

ST. ATHANASIUS ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Sunday, November 22, 2015
Tone 8 / Eothinon 3; Twenty-fifth Sunday after
Pentecost & Ninth Sunday of Luke
After-feast of the Entrance of the Theotokos

Apostles Philemon, Apphia, Archippos and Onesimos of the Seventy; Clement, Bishop of Ochrid and Enlightener of Bulgaria; Martyr Cecilia of Rome and those with her; Venerable Kallistos Xanthopoulos of Athos; Martyr Michael, Prince of Tver



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 22

9:00 a.m. Religious Ed. classes Grades 1-12

9:00 a.m. Matins

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour12:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

5:00 p.m. High School "Fire on Father"

Monday, November 23

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

4:30 p.m. **NO OUTREACH DINNER**—

Thanksgiving dinner served at

St. Mark's Catholic Church

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday, November 24

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

6:00 p.m. Outreach Team Meeting

Wednesday, November 25

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

12:00 p.m. Intercessory Prayer Group6:00 p.m. Akathist of Thanksgiving

Thursday, November 26

THANKSGIVING DAY

Friday, November 27

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

Saturday, November 28

NO CATECHISM

6:00 p.m. Vespers

Sunday, November 29

9:00 a.m. Religious Ed. classes Grades 9-12

9:00 a.m. Matins

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

Sunday Morning Ministries Schedule

Eucharist Bread

November 22 Dn. G. Braun

November 29 Kern December 6 Sieck December 13 Dillon

Coffee Hour

November 22 Dillon November 29 POTLUCK December 6 Baker

December 13 C. Shannon

Greeters

November 22 K. & L. Jacobs

November 29 P. King, K. King

December 6 L. Baker, G. Shannon

December 13 P. Morrison, D. Genatone

<u>Ushers</u>

November 22
November 29
December 6
December 6
December 13
P. King, D. Meyer, R. Barre
December P. Brunner
December P. King, D. Meyer, R. Barre

Readers

November 22 V. Gish November 29 M. Kern

December 5 P. Braun (Vespers)

December 6 T. Harris

December 12 D. Meyer (Vespers)

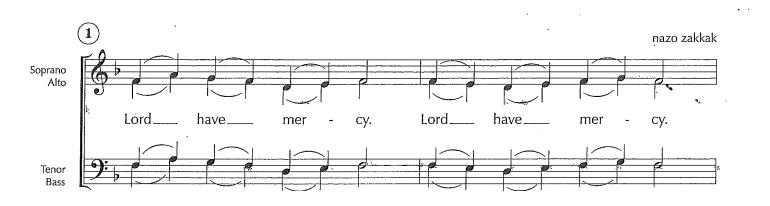
December 13 D. Washburn

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 (This new melody will be used during the Nativity Fast)



First Antiphon—Verses for the Feast of the Presentation of the Theotokos with refrain:

Vs. 1 Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; in the city of our God and in His holy mountain. Glorious things are spoken of you, o city of God. [Refrain]

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

- Vs. 2 God is known in her palaces for a refuge. As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the Lord of hosts, in the city of our God. [Refrain]
- Vs. 3 Glory...now & ever...Amen. [Refrain]

Second Antiphon for the Feast of the Presentation of the Theotokos with refrain:

Vs. 1 The Most High hath sanctified His tabernacle. Holiness and majesty are in His sanctuary. [Refrain]

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

- Vs. 2 This is the gate of the Lord, by which the righteous shall enter. [Refrain]
- Vs. 3 Holy is Thy temple, and wonderful in righteous. [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 the Feast of the Presentation of the Theotokos with refrain:

Vs. 1 Even the rich among the people shall entreat thy favor.

Refrain:

Today is the prelude of the good will of God, of the preaching of the salvation of mankind. The Virgin appears in the Temple of God, in anticipation proclaiming Christ to all. Let us rejoice and sing to her://
"Rejoice, O Fulfillment of the Creator's dispensation!"

