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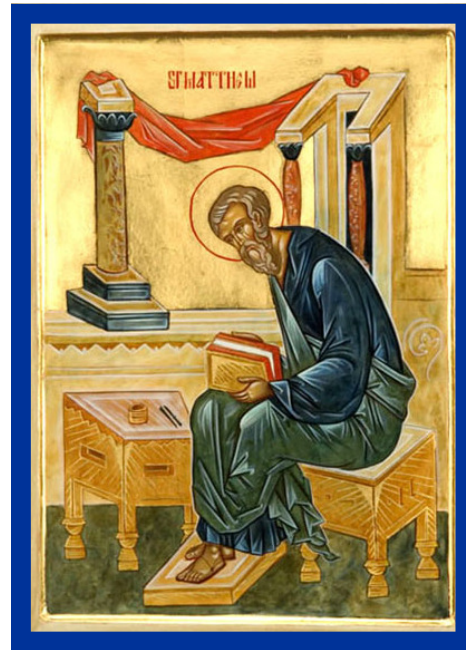
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LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Sunday, November 15, 2015

**Tone 7 / Eothinon 2; Twenty-fourth Sunday
after Pentecost & Eighth Sunday of Luke**

Martyrs Guria, Shamuna and Habib the Deacon of Edessa;
Thomas the New, Patriarch of Constantinople;
Venerable Paisios Velichkovsky



St. Matthew the Evangelist – November 16

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

Sunday, November 15—ADVENT BEGINS

9:00 a.m. Religious Ed. classes Grades 1-12
9:00 a.m. Matins
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour
6:00 p.m. GIVE THANKS, GOLETA!
Ecumenical gathering at Goleta Valley
Community Center

Monday, November 16

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins
4:30 p.m. Outreach Meal at St. Michaels'
University Church in Isla Vista

Tuesday, November 17

3:30 p.m. Catechesis Level I
5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers

Wednesday, November 18

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins
12:00 p.m. Intercessory Prayer Group
6:00 p.m. Advent Paraklesis

Thursday, November 19

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

Friday, November 20

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

Saturday, November 21

8:30 a.m. Liturgy for Feast of the Presentation
of the Theotokos
4:30 p.m. Adult Catechism
6:00 p.m. Vespers

Sunday, November 22

9:00 a.m. Religious Ed. classes Grades 1-12
9:00 a.m. Matins
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour
12:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
5:00 p.m. High School "Fire on Father"

Sunday Morning Ministries Schedule

Eucharist Bread

November 15 N. Tinyayeva
November 22 Dn. G. Braun
November 29 Kern
December 6 Sieck

Coffee Hour

November 15 Meyer
November 22 Dillon
November 29 POTLUCK
December 6 HOST NEEDED

Greeters

November 15 D. Washburn, D. Lewis
November 22 K. & L. Jacobs
November 29 K. Fox, P. King
December 6 L. Baker, G. Shannon

Ushers

November 15 G. Shannon, S. Speier, P. Brunner
November 22 P. King, D. Meyer, R. Barre
November 29 D. Lewis, C. Speier, J. King
December 6 J. King, G. Shannon, S. Speier

Readers

November 15 D. Alexander
November 21 R. Barre (Nativity of Theotokos)
November 22 V. Gish
November 29 M. Kern
December 5 P. Braun (Vespers)
December 6 T. Harris

AT THE END OF THE MATINS SERVICE, WE SING THE GREAT DOXOLOGY.
(“Glory to You, Who have shown us the light...”) followed by the Matins Dismissal
Troparion. Complete text is in front of Liturgy book.

**THE DIVINE LITURGY
OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE 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 Begotten Son and immortal Word of God who for our salvation didst will to be in-
carnate 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—The Beatitudes or “Sermon on the Mount”

In Thy kingdom remember us, O Lord,
when Thou comest in Thy kingdom.

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of Heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled.

Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the sons of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness sake,
for theirs is the kingdom of Heaven.

Blessed are you when men shall revile you and shall persecute you, and shall say all manner of
evil against you falsely for my sake.

Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven.

