



# ST. ATHANASIUS ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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## LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Tone 6 / Eothion 10

Sunday of the After-feast of the Ascension  
and Commemoration of the Holy Fathers  
of the First Ecumenical Council

Hieromartyr Helladios; Therapon, Bishop of Sardis; Martyr Alypius;  
John the Russian, the Confessor; Uncovering of the relics of Neilos  
the Younger, Stylite of Seliger Lake



## 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, May 27-FATHERS OF THE 1ST ECUMENICAL COUNCIL**

8:45 a.m. Religious. Ed. 3 yrs.- H.S.  
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. Paul  
Waisanen, speaker

### **Monday May 28**

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins  
5:00 p.m. Outreach Meal  
6:00 p.m. Clergy & Wives Dinner

### **Tuesday, May 29**

5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers

### **Wednesday May 30**

**Fr. Nicholas will be at the Diocesan Clergy Deanery Meeting.**

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins  
10:30 a.m. Religious Ed. Level I  
12:00 p.m. Women's Prayer Group

### **Thursday May 31**

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

### **Friday June 1**

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins for St. Justin

### **Saturday June 2**

4:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study  
6:00 p.m. Festal Vespers/Confession

### **Sunday, June 3—PENTECOST**

8:45 a.m. Religious. Ed. 3 yrs.- H.S.  
9:00 a.m. Festal Matins  
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy  
11:45 a.m. POTLUCK

## ***Sunday Morning Ministries Schedule***

### **Eucharist Bread**

May 27 D. Braun  
Jun 3 D. McConnell  
June 10 D. Washburn  
June 17 Giordani

### **Coffee Hour**

May 27 D. McQuade/P. Matthews  
June 3 PENTECOST POTLUCK  
June 10 Dn. R. & J. Easbey  
June 17 TBA

### **Greeters**

May 27 S. & C. Shackelford  
June 3 D. & D. Alexander  
June 10 P. Morrison/D. Genatone  
June 17 E. Fryer/L. Shackelford

### **Ushers**

May 27 Scott & Luke Speier, P. Brunner  
June 3 D. Meyer, Barre, Lewis  
June 10 Craig & Gabe Speier, K. Jacobs  
June 17 Jon King, G. Braun Jr., P. King

**DOXOLOGY (Glory to You who have shown us the light...”)**

**POST-DOXOLOGY TROPARION**

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

**GREAT LITANY**

**FIRST ANTIPHON FOR FEAST OF ASCENSION**

[Verse] Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy!

**[Refrain] Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.**

For the Lord, the Most High is terrible; a great God over all the earth. [Refrain]

He subdued people under us, and nations under our feet. [Refrain]

God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet! [Refrain]

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

[Refrain]

**SECOND ANTIPHON FOR FEAST OF ASCENSION**

[Verse] God is the Lord and greatly to be praised in the city of our God.

**[Refrain] O Son of God, Who rose from the dead, save us who sing to Thee, Alleluia.**

Mount Zion in the far north, is the city of the Great King. [Refrain]

Within her citadels God is known when HE defends her. [Refrain]

For lo, the kings assembled; they came on together. [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 FOR FEAST OF ASCENSION**

[Verse] Hear this, all ye people; give ear, all ye inhabitants of the earth.

#### **Refrain:**

**You ascended in glory,  
O Christ our God,  
granting joy to Your disciples by the  
promise of the Holy Spirit.  
Through the blessing they were assured  
that You are the Son of God,  
the Redeemer of the world!**

[Verse] My mouth shall speak of wisdom; and the meditation of my heart shall be of understanding. [**Refrain**]

[Verse] I will incline mine ear to a parable; I will unfold my problem on the harp. [**Refrain**]

### **LITTLE ENTRANCE**

**People:** Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ. O Son of God Who art risen from the dead, save us who sing to Thee, Alleluia!

#### **Resurrectional Troparion**

**Tone 6**

When Mary stood at Thy grave looking for Thy sacred body,  
angelic pow'rs shone above Thy revered tomb,  
and the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men.  
Thou led Hades captive and wast not tempted there-by,  
Thou did meet the Virgin and didst give life to the world.  
O Thou Who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to Thee.

#### **Troparion of Ascension**

**Tone 4**

You ascended in glory,  
O Christ our God,  
granting joy to Your disciples by the  
promise of the Holy Spirit.  
Through the blessing they were assured

that You are the Son of God,  
the Redeemer of the world!

