

# St. Athanasius Antiochian Orthodox Church

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### LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Sunday, September 4, 2016 Tone 2 / Eothinon 11; Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost & Eleventh Sunday of Matthew

#### **Hieromartyr Babylas of Antioch**

Prophet Moses the God-seer; Martyrs Jerusalem, Sekendos, Sekendios and Kegouros in Aleppo; Martyr Hermione, Daughter of the Apostle Philip the Deacon; Venerable Anthimos the New



#### **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, September 4 STEWARDSHIP MONTH BEGINS 9:00 a.m. Matins

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
11:45 a.m. Liturgical New Year Celebration

12:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Monday, September 5—LABOR DAY

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins
NO OUTREACH DINNER

Tuesday, September 6
5:30 p.m. Daily Vesn

5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers

Wednesday, September 7

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins
11 a.m.-1p.m. Shower of Blessings Ministry
12:00 p.m. Intercessory Prayer Group
6:00 p.m. Vesperal-Liturgy for Feast of
The Birth of the Theotokos

7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 8

FEAST OF NATIVITY OF THEOTOKOS

5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers

Friday, September 9

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

Saturday, September 10

11:30-3 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

6:00 p.m. Great Vespers/Confessions

Sunday, September 11

9:00 a.m. Matins

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

Sunday Morning Ministries Schedule

**Eucharist Bread** 

Sept. 4 Dillon
Sept. 11 Tinyayeva
Sept. 18 Washburn
Sept. 25 Hedges

**Coffee Hour** 

Sept. 4 ADULT SINGLES Sept. 11 HOST NEEDED

Sept. 18 G. Shannon in memory of

Dn. Howard

Sept. 25 Vander Laan for Freedom Sunday

**Greeters** 

Sept. 4

Sept. 11

Sept. 18

K. & L. Jacobs

P. King/L. Baker

G. Shannon, K. King

Sept. 25 D. Genatone/P. Morrison

<u>Ushers</u>

Sept. 4 D. Lewis, C. Speier, J. King

Sept. 11 D. Washburn, C. Berari, G. Shannon

Sept. 18 S. Speier, P. Brunner, P. King

Sept. 25 D. Meyer, R. Barre, D. Lewis

Readers

Sept. 4 R. Barre

Sept. 7 M. Kern (Vesp-Liturgy for Nativity)

Sept. 10 V. Gish (Vespers)

Sept. 11 T. Harris

Sept. 13 H. Lange (Vesp-Liturgy for Cross)

Sept. 17 D. Meyer (Vespers)

Sept. 18 G. Wiley

Sept. 25 D. Washburn

# 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 with refrain

Vs. It is good to give praise unto the Lord, and to chant unto Thy name, O Most High; To proclaim Thy mercy in the morning, and Thy truth by night. [Refrain]

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

- Vs. Upright is the Lord our God, and there is no unrighteousness in Him. [Refrain]
- Vs. Glory...now & ever...Amen. [Refrain]

#### SECOND ANTIPHON—Psalm verses with refrain

Vs. The Lord is King, He is clothed with majesty; the Lord is clothed with strength and hath girded Himself.

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

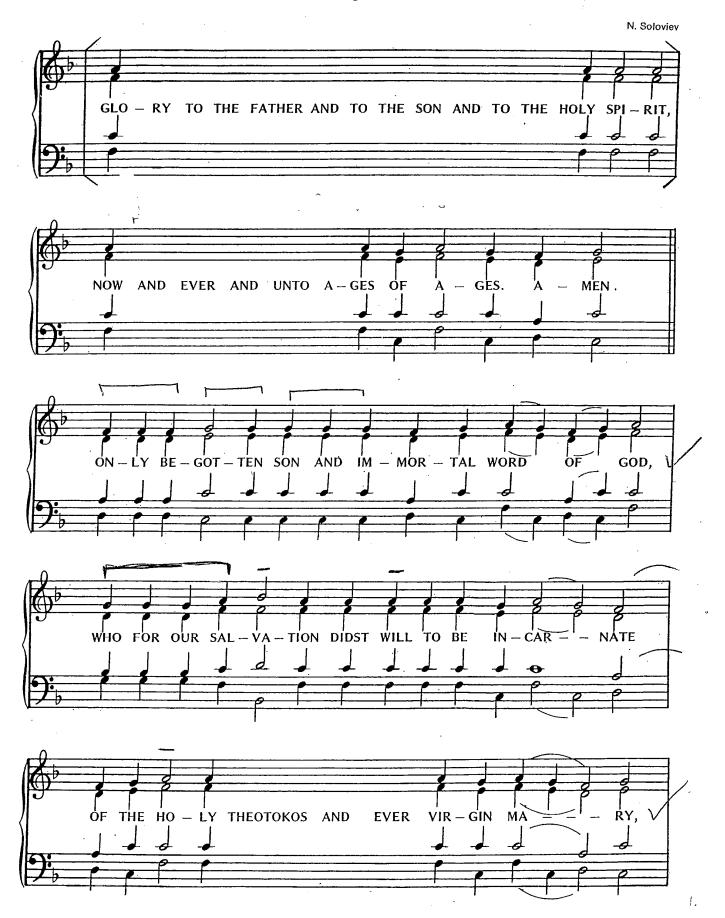
- Vs. For He hath established the world which shall not be shaken. [Refrain]
- Vs. Holiness befits Thy house, O Lord, forevermore. [Refrain]

