



ST. ATHANASIUS ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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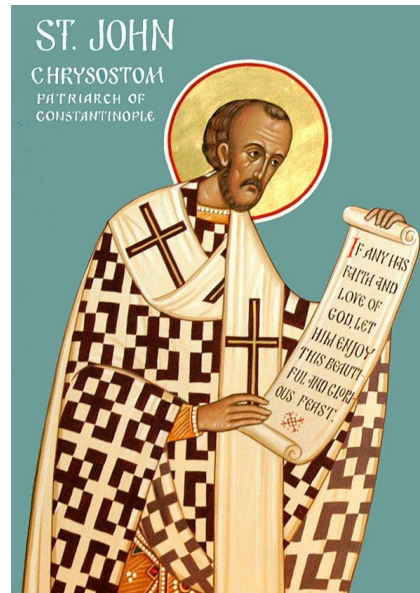
DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Sunday, November 13, 2022

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**John Chrysostom, Archbishop of Constantinople
& Eighth Sunday of Luke**

Venerable Martyrs Damaskinos and Damian of the
Great Lavra on Athos



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 on the patio after the Liturgy for Coffee Hour.

We'd love to meet you!

We welcome children of all ages in our worship.

“Let the little children come unto Me for of such is
the Kingdom of Heaven.” Luke 18:16

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, November 13

9:00 a.m. **RELIGIOUS ED. for ages 3-12 yrs.**
 9:00 a.m. Matins
 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
 11:30 a.m. **TEEN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**
 11:45 p.m. Agape Meal
 12:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
 12:30 p.m. Adult Catechism—LAST SESSION

Monday, November 14

7:00 a.m. Daily Matins
 5:15 p.m. St. Xenia Prayer Ministry—Akathist
 by Zoom

Tuesday, November 15—ADVENT BEGINS

5:30 p.m. 9th Hour Prayers, Pizza and
 Book Study for Adults (LAST ONE)

Wednesday, November 16—ST. MATTHEW

7:00 a.m. Daily Matins
 12:00 p.m. St. Xenia Prayer Ministry
 5:30 p.m. Advent Paraklesis

Thursday, November 17

7:45 a.m. St. Xenia Prayer Ministry by Zoom
 8:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy
 10:00 a.m. Showers of Blessing
 5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers
 6:00 p.m. Parish Council
 6:00-7:45 p.m. Jr. High Youth Group
 6:45-8:30 p.m. High School Youth Group

Friday, November 18

7:00 a.m. Daily Matins

Saturday, November 19

6:00 p.m. Festal Great Vespers & Artoklasia/
 Confessions

Sunday, November 20—transference of the

FEAST OF PRESENTATION of THEOTOKOS

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 9:00 a.m. Matins
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SUNDAY MORNING MINISTRIES SCHEDULE

EUCHARIST BREAD

November 13 Dillon
 November 20 Meyer
 November 27 Fr. Nicholas
 December 4 Morrison

ARTOS for Vespers

November 19 Mary Denny

READERS

November 12 Kern (Vespers)
 November 13 Alexander
 November 19 Meyer
 November 20 Butler
 November 27 Gish
 December 4 Kern
 December 5 Lange (Vespers for St. Nicholas)

GREETERS

November 13 K. Fox/K.P. King
 November 20 P. Cocores/M. Loulias
 November 27 D. Lewis/D. Washburn
 December 4 H. Lange/L. Baker

USHERS

November 13 K.L. King/D. Washburn
 November 20 M. Meyer/M. Loulias
 November 27 C. Berari/D. Alexander
 December 4 C. Speier/S. Speier

AGAPE MEAL HOSTS

November 13 Team Hoppe
 November 20 Team T&S Speier
 November 27 **All-parish POTLUCK**
 December 4 Team Shannon

THURSDAY SHOWERS OF BLESSING

HOSPITALITY TEAM

Nov. 17 L. Ballew/E. Lawrence
 Nov. 24 Thanksgiving—NO SHOWERS
 Nov. 25 M. Loulias
 Dec. 1 D. Alexander/J. Jones
 Dec. 8 F. Young/K. Flores

HOLY COMMUNION

In the Orthodox Church, the sacrament of Communion is offered only to Orthodox Christians who have prepared to receive. Non-Orthodox believers and others **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.

