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LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Sunday, August 20, 2017

Tone 2 / Eothinon 11;

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

& Eleventh Sunday of Matthew

After-feast of the Dormition of the Theotokos

Prophet Samuel; Martyr Photeini of Blachernae;

Martyrs Heliodoros and Dosai of Persia



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 Coffee Hour~ we'd love to meet you!

Calendar for this Week

Sunday, August 20-Afterfeast of Dormition

9:00 a.m. Matins
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour
11:45 p.m. YOUTH GROUP lunch at
Habit Burger
12:15 p.m. OPEN Choir Rehearsal

Monday, August 21

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins
5:00 p.m. St. Brigid Outreach Dinner
at St. Michael's in Isla Vista
7:00 p.m. Men's Sticks Gathering at the
Harris Residence

Tuesday, August 22

5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers

Wednesday, August 23

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins
12:00 p.m. Intercessory Prayer Ministry

Thursday, August 24

11:00 a.m. Showers of Blessing Ministry
5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers
6:00 p.m. Youth Group (welcome of
new 7th graders)
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Friday, August 25

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

Saturday, August 26

6:00 p.m. Great Vespers, Confessions

Sunday, August 27

9:00 a.m. Matins
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour
4:00 p.m. St. Barbara Monastery Friends
Gathering

**Fr. Nicholas and Jan will be
away during the following
times:**

August 18-21

August 27-31

Sunday Morning Ministries Schedule

Eucharist Bread

August 20 Jacobs
August 27 Braun
September 3 Fr. Nicholas
September 10 Meyer

Coffee Hour

August 20 Simonsen/AbuGhazaleh
August 27 Wiley/Baker
September 3 NEED A HOST
September 10 G. Shannon
in memory of Dn. Howard

Greeters

August 20 M. Andonian, P. King
August 27 D. Genatone, P. Morrison
September 3 H. Lange, G. Shannon
September 10 K.P. King, D. Washburn

Ushers

August 20 J. King, D. Washburn, C. Berari
August 27 G. Shannon, S. Speier, P. Brunner
September 3 P. King, D. Meyer, R. Barre
September 10 D. Lewis, C. Speier, J. King

Readers

August 20 M. Kern
August 27 V. Gish
September 3 D. Washburn
September 10 T. Harris

**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

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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 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—Verses with Troparion Refrain for the Feast

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**]

FOLLOWING THE PROCESSION WITH THE GOSPEL, THE CLERGY ENTER THE ALTAR AS WE SING THE FOLLOWING 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 Feast of the Dormition

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.

Tone 1 Slavic Chant

Troparion to St. Athanasius

(Music on p. 54 of Liturgy book)

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.

Tone 3 Byzantine melody
harmonized by Fr. J. Finley

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 (Prokeimenon)
(Page 57 of Liturgy Book)****Tone 2**
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.

**EPISTLE READING for the DAY
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)

GOSPEL READING for the DAY
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 until 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, until 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*)

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.

CELEBRATIONS for this WEEK

Wedding Anniversaries

8/22 Jamie & Tiffany VanWagoner

Birthdays

8/22 Edward Severy

8/23 Ivan de Bruin, Johannes de Bruin, Chris Robinson

Patronal Feast Days

8/20 **Samuel the Prophet** Bob Newsome

8/26 **Adrian of Nicomedia** Adrian Berari

8/26 **Natalia of Nicomedia** Nataliya Tinyayeva

FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT INCOME FOR July, 2017

	<u>Gen. Operating</u>	<u>Building Fund</u>
Monthly Goal	\$36,000	\$ 14,120
Monthly Actual	\$35,100	\$ 14,429

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

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

MANY YEARS to the newly baptized infants **Wesley Brave Michael Speier and Amelia Macdonald**, baptized last Sunday, August 13. Many years, also to the parents: Tyler and Taylor Speier, and Andrew and Adrienne Macdonald, and to the godparents, grandparents and extended family.

UPCOMING FEAST DAY SERVICES

Thursday, September 7

Vesperal-Liturgy for the Feast of the Birth of the Theotokos—6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 13

Vesperal-Liturgy for the Feast of the Elevation of the Holy Cross—6:00 p.m.

SUNDAY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION START-UP

All Sunday Religious Education classes will begin on **Sunday, September 17 at 9:00 a.m.** That would include:

Catechesis Level II
Catechesis Level III
Junior High
Senior High

TEEN SCENE

During the summer, all teens will meet together from 6-8 p.m. on Thursdays in the Teen Room at the church, unless noted otherwise.

8/20 Lunch on Sunday at Hamburger Habit after Church (last "summer" activity)
Goodbye to the graduating seniors!

New School Year Begins

8/24 6pm - 8pm—Welcome to New 7th Graders in the Youth Room
All Jr. High and High School Families are invited to come to Youth Group to kick off the new school year! All of our new 7th graders and their families are invited to join us. We will have pizza, games, and a brief meeting. Please R.S.V.P. by this Wed., Aug. 23 to tyler@stathanasius.org so we make sure to have enough food.

8/31 Combined Youth Group (Ice Breakers and Fun)



It's that time again!

Time to sign up to host a

Coffee Hour

during the 2017-2018 Liturgical Year!

How to Sign up

Sign-ups will be done online again this year. Please consult your family calendar, and then use the online list 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 suziwiley@cox.net, or give Suzi a call at 805-448-2787. Here is the link to sign up online.

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20foa49a5ab2ba6fc1-coffee>

Coffee Hour Tips from Christie

- A weekly reminder email is sent out to the host, advisor and helpers. Check in with your advisor and helpers to make sure everyone knows their duties and can check in with you to make sure they are not needed before they go home.
- After everyone has gone through the line, condense the food to less serving trays and tables so you can begin clean up early.
- Team up with another family or a group to host.
- Ask a friend to help you with the clean up on your hosting day and you return the favor on theirs.
- Use disposable serving dishes. They are all recyclable and decrease your clean up time tremendously.
- Do what is easy for you!!



**WELCOME HOME TO OUR
PROJECT MEXICO MISSION TEAM 2017!**
Photos by Paul Wintz



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.
Fr. Patrick and Vanessa K.
Greg & Margaret Y.
Hoppe Family

Dean & Penny B.
Angelina, Jase & Alina S.
Mary
Rich and Susan B.
Duane F.
Galina, Nikolai & Nataliya
Joan T.
Friesen Family
Dawn L.

Ethan K.
Tony C.
Mona Z.
Paul F. and Family
Justin B.
Fr. Anthony Y. and Family
All those suffering and
in danger in the Ukraine,
Africa, and the Middle East

Johnny Z.
Temmo K.
Nancy R.

Gail S.

For repose of the souls of: Met. Antonios, Kh. Stefanie Y., Howard F.
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. Payment 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.