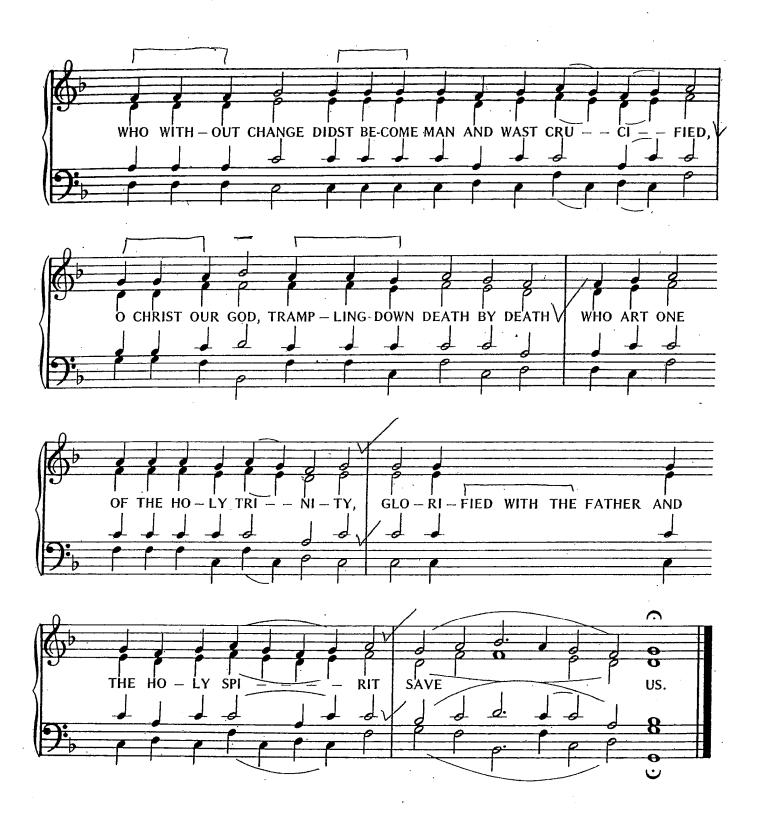
Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

#### **ONLY BEGOTTON SON (See new music on NEXT PAGE.)**

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!

#### Only-Begotten Son





#### THIRD ANTIPHON—The Beatitudes or "Sermon on the Mount"

After each of the verses sung by antiphonal choirs, the choir and congregation sing the refrain: "Remember us, O Lord, when you come in your Kingdom."

# 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.

#### **Troparion for Hieromartyr Babylas**

By sharing in the ways of the A<u>pos</u>tles, you became a suc<u>ces</u>sor to their throne.

Through the practice of virtue, you found the way to divine contemplation, O inspired one of God;

by teaching the word of truth without error, you defended the Faith, even to the <u>shed</u>ding of your blood.//

Hieromartyr Babýlas, entreat Christ god to save our souls!

# 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 2** Byzantine melody harmonized by Fr. J. Finley

Tone 4 Slavic Chant

**Tone 3** Byzantine melody harmonized by Fr. J. Finley

#### **Kontakion for the Feast of the Nativity of the Theotokos**

Tone 4 Slavic Chant

By your nativity, most pure <u>Virgin</u>,
Joachim and Anna are freed from <u>barrenness</u>,
Adam and Eve from the cor<u>rup</u>tion of death.
And we, your people, freed from the guilt of sin, celebrate and <u>sing</u> to You:
"The barren woman gives birth to the Theotokos, the Nourisher of our Life."

#### 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) Tone 2 (Page 57 of Liturgy Book)

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**

**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 (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 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."

#### Meglynarion—Hymn to the Mother of God

It is truly meet to bless you, O Theotokos, ever blessed and most pure and the Mother of our God. More honorable than the Cherubim, and more glorious beyond compare than the Seraphim. Without corruption you gave birth to God the Word. True Theotokos, we magnify you.

