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LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Sunday, August 9, 2015

**Tone 1 / Eothinon 10; Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
& Tenth Sunday of Matthew**

After-feast of the Transfiguration of Christ
Apostle Matthias; Translation of the relics of Venerable
Herman of Alaska, Wonderworker of America



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

THE DORMITION FAST IS FROM
AUGUST 1-15.

FR. NICHOLAS AND JAN WILL BE ON
VACATION FROM AUGUST 7-14.

Sunday, August 9

9:00 a.m. Matins/**NO RELIGIOUS ED**
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy /Prayer for
Mission Team to Mexico
11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour
12:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Monday, August 10

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins
5:00 p.m. Outreach Meal at St. Michaels'
University Church in Isla Vista

Tuesday, August 11

NO DAILY VESPERS

Wednesday, August 12

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

Thursday, August 13

Mission Team leaves for Mexico
NO DAILY VESPERS
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Friday, August 14

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

Saturday, August 15-FEAST OF THE DORMITION of the MOTHER OF GOD

8:00 a.m. Liturgy for Feast of Dormition
6:00 p.m. Vespers/Confessions

Sunday, August 16

9:00 a.m. Matins/**NO RELIGIOUS ED**
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy /Trisagion for
Olguita Gabrie
11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour

Sunday Morning Ministries Schedule

Eucharist Bread

August 9 J. Meyer
August 15 Dn. G. Braun (Dormition)
August 16 Olga Marie Gabrie
August 23 Hedges
August 30 D. Washburn

Coffee Hour

August 9 AbuGhazaleh/Simonsen
August 16 Gabrie (in memory of Olguita)
August 23 Vander Laan
August 30 Finley/Morrison FIESTA

Greeters

August 9 G. Shannon/Kristin King
August 16 P. Morrison/D. Genatone
August 23 D. Washburn/D. Lewis
August 30 K. & L. Jacobs

Ushers

August 9 D. Meyer, R. Barre, D. Lewis
August 16 C. Speier, P. King
August 23 J. King, G. Shannon
August 30 S. Speier, P. Brunner, P. King

Readers

August 9 V. Gish
August 15 T. Harris (Dormition)
August 16 D. Meyer
August 23 H. Lange
August 30 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**

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. Honor and majesty hast Thou put on, who coverest Thyself with light as with a garment.
(Ps. 103:1-2)

The mountains shall rejoice at the presence of the Lord, for He cometh; yea, He is come to
judge the earth. (Ps. 97:8-09) [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. (Ps. 86:1)

Refrain: O Son Of God Who rose from the dead, save us who sing to Thee, Alleluia!

Vs. The Lord loveth the gates of Zion more than all the dwellings of Jacob.
Glorious things are spoken of thee, O city of God. [Refrain]

Vs. Zion is our mother, a man shall say, and such a man was born in her; and the Most High
Himself hath established 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 on page 10 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. Thine are the heavens, and Thine is the earth; the world and the fullness thereof hast Thou founded. **[Refrain]**

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

Troparion of the Resurrection

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.

Tone 1 Byzantine melody
harmonized by Fr. J. Finley

Troparion of Transfiguration (Music on p. 10 of this bulletin) Tone 7 Carpatho-Russian
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revealing Your glory to Your disciples, as far as they could bear it.
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**Troparion to St. Athanasius
(Music on page 54 of Liturgy Book)**

Tone 3 Byzantine Melody
harmonized by Fr. J. Finley

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 Carpatho-Russian

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 (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

Tone 1 Byzantine melody
harmonized by Fr. J. Finley

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.
(Ps 32/33:1)

THE 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.

Preparatory Psalm Verses with Alleluia Refrain 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 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 your 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 even 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 Hymns

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! (*Ps 148:1*)

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

Jesus Prayer: O Lord, Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

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.*

Recessional—Exapostilarion for Transfiguration (Music by Fr. Martin Gardiner)

O Word, Light unaltered from the Light of the unbegotten Father; In Your Light made manifest today on Mount Tabor we have seen the Father as Light and the Spirit as Light, guiding all creation as Light.

PRAYER IN TIME OF DROUGHT

(Kallistos, Patriarch of Constantinople— circa A.D. 1350)

O Master, Lord our God, who having heard the prayer of Elijah the Tishbite, for the sake of his zeal held back rain from the earth, and again for the sake of his prayer, granted fruit-bearing rain: As You are the Master of All, we entreat You: out of Your deep compassion grant abundant rain to Your inheritance; and, overlooking our sins, send down Your rain on this place. Make glad the face of the earth, for the sake of Your needy people, children, and animals and all others, for they trust in You, that You give them nourishment in due season. For You are our God, a God merciful and quick to save, and unto You we send up glory: to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages, Amen.

