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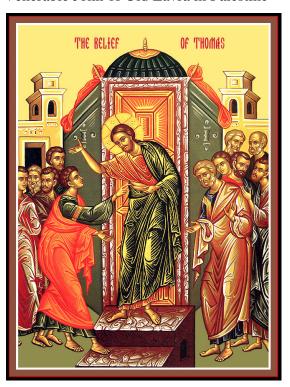
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LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM Sunday, April 19, 2015 New Sunday or Anti-Pascha

Sunday of Thomas the Apostle, Called "The Twin"

Hieromartyr Paphnoutios of Jerusalem; Tryphon, Patriarch of Constantinople; Venerable Martyr Agathangelos of Esphigmenou Monastery on Athos; Venerable Simeon of Philotheou Monastery on Athos; Venerable John of Old Lavra in Palestine



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, April 19—THOMAS SUNDAY

9:00 a.m. Religious Education

9:00 a.m. Matins

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

1:00 p.m. Fire on Father for teens in

Grades 9-12

Monday, April 20

6:45 a.m. Paschal Daily Matins

5:00 p.m. Outreach Meal at St. Michaels'

University Church in Isla Vista

Tuesday, April 21

5:30 p.m. Paschal Daily Vespers

Wednesday, April 22

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

Thursday, April 23

5:30 p.m. Paschal Daily Vespers

Friday, April 24

6:45 a.m. Paschal Daily Matins

Saturday, April 25

10:00 a.m. Estate Planning Seminar

3:00 p.m. Women's Fellowship Activity at

the home of Gail Shannon

6:00 p.m. Vespers/Confession

Sunday, May 4—MYRRHBEARERS

9:00 a.m. Religious Ed. 3 yrs-High School

9:00 a.m. Matins

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

12:30 p.m. Blessing of the Graves in

Goleta Cemetery

5:00 p.m. High School Progressive Dinner

Sunday Morning Ministries Schedule

Eucharist Bread

April 19	Fr. Nicholas
April 26	Tinyayeva
May 3	Dn. G. Braun
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Coffee Hour

	April 19	T. & S. Speier
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April 26 Parents of kids going to

St. Nicholas Camp (Fundraiser)

May 3 McCalmont May 10 V. & B. Hedges

Greeters

April 19	D. Genatone/P. Morrison
April 26	D. Washburn/D. Lewis
May 3	K. & L. Jacobs

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<u>Ushers</u>

April 19	D. Meyer, R. Barre, D. Lewis
April 26	C. Speier, R. Schneider, P. King

May 3 J. King, G. Shannon

May 10 S. Speier, P. Brunner, P. King

Readers

April 19	R. Barre
April 26	P. Braun

May 1 V. Gish (Friday)

May 3 T. Harris

May 6 D. Meyer (Wednesday)

May 10 H. Lange

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

Troparion of Antipascha

From the sealed tomb, You shone forth, O <u>Life</u>! Through closed doors You came to Your disciples, O <u>Christ</u> God! Renew in us, through them, an upright <u>spirit</u>, By the greatness of Your <u>mercy</u>, O Resurrection of all!

THE DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

The Priest begins Divine Liturgy with "Blessed is the Kingdom" and the choir responds "Amen." Bearing the Paschal Candle, the Priest then leads the singing of the Paschal Apolytikion and censes the west side of the Altar Table.

Priest: Blessed is the Kingdom of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of age.

People: Amen.

Clergy: Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tombs bestowing life.

People: Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tombs bestowing life. (2 times)

GREAT LITANY

FIRST ANTIPHON

Verse: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth! Sing of His Name, give glory to His praise!

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

- Say to God: How awesome are Thy deeds! So great is Thy power that Your enemies cringe before You. [Refrain]
- Let all the earth worship Thee and praise Thee. Let it praise Thy Name, O Most High! [Refrain]
- Glory to Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen. [Refrain]

SECOND ANTIPHON

Verse: God be bountiful to us and bless us! Show the light of Thy

countenance upon us and have mercy on us!

Refrain: O Son of God, Who arose from the dead,

save us who sing to Thee, Alleluia.

• That we may know Thy way upon the earth, and Thy salvation among all nations! [Refrain]

• Let the people give thanks to Thee, O God! Let all the people give thanks to Thee! [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

Verse: Let God arise, Let His enemies be scattered; let those who hate Him flee from before His face.

Refrain: Christ is risen from the dead trampling down death by death,

and upon those in the tombs bestowing life.

• As smoke vanishes, so let them vanish; as wax melts before the fire. [Refrain]

• So the sinners will perish before the face of God; but let the righteous be glad. [Refrain]

• This is the day which the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it. [Refrain]

LITTLE ENTRANCE

Clergy: In the gathering places bless ye God the Lord from the Springs of Israel.

People: O Son of God Who rose from the dead, save us

who sing to Thee, Alleluia!

Troparion of Antipascha

From the sealed tomb,

You shone forth, O Life!

Through closed doors You came to Your disciples, O Christ God!

Renew in us, through them,

an upright spirit,

By the greatness of Your mercy,

O Resurrection of all!