#### **Communion Hymns**

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

#### **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**

9/05 Dn. John & Fay Young

### **Birthdays**

9/4	Richard Ballew, Tom Williams
9/6	Amanda Jacobs
9/7	Gage Braun, Suzi Wiley
9/8	Breanna Faria, Luke Hedges
9/9	Stephanie Braun

#### **Patronal Feast Days**

9/5	St. Elizabeth, Mother of John the Baptist				
	Elizabeth Ballew	Atalia Finley	Elizabeth (Bitty) Easbey Heiduk		
	Lara Jacobs	Elleney King	Kh. Peggy King		
	Jane Meyer	Terri Speier	Salem Vander Laan		
9/5	St. Zachariah, Father of John the Baptist		Zachary Nikolov		
9/7	St. Cassiana the Hymnographer		Chantél Cappuccilli, Kassiana Van Wagoner		
9/8	St. Adriana		Adriana de Bruin		
9/8	Theotokos (Feast of her Nativity)		Stephanie Braun, Fr. John Carrillo Breanna Faria, Amanda Jacobs		
9/9	St. Anna, Mother of the The	eotokos	Shirley Dillon, Ginger Gillquist		

Michelle Madrigal, Sherie Shackelford

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

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

PLEASE DO NOT PARK in the crossed out area that is right next to the handicapped parking, and that is clearly marked on the blacktop with "DO NOT PARK," so that Coffee Hour hosts can unload food on Sunday mornings and so that those who are handicapped have extra room to get out of their vehicles.

#### It's 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. Or let Christie know that you would like to co-host with another family or individual. Sign up on the bulletin board, or online at:

http://www.stathanasius.org/coffee-hour/ Contact Christie at: christie.d.robinson@gmail.com

**SEPTEMBER IS STEWARDSHIP MONTH!** For the next month, we will review the concepts of stewardship of our time, talents and treasures, and we will ask each parish family to consider how they may serve in the building up of the parish and God's Kingdom. Each family/household will also be asked to consider how they can support the General Fund and Building Fund in 2017. Please take the time to review the concepts outlined in the Stewardship brochure inserted in this week's bulletin.

#### LITURGICAL NEW YEAR

The new Liturgical Year begins on September 1st. Most of the service schedule is now posted to the online Google calendar on the church website, along with most other church classes, events and activities. Please get in the habit of consulting this calendar. We will celebrate the beginning of the Liturgical New Year today with a special Coffee Hour hosted by the adult singles.

#### EUCHARIST BREAD BAKING DEMONSTRATION

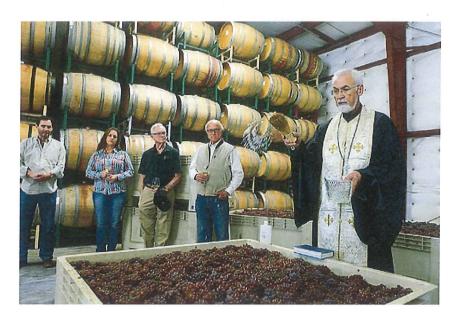
The Women's Fellowship of St. Barbara Greek parish is having the prosphora (Eucharist bread) baking workshop on Saturday, September 17.th from 9:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. in the church hall. There will be a potluck lunch while the dough is rising. Attendees are encouraged to bring something vegetarian & simple to share (salad, hummus/cheese crackers, fruit etc.)

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Len Wood

Lucas & Lewellen Winery Hosts Annual Tradition to Kick Off Harvest Season

Wednesday, August 31, 2016

By Len Wood

At the start of every harvest since 2008, vintners Louis Lucas (second from right) and Royce Lewellen (third from left) host an annual blessing of the grapes, which this year was on August 25 and featured pinot grigio grapes from Goodchild Vineyard on Foxen Canyon Road. Father John Finley (far right), who does missionary work for the Orthodox Church, had been a member of the Lucas & Lewellen Vineyards' wine club since 2005. "When they found out I was a priest, they said, 'We ought to have our grapes blessed," recalled Finley. "They asked if I do that, and I said, 'Yes.' I've been doing it ever since."

# YOUTH MINISTRY at SAOC

# Welcome to Tyler Speier, who has been hired by the Parish Council to lead our Youth Ministry, beginning this 2016-2017 school year!

Tyler and Taylor (Ty and Tay) Speier both grew up as members of St. Athanasius Orthodox Church and were active members of the youth group in high school. They have two daughters, Lucia, who is three, and Emma, their foster-daughter, who is almost 2. Ty currently runs an event planning company and Tay is currently a mama and a full-time student. For the past two years, they have been the youth directors at Goleta Presbyterian Church, and they are excited to bring some fun ideas and new energy to the St. Athanasius youth group!