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 Martyrs Gurias, Samonas and Abibas

Christ our God, You have granted us the miracles of Your holy martyrs
Gurias, Samonas and Abibas,
as a stronghold and protection.
Through their prayers, strengthen those
in authority in every good deed,
for You alone are merciful and the Lover of mankind!

Tone 5 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 for the Presentation of the Theotokos

The most pure Temple of the Savior;
the precious Chamber and Virgin;
the sacred Treasure of the glory of God,
is presented today to the house of the Lord.
She brings with her the grace of the Spirit,
therefore, the Angels of God praise her:
“Truly this woman is the abode of Heaven!”

Tone 4 Slavic Chant

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 7 Byzantine melody
harmonized by Fr. J. Finley

The Lord will give strength to His people; the Lord will bless His people with peace.

Vs: Ascribe to the Lord, O sons of God, ascribe to the Lord honor and glory.

EPISTLE READING
Ephesians. (2:14-22)

Brethren, Christ is our peace, Who has made us both one, and has broken down the dividing wall of hostility, by abolishing in His flesh the law of commandments and ordinances, that He might create in Himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the Cross, thereby bringing the hostility to an end. And He came and preached peace to you, who were far off, and peace to those who were near; for through Him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and sojourners, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus Himself being the cornerstone, in Whom the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in Whom you also are built into it for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

Preparatory Psalm Verses with Alleluia Refrain Before the Gospel

Tone 7

Chanter: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

People: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Verse: It is good to give thanks to the Lord, and to sing praises to Thy Name, O Most High. **Alleluia...**

Verse: To declare Thy mercy in the morning, and Thy truth in the night. **Alleluia...**

GOSPEL READING
Luke. (10:25-37)

At that time, a lawyer stood up to put Jesus to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "What is written in the Law? How do you read?" And the lawyer answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And Jesus said to him, "You have answered right; do this, and you will live." But the lawyer, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him, and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was; and when he saw him, he had compassion, and went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; then he set him on his own beast and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. And

the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, ‘Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.’ Which of these three, do you think, proved neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?’ The lawyer said, ‘The one who showed mercy on him.’ And Jesus said to him, ‘Go and do likewise.’

LITURGY OF THE FAITHFUL

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*)

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

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.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

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

JUST A REMINDER THAT THE ADVENT FAST BEGINS TODAY, NOVEMBER 15th.

GIVE THANKS, GOLETA

The churches and community organizations of Goleta will gather, once again, to give thanks for our many blessings on Sunday, November 15th at 6:00 p.m. at the Goleta Valley Community Center.

FEAST OF ST. BARBARA—SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Thursday, December 3, 2014	6:00 p.m.	Vespers at St. Barbara Greek Parish followed by Lenten meal
	4:00 p.m.	Vigil at St. Barbara Monastery/light supper
Friday, December 4, 2014	9:00 a.m.	Matins at St. Barbara Greek Parish
	9:20 a.m.	Hours at St. Barbara Monastery
	10:00 a.m.	Divine Liturgy at St. Barbara Greek Parish
	10:00 a.m.	Divine Liturgy at St. Barbara Monastery followed by luncheon

CELEBRATIONS for THIS WEEK

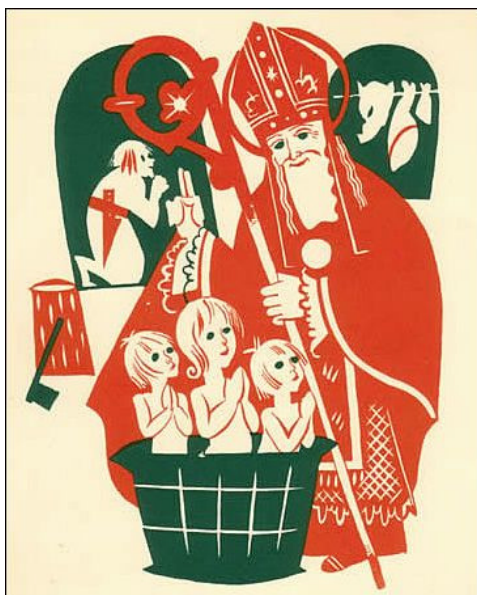
Birthdays

11/15	Anna Grace Butler
11/16	Cole Keller
11/17	Catherine Braun, John Heiduk
11/19	Atalia Finley, Kristen Roberts
11/21	Dexton Daniel Braun

Patron Saint Commemorations

11/16	St. Matthew the Apostle	Alec de Bruin, Mateo Finley, Larry Lander, Galen Wiley
11/17	St. Gregory the Wonderworker	Cole Keller
11/21	The Theotokos (Feast of Presentation)	Lauren Shackelford

SAVE THE DATE: ST. NICHOLAS CELEBRATION



Sunday, December 13 , 2015 6:00 p.m.

