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LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Sunday, August 16, 2015

Tone 2 / Eothinon 11;

**Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
& Eleventh Sunday of Matthew**

After-feast of the Dormition of the Theotokos
Recovery from Edessa of the Icon of Christ Not Made by
Hands: 'The Holy Napkin'



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.**

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

Monday, August 17

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

Tuesday, August 18

5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers

Wednesday, August 19

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

Thursday, August 20

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

Friday, August 21

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

Saturday, August 22-

6:00 p.m. Vespers/Confessions

Sunday, August 23

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

Sunday Morning Ministries Schedule

Eucharist Bread

August 15 Dn. G. Braun (Dormition)
August 16 Olga Marie Gabrie
August 23 Hedges
August 30 D. Washburn
September 6 N. Tinyayeva

Coffee Hour

August 16 Gabrie (in memory of Olguita)
August 23 Vander Laan
August 30 Finley/Morrison FIESTA
September 6 HOST NEEDED

Greeters

August 16 P. Morrison/D. Genatone
August 23 D. Washburn/D. Lewis
August 30 K. & L. Jacobs
September 6 K. Fox/P. King

Ushers

August 16 C. Speier, P. King
August 23 J. King, G. Shannon
August 30 S. Speier, P. Brunner, P. King
September 6 D. Meyer, R. Barre, D. Lewis

Readers

August 15 T. Harris (Dormition)
August 16 D. Meyer
August 23 H. Lange
August 30 D. Alexander
September 6 R. Barre
September 8 V. Gish (Nativity of Theotokos)

**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 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. 42 of Liturgy book)

When Thou didst submit Thyself unto death,
O Thou deathless and immortal One,
then Thou didst destroy Hell with Thy Godly pow'r,
and when Thou didst raise the dead from beneath the earth,
all the pow'rs of heaven did cry aloud unto Thee.
O Christ, Thou art the Giver of life, Glory to Thee.

Tone 2 Byzantine melody
harmonized by Fr. J. Finley

Troparion of the Icon of Christ (Holy Napkin)

Tone 2 Slavic Chant

We venerate Your most pure image, O Good One,
and ask forgiveness of our transgressions, O Christ God.
Of Your own will You were pleased to ascend the Cross in the flesh
to deliver Your creatures from bondage to the Enemy.
Therefore with thanksgiving we cry aloud to You:
“You have filled all with joy, O our Savior, by coming to save the world.”

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.

**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 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
(Page 57 of Liturgy Book)****Tone 2** Byzantine melody
harmonized by Fr. J. Finley

The Lord is my strength and my song. He has become my salvation.

Vs. The Lord has chastened me severely but He has not given
me over to death.

THE EPISTLE READING

1 Corinthians 9:2-12

Brethren, you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord.

This is my defense to those who would examine me. Do we not have the right to our food and drink? Do we not have the right to be accompanied by a wife, as the other apostles and the brothers of the Lord and Cephas? Or is it only Barnabas and I who have no right to refrain from working for a living? Who serves as a soldier at his own expense? Who plants a vineyard without eating any of its fruit? Who tends a flock without getting some of the milk?

Do I say this on human authority? Does not the law say the same? For it is written in the Law of Moses, "You shall not muzzle an ox when it is treading out the grain." Is it for oxen that God is concerned? Does he not speak entirely for our sake? It was written for our sake, because the plowman should plow in hope and the thresher thresh in hope of a share in the crop. If we have sown spiritual good among you, is it too much if we reap your material benefits? If others share this rightful claim upon you, do not we still more? Nevertheless, we have not made use of this right, but we endure anything rather than put an obstacle in the way of the Gospel of Christ.

Preparatory Psalm Verses with Alleluia Refrain Before the Gospel **Tone 2** (Music on page 64 of Liturgy Booklet)

Chanter: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

People: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Verse: May the Lord hear you in the day of trouble!
 May the name of the God of Jacob protect you! (Ps 19/20:1)

Verse: O Lord, save the King in the day we call on Thee! (Ps 19/20:9)

THE GOSPEL READING

Matthew 18:23-35

The Lord spoke this parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. When he began the reckoning, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents; and as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him the lord of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. But that same servant, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat he said, 'Pay what you owe.' So his fellow servant fell down and besought him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' He refused and went and put him in prison till he should pay the debt. When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'you wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you besought me; and should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?'

And in anger his lord delivered him to the jailers, till he should pay all his debt. So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."

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*)

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.

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.

PROJECT MEXICO MISSION TEAM

Please continue to pray for our mission team to Mexico, as they minister on our behalf to the poor and orphaned of our neighboring country, Mexico. They return this Wednesday, August 19th. Thank you so much to all who have supported this endeavor with donations, encouragement and prayers!