Tyler is the son of Dr. Scott and Terri (Gillquist) Speier. Taylor (Williams) is the daughter of Jami (Brunner) Stetler and Chris Williams. Their grandparents were founding members of St. Athanasius parish. (Fr. Nicholas & Jan Speier, +Fr. Peter & Marilyn Gillquist, and Dean & Penny Brunner)





#### YOUTH MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sunday, September 11 after Liturgy

Meeting with all teens and parents of teens

Thursday, September 15 at the church

Junior High Gathering 6:00-7:30 p.m. High School Gathering 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Sunday, September 18 at 9:00 a.m. Teen Religious Education begins

#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION START-UP**

#### **Catechesis of the Good Shepherd**

Level I (ages 3-6 yrs)	Tuesdays at 3:15 p.m.	Starts Tuesday, Oct. 4
Level II (ages 7-9 yrs)	Sundays at 9:00 a.m.	Starts Sunday, Oct. 2
Level III (ages 10-12)	Sundays at 9:00 a.m.	Starts Sunday, Oct. 2

#### **Teen Classes**

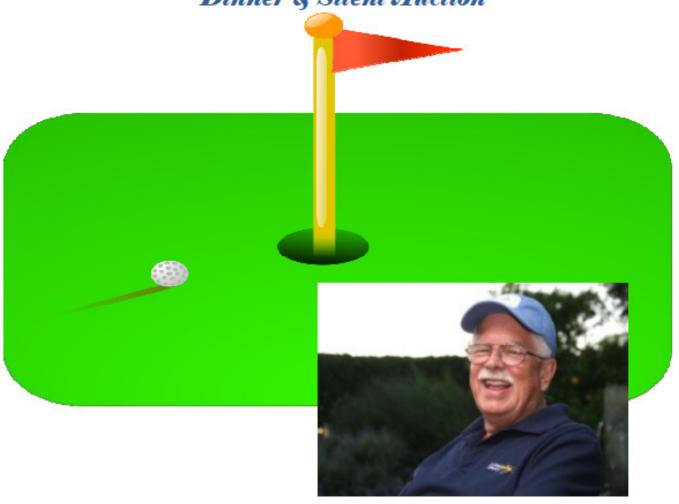
Junior High School	Sundays at 9:00 a.m.	Starts Sunday, Sept. 18
High School	Sundays at 9:00 a.m.	Starts Sunday, Sept. 18

Adult Catechism Saturdays at 4:00 p.m. Starts Saturday, Oct. 1

# Only 2 more weeks to September 16th!

For the Annual Howard Shannon Golf Tournament,





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

#### 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

Gail S.

Dean & Penny B. Joan T.

Terri-Lynn & Hannah Rose H. Kevin & Angel S.

Emily F.

Mary Silvia Y. Susan B. Manny Baby Christian F. Jared E. Duane F. James Galina, Nikolai & Nataliya Alma G.

Olga Marie G. All those suffering and

in danger in the Ukraine, Africa, and the Middle East

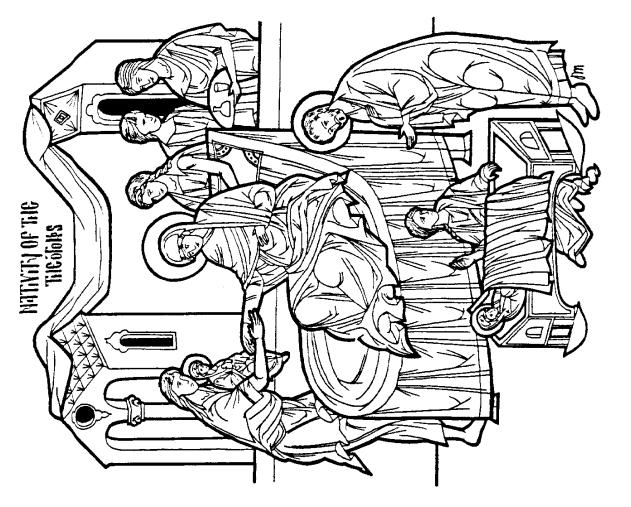
For repose of the souls of: Fr. Jacques—new Martyr of France, William, All who have died in the conflicts in the Ukraine, Africa & the Middle East

#### **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).

#### \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* 米 ST. ATHANASIUS BOOK CENTER \*\*\* 米 The church bookstore is located in the fover 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. \* \*



Nativity of the Theotokos—September 8