**Troparion of the Holy Fathers**

**Tone 8**

You are most glorious, O Christ our God!  
You have established the Holy Fathers as lights on the earth.  
Through them You have guided us to the true Faith.//  
O greatly compassionate One, glory to You!

**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 Ascension**

**Tone 6**

When You had fulfilled the  
    dispensation for our sake,  
and united earth to heaven,  
You ascended in glory, O Christ our God, not being parted from those who love You,  
But remaining with them and crying:  
“I am with you and no one will  
    be against you!”

**TRISAGION HYMN**

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, Have mercy on us. (3 times)

+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 8**

Blessed are You, O Lord, God of our fathers, and praised and glorified is Your  
name forever.

**Verse:** For You are just in all that You have done for us.

## THE EPISTLE READING

Acts 20:16-18, 28-36

In those days, Paul had decided to sail past Ephesus, so that he might not have to spend time in Asia; for he was hastening to be at Jerusalem, if possible, on the day of Pentecost. And from Miletus he sent to Ephesus and called to him the elders of the church. And when they came to him, he said to them:

Take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the Church of God which He obtained with the blood of His own Son. I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; and from among your own selves will arise men speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after them. Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish everyone with tears. And now I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. I coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities, and to those who were with me. In all things I have shown you that by so toiling one must help the weak, remembering the words of the Lord Jesus, how He said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." And when he had spoken thus, he knelt down and prayed with them all.

### **Alleluia before the Gospel Tone 1**

*Verse: The Lord, the God of gods, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting. (Ps 49/50:1)*

*Verse: Gather to Me, My venerable ones, who made a covenant with Me by sacrifice! (Ps 49/50:5)*

## THE GOSPEL READING

John 17:1-13

At that time, Jesus lifted up his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify Thy Son that the Son may glorify Thee, since Thou hast given Him power over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom Thou hast given Him. And this is eternal life, that they know Thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom Thou hast sent. I glorified Thee on earth, having accomplished the work which Thou gavest Me to do; and now, Father, glorify Thou Me in Thy own presence with the glory which I had with Thee before the world was made. "

"I have manifested Thy Name to the men whom Thou gavest Me out of the world; Thine they were, and Thou gavest them to Me, and they have kept Thy word. Now they know that everything that Thou hast given Me is from Thee; for I have given them the words which Thou gavest Me, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from Thee; and they have believed that Thou didst send Me. I am praying for them; I am

not praying for the world but for those whom Thou hast given Me, for they are Thine; all Mine are Thine, and Thine are Mine, and I am glorified in them. And now I am no more in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to Thee. Holy Father, keep them in Thy Name, which Thou hast given Me, that they may be one, even as We are one. While I was with them, I kept them in Thy Name, which Thou have given Me; I have guarded them, and none of them is lost but the son of perdition, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to Thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they may have My joy fulfilled in themselves.”

**HYMN TO THE MOTHER OF GOD (Meglynarion)**

**9<sup>th</sup> Ode of the Canon for Ascension:**

Magnify, O my soul, Christ the Giver of Life, Who has ascended from earth to heaven! We magnify the Mother of God, who beyond reason and understanding gave birth in time to the Timeless One.

**Hymns for Communion of the Clergy:**

Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise Him in the highest! Alleluia! (*Ps 148:1*)  
 God has gone up with a shout; the Lord with the sound of a trumpet! (*Ps. 47:5*)

**Instead of “We have seen the true light, we sing the Troparion for Ascension:**

You ascended in glory, O Christ our God,  
 granting joy to Your disciples by the  
 promise of the Holy Spirit.  
 Through the blessing they were assured  
 that You are the Son of God,  
 the Redeemer of the world!

**FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT— APRIL 2012**

**TITHES—GEN. OPERATING**

Monthly Goal: \$ 35,000  
 Received in April: \$ 40,885

Year-to-date goal: \$140,000  
 Received Year-to-date: \$113,895

(YTD April 2011 was \$103,341)

**BUILDING FUND**

Monthly Goal: \$12,000  
 Received April:\$15,615

Year-to-date goal: \$48,000  
 Received YTD: \$57,563  
 (incl. \$91 from children’s cash box)

In April we received donations from 58 of our 100 households.

## **CELEBRATIONS for THIS WEEK**

### **Wedding Anniversaries**

- 5/29 Kevin & Nicole McFarland  
5/30 Stan & Donna Friesen (30 YEARS!)  
6/2 Brian & Corie Sieck (10 YEARS!)