**At the conclusion of Matins, we sing the Great Doxology
followed by the Matins Dismissal Troparion**

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 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—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.

AS THE CLERGY ENTER THE ALTAR AT THE LITTLE ENTRANCE, WE SING THE FOLLOWING HYMNS FOR THE DAY

Troparion of the Resurrection

Tone 5

Let us believers praise and worship the Word,
co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit,
born of the Virgin for our salvation.
For He took pleasure in ascending the Cross in the flesh
to suffer death and to raise the dead by His glorious resurrection.

Troparion to St. John Chrysostom

Tone 8

Grace shining forth from your lips like a beacon
has enlightened the universe.
It has shown to the world the riches of poverty.
It has revealed to us the heights of humility.
Teaching us by your words O Father John Chrysostom,
intercede before the Word Christ our God, to save our souls!

Troparion to St. Athanasius

Tone 3

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 for the Presentation of the Theotokos**Tone 4** Slavic Chant

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!”

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.

Prokeimenon (Preparatory Psalm verses)**Tone 1**

My mouth shall speak wisdom, the meditation of my heart shall be
understanding. (*Ps 48/49:3*)

Verse: Hear this, O people! Give ear, all inhabitants of the world!

EPISTLE READING**Hebrews 7:26-8:2**

Brethren, it was fitting that we should have such a High Priest, holy, blameless, unstained, separated from sinners, exalted above the heavens. He has no need, like those high priests, to offer sacrifices daily, first for his own sins and then for those of the people; He did this once for all when He offered up Himself. Indeed, the law appoints men in their weakness as high priests, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son Who has been made perfect forever. Now the point in what we are saying is this: we have such a High Priest, one Who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in heaven, a minister in the sanctuary and the true tent which is set up not by man but by the Lord.

Alleluia Refrain and Psalm verses before the Gospel**Tone 5****Chanter:** Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**People:** Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**Verse:** I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever; With my mouth
I will make known Thy faithfulness to all generations. (Ps 88/89:1)**Verse:** For Thou hast said: "Mercy shall be built up forever;
In the heavens shall Thy truth be established." (Ps 88/89:2)**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."

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 defilement you gave birth to God the Word. True Theotokos, we magnify you.

Communion Hymn

Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the Highest!

The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance. He shall not fear evil tidings.

Alleluia!

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 the blessing of the food at Coffee Hour to eat and socialize.

PARISH BOOK STUDY for Adults

This Tuesday, November 15, 2022—LAST SESSION of this SEASON

5:30 p.m.

- Prayers of the Ninth Hour
 - Light Meal
 - Book Study on

The Struggle for Virtue by Abp Averky Taushev

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UPCOMING FEAST DAYS & ADVENT SERVICES

The Advent Fast begins on November 15.

Wednesdays of Advent at 5:30 p.m.—Advent Paraklesis

(*Wednesday, November 23 at 5:30 p.m.—Akathist of Thanksgiving)

Presentation of the Theotokos in the Temple (transferred to the weekend)

Saturday, November 19

5:30 p.m. Great Vespers & Artoklasia

Sunday, November 20

9:00 a.m. Festal Matins/10:00 a.m. Festal Liturgy

Offering of our Stewardship Commitments

AKATHIST OF THANKSGIVING — WED. NOV. 23 at 5:30 p.m.