ST. ATHANASIUS FAMILY DAY

Join us on the church patio on Saturday, August 29, 2015 from 2:00-5:30 p.m. for a celebration of the Church New Year! The afternoon will culminate with Vespers at 5:30 p.m. There will be music, games, dinner, and ice-cream! Adults: \$5, and \$2 for children 7 and younger. Please respond to the Evite to make a reservation, or contact Christie Speier Robinson. If the cost is prohibitive for your family, speak with Christie about volunteering on the set-up/clean-up crew as your contribution.

CELEBRATIONS for THIS WEEK

Wedding Anniversaries

8/16 Doug & Kristi King
8/19 Richard & Susan Barre
8/22 Jamie & Tiffany VanWagoner

Birthdays

8/17 Susan Barre, Salem Vander Laan
8/23 Ivan de Bruin, Johannes de Bruin, Chris Robinson

Patronal Feast Days

8/20 Prophet Samuel Bob Newsom

INCOME FOR JULY 2015

	General Operating	Building Fund
Monthly Goal	\$33,000	\$14,120
Monthly Actual	\$31,073	\$10,241



**Get ready! Only 5
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**
- **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**
- **Sponsor Fr. Nicholas' Golf-A-Thon**



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!

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

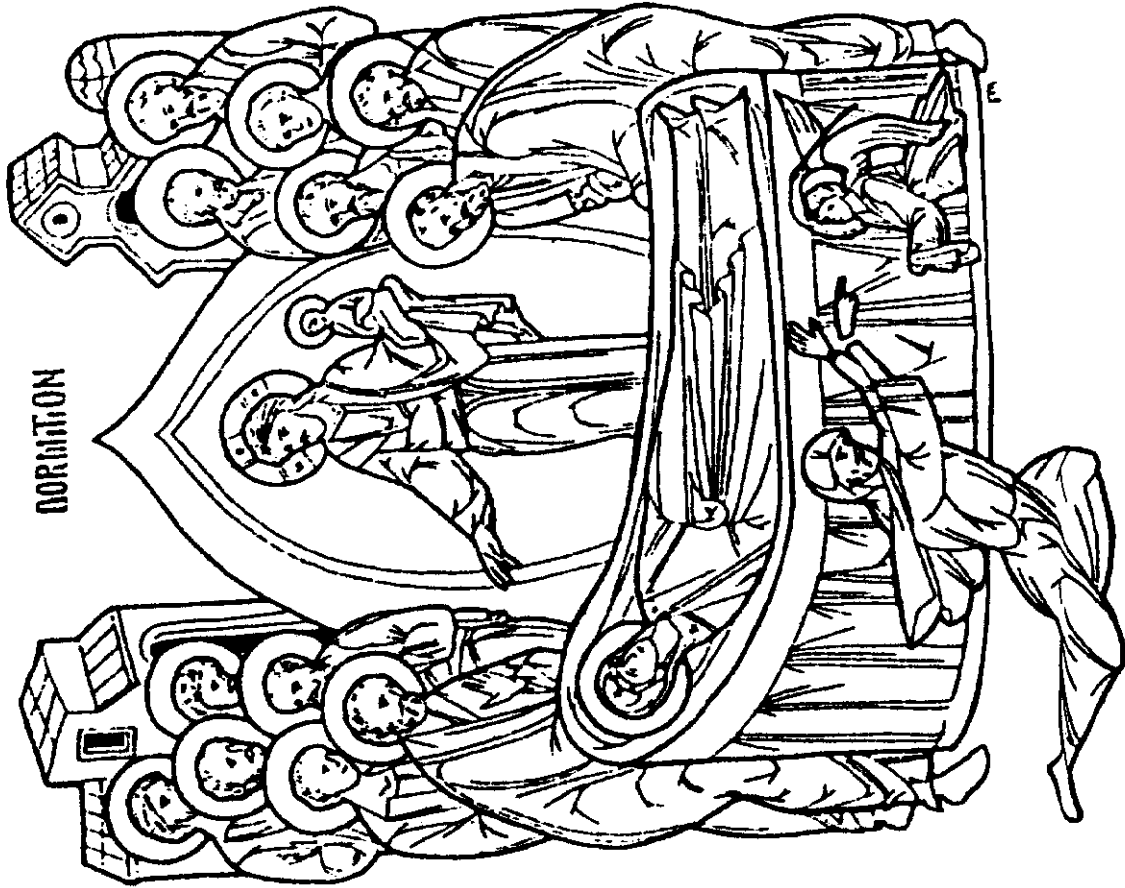
ABOUT OUR PRAYER LISTS:

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