### **Birthdays:**

- 5/27 Adam King  
5/31 Dana Alexander  
6/02 Jill Wallerstedt  
6/03 Adam Wyatt Rounds

### **Patronal Feast Days**

- 6/1 **MARTYR JUSTIN** Justin Brunner, Justin Rivera

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS**

You can access a complete calendar of services and other parish activities on our website: [www.stathanasius.org](http://www.stathanasius.org).

### **SUMMER SCHOOL IS JUNE 25-JULY 12!**

Summer School is right around the corner. Please reserve the dates for your children in grades 1-6. **REGISTRATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX.**

### **BIBLE STUDY**

Fr. Nicholas will be leading an adult Bible study on the Gospel of St. John on Saturdays at 4:30 p.m., from May 5-June 9. ALL are welcome: inquirers, new members, old members, catechumens! Bring your Bible. Bring a friend!

### **MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW FOR PENTECOST WEEKEND!**

- Saturday, June 2nd - Liturgy for the Departed at 8:00 a.m.  
Festal Great Vespers at 6:00 p.m.  
Sunday, June 3rd - Festal Matins 9:00 a.m.  
Festal Liturgy - 10:00 a.m. followed by a POTLUCK.

### **HELP US TO "GREEN UP" THE CHURCH FOR PENTECOST!**

Next Sunday, June 3rd, we want to "green up" the sanctuary for the feast of Pentecost with your help. Please bring anything green from your garden or the garden stand. Any size of leafy green will be welcomed and small tree branches with lots of leafy green will be especially appreciated by your pastor. You can bring your offering to celebrate the feast on Saturday, June 2nd before Vespers or when you come for liturgy on Sunday, June 3rd. Containers will be on the iconostasis ready and waiting for your touch of green.

Many thanks,— The Festal Decorating Committee – Carla, Violet, Phoebe, and Richard



## **JUNE 10th—OPEN HOUSE & LAST DAY FOR RELIGIOUS ED. CLASSES**

Our last catechesis session on **Sunday, June 10** is open to parents and any interested parishioners. We will offer an open house from 9:00am-10:00am ending with presentations in Level I and Level II at around 9:40. The doors will be closed during the presentations. All are welcome to tour, visit with the children and catechists and stay for the presentation.

Thank you for your support of our beautiful program. It is a privilege and an honor to minister to the children of our parish.

## **ELDER PAVLOS FROM ST. CATHERINE'S MONASTERY IN SINAI TO VISIT US**

Elder Pavlos will speak after Great Vespers on Saturday, June 16. (at approx. 7:00 p.m.)

## **SUMMER PARENTING SEMINAR - JUNE 22-23**

We are offering a seminar on Friday, June 22, 2012 in the evening, and the morning of Saturday, June 23rd. Presentations will be:

- The Parent
- The Child
- The Culture

More information to follow soon.

## **SUMMER IN THE ARTS POSTPONED TO 2013**

In order to be able to focus our resources on the mission trip to Mexico this summer, we have postponed our Summer in the Arts for teens and will resume it next summer. We will be doing several one-day and/or weekend activities for our teens this summer, so stay tuned for more information.

## **FURNITURE FOR SALE—ST. BRIGID FELLOWSHIP OFFICE CLOSING**

St. Brigid office in Isla Vista is closing as of June 6, 2012. If you are interested in purchasing any of the following items, please set up a time to view them by contacting Duane Franzen at 448-6282 or Jill Wallerstedt at 448-2334.

- Very nice L shaped desk with shelving unit
- Microwave
- 4 drawer file cabinet
- 2-year-old Kenmore refrigerator with NO Freezer, approx. 19 cu ft.

## **EAGLE RIVER INSTITUTE—AUGUST 1-5, 2012**

St. John Cathedral in Eagle River, Alaska, will sponsored its 18th Annual Institute from August 1-5. Fr. John Behr, Dean of St. Vladimir's Seminary, will speak on "Becoming Human," and Fr. Moses Berry of Ash Grove, Missouri, will speak on "Linking Ancient Christianity to the African-American Experience." For more information, and to register, go to **[www.stjohnalaska.org](http://www.stjohnalaska.org)** or call **907-696-2002**. St. John's also sponsors **SAINT JAMES HOUSE**, a one-year residential program for college-age single individuals. They are now accepting applications for 2012-13.

**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 PHILIP  
Archbp. JOSEPH  
Fr. Alexander Atty  
Mother Victoria  
Fr. Gordon & Mary Sue W.  
John Weldon H.  
Josh & Dayli B.  
Greg & Margaret Y.  
Olga G.  
John H.