We will celebrate the life of St. Nicholas of Myra on Sunday, December 13th at with story telling, music, drama and a fun evening for the whole family. A lenten reception and visit from St. Nicholas will follow the program. Children ages 3-12 will be invited to leave their shoes in the hallway during the program so that St. Nicholas can fill them with treats, and all of the children will participate in welcoming St. Nicholas at the end of the program.

NEW THIS YEAR: COSTUME CONTEST!

All children ages 1-12 are asked to dress as one of the following:

- A child of the world (other countries)
- A character from the life of St. Nicholas of Myra (more details and examples to follow soon) or a saint of the church/patron saint.

Prizes will be given by age groups.

GOLETA THANKSGIVING DINNER FOR THOSE IN NEED: THERE ARE MANY WAYS TO HELP!

This year our parish, along with Christ the King Episcopal Church and Jubilee Church will be participating in The Goleta Vineyard's 25th Annual Thanksgiving Dinner for the poor and needy. It will be held at the Goleta Valley Community Center just down the street at 5679 Hollister Ave. This has become a wonderful expression of God's love in action towards the Goleta community. You don't have to be present to participate, although the interaction with other Christians and those being served is a wonderful blessing to experience. Even an hour of your time is a wonderful way to show Christ's love for the people of this community. Consider volunteering as a family project on Thanksgiving Day! Or join a group from our parish who will go over after our Akathist service on Nov. 25th and help with the set-up. If you are unable to physically participate, you can make a donation toward the purchase of food. There are envelopes in the narthex. Donations can be put in our tithe box.

See the bulletin board in the narthex for a sign-up list and more information. They especially need help with clean-up from 2:00-5:30 p.m. because so many of the volunteers need to go home to be with their families in the afternoon. (A great "ministry" for singles!)

If you have any questions, contact David Washburn at:
david.washburn64@gmail.com or [615-428-3427](tel:615-428-3427) .

TEEN SCENE

Activities—Autumn 2015

High School

Date	Activity	Time and Location
Sunday, 11/22	Fire on Father	5:00 p.m. at Fr. Nicholas & Jan's
Sunday, 12/6	White Elephant Gift Exchange	5:00 p.m., Location TBA
Sunday, 12/13	St. Nicholas Night	Meet at 4:00 pm. to set up

Junior High School

All activities are on Saturdays after Vespers

Saturday, 12/5	Christmas Party
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MARK YOUR CALENDAR UPCOMING FEAST DAYS & OTHER LITURGICAL SERVICES

Wednesday, November 18	Advent Paraklesis	6:00 p.m.
Saturday, November 21	Feast of Presentation of the Theotokos	8:30 a.m.
Wednesday, November 25	Akathist of Thanksgiving	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, December 2	Advent Paraklesis	6:00 p.m.
Thurs, Dec 3/Fri. ,Dec. 4	Feast of St. Barbara celebrated at St. Barbara Monastery & St Barbara parish (times listed on previous page)	
Wednesday, December 9, 16, & 23	Advent Paraklesis	6:00 p.m.