Feast of St. Barbara Sun. Dec. 4

Services at Monastery & St. Barbara Parish TBA

Feast of St. Nicholas of Myra

Monday, December 5

5:30 p.m. Great Vespers & Artoklasia

Short Program & Reception

Feast of the Nativity of Christ

Friday, December 23

9:00 a.m. Royal Hours

Saturday, December 24

9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy for Paramon

10:00 p.m. Festal Matins & Divine Liturgy

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE MONTHLY MEN'S FIRESIDE GATHERING will take place a week from tomorrow (Nov. 21) at the home of Dr. Scott and Terri Speier.

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING TIME CHANGE....

Starting in Advent, weekly Great Vespers on Saturdays will begin at **5:30 p.m.** instead of 6:00 p.m. The change begins on Saturday, November 19th.

THE TITHE BOX is now being locked and only unlocked when we collect the tithes each week to be deposited. We did not have a theft, but are doing this as a security measure because we are experiencing more traffic in and out of the building during the week. If you are donating cash and would like it to be credited towards your tithe, please use one of the envelopes next to the tithe box and mark it with your name, amount, and the word "tithe." Otherwise, it will be entered as a "general donation." Stewardship Commitment Cards may also be put in the tithe box.

NEW COMPOSITION OF DIVINE LITURGY IN CHINESE

In the summer of 2021, Ancient Faith Ministries birthed a new global outreach initiative dedicated to the translation of Orthodox Christian resources and native media content creation. With the support of donors, our friend, composer Nazo Zakkak, partnered with the head of Ancient Faith's Chinese Language Division to translate and compose a new setting of the Divine Liturgy in Mandarin Chinese. (Nazo lived here in Santa Barbara for a time in 2013 and composed a number of hymns specifically for our choir during that time.)

You can watch the behind the scenes process of composing the Cherubic Hymn and the rehearsing for a demo recording, done in a workshop setting in March of 2022. Our Khouria, Cayce Halsell, participated in this workshop and recording, as did our former choir members, Isabel Kosic and Nancy Gilbert. May the project be blessed!

Here is the link to the video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6uQsrmt5FYc&t=1s>

THE WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP WILL HOST AN ADVENT/HOLIDAY GATHERING on Saturday, December 10th from 9:00-11:30 a.m. All women of the parish are invited. Watch your email for more information.

STEWARDSHIP MONTH

Between now and November 20th, we will have Stewardship Commitment Cards available next to the tithe box. We ask that each active member/household fill out a form and put it in the tithe box, or hand it to Fr. Symeon.

Next Sunday, November 20th, all of the cards will be put on the altar table during the Liturgy as an “offering,” and we will pray that our commitments for the coming year will be blessed.

Commitment Cards will be collected each week from the tithe box until November 20th, and **all will be presented that day as an offering.**

How does Stewardship help The Church?

Money is a necessary tool for ministry. Every act of giving, no matter the size, makes a difference. Generosity is contagious. The Church's mission of salvation and evangelism depends directly on our generosity.

Our Parish's many ministries, including **The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, Teen Program, Teen & Adult Religious Education, Music Ministry, St. Brigid Fellowship (Outreach to the Unsheltered), monthly donations to Orthodox Missions work, and support of many local charities** — are all funded by our stewardship.

Stewardship is vital to our Church and, among many things, helps to:

- Provide religious services and sacraments
- Provide religious counseling
- Provide visitations to the hospitalized and shut-ins
- Minister to the community outside of our Church walls
- Offer help and support to those in need
- Support those who serve us
- Support our Archdiocese
- Keep our Church grounds and buildings in good condition

"Let everyone give as his heart tells him, neither grudgingly, nor under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. (**II Corinthians 9:7**)

**Welcome to our newest catechumens,
Emma Bobro and Naomi Siragusa!**

Please pray for all of our catechumens, that their minds and hearts will be illuminated as they continue their journey towards baptism and/or chrismation.