Kontakion for Pascha

Thou didst descend into the tomb O Immortal. Thou didst destroy the pow'r of death. In victory Thou didst arise, O Christ God, proclaiming rejoice to the myrrh-bearing women, granting peace to Thine apostles, and bestowing resurrection on the fallen.

TRISAGION HYMN

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.

PROKEIMENON (Psalm verses with refrain)

Tone 3

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

Verse: Praise the Lord! For it is good to sing praises to our God! (Ps 146/147:1)

THE EPISTLE READING—Acts 5:12-20

In those days, many signs and wonders were done among the people by the hands of the Apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. None of the rest dared join them, but the people held them in high honor. And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women, so that they even carried out the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and pallets, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them. The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed. But the high priest rose up and all who were with him, that is, the party of the Sadducees, and filled with jealousy they arrested the Apostles and put them in the common prison. But at night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out and said, "Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life."

ALLELUIA BEFORE THE GOSPEL

Tone 8

Chanter: Alleluia, Alleluia!

People: Alleluia, Alleluia!

Verse: Come, let us rejoice in the Lord. Let us shout with jubilation unto God our Savior

(Ps. 94:1)

Verse: For the Lord is a great God and a great king over all the earth. (Ps. 94:3)

THE GOSPEL READING John 20:19-31

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being shut where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent Me, even so I send you." And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails, and place my finger in the mark of the nails, and place my hand in His side, I will not believe."

Eight days later, His disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. The doors were shut, but Jesus came and stood among them, and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see My hands; and put out your hand, and place it in My side; do not be faithless, but believing." Thomas answered Him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen Me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His Name.

Hymn to the Mother of God (Meglynarion) Music by Pavel Makarov (adapted by Fr. John Finley)

The angel cried to the lady full of grace: Rejoice, O pure virgin! Again I say rejoice, O pure Virgin. Your Son is risen from His three days in the tomb. With Himself He has raised all the dead. Rejoice all ye people. O Shine! Shine! O New Jerusalem. The glory, the glory of the Lord has shone on you. Exult, exult and be glad. Be glad, O Zion, be radiant, O Mother of God, in the Resurrection of your Son, of your Son!

Communion of the Clergy—for Thomas Sunday

Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem; praise thy God, O Zion. Alleluia. (Ps. 147:1)

Communion of the Faithful

Receive the body of Christ. Taste the fountain of immortality.

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.

Instead of "We have seen the true light, we sing: "Christ is risen" ONE time.

At the end of the dismissal prayer the service then continues with the typical Paschal dia-

logue, as follows:

Priest: Christ is risen. *Faithful:* Indeed He is risen. Priest: Christ is risen. *Faithful:* Indeed He is risen Priest: Christ is risen. *Faithful:* Indeed He is risen.

Priest: Glory to His third-day Resurrection.

Faithful: Let us worship His third-day Resurrection.

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those Priest:

in the tombs

Faithful: bestowing life.

English: Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!

Greek: Christos anesti! Alithos anesti! Arabic: El Messieh kahm! Hakken kahm!

Slavonic: Christos voskrese! Voistinu voskrese! Hristos a inviat! Adeverat a inviat! Romanian:

Spanish: Christo ha resucitado! En verdad ha resucitado!

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

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

COFFEE HOUR NEXT SUNDAY WILL BE HOSTED BY THE PARENTS of students attending St. Nicholas Camp this summer. It will be a fundraiser to help with the camp tuition. Please support our children and teens who desire an Orthodox camping experience this summer.

PASCHAL VISIT TO CEMETERY

Next Sunday, April 26th we will visit the Goleta Cemetery to sing "Christ is risen!" to and for our beloved departed. We will leave for the cemetery at the conclusion of Coffee Hour.

HOW WE SAY THE TRISAGION PRAYERS FROM NOW UNTIL PENTECOST

When saying the Trisagion Prayers both at the beginning of liturgical services and in our private devotions at home, we follow this format until the Feast of Pentecost:

(Skip "O Heavenly King" until Pentecost, in anticipation of the feast.)

Holy God is replaced by "Christ is risen" 3 times

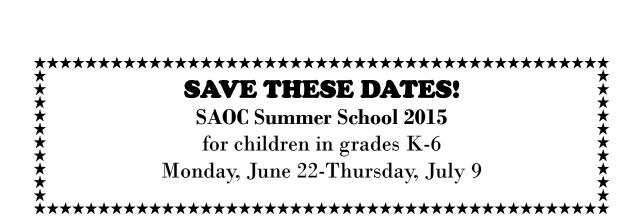
Glory ... now and ever...Amen.

All Holy Trinity....Glory...now and ever...Amen., Lord's Prayer

WE WILL CELEBRATE THE FEAST OF ST. ATHANASIUS ON FRIDAY, MAY 1st with a Vesperal-Liturgy at 6:00 p.m.

