stephen, and the monks Herman and Joasaph. St. Herman of Alaska, the last surviving member of the mission, fell asleep in the Lord in 1837.

Throughout the Church's history, the seeds of faith have always been watered by the blood of the martyrs. The Protomartyr Juvenal was killed near Lake Iliamna by natives in 1799, thus becoming the first Orthodox Christian to shed his blood for Christ in the New World. In 1816, St. Peter the Aleut was put to death by Spanish missionaries in California when he refused to convert to Roman Catholicism.

Missionary efforts continued in the nineteenth century, with outreach to the native peoples of Alaska. Two of the most prominent laborers in Christ's Vineyard were St. Innocent Veniaminov and St. Jacob Netsvetov, who translated Orthodox services and books into the native languages. Father Jacob Netsvetov died in Sitka in 1864 after a life of devoted service to the Church. Father John Veniaminov, after his wife's death, received monastic tonsure with the name Innocent. He died in 1879 as the Metropolitan of Moscow.

As the nineteenth century was drawing to a close, an event of enormous significance for the North American Church took place. On March 25, 1891, Bishop Vladimir went to Minneapolis to receive St. Alexis Toth (May 7) and 361 of his parishioners into the Orthodox Church. This was the beginning of the return of many Uniates to Orthodoxy.

St. Tikhon (Belavin), the future Patriarch of Moscow, came to America as bishop of the diocese of the Aleutians and Alaska in September 1898. As the only Orthodox bishop on the continent, St. Tikhon traveled extensively throughout North America in order to minister to his widely scattered and diverse flock. He realized that the local church here could not be a permanent extension of the Russian Church. Therefore, he focused his efforts on giving the American Church a diocesan and parish structure which would help it mature and grow.

St. Raphael of Brooklyn (February 27) was the first Orthodox bishop to be consecrated in North America. Archimandrite Raphael Hawaweeny was consecrated by Bishop Tikhon and Bishop Innocent (Pustynsky) at St. Nicholas Cathedral in New York on March 13, 1904. As Bishop of Brooklyn, St. Raphael was a trusted and capable assistant to St. Tikhon in his arch-pastoral ministry. St. Raphael reposed on February 27, 1915.

Saint John (Maximovitch) of Shanghai and San Francisco also John (Maximovitch) the Wonderworker (1896–1966) was a prominent Eastern Orthodox ascetic and hierarch of the Russian Orthodox Church Outside of Russia (ROCOR) who was active in the mid-20th century. He was a pastor and spiritual father of high reputation and a reputed wonderworker to whom were attributed great powers of prophecy, clairvoyance and healing. He was canonized on July 2, 1994, and he is commemorated on July 2nd. His unembalmed, intact relics are enshrined at Holy Virgin Cathedral in San Francisco.

In addition to the saints listed above, we also honor those saints who are known only to God, and have not been recognized officially by the Church. As we contemplate the lives of these saints, let us remember that we are also called by God to a life of holiness.