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LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Sunday, August 30, 2015

Tone 4 / Eothinon 2;

**Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
& Thirteenth Sunday of Matthew**

Leave-taking of the commemoration of the Beheading of
St. John the Baptist

Alexander, Paul the New, and John, Patriarchs of Constantinople;
Venerable Phantinos of Calabria; Repose of Venerable Alexander of
Svir; Translation of the relics of Alexander Nevsky
Prince of Novgorod; Cyril and Makarios, Patriarchs of Serbia



LITURGICAL NEW YEAR—SEPTEMBER 1

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, August 30—Beginning of Stewardship Month

9:00 a.m. Matins/**NO RELIGIOUS ED**
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour
4:00 p.m. St. Barbara Monastery Friends

Monday, August 31

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins
5:00 p.m. Outreach Meal at St. Michaels'
University Church in Isla Vista

Tuesday, September 1-Church New Year

5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers

Wednesday, September 2

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins
12:00 p.m. Women's Prayer Group

Thursday, September 3

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

Friday, September 4

(Church office closed)

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

Saturday, September 5

6:00 p.m. Vespers/Confessions

Sunday, September 6

9:00 a.m. Matins/**NO RELIGIOUS ED**
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour

Sunday Morning Ministries Schedule

Eucharist Bread

August 30 D. Washburn
September 6 N. Tinyayeva
September 13 M. Kern
September 20 Dn. G. Braun

Coffee Hour

August 30 Finley/Morrison FIESTA
September 6 Judy, Dan, Josh and Dayli Braun
September 13 POTLUCK for Feast of the Cross
September 20 Gail Shannon (for St. George,
in memory of Dn. Howard
George Shannon)

Greeters

August 30 K. & L. Jacobs
September 6 K. Fox/P. King
September 13 L. Baker/P. King
September 20 Kristin King/D. Washburn

Ushers

August 30 S. Speier, P. Brunner, P. King
September 6 D. Meyer, R. Barre, D. Lewis
September 13 C. Speier, P. King
September 20 J. King, R. Barre

Readers

August 30 D. Alexander
September 6 R. Barre
September 8 V. Gish (Nativity of Theotokos)
September 12 M. Kern (Vespers)
September 13 P. Braun
September 19 T. Harris (Great Vespers)
September 20 H. Lange

**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 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”

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 page 45 of Liturgy book)

Having learned the joyful message
of the Resurrection from the angel,
the women disciples of the Lord cast from them
their parental condemnation,
and proudly broke the news to the disciples
saying death has been spoiled.
Christ God is risen, granting the world great mercy.

Tone 4 Byzantine melody
harmonized by Fr. J. Finley

Troparion for the Beheading of St. John the Baptist

The memory of the righteous is celebrated with hymns of praise,
but the Lord’s testimony is sufficient for you, O Forerunner.
You were shown in truth to be the most honorable of the Prophets,
for you were deemed worthy to baptize in the streams
of the Jordan Him Whom they foretold.
Therefore, having suffered for the truth with joy,
you proclaimed to those in hell God Who appeared in the flesh, //
Who takes away the sin of the world and grants us great mercy.

Tone 2 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 Feast of the Nativity of the Theotokos**Tone 4** Slavic Chant

By your nativity, most pure Virgin,

Joachim and Anna are freed from barrenness,
Adam and Eve from the corruption of death.

And we, your people, freed from the guilt of sin,
celebrate and sing 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
(Music on page 59 of Liturgy book)****Tone 4** Byzantine melody
harmonized by Fr. J. Finley

O Lord, how manifold are Thy works, in wisdom Thou hast made them all. (*Ps 103/104:24*)

Vs. Bless the Lord O my soul, O Lord my God, Thou art very great.

THE EPISTLE READING**Corinthians. (16:13-24)**

Brethren, be watchful, stand firm in your faith, be courageous, and be strong. Let all that you do be done in love. Now, brethren, you know that the household of Stephanas were the first converts in Achaia, and they have devoted themselves to the service of the saints; I urge you to be subject to such men and to every fellow worker and laborer. I rejoice at the coming of Stephanas and Fortunatus and Achaicus, because they have made up for your absence; for they refreshed my spirit as well as yours. Give recognition to such men. The churches of Asia send greetings. Aquila and Prisca, together with the church in their house, send you hearty greetings in the Lord. All the brethren send greetings. Greet one another with a holy kiss. I, Paul, write this greeting with my own hand. If anyone has no love for the Lord, let him be accursed. Our Lord, come! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you. My love be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen.

