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LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM Sunday, August 14, 2016

**Tone 7 / Eothinon 8
Transfer of the Feast of the Dormition of the
Theotokos**



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 at Breakfast ~ we'd love to meet you!

Calendar for this Week

Sunday, August 14—Transferrance of the Feast of the Dormition of the Theotokos

9:00 a.m. Matins
10:00 a.m. Festal Divine Liturgy
11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour

Monday, August 15—Feast of the Dormition

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

Tuesday, August 16

5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers

Wednesday, August 17

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins
11 a.m.-1p.m. Shower of Blessings Ministry
12:00 p.m. Intercessory Prayer Group
5:45 p.m. Outreach Team Meeting

Thursday, August 18

5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Friday, August 19

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

Saturday, August 20

6:00 p.m. Great Vespers/Confessions

Sunday, August 21

9:00 a.m. Matins
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour

Sunday Morning Ministries Schedule

Eucharist Bread

Aug. 14 Dn. G. Braun
Aug. 21 Meyer
Aug. 28 Sieck
Sept. 4 Dillon

Coffee Hour

Aug. 14 Finley Family
Aug. 21 HOST NEEDED
Aug. 28 HOST NEEDED
Sept. 4 HOST NEEDED

Greeters

Aug. 14 D. Genatone/P. Morrison
Aug. 21 K. Fox/H. Lange
Aug. 28 Berari, Washburn
Sept. 4 K. & L. Jacobs

Ushers

Aug. 14 J. King, D. Washburn, C. Berari
Aug. 21 G. Shannon, S. Speier, P. Brunner
Aug. 28 P. King, D. Meyer, R. Barre
Sept. 4 D. Lewis, C. Speier, J. King

Readers

Aug. 14 R. Barre (Dormition)
Aug. 21 D. Washburn
Aug. 28 D. Alexander
Sept. 4 R. Barre

Fr. Nicholas and Jan will be on vacation from August 21-30. If you have an emergency, please contact one of our other clergy listed on the front of the bulletin.

FEAST of the DORMITION of the THEOTOKOS

At the conclusion of Matins, the choir will sing the following hymns:

EXAPOSTILARION FOR DORMITION

Apostles, who have assembled here from the ends of the earth,
bury my body in Gethsemane,
and You, my Son and God, receive my spirit!

The Praises—Tone 7

Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens!
Praise Him in the heights! To Thee, O God, is due our song!
Praise ye Him, all His Angels! Praise ye Him, all His hosts! To Thee, O God, is due our song!

This glory shall be to all His Saints.

*Praise God in His Sanctuary; praise Him in the firmament of His power.
Praise Him for His mighty acts; praise Him according to His excellent greatness!
Praise Him with the sound of the trumpet.; praise Him with psaltery and harp!
Praise Him with the timbrel and dance; praise Him with stringed instruments and organs.!*

At your glorious Dormition
the heavens rejoice, and the armies of Angels exult.
The whole earth is glad, addressing its funeral hymn to you,
the Mother of the Master of all things,
all-holy Virgin who knew not wedlock,//
who have delivered the human race from the ancestral condemnation.

V. Praise Him with timbrel and dance; praise Him upon the high-sounding cymbals.

Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord

V. Arise, O Lord, into Thy resting place; Thou and the ark which Thou hast sanctified.

At a divine command
the chief Apostles gathered from the ends of the earth to bury you,
and when they saw you being taken from the earth to heaven
they cried out with joy in Gabriel's words:
"Rejoice, chariot of the whole Godhead!
Rejoice, for you alone by your childbearing//
have joined together things on earth with those on high!"

V. The Lord hath sworn in truth unto David; He will not turn from it.

Virgin Mother, Bride of God,
who carried the Life within your womb,
by your revered falling asleep you have passed over to immortal life.
Angels, Rulers and Powers, Apostles, Prophets and all creation escorted you,//
and your Son received your most pure soul in His immaculate hands.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Tone 6

At your deathless Falling Asleep,
O Theotokos, Mother of Life,
clouds caught the Apostles up into the air,
and though they were dispersed throughout the world,
they were brought into a single choir beside your most pure body.
As they reverently buried you they cried out, singing Gabriel's words:
"Rejoice, O full of grace,
Virgin Mother without bridegroom, the Lord is with you!"
With them implore Him as your Son and our God that our souls may be saved!

**At the conclusion of Matins, we sing the Great Doxology
followed by the Troparion for the Feast of the Dormition.**

THE DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

GREAT LITANY

First Antiphon verses for the Feast of Dormition with refrain:

Vs. Shout with joy to God, all the earth. Declare His works among the nations. O give thanks unto the Lord and call upon His name.

