

### ST. ATHANASIUS ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

A Parish of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America 300 Sumida Gardens Lane, Santa Barbara, CA 93111 Office hours: Tues-Fri. 12:00—5:00 p.m.

### His Eminence, Metropolitan SABA

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Dn. John Young (retired)
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#### Parish Council 2022-2023:

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### DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

August 13, 2023
Tone 1 / Eothinon 10;
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
& Tenth Sunday of Matthew
Leave-taking of the
Transfiguration of Jesus Christ

Righteous Maximos the Confessor; St. Tikhon of Zadonsk; Eudokia and Irene (Xenia) the Empresses;

Eudokia and Irene (Xenia) the Empresses; Venerable Dorotheos of Gaza and his Disciple Dositheos



### 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 the Agape Meal.

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 Religious Education Classes are in recess for the summer. We will resume in the fall.

### Sunday, August 13

9:00 a.m. Matins 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy Agape Meal 11:45 a.m. 12:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

### Monday, August 14

7:00 a.m. Daily Matins St. Xenia Prayer Ministry by Zoom 7:45 a.m. (Akathist for St. Nikiforos) 5:00 p.m. Festal Vespers & Lamentations for the Dormition of the Theotokos 6:00 p.m. Festal Liturgy for Dormition

### Tuesday, August 15-FEAST OF THE DORMITION August 20

5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers

### Wednesday, August 16

7:00 a.m. Daily Matins 12:00 p.m. St. Xenia Prayer Ministry

### Thursday, August 17

7:45 a.m. St. Xenia Prayer Ministry by Zoom Showers of Blessing 10:00 a.m. Daily Vespers 5:30 p.m.

NO YOUTH GROUP

### Friday, August 18

Daily Matins 7:00 a.m.

### Saturday, August 19

5:30 p.m. Great Vespers/Confessions

### Sunday, August 20

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

5:00 p.m. Young Adult Fellowship Dinner at

home of S. & T. Speier

### SUNDAY MORNING MINISTRIES **SCHEDULE**

### **EUCHARIST BREAD**

August 13 Dillon August 14 Kern (Feast of Dormition) August 20 Morrison August 27 Meyer September 3 Dn. G. Braun

### READERS

August 13 Meyer August 14 Butler (Feast of Dormition) August 20 Alexander August 27 Kern September 3 Meyer

### **GREETERS**

August 13 P. Cocores/M. Loulias H. Lange August 27 K. Fox September 3 L. Baker

### **USHERS**

August 13 S. Speier/C. Speier August 20 K.P. King/D. Alexander August 27 M. Loulias/D. Washburn P. King/J. King September 3

### **AGAPE MEAL HOSTS**

August 13 Team Palmer August 20 Team Loulias/Cocores August 27 Team Baker

September 3 **Team Speier** 

### THURSDAY SHOWERS OF BLESSING HOSPITALITY TEAM

Aug. 17 L. Ballew

Aug. 24 D. Alexander, J. Jones

Aug. 31 F. Young Sept. 7 M. Loulias

### **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

### **GREAT LITANY**

### FIRST ANTIPHON—Psalm verses for the Feast of Transfiguration with Refrain

Vs. Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised, in the city of our God, in His holy mountain. (Ps. 47:2) Who settest fast the mountains by Thy strength, Who art girded about with power. (Ps. 64:7-8)

Refrain: Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

- Vs. Who coverest Thyself with light as with a garment. The mountains shall rejoice at the presence of the Lord, for He cometh; yea, He is come to judge the earth. [Refrain]
- Vs. Glory...now & ever...Amen. [Refrain]

### SECOND ANTIPHON—Psalm verses for the Feast of Transfiguration with Refrain

Vs. His foundations are in the holy mountains. The Lord loveth the gates of Zion more than all the dwellings of Jacob. (Ps. 86:1)

### Refrain: O Son Of God transfigured on Mt. Tabor, save us who sing to Thee, Alleluia!

- Vs. Glorious things are spoken of thee, O city of God. [Refrain]
- Vs. A man will say: Mother Sion; and: That man was born in her; and: The Most High Himself hath founded her. [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—Verses with Troparion Refrain for the Feast

Vs. Of Thy mercies, O Lord, will I sing forever. (Ps. 88:2)

Refrain: (See music in the back of this bulletin)

You were transfigured on the mountain, O Christ God, revealing Your glory to Your disciples, as far as they could bear it. Let your everlasting light shine upon us sinners, through the prayers of the Theotokos. Glory to You, O Giver of light!