ESTATE PLANNNING SEMINARS—April 25 & May 9

Two different seminars will be offered on Saturday mornings from 10-11:00 a.m. for our parish members. The seminars will be taught by an attorney and a financial planner, who will explain why EVERYONE needs an Estate Plan. See the inserted two-sided flyer for more details on each of the sessions.



CELEBRATIONS for THIS WEEK

Wedding Anniversaries

4/22 O.J. & Monica Finley

Birthdays

4/19	Dn. Richard Easbey
4/20	Paul Wintz
4/21	Carla Brunstead
4/22	Dn. Gary Braun, Elias Woodrow Hedges
4/23	Cheryl Giordani
4/24	Christie Robinson, Julianna Ballew, Sydney Hedges

Patronal Feast Days

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4/19	4/19 St. Thomas the Apostle (Thomas Sunday)		
	Tom Ballew, Tom Johnson,	Craig Speier	
4/23	St. George the Great Martyr	Richard Ballew, Austin Harris	
4/25	St. Mark the Evangelist	Mark Kern	

DENTECOST CAMILY DAY

JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE "THE BIRTHDAY OF THE CHURCH!"

Sunday, May 31, 2015

Plan now to be with us on the Feast of Pentecost for a Family Day of fun and celebration!

Including:

Taco truck, Tres Leches Cake, Music for all ages, a special play area and games for the kids, and more!

More details to follow soon!

TEEN SCENE

JOURNEY TO ADULTHOOD

Schedule of Activities and Service Projects

For more information, contact Lara Jacobs —Teen Program Coordinator at: cpejacobs@gmail.com

High School — Grades 9-12

Sunday, April 19	1:00-3:00 p.m.	Fire on Father	Fr. Nicholas and Jan's Home
Sunday , April 26	5:00-7:00 pm	Progressive Dinner	TBA
Sunday, May 3	4:30-6:00 pm	Girls Small Groups	ТВА
	6:00-7:30 pm	Boys Small Group	ТВА
Fri. May 15- Sun. May 17		YES Weekend	SAOC
Sunday, May 24	5:00-7:00 pm	Fire on Father	Fr. Nicholas and Jan's Home

Junior High School—Grades 7-8

Fri. May 15- Sun. May 17	Weekend	YES Weekend	SAOC
Friday, June 12		Raging Waters	
Sunday, June 7		Family Event: Graduation Party	ТВА
		and Kick-off Dinner	

THOMAS SUNDAY

Some icons depicting this event are inscribed "The Doubting Thomas." This is incorrect. In Greek, the inscription reads, "The Touching of Thomas." The Slavonic inscription is, "The Belief of Thomas." When St. Thomas touched the Life-giving side of the Lord, he no longer had any doubts. This day is also known as "Antipascha." This does not mean "opposed to Pascha," but "in place of Pascha." Beginning with this first Sunday after Pascha, the Church dedicates every Sunday of the year to the Lord's Resurrection. Sunday is called "Resurrection" in Russian, and "the Lord's Day" in Greek.

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 Mary Khouria Katherine & Children

Mother Victoria Susan B. Angel, Helen and Family

Met. Paul & Abp. John Baby Christian F. Jim M. Dn. Richard E. Duane F. Joy

Kh. Peggy K. and Family Stan and Donna F. Kh. Marilyn G.

Fr. Gordon & Kh. Mary Sue W. Molly M. All those suffering and Greg & Margaret Y. Chris and Claire D. in danger in the Ukraine,

Hoppe Family

Mikael M.

Africa, and the Middle East

Kh. Mary Ellen B. Fr. Roman B.

Gail S. Dan S.

For repose of the souls of:

Charyl B., Fr. Thomas Hopko, Fr. Matthew B., Marc K.,

21 Coptic Christians who were martyred in Libya,

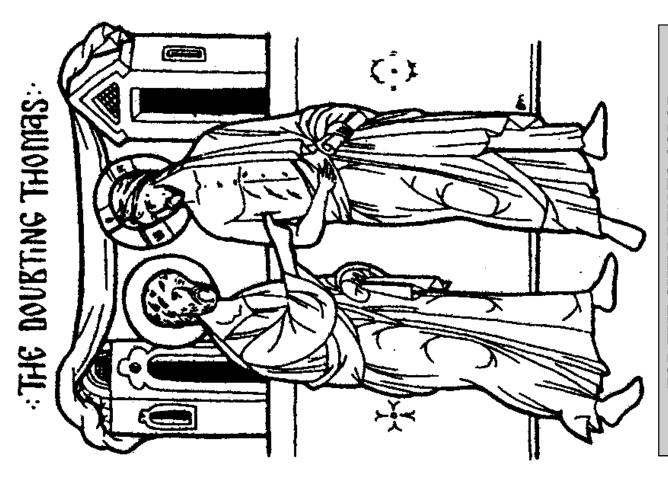
All who have died in the conflicts in the Ukraine, Africa & the Middle East

ABOUT OUR PRAYER LISTS:

Dean & Penny

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. Others are prayed for during the Proskomedia (Preparation of the Bread and Wine for Communion).



FOR THE CHILDREN TO COLOR DURING THE HOMILY OR AT HOME