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

Vs. In the city of our God, in His holy mountain, His place hath been made in peace, and His dwelling in Zion. **[Refrain]**

Vs. Glory to the Father & to the Son & to the Holy Spirit, now & ever...Amen.
[Refrain]

Second Antiphon verses for the Feast of the Dormition & refrain

Vs. The Lord loves the gates of Zion more than all the dwelling of Jacob.

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

Vs. Glorious things are spoken of thee, O city of God. **[Refrain]**

Vs. God hath laid her foundation unto eternity. We have thought, O God, of Thy mercy in the midst of Thy people. **[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 of the Dormition

Vs. Ready is my heart, O God, ready is my heart; I will sing and chant in my glory.

**In giving birth you preserved your virginity.
In falling asleep you did not forsake the world, O Theotokos.
You were translated to life, O Mother of Life,
and by your prayers you deliver our souls from death.**

Vs. What shall I render to the Lord for all that He hath given me? **[Refrain]**

Vs. I will receive the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the Lord. *[Refrain]*

**AT THE LITTLE ENTRANCE, WE SING THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL
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.

Tone 7 Byzantine melody
harmonized by Fr. J. Finley

Troparion for the Feast of the Dormition**Tone 1** Slavic Chant

In giving birth you preserved your virginity.
In falling asleep you did not forsake the world, O Theotokos.
You were translated to life, O Mother of Life,
and by your prayers you deliver our souls from death.

Kontakion of Dormition**Tone 2** Serbian Chant

Neither the tomb, nor death, could hold the Theotokos,
who is constant in prayer and our firm hope in her intercessions.
For being the Mother of Life, //
she was translated to life by the One Who dwelt in her virginal womb.

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 3** (Slavic Chant)

Chanter: My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.

Vs. For He has regarded the low estate of His handmaiden; for, behold, henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.

EPISTLE READING
Philippians (2:5-11)

Brethren, have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, Who, though He was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied Himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, He humbled Himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore, God has highly exalted Him and bestowed on Him the Name which is above every name, that at the Name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Preparatory Psalm Verses with Alleluia Refrain Before the Gospel Tone 2

Chanter: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

People: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

v: Arise, O Lord, into Your resting place: You and the Ark of Your sanctification! (Ps 131/132:8)

v: The Lord swore to David a sure oath from which He will not turn back. (Ps 131/132:11)

GOSPEL READING

Luke (10:38-42; 11:27-28)

At that time, Jesus entered a certain village; and a woman named Martha received Him into her house. And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to His teaching. But Martha was distracted with much serving; and she went to Him and said, "Lord, dost Thou not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things; one thing is needful. Mary has chosen the good portion, which shall not be taken away from her." As He said this, a woman in the crowd raised her voice and said to Him, "Blessed is the womb that bore Thee, and the breasts that Thou didst suck!" But He said, "Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and keep it!"

Instead of "It is Truly Meet," we sing the following Hymn to the Theotokos for the Feast of the Dormition. (From the 9th Ode of the Matins Canon)

Refrain:

The Angels, as they looked upon the Dormition of the Virgin, were struck with wonder, seeing how the Virgin went up from earth to heaven.

Heirmos:

The limits of nature are overcome in you, O Pure Virgin:
for birthgiving remains virginal, and life is united to death;
a virgin after childbearing and alive after death,
you ever save your inheritance, O Theotokos.

Communion Hymns

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

I will receive the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord. (*Ps 115/116:13*)

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.

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

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

UPCOMING FEAST DAY CELEBRATIONS

LOOKING AHEAD...

FEAST OF THE BIRTH OF THE THEOTOKOS

Vesperal-Liturgy Wednesday, September 7 at 6:00 p.m.

FEAST OF THE ELEVATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

Vesperal-Liturgy Tuesday, September 13 at 6:00 p.m.

CELEBRATIONS for THIS WEEK

Wedding Anniversaries

8/16 Doug & Kristi King

8/19 Richard & Susan Barre

Birthdays

8/15 Patrick Gilbert

8/17 Susan Barre, Salem Vander Laan

Patronal Feast Days

8/15 **Theotokos: The Dormition**

Jessica Berari, Ginny Braun, Dorian Easbey, June Easbey, Phyllis Morrison

8/20 **Samuel the Prophet** - Bob Newsom

The Feast of the Dormition of the Theotokos (Mother of God)

Concerning the Dormition of the Theotokos, this is what the Church has received from ancient times from the tradition of the Fathers:

When the time drew nigh that our Savior was well-pleased to take His Mother to Himself, He declared unto her through an Angel that three days hence, He would translate her from this temporal life to eternity and bliss. On hearing this, she went up with haste to the Mount of Olives, where she prayed continuously. Giving thanks to God, she returned to her house and prepared whatever was necessary for her burial. While these things were taking place, clouds caught up the Apostles from the ends of the earth, where each one happened to be preaching, and brought them at once to the house of the Mother of God, who informed them of the cause of their sudden gathering. As a mother, she consoled them in their affliction as was meet, and then raised her hands to Heaven and prayed for the peace of the world. She blessed the Apostles, and, reclining upon her bed with seemliness, gave up her all-holy spirit into the hands of her Son and God.