PRAAYER 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. Mary Sue W.
Greg & Margaret Y.
Hoppe Family
Kh. Mary Ellen B.
Gail S.
Dean & Penny
Kevin & Angel
Mary

Susan B.
Baby Christian F.
Duane F.
Stan and Donna F.
Angel, Helen and Family
Joy
Terri-Lynn H.
Hannah Rose H.
Holly C.
Temmo K.
Paige
Galina, Nikolai & Nataliya

Nikita
Marina
Olga Marie G.
Krista & Family
Emily F.
Joan, Jerry, Brenda
Kevin O.
Delaney N.
Sabina S.
All those suffering and
in danger in the Ukraine,
Africa, and the Middle East

For repose of the souls of: Joe, Kh. Sissy

All who have died in the conflicts in the Ukraine, Africa & the Middle East

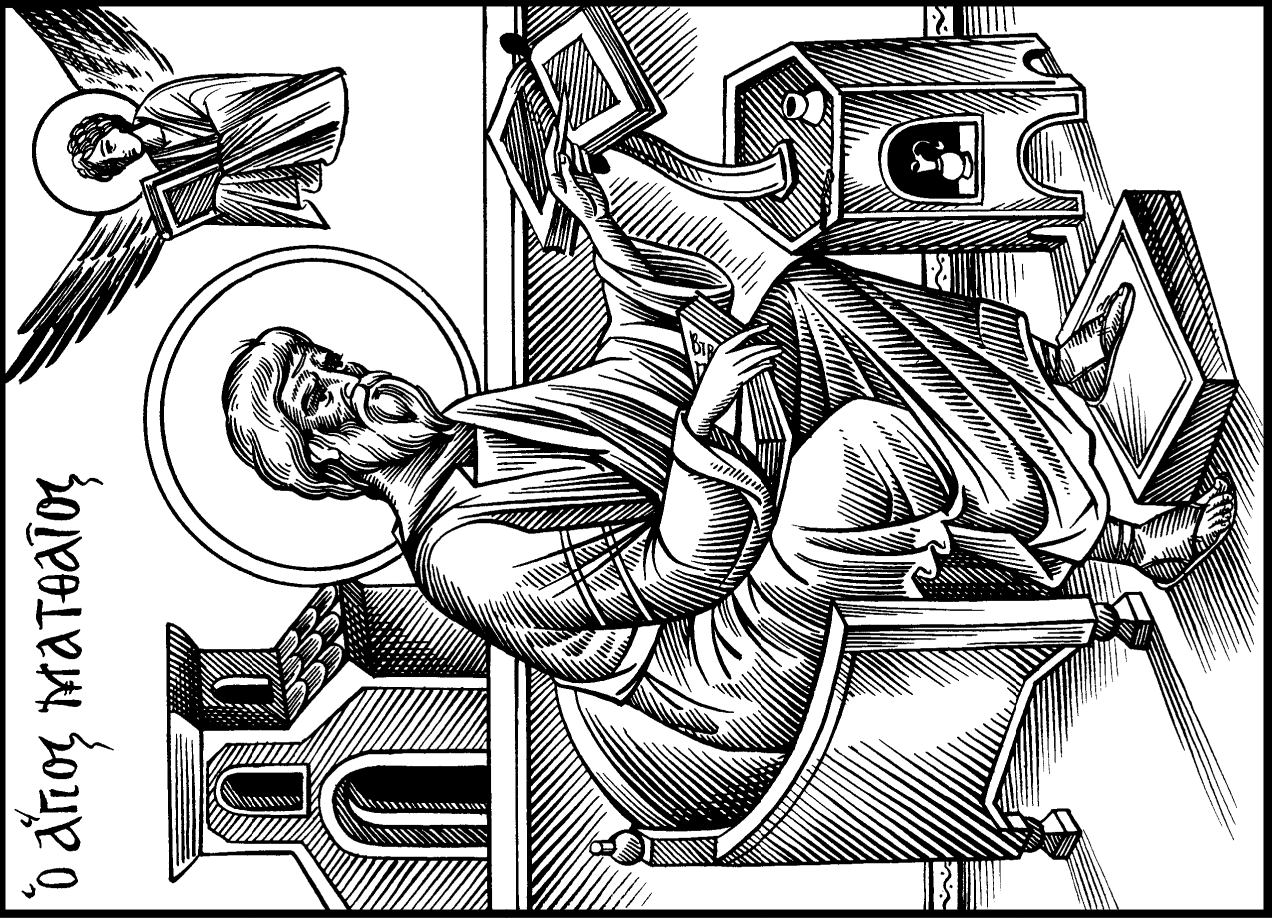
ABOUT OUR PRAYER LISTS:

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 COMMU-
NITY

Unto the inheritance of the KINGDOM OF HEAVEN