- Vs. 2 The King's daughter is all glorious within: her clothing is of wrought gold. [Refrain]
- Vs. 3 Virgins shall be brought to the King after her: her companions shall be brought unto Thee. [Refrain]

AT THE LITTLE ENTRANCE, WE SING THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL HYMNS FOR THE DAY

Troparion of the Resurrection (Music on p. 53 of Liturgy book)

From the heights Thou didst descend,

O Compassionate One;

and Thou didst submit to the three day burial,

that Thou might deliver us from passion.

Thou art our Life and our Resurrection,

O Lord, glory to Thee.

Tone 8 Byzantine melody harmonized by Fr. J. Finley

Troparion of Presentation of the Theotokos in the Temple

Today is the prelude of the good will of God, of the preaching of the salvation of mankind.

The Virgin appears in the Temple of God,

in anticipation proclaiming Christ to all.

Let us rejoice and sing to her://

"Rejoice, O Fulfillment of the Creator's dispensation!"

Tone 4 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.

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 **Spir**it,

therefore, the Angels of God praise her:

"Truly this woman is the abode of Heaven!"

Tone 3 Byzantine melody harmonized by Fr. J. Finley

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.

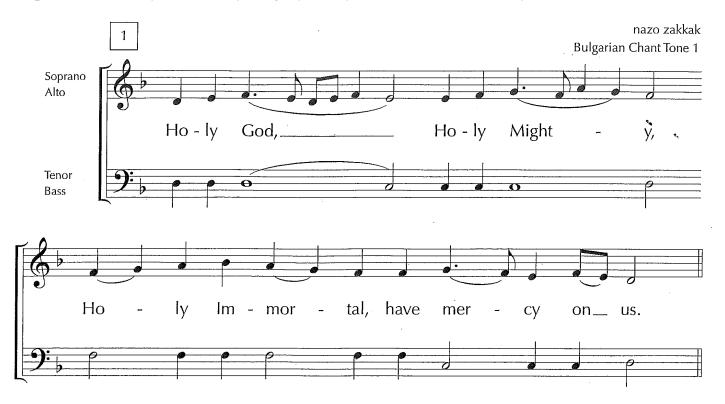
Holy Immortal have mercy on us.

Deacon:

With strength!

People:

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us.



Preparatory Psalm Verses before the Epistle (Page 62 of Liturgy Book)

Tone 8 Byzantine melody harmonized by Fr. J. Finley

Pray and make your vows before the Lord, our God! (Ps 75/76:11)

Verse: God is known in Judah; His name is great in Israel. (Ps 75/76:1)

EPISTLE READING

Ephesians. (4:1-7)

Brethren, I, a prisoner for the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all lowliness and meekness, with patience, forbearing one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of us all, Who is above all and through all and in all. But grace was given to each of us according to the measure of Christ's gift.

Preparatory Psalm Verses with Alleluia Refrain Before the Gospel (Music on page 64 of Liturgy Booklet)

Tone 8

Chanter: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! People: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Verse: Come, let us rejoice in the Lord, let us shout with jubilation unto God

our Savior.

Verse: Come before His countenance with thanksgiving, and with psalms let us

shout in jubilation unto Him.

GOSPEL READING

Luke. (12:16-21)

The Lord spoke this parable: "The land of a rich man brought forth plentifully; and he thought to himself, 'What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?' And he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns, and build larger ones; and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; take your ease, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul is required of you; and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God." As He said this, Jesus called out, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

LITURGY OF THE FAITHFUL

Meglynarion—Hymn to the Mother of God for the Feast

The Angels beheld the Entrance of the Pure One and were amazed.

How has the Virgin entered into the Holy of Holies?

Since she is a living Ark of God

let no profane hand touch the Theotokos.

But let the lips of believers unceasingly sing to her,

praising her in joy with the Angel's song:

"Truly, you are more exalted than all, O pure Virgin!"

