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LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Sunday, February 12, 2017
Tone 1 / Eothinon 1
Sunday of the Prodigal Son
Meletios, Archbishop of Antioch;
New-martyr Christos of Constantinople;
Alexis, Metropolitan of Moscow



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, February 12-Prodigal Son

9:00 a.m. Religious Education ages 6-18

9:00 a.m. Matins

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour 12:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Monday, February 13

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

4:30 p.m. St. Brigid Outreach dinner at

St. Michael's in Isla Vista

Tuesday, February 14

2:30 –4:15 p.m. Catechesis Level I 5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers

Wednesday, February 15

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

11 a.m.-1p.m. Shower of Blessings Ministry
12:00 p.m. Intercessory Prayer Group
7:00 p.m. Parish Council Meeting

Thursday, February 16

5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers

6:00 p.m. Junior High Youth Group 6:30 p.m. High School Youth Group

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Friday, February 17

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

7:00 p.m. Pre-Lenten Seminar

Saturday, February 18

8:30 a.m. Soul Liturgy

11:00 a.m. Pre-Lenten Seminar

12:15 p.m. Lunch

1:15 p.m. Pre-Lenten Seminar

6:00 p.m. Great Vespers/Confessions 7:00 p.m. Video—"Coming Home" with

introduction by Fr. John Finley

7:45 p.m. Reception

Sunday, February 19-Meat Fare Sunday and

Parish 30th Anniversary Celebration

9:00 a.m. Religious Education ages 6-18

9:00 a.m. Matins

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy11:45 a.m. Parish group photos12:15 p.m. Meat Fare Barbecue

1:30 p.m. Brief musical program inside the church

2:00 p.m. Dessert

Sunday Morning Ministries Schedule

Eucharist Bread

February 12 Tinyayeva February 19 Washburn February 26 Meyer March 5 Kern

Coffee Hour

February 12 C. Washburn

February 19 MEATFARE BARBECUE February 26 CHEESEFARE POTLUCK

March 5 NEED A HOST

Greeters

February 12 D. Genatone/P. Morrison

February 19 K. Fox/H. Lange February 26 C. Berari/P. King

March 5 D. Washburn/D. Lewis

Ushers

February 12 P. Brunner, P. King, D. Meyer February 19 R. Barre, D. Lewis, C. Speier

February 26 J. King, D. Washburn, C. Berari

March 5 S. Speier, P. Brunner, P. King

Readers

February 12 T. Harris

February 18 R. Barre (Soul Liturgy)

February 19 H. Lange February 26 D. Meyer

February 26 G. Wiley (Forgiveness Vespers)
March 1 D. Alexander (Presanctified Lit.)

March 5 M. Kern

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

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.

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

Troparion of the Resurrection (Music on p. 40 of Liturgy book)

Tone 1 Byzantine melody harmonized by Fr. J. Finley

While the stone was sealed by the Jews, and the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body, Thou didst arise on the third day,

O Savior, granting life to the world.

For which cause the heavenly pow'rs

cried aloud unto Thee, O Giver of life;

Glory to Thy resurrection, O Christ!

Glory to Thy kingdom!

Glory to Thy providence, O Thou

Who alone art the lover of mankind.

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 Prodigal Son

Tone 3 (Slavic Chant)

I have recklessly forgotten Your glory, O <u>Fa</u>ther; and among sinners I have scattered the riches which You <u>gave</u> me. And now I cry to You as the <u>Prodigal</u>: "I have sinned before You, O merciful <u>Fa</u>ther; receive me a <u>pen</u>itent, and make me as one of Your hired servants!"

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 (Prokeimenon)

Tone 1

Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us, as we have set our hope on Thee. (Ps 32/33:22)

Verse: Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise is becoming to the upright. (*Ps 32/33:1*)

EPISTLE READING 1 Corinthians (6:12-20)

Brethren, all things are lawful for me, but not all things are helpful. All things are lawful for me, but I will not be enslaved by anything. Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food; but God will destroy both one and the other. The body is not meant for immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by His power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that he who joins himself to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For, as it is written, "The two shall become one flesh." But he who is united to the Lord becomes one spirit with Him. Shun immorality. Every other sin which a man commits is outside the body; but the immoral man sins against his own body. Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God? You are not your own; you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.

Alleluia before the Gospel

Tone 1

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

Verse: It is God Who avenges me, and subdues people under me. (Ps 17/18:47)

Verse: He gives great deliverance to His King, and shows mercy to His anointed,

to David and his seed forever. (Ps 17/18:50)

GOSPEL READING Luke (15:11-32)

The Lord spoke this parable: "There was a man who had two sons; and the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of property that falls to me.' And he divided his living between them. Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took his journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in loose living. And when he had spent everything, a great famine arose in that country, and he began to be in want. So he went and joined himself to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed swine. And he would gladly have fed on the pods that the swine ate; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have bread enough and to spare, but I perish here with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me as one of your hired servants." And he arose and came to his father. But while he was yet at a distance, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his servants, 'Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet; and bring the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and make merry; for this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to make merry. Now his elder son was in the field; and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. And he called one of the servants and asked what this meant. And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has received him safe and sound.' But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, but he answered his father, 'Lo, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command; yet you never gave me a kid that I might make merry with my friends. But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your living with harlots, you killed for him the fatted calf!' And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. It was fitting to make merry and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found."