Vs. The heavens shall confess Thy wonders, O Lord, and Thy truth in the congregation of saints. [Refrain]

Vs. Blessed is the people that knoweth jubilation. O Lord, in the light of Thy countenance shall they walk, and in Thy Name shall they rejoice all the day long. [Refrain]

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

For in Thee is the fountain of life, and in Thy light shall we see light. Save us, O Son of God, Who wast transfigured on Mount Tabor, who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

### **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 Transfiguration (See music in the back of this bulletin)**

Tone 7

You were transfigured on the mountain, O Christ God, revealing Your glory to Your disciples, as far as they could bear it. Let your everlasting light shine upon us sinners, through the prayers of the Theotokos. Glory to You, O Giver of light!

### **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 the Feast of the Transfiguration of Our Lord

Tone 7

You were transfigured on the mountain, O Christ God, and Your disciples saw Your glory as far as they were able, so that when they saw You crucified, they might know that You suffered voluntarily, and might proclaim to the world that You are truly the radiance of the Father.

### 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 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.

### EPISTLE READING 1 Corinthians 4:9-16

Brethren, God has exhibited us Apostles as last of all, like men sentenced to death; because we have become a spectacle to the world, to angels and to men. We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honor, but we in disrepute. To the present hour we hunger and thirst, we are ill clad and buffeted and homeless; and we labor, working with our own hands. When reviled, we bless; when persecuted, we endure; when slandered, we try to conciliate; we have become, and are now, as the refuse of the world, the off scouring of all things. I do not write this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. For though you have countless guides in Christ, you do not have many fathers. For I became your father in Christ Jesus through the Gospel. I urge you, then, be imitators of me.

### Alleluia before the Gospel

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)

### GOSPEL READING Matthew 17:14-23

At that time, a man came up to Jesus and kneeling before Him said, "Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic and he suffers terribly; for often he falls into the fire, and often into the water. And I brought him to Thy disciples, and they could not heal him." And Jesus answered, "O faithless and perverse generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him here to me." And Jesus rebuked him, and the demon came out of him, and the boy was cured instantly. Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?" Jesus said to them, "Because you have no faith. For truly, I say to you, if you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible to you. This kind never comes out except by prayer and fasting." As they were traveling together through Galilee, Jesus said to them, "The Son of man is to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill Him, and He will rise on the third day."

### Meglynarion—Hymn to the Mother of God

Magnify, O my soul, the Lord who was transfigured on Mount Tabor!
Your birthgiving was incorruptible!
God came from your body,
and appeared on earth in the flesh,
dwelling among mankind.
Therefore we magnify you, O Theotokos!

#### **Communion Hymn**

O Lord, we shall walk in the light of Your face, and rejoice in Your name allt he day. (Ps 88/89:15b)

**Instead of singing "We have seen the true light,"** we sing the Troparion of the Transfiguration.

Tone 1

### **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>

Please continue to pray for all of our catechumens, that their minds and hearts will be illumined as they continue their journey towards baptism and/or chrismation.

Rebecca Beech
Paul Carr
Kevin Duke
Adam English
Anthony Salcedo, Ethan, Dominic and Jennifer
Marleynna Worthington

### **UPCOMING FEAST DAY SERVICES**

### THE DORMITION OF THE THEOTOKOS

Monday, August 14 5:00 p.m. Festal Vespers/Lamentations

6:00 p.m. Festal Liturgy

The Dormition Fast is from August 1st to the conclusion of the Festal Divine Liturgy for Dormition.

### THE NATIVITY OF THE THEOTOKOS

Thursday, Sept. 7 5:30 p.m. Festal Vespers & Liturgy

**ELEVATION OF HOLY CROSS** 

Wednesday, Sept. 13 5:30 p.m. Festal Matins & Liturgy

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**THERE WILL BE A YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP DINNER THIS EVENING at 5:00 p.m.** at the home of Scott and Terri Speier. Contact Subdn. Michael Easbey after Liturgy for more information if you are a young adult and did not receive the email invitation.

**CONGRATULATIONS AND MANY YEARS TO** Landon and Brittney Jacobs on their marriage on July 22 in San Jose, California. Landon is the son of Dn. Scott and Karen Jacobs.