Hymns sung as the clergy receive the Eucharist for the feast of the Cross

- Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! (Ps 148:1)
- I will receive the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord! Alleluia! (Psalm 116:13)
- The Jesus Prayer: "O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner."

Blessed be the Name of the Lord (at the Dismissal)



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 NATIVITY FAST BEGAN ON NOVEMBER 15th.

WE WILL PRAY THE BEAUTIFUL AKATHIST OF THANKSGIVING this Wednesday evening, Nov. 25th at 6:00 p.m. What a great way to begin the holiday weekend. Bring the whole family!

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. 9:20 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Matins at St. Barbara Greek Parish Hours at St. Barbara Monastery Divine Liturgy at St. Barbara Greek Parish Divine Liturgy at St. Barbara Monastery followed by luncheon	

MARK YOUR CALENDAR UPCOMING FEAST DAYS & OTHER LITURGICAL SERVICES

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 above)	
Wednesdays, December 9, 16, & 23	Advent Paraklesis	6:00 p.m.

CELEBRATIONS for THIS WEEK

Birthdays

11/22	Jami Stetler
11/25	Dee Kern
11/25	Elizabeth Butler
11/25	Elleney King
11/26	Judy Braun
11/27	Shirley Dillon

Patron Saint Commemorations

11/23 St. Alexander Nevsky

Alexander Nikolov, Brett Williams

11/24 St. Catherine the Martyr

Katie Abughazaleh, Catherine Braun, Kh. Diane Carrillo, Melissa Hedges, Gloria Morrison, Amanda (Morrison) Nelepa, Ekaterina Nikolov, Amanda Simonsen, Jami Stetler, Kate Vander Laan

11/24 St. Clement of Rome Farley Easbey 11/27 St. James of Persia James Dillon

SPECIAL THANKS TO ...

- Our clergy, singers, altar servers and all who volunteer tirelessly to make our worship beautiful.
- Those who chant the daily Matins and Vespers on behalf of ALL of us, week in and week out: Dn. Scott Jacobs, Dn. Richard Easbey, David Lewis, and Richard Barre.
- Lisa Ballew, for beautifying our worship space and entire building, week after week, with beautiful flowers.
- Carla Brunstead and Richard Barre for regularly giving lots of TLC to the potted plants that decorate the front entrance.
- Richard & Susan Barre, who have coordinated the St. Brigid outreach dinner EVERY Monday night for the past two years.
- Terri Speier for managing our bookstore and making such edifying and beautiful materials available to us throughout the year.
- Duane Franzen & Shirley Dillon for cleaning the chairs in the church.
- Duane Franzen for cleaning the carpeting in the hallway after the Fall Gathering, and for so many years of lovingly and competently caring for the maintenance of our church building.



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.

The dinner 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 this Wed., Nov. 25th and help with the set-up.

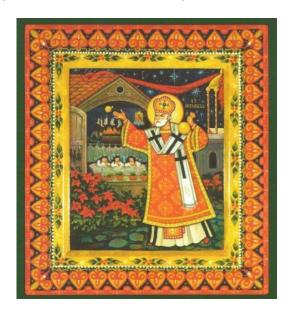
We are in need of 4-6 people from our parish to sign up to bake one turkey each and deliver it to the Community Center from 5-7:30 p.m. this Wednesday, or by 11:00 a.m. on Thanksgiving morning.

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 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.

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

SAVE THE DATE: ST. NICHOLAS CELEBRATION SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2015—6:00 p.m.



We will celebrate the life of St. Nicholas of Myra 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. After the program, children will have an opportunity to have their photo taken with St. Nicholas, if they like.

NEW THIS YEAR: COSTUME CONTEST!

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

- A child of the world (traditional dress from other countries)
- A character from the life of St. Nicholas of Myra or a saint of the church/ patron saint. (For some ideas, go to: https://www.stathanasius.org/resources/st-nicholas-night-costumeideas/

Prizes will be given by age groups.