Leona G.  
Presbytera Katherine H.  
Mick K.  
Cole K.  
Richard & Elizabeth  
Jeanette  
Nataliya T. & Family  
Sari W.  
Mary & Susan  
Alex R.

Dn. Howard S.  
Jill B.  
Bruce M.  
Keith V.  
Ellie

**For repose of the souls of: Samantha W., Keith L.**

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**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. Make checks payable to “St. Athanasius Book Center.”

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1st annual **golf** **FRIDAY**  
**TOURNAMENT** **JUNE**  
**8TH**  
2012  
to support our building project

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**DEADLINE to Register at discounted rates**

**MAY 25, 2012**

**Final Registration Deadline**

**MAY 31, 2012**

**No tickets at the door so sign up NOW!**

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**Don't forget to turn in Silent Auction Items**

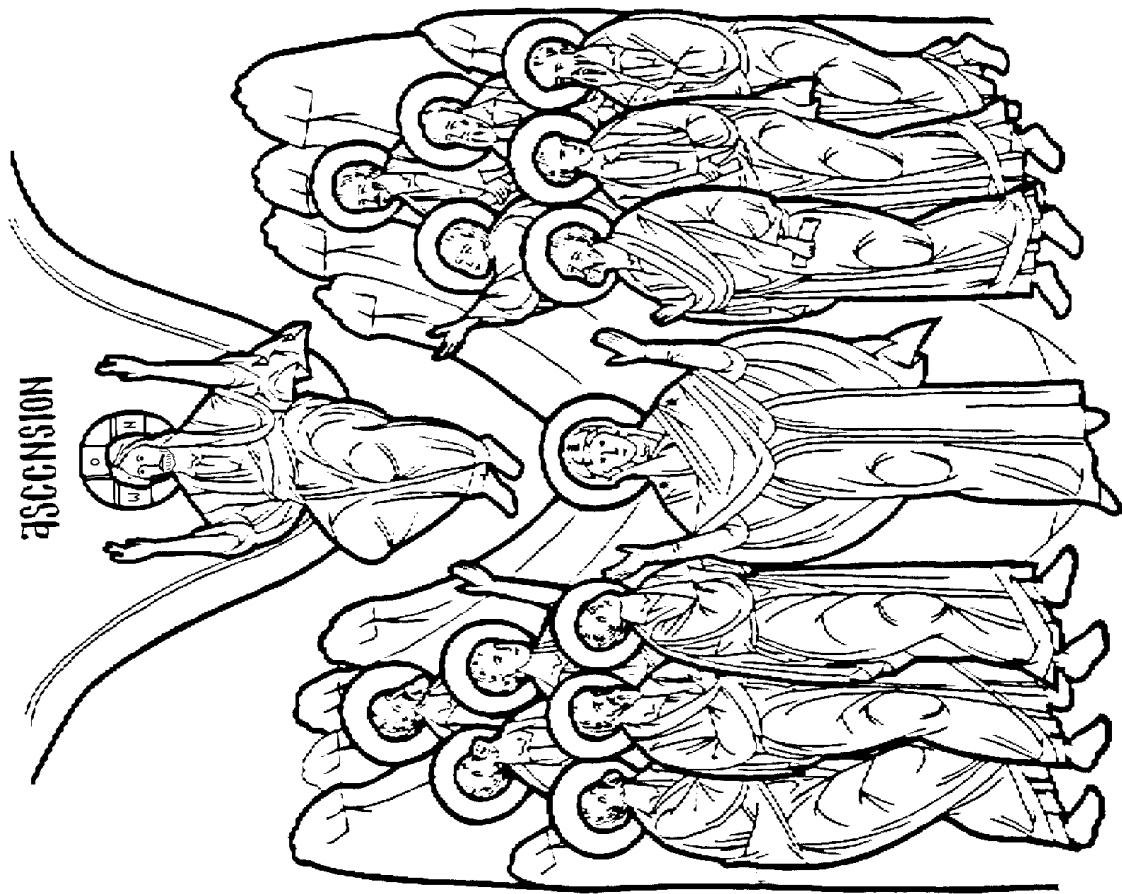
**If you can't come you can still sponsor**

**FR. NICHOLAS SPEER**

**in his own 72-hole Golf-a-Thon!**

**Contact Angel Speler, Terri Speler, or Jami Stetler  
for more info or ways to help**





- FOR THE CHILDREN TO COLOR DURING THE HOMILY OR AT HOME -