VALERIE, our Administrator, will be away from August 17-22. If you need to get into the church outside of service times, please contact Fr. Symeon or one of the ministry leaders.

ADULT CATECHISM CLASSES WILL BE ON SATURDAYS FROM 3-5 p.m. in the coming Liturgical Year. The Fall session will meet on the following Saturdays:

Sept. 23 & 30 Oct. 21 Nov. 4 & 18

HERE IS A LINK TO THE TRANSCRIPT of Metropolitan SABA's address to the delegates of the Antiochian Archdiocese Convention in Phoenix (July 27, 2023): https://www.antiochian.org/regulararticle/1692

**THE AUGUST MEN'S FIRESIDE GATHERING** will be a week from this Monday, August 21st, at 7:00 p.m. at Haskell's Beach. If you have questions, see Howard Lange.

### CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

### **Wedding Anniversaries**

- 8/16 Doug & Kristi King
- 8/19 Richard & Susan Barre

### Birthdays

- 8/13 David Dillon
- 8/17 Susan Barre
- 8/17 Salem Vander Laan

### **Patronal Feast Days**

- 8/14 **Prophet Micah** Micah Landrum
- 8/15 The Theotokos: Feast of the Dormition

Jessica Maria Berari, Ginny Braun, Dorian Easbey, June Easbey, Kh. Cayce-Marie Halsell, Doug King, Phyllis Morrison, Nora Schumacher

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## THE HOWARD SHANNON GOLF TOURNAMENT



# September 15 GOLF DINNER DUCTION

FOURSOME: \$750

Includes lunch and dinner

SINGLE GOLFER: \$195

Includes lunch and dinner

DINNER ONLY: \$85

Dinner, auction, music & fun!

https://www.stathanasius.org/events/2023-golf-tournament/

**DEADLINE TO REGISTER: SEPTEMBER 1, 2023** 

<sup>\*</sup> Space is limited and will sell out! Golf is not confirmed untill paid in full. No walk ups for golf or dinner will be available. 18 years and older only.

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### THE HOWARD SHANNON GOLF TOURNAMENT



# Silent Auction at the Golf Tournament We are now accepting silent auction items!

- You may ask a business you frequent for a donation of a gift card or item.
- You may buy a gift card or item and donate it. (restaurant, travel, jewelry, wine)
- You may offer your special talent and we will create a gift card for you (jewelry, painting, babysitting, gourmet meal, repair/fix it, etc.)
- We will have a table at the Agape Meal with donation request letters, receipts and a list of suggested baskets with links to items.

Please see Terri Speier or Sherie Shackelford.

**DEADLINE FOR AUCTION ITEMS: September 1st** 

### 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:

His Beatitude, Patriarch John X

Metropolitan SABA Mother Victoria Met. Paul & Abp. John

Fr. Markos Fr. Jon B.

Fr. John & Kh. Diane C. Fr. Nicholas & Jan

Audrey C.

Greg & Margaret Y. Hoppe Family in Albania Joseph Wm. B. in Kenya Duane F.

Richard and Susan B.

Bob N.

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Kh. Melissa H. Jeremiah & Sarah H. (military)

Lauren & Fernando J. (military) Chase K. (military) Nick & Kristine J. (military)

Connor V. (military) Julianna & Zaron D. (military)

P. Speier (military)

Subdn. Matthew W. (seminary)

Steve T. Abp. Benjamin Temmo K. Sarah B..

Dn. John & Fay Y.

Zachary B.

Samantha & Chris N. & Family

Kevin D. & Family Stephan & Rosa K.

Ethan K. Erik L. Matthew Nina & Erik Sr.

Anthony & Christina and Family

Hannah Rose Leticia B. Kari H. Carol J. Suzi W. Wade V.

Adam and Family Madison E. Susan W.

The Ethiopian Orthodox Church

The Church & people suffering from the earthquake in Syria and Turkey

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: Shamassa Zinetta N., Fr. Alexander V.

### \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* 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 ti-\* tle. Children's books are on the bottom shelf. See Terri Speier if you are looking for jew-\*\*\*\*\* elry such as a cross or chain. Payment should be made at time of purchase and placed in brown lockbox on wall next to Fr. Symeon's 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 Temple Fund. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