Admission: \$5 per family, or one of the following items for our clothing drive for the homeless: (Cash collected goes to St. Brigid Fellowship.)

- •3-pack of white athletic socks
- •warm hat or mittens
- •new or gently used/clean sweatshirt
- new or gently used/clean sleeping bag or blanket

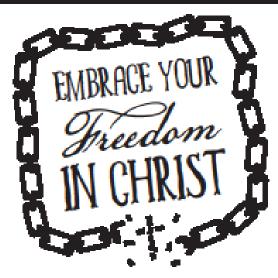
WITH THE BLESSING OF HIS EMINENCE, METROPOLITAN JOSPEH



CAMP ST. NICHOLAS

Southern California Deanery St. Nicholas Camping Program

TEEN WINTER CAMP ~ FEB 12-15,2016



REGISTRATION OPENS ON SUNDAY, NOV 15 @ 7PM

BE SURE TO REGISTER EARLY. LIMITED SPACE IS AVAILABLEI

OPEN TO YOUTH IN GRADES 7-12 (AGES 12-19)

"STAND FAST THEREFORE IN THE LIBERTY BY WHICH CHRIST HAS MADE US FREE." GALATIANS 5:1

Price

Early bird: \$165/person

(Register & pay by Jan 8, 2016)

Standard: \$175/person

Camp Arrivals & Departures

Arrivals: 2/12 from 5-7pm

Departures: 2/15 from 9-11am

Transportation Available

Departing/Returning

Option 1

Home Depot parking lot, Burbank

Option 2

St. Luke's, Garden Grove

\$60/Round Trip - or - \$35/One Way

More info and registration: www.campstnicholas.com

TEEN SCENE

Activities—Autumn 2015

High School

Date	Activity	Time and Location
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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

INCOME FOR OCTOBER 2015

Gen. Operating Building Fund

Monthly Goal \$33,000 \$14,120 Monthly Actual \$28,735 \$ 9,894

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 Susan B. Nikita Mother Victoria Baby Christian F. Marina

Met. Paul & Abp. John
Duane F.
Olga Marie G.
Dn. Richard E.
Stan and Donna F.
Krista & Family

Kh. Mary Sue W. Angel, Helen and Family Emily F.

Greg & Margaret Y. Joy Joan, Jerry, Brenda

Hoppe Family

Kevin O.

Kh. Mary Ellen B.

Hannah Rose H.

Delaney N.

Gail S.

Holly C.

Sabina S.

Dean & Penny

Kevin & Angel

Mary

Temmo K.

Paige

in danger in the Ukraine,

Galina, Nikolai & Nataliya

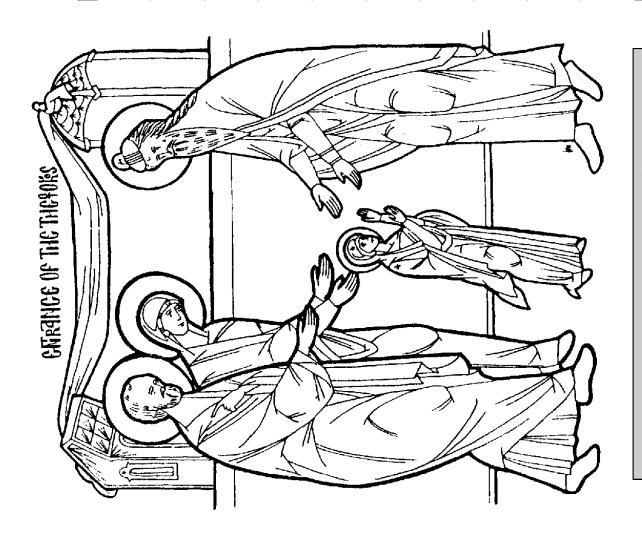
Africa, and the Middle East

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).



FOR THE CHILDREN TO COLOR

DURING THE HOMILY OR AT HOME-

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