Alleluia Refrain and Psalm verses before the Gospel

Tone 4

(Music on p. 64 of Liturgy book)

Chanter: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

People: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Verse: Draw Thy bow and prosper and reign, in the cause of truth, meekness and righteousness. (*Ps 44/45:5*)

Verse: Thou hast loved righteousness and hated wickedness. (*Ps 44/45:8*)

THE GOSPEL READING

Matthew. (21:33-42)

The Lord spoke this parable: “There was a householder who planted a vineyard, and set a hedge around it, and dug a wine press in it, and built a tower, and let it out to tenants, and went into another country. When the season of fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants, to get his fruit; and the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other servants, more than the first; and they did the same to them. Afterward he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir; come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.’ And they took him and cast him out of the vineyard, and killed him. When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” They said to him, “He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons.” Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the Scriptures: ‘The very stone which the builders rejected has become the head of the corner; this was the Lord’s doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes?’”

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.

Meglynarion—Hymn to the Mother of God [SEE NEW MUSIC ON NEXT PAGE.]

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*)

Jesus Prayer: O Lord, Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

CELEBRATIONS for THIS WEEK

Wedding Anniversaries

- 8/30 Nikolay & Velislava Nikolov
8/30 Josh & Dayli Braun
9/05 Dn. John & Fay Young

Birthdays

- 8/30 Mitch Denny, Kh. Jan Speier
8/31 Timothy Braun, Peggy King
9/2 Benjamin Ballew, John Charles Finley
9/3 Bob Gundersen
9/4 Richard Ballew
9/6 Amanda Jacobs, Obadiah Robinson

Patron Saint Commemorations

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| 9/1 | Prophetess Abigail, Wife of King David | Abigail Simonsen |
| 9/1 | St. Joshua, The Son of Nun | Josh Kern |
| 9/1 | St. Penelope, the Holy Virgin Martyr | Penny Cocores |
| 9/3 | St. Phoebe the Deaconess | Phoebe Lenhart |
| 9/5 | St. Elizabeth, Mother of John the Baptist | |
| | Elizabeth Ballew | Atalia Finley |
| | Lara Jacobs | Elleney King |
| | Jane Meyer | Terri Speier |
| 9/5 | St. Zachariah, Father of John the Baptist | Elizabeth (Bitty) Easbey Heiduk
Kh. Peggy King
Salem Vander Laan
Zachary Nikolov |

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

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

COFFEE HOUR SIGN-UPS

Sign-ups will be done online this year for 2015-16 Coffee Hour hosts. Please consult your family calendar, and then check out the online sign-up list. 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 christie.d.robinson@gmail.com. Here is the link: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0a49a5ab2ba6fc1-coffee>

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 2016. More information to follow soon!

LITURGICAL NEW YEAR

The new Liturgical Year begins on September 1st. The schedule of services 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.

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR!
UPCOMING 2014 FEAST DAY CELEBRATIONS

Birth of the Theotokos Tuesday, September 8

Divine Liturgy 6:00 p.m.

Elevation of the Holy Cross

Transferred to Sun. September 13 (from Sept. 14)

Saturday, Sept. 12

Vespers 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 13

Matins 9:00 a.m.

Festal Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

POTLUCK after Liturgy

St. Barbara Monastery Friends Gathering is TODAY,
 August 30th at 4:00 p.m. Dr. Stephen Lloyd-Moffett will speak on "Where did we get the Gospels?" Vespers and potluck dinner will follow.

Only 3 weeks to September 18th!

***For the Annual Howard Shannon Golf Tournament,
Dinner & Silent Auction***



*Invite friends &
business
acquaintances*

*Treat someone to golf or
dinner*

9/9/15 IS THE DEADLINE TO:

- ✓ ***REGISTER AND PAY FOR GOLF***
 - *Current total is 56 registered*
- ✓ ***PURCHASE DINNER TICKETS***
 - *Current total is 29 guests registered*
- ✓ ***SPONSOR FR. NICHOLAS' GOLF-A-THON***
 - *Current total is \$1500*
- ✓ ***GET YOUR SILENT AUCTIONS ITEMS TO TERRI OR SHERIE***

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
Dn. Richard E.
Kh. Mary Sue W.
Greg & Margaret Y.
Hoppe Family
Kh. Mary Ellen B.
Gail S.
Dean & Penny
Mary
Susan B.

Baby Christian F.
Duane F.
Stan and Donna F.
Angel, Helen and Family
Joy
Kh. Marilyn G.
Ryan Family
Terri-Lynn H.
Hannah Rose H.
Holly C.
Valeria

Tami, Denny, Maddie B.
Kevin O.
Steve T.
Temmo K.
Paige
All those suffering and
in danger in the Ukraine,
Africa, and the Middle East

For repose of the souls of: Fr. Gordon W., Jane W., Ryan B, Sohei, David W.,
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 gounded 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 COM-
MUNITY

**Unto the inheritance of the
KINGDOM OF HEAVEN**



St. Athanasius