CELEBRATIONS for THIS WEEK

Wedding Anniversaries

8/10 Dean & Penny Brunner
8/12 Craig & Jennifer Speier

Birthdays

8/9 Craig Speier
8/9 Scott Speier
8/9 Verne Gish
8/11 Phyllis Morrison, Aaron Simonsen
8/12 Joshua Dillon
8/13 Lucas AbuGhazaleh, David Dillon
8/15 Patrick Gilbert

Patronal Feast Days

8/9 **St. Herman of Alaska** Verne Gish
8/15 **Theotokos: The Dormition**
Jessica Berari, Ginny Braun, Dorian Easbey, June Easbey, Phyllis Morrison

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

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

FR. NICHOLAS AND JAN WILL BE ON VACATION FROM AUGUST 7-14.

UPCOMING FEAST DAY CELEBRATIONS

FEAST OF THE DORMITION (ASSUMPTION) OF THE MOTHER OF GOD

Divine Liturgy Saturday, August 15th at 8:00 a.m.

MANY YEARS TO:

-the newly baptized-

Daniel Jay Berry,

son of Tyler & Amy (Braun) Berry (Godmother: Catherine Braun)

and

Dexton Daniel Braun

son of Josh and Dayli Braun (Gosparents: Tyler & Amy Berry)

Both babies are grandsons of Dan & Judy Braun and great grandsons of

Fr. Jon and Mary Ellen Braun.



-the newly illumined-

Richard Ferraez (Sponsor: Jennifer Ferraez)

and

John Charles Sasala (Sponsor: Fr. Nicholas Speier)



TROPARION of the TRANSFIGURATION

Tone 7
Carpatho-Russia:

YOU WERE TRANS-FI-GURED ON THE MOUN-TAIN, O CHRIST GOD,

REVEAL-ING YOUR GLO-RY TO YOUR DIS-CI -PLES, AS FAR AS THEY

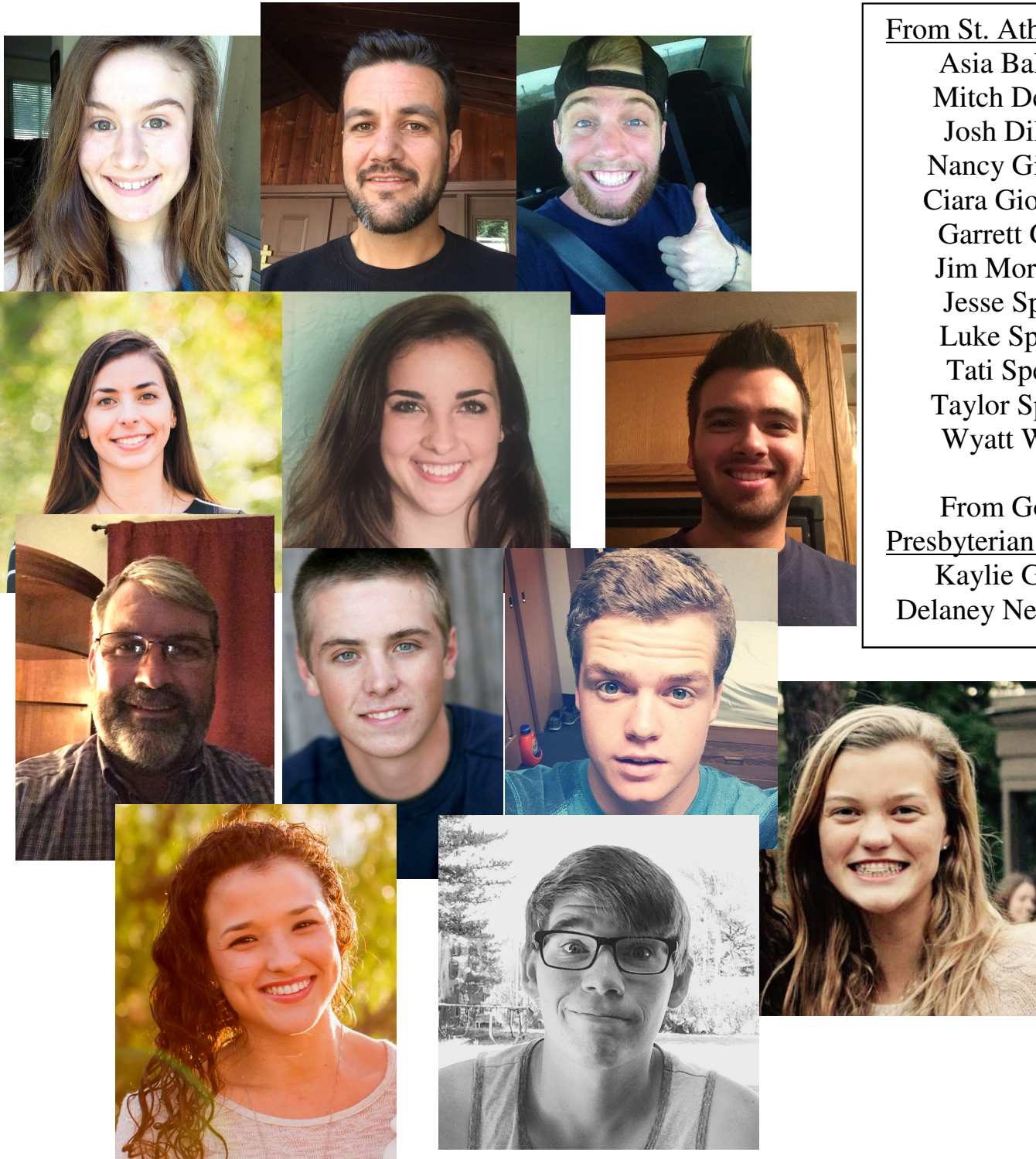
COULD BEAR IT. LET YOUR E-VER-LASTING LIGHT SHINE U-PON US

SIN - NERS, THROUGH THE PRAYERS OF THE THE-O -TO -KOS,

GLORY TO YOU, O GI -VER OF LIGHT.

PROJECT MEXICO MISSION TEAM

We are off to St. Innocent Orphanage to build a home for a family with Project Mexico. We leave this coming Thursday, August 13th and return on Wednesday, August 19th. Thank you so much for the monetary donations that make this trip possible. We are honored to represent St. Athanasius parish as we minister to the poor and orphaned of our neighboring country, Mexico. Please remember us in your prayers.



From St. Athanasius:

Asia Ballew
Mitch Denny
Josh Dillon
Nancy Gilbert
Ciara Giordani
Garrett Gish
Jim Morrison
Jesse Speier
Luke Speier
Tati Speier
Taylor Speier
Wyatt West

From Goleta Presbyterian Church:

Kaylie Grant
Delaney Newhouse



**Get ready! Only 6
Weeks to
September 18th, 2015!**

For our Annual

**Howard Shannon Golf Tournament
Dinner & Silent Auction**

Let's raise funds to finish our building!

Here's what you can do:

- Form your own 4-some for golf and register now
 - Register yourself to golf
 - Purchase tickets for dinner and the silent auction
- Invite friends to join you or host them for golf or dinner
 - Supply a silent auction item – check first with Sherie Shackelford or Terri Speier
 - Donate in memory of Dr. Howard Shannon

Go to: <https://www.stathanasius.org/2015-golf-tournament/>



it's that time again!

Time to sign up to host a

Coffee Hour

during the 2015-2016 Liturgical Year!

We need EVERYONE's participation!

We ask that each parish family/household host or co-host a Coffee Hour once during the year. This is our chance to offer hospitality and to provide the opportunity for fellowship for the whole parish after the Sunday Divine Liturgy. Coffee Hour is an important time for bonding and reaching out to each other. It's also a great way to commemorate a birthday, anniversary, name day or to honor the memory of a departed family member.

Wondering what is expected of you?

- Put simply, hosts bring some food and drink, set it up, and clean it up. Some financial assistance is available for those who need it.
- More detailed information will be emailed and posted on the bulletin board.

This past year's coordinators, Christie Speier Robinson and Carla Brunstead, have made it really easy with detailed instructions, reminders the week before you host, and even a **HOW-TO MANUAL with PHOTOS**, located in the little kitchen.

NEW: Coffee Hour Advisors

We have a team of Coffee Hour "Advisors" and one of them will be available each Sunday morning to answer any questions the hosts might have. On the team so far: Carla Brunstead, Laurie Baker, Corina Berari, Cheryl Washburn-Lander.

How to Sign up

Sign-ups will be done online this year. Please consult your family calendar, and then check out the online sign-up list. We will be emailing the link to you, or you can type it into your computer's browser. You can also e-mail a preferred date to christie.d.robinson@gmail.com.

Here is the link: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0a49a5ab2ba6fc1-coffee>

Many thanks to all of our hosts for 2014-2015 and to all who contributed to our many potlucks during the year!



SAVE THE DATE!

ST. ATHANASIUS FAMILY DAY

to celebrate the beginning of the New Liturgical Year

on the church patio

Saturday, August 29, 2015

Beginning at 2:00 p.m. and culminating with Vespers at 5:30 p.m.

The children will be singing part of Vespers!