With reverence and many lights, and chanting burial hymns, the Apostles took up that God-receiving body and brought it to the sepulchre, while the Angels from Heaven chanted with them, and sent forth her who is higher than the Cherubim. But one Jew, moved by malice, audaciously stretched forth his hand upon the bed and immediately received from divine judgment the wages of his audacity. Those daring hands were severed by an invisible blow. But when he repented and asked forgiveness, his hands were restored. When they had reached the place called Gethsemane, they buried there with honor the all-immaculate body of the Theotokos, which was the source of Life. But on the third day after the burial, when they were eating together, and raised up the artos (bread) in Jesus' Name, as was their custom, the Theotokos appeared in the air, saying "Rejoice" to them. From this they learned concerning the bodily translation of the Theotokos into the Heavens.

These things has the Church received from the traditions of the Fathers, who have composed many hymns out of reverence, to the glory of the Mother of our God.

Only 5 more weeks to September 16th!

***For the Annual Howard Shannon Golf Tournament,
Dinner & Silent Auction***



FUNDS RAISED WILL BE DEDICATED TO BUILD A PARTIAL KITCHEN!!!

NOW IS THE TIME TO.....



FORM YOUR TEAM



INVITE YOUR NEIGHBORS AND CO-WORKERS



ASK FOR SILENT AUCTION ITEMS (check with Terri or Sherie first)



REGISTER AND PAY FOR GOLF AND DINNER TICKETS

www.stathanasius.org/golf



It's that time again!

Time to sign up to host a

Coffee Hour

during the 2016-2017 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.

If you are not able to host a Coffee Hour on your own, you can sign up to be in the rotation for set-up and take-down or please let Christie Robinson know that you can help when we have parish potlucks.

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.

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: Laurie Baker, Corina Berari, Chantél Cappuccilli, Cheryl Washburn-Lander, Suzi Wiley.

New this past year...

We also have a new team of **SUPERMEN** who rotate each week in helping with set-up and take down of the tables and umbrellas: Michael Andonian, Joe Ballew, Tom Ballew, Nicholas Berari, Ronald Berari, Patrick Gilbert, Tom Jennings, Andre Moskalyk, Edward Severy, David Washburn and Galen Wiley. And Richard Barre, who ALWAYS helps WHEREVER AND WHENEVER NEEDED!!

How to Sign up

Sign-ups will be done online again this year, but you can also sign up on the big bulletin board at the church. Please consult your family calendar, and then use one list or the other to sign up. 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.stathanasius.org/coffee-hour/>

It's a Mad, Mad, Mad World!!

**Our very own Madeline "Mad" Meyer will be performing
this Tuesday night, August 16th at 7:00 p.m.**

along with Jacob Greenspan

SOHO SANTA BARBARA

1221 STATE ST., #205 (UPSTAIRS)

ADMISSION: \$8

**CATCH MAD BEFORE SHE HEADS BACK TO USC
FOR HER SOPHOMORE YEAR!**

An invitation (below) for the ladies of our parish
from St. Barbara Greek Church Women's Fellowship!

(They will also be offering a Prosfora (Eucharist bread)
baking class on Saturday, September 17th. More info to come.



ercise with

Cece!

Come and enjoy some exercise, fellowship & fun!!

Saturday, August 20th

9:30am in the Church Hall

*Bring your exercise shoes, water bottle and
sassiness ☺, Cece says! ...and any friends!*

Put on by the Women's Fellowship Group of

St. Barbara's Church

683-4492



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. Jon Braun
Dn. Richard E.
Kh. Diane C.
Kh. Mary Sue W.
Greg & Margaret Y.
Hoppe Family

Gail S.
Dean & Penny B.
Kevin & Angel S.
Mary
Susan B.
Baby Christian F.
Duane F.
Galina, Nikolai & Nataliya
Olga Marie G.

Emily F.
Joan T.
Terri-Lynn & Hannah Rose H.
Silvia Y.
Manny
Jared E.
James
All those suffering and
in danger in the Ukraine,
Africa, and the Middle East

For repose of the souls of: Fr. Jacques—new Martyr of France, William, 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 foyer of the fellowship hall. The two *
* enclosed cabinets hold icons, books, and other items that are FOR SALE. *
* See Terri Speier if you are looking for jewelry such as a cross or chain. Pay- *
* ment should be made at time of purchase and placed in the brown lockbox *
* mounted on wall next to Fr. Nicholas' office. Make checks payable to "St. *
* Athanasius Book Center." *
* **All proceeds go to the parish Building Fund.** *