Chandler Baker
Emma Bobro
Tatianna Calhoun
Brett and Laura Eberhard, Taylor & Madison
Kaleigh Flores
Sean Ryan
Gage Salinas
Naomi Siragusa
Mary Wolfington, Alicia & Gabriel

CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

BIRTHDAYS

- 11/13 Farley Easbey, James Morrison, Leticia Brunner
- 11/14 Sophia Roberts
- 11/15 Anna Grace Butler
- 11/16 Cole Keller
- 11/17 Catherine Braun, John Heiduk
- 11/19 Atalia Finley, Juliet Iris Macdonald, Kristen Roberts

PATRONAL FEAST DAYS

- 11/13 **St. John Chrysostom** — Dn. John Young
- 11/14 **St. Philip the Apostle** — Dn. Gary Braun, Gary Braun, Jr., Phillip Kawahara
- 11/16 **St. Matthew the Apostle** — Mateo Finley, Larry Lander,
Subdn. Matthew (Galen) Wiley

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. Markos
Fr. Jon B.
Fr. John & Kh. Diane C.
Audrey C.
Greg & Margaret Y.
Hoppe Family in Albania
Joseph Wm. B. in Kenya
Duane F.
Richard and Susan B.
Monsignor J. Yanek
Bob N.
Kh. Melissa H.
Cole K. (military)
Jeremiah H. (Airforce Academy)
Lauren & Fernando J. (military)
Chase K. (military)
Nick & Kristine J. (military)
Connor V. (military)
Julianna B. (military)
P. Speier (military)

Subdn. Matthew W. (seminary)
Steve T.
Phyllis M.
Abp. Benjamin
Kris F.
Temmo K.
Sarah B.
Jerry J.
Chuck S.
Dn. John & Fay Y.
Zachary B.
Samantha & Chris N. & Family
Lander and Washburn Families
Bob
Cheryl F.
Michael V.
Jane M.
Hannah S.
J. Palmer
Leslie O.
Julie & Mario

Chase
Paige
Jaymie
Kyser
Carla B.
Chrissy M.
Dn. Scott J.
David W.
Nina
Kevin
Stephan & Rosa K.

The Ethiopian Orthodox Church
The Church & people in Lebanon
All those suffering and
in danger in Ukraine,
Africa, and the Middle East

Please pray for the raising up and support
of long-term missionaries from our parish.

For repose of the souls of: Fr. Maximos

ST. ATHANASIUS CHURCH BOOKSTORE

The church bookstore is located in the foyer of the fellowship hall - two enclosed cabinets containing items that are FOR SALE. One cabinet holds icons, crosses, incense, prayer ropes, etc. The bookshelf has books for sale, arranged alphabetically by book title. Children's books are on the bottom shelf. 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 brown lockbox on wall next to Fr. Nicholas' office. Make checks payable to **S.A.O.C. Bookstore**. (The pamphlets in the rack are FREE, as are the 12-month liturgical calendars.)

All proceeds go to the parish Temple Fund.

St. John Chrysostom (cir. 347 – 438 A.D.) was an important Early Church Father who served as archbishop of Constantinople. He is known for his preaching and public speaking, his denunciation of abuse of authority by both ecclesiastical and political leaders, his *Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom*, and his ascetic sensibilities. The epithet *Chrysostomos*, (anglicized as Chrysostom) means "golden-mouthed" in Greek and denotes his celebrated eloquence. St. John was among the most prolific authors in the early Christian Church, although both Origen of Alexandria and Augustine of Hippo exceeded Chrysostom.

He is honoured as a saint in the Oriental Orthodox, Eastern Orthodox, Catholic, Anglican, and Lutheran churches, as well as in some others. We Orthodox hold him in special regard as one of the Three Holy Hierarchs (alongside Basil the Great and Gregory of Nazianzus). Because the date of his death is occupied by the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross (14 September), Saint John's celebration was transferred to November 13. He is also celebrated on January 27 and January 30.

To read more about St. John's extraordinary life:

<https://orthochristian.com/43102.html>

<https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2022/11/13/103292-saint-john-chrysostom-archbishop-of-constantinople>