Music led by "Uncle" Verne Gish

Games led by Fr. Nicholas

Chili, salad, bread, brownies, ice-cream, beverages

Admission—\$5

\$2/children 7 and younger

**Please respond to the Evite to make a reservation, or
contact Christie Speier Robinson**

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
Dn. Richard E.
Kh. Peggy K. and Family
Kh. Mary Sue W.
Greg & Margaret Y.
Hoppe Family
Kh. Mary Ellen B.
Gail S.
Dean & Penny
Mary

Susan B.
Baby Christian F.
Duane F.
Stan and Donna F.
Molly M.
Mikael M.
Angel, Helen and Family
Jim M.
Joy
Kh. Marilyn G.
Ryan Family
Terri-Lynn H.

Hannah Rose H.
Holly C.
Valeria
Tami, Denny, Maddie B.
Kevin O.
Steve T.
Temmo K.
All those suffering and
in danger in the Ukraine,
Africa, and the Middle East

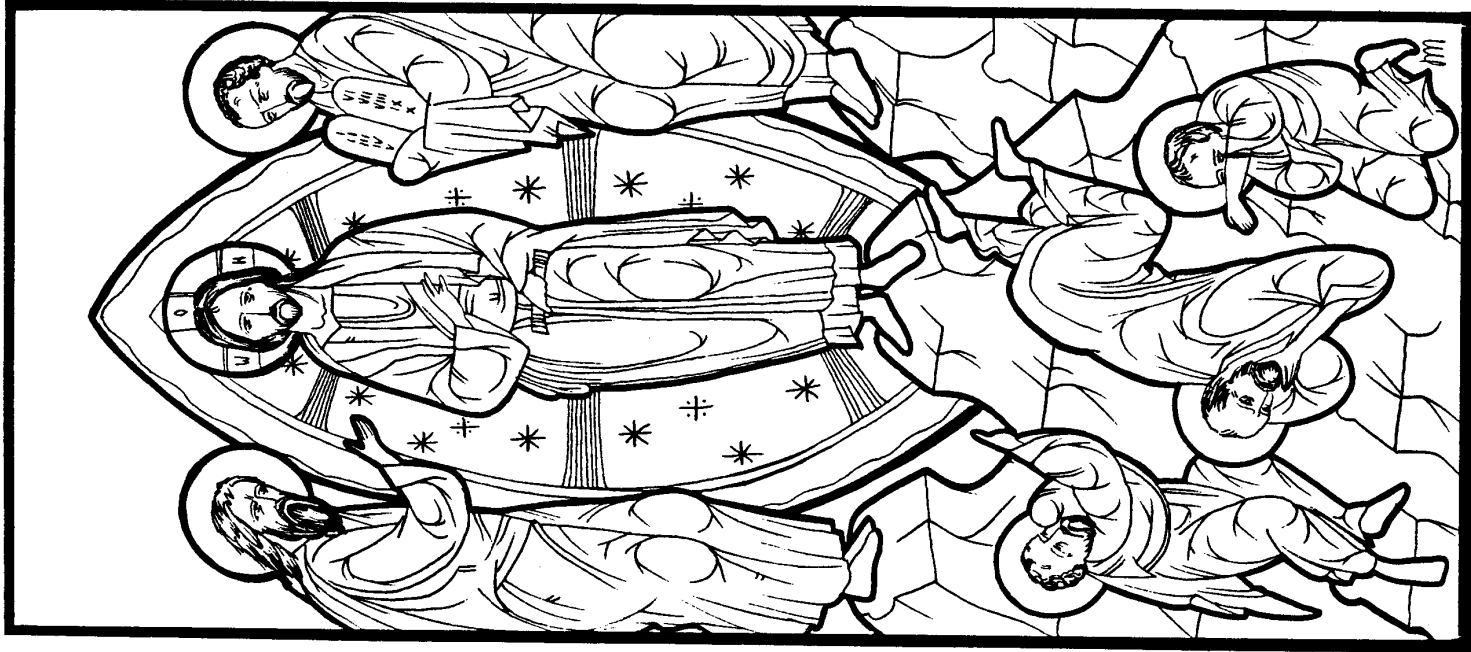
For repose of the souls of: Fr. Gordon W., Jane W., Ryan B. Benjamin, Sohei,
All who have died in the conflicts in the Ukraine, Africa & the Middle East

ABOUT OUR PRAYER LISTS:

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).

 * **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 ON THE BOOKSTORE SHELF. *
 * Make checks payable to “St. Athanasius Book Center.” *



THE MISSION AND VISION OF

ST. ATHANASIUS ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN CHURCH (Ephesians 3:14-21)

That we would be rooted and grounded in
FAITH, LOVE AND HUMILITY
so we might experience and manifest the
FULLNESS OF THE CHURCH

- in the WORSHIP of the Holy Trinity
- in the CARE AND GROWTH of the people
- in SERVING new members, catechumens,
inquirers and visitors
- In SHARING THE ANCIENT FAITH with
our community, the wayward and seekers
- In LOVING AND CARING FOR OUR
COMMUNITY

Unto the inheritance of the KINGDOM OF HEAVEN