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

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 **are invited to 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.

Communion Hymns

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! (*Ps 148:1*) Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

By the Waters of Babylon (Ps. 137)

- 1. By the Waters of Babylon, there we sat down and wept when we remembered Zion. Alleluia.
- 2. On the willows there we hung up our lyres. Alleluia.
- 3. For there our captors required of us songs and our tormentors required mirth. Alleluia.
- 4. Sing us one of the songs of Zion. Alleluia.
- 5. How shall we sing the Lord's song in a foreign land? Alleluia.
- 6. Remember, O Lord, on the day of Jerusalem's fall. Alleluia.

From "Coffee with Sister Vassa":

We all find ourselves in "a foreign land." And not only because of the strangeness of our present-day politics. As the Epistle to the Hebrews reminds us, "For here have we no enduring city, but we seek one to come." (Hebr 13: 14) As children of God and citizens of His kingdom, we sense a certain "homesickness" for a home we presently do not have. Hence our underlying, human sadness, which is always there, if only we stop for a bit to listen for it. It is not a dark kind of sadness for a person of faith, which is why we do, indeed, "sing" in the midst of our "foreign land."

So in our churches we sing these Psalm-verses on the three Sundays preceding Lent, beginning with the Sunday, of the Prodigal Son, in order to get in touch with our human sadness in a healthy way. The psalm originally expresses the lament of the Jewish people in their captivity in a "foreign land," Babylon (and at its "rivers," the Tigris and Euphrates), after the conquest of Jerusalem in 586 BC. The conquerers "required songs" of their captives not in order to learn about their faith, but to mock it. In our own situation today, we have similar voices, calling us to "perform" or share of ourselves for the wrong reasons and inauthentically, hiding our sadness. But that kind of "song" brings no benefit either to ourselves or those who hear it. Because the light-filled sadness of a God-centered life is the very place from which all truly-inspired art comes. My "right hand" or God's inspiration "withers" in all my creative work without it.

So today let me remember my true home, and not fear the productive sadness of longing for it.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

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

HOUSE BLESSING APPOINTMENTS

The Grace of God is imparted to us in the holy water ("The Grace of Redemption). It is time, once again, to make an appointment for your home to be blessed. Please call one of the priests listed on the front of the bulletin to set up a time, preferably when all members of the household can be present.

A REMINDER ABOUT YOUR MONTHLY DONATION CHECKS:

Please stipulate each month on your check or online payments exactly how you would like the funds allocated. If nothing is noted, the full amount of the donation will go to tithe income.

DID YOU KNOW...you can now purchase the book "**BECOMING ORTHODOX**" in audio with Fr. Peter Gillquist reading it? It is available both on Amazon and Ancient Faith. http://store.ancientfaith.com/becoming-orthodox-downloadable-audio-book/

ANNUNCIATION TEA FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS

This year's Tea will be Saturday, March 25th at 9:30 am. More details to follow.

FOOD, FAITH & FASTING—Workshop on Saturday, March 4th—10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Rita Madden will be speaking on Saturday, March 4th at St. Barbara Greek Orthodox Church on her book"Food, Faith and Fasting" from 9 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Caring for our health can be an edifying spiritual discipline. The participants will leave the workshop with practical tools to care for their physical and spiritual health (and lose weight, if needed) in a spiritually-minded manner, utilizing Orthodox Christian Tradition as a foundation.

CELEBRATIONS for THIS WEEK

Wedding Anniversaries

2/13 Tom & Darbi Johnson2/14 Paul & Kirsten Franzen

Birthdays

2/12	Ginger Gillquist
2/14	Fr. Nicholas Speier
2/15	John Heiduk
2/15	Margaret Easbey
2/16	Lee Jacobs

30th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

February 17-19, 2017 (Presidents Weekend)

Friday, Feb. 17

7-8:30 p.m. Pre-Lenten Seminar: Session I

Paul (Howard) Finley on the Beatitudes

8:30 p.m. Reception

Saturday, February 18

8:30 a.m. Soul Liturgy

11:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Pre-Lenten Seminar Session II (Paul Finley)

12:15 p.m.-1:15 p.m. Lunch

1:15-2:30 p.m. Pre-Lenten Seminar Session III (Paul Finley)

6:00 p.m. Great Vespers

7:00 p.m. "Coming Home" video

Introductory remarks by Fr. John Finley

7:45 p.m. Reception

Sunday, February 19 - Meatfare Sunday

9:00 a.m. Matins/Divine Liturgy 11:45 a.m. Group photos taken inside

12:15 p.m. Luncheon outside (Meatfare BBQ)

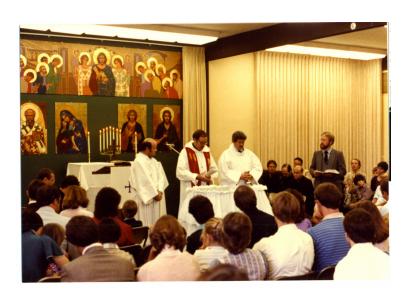
\$10 per person, \$5 for children 5-12 years old.

Maximum \$50 per family.

You may pre-pay online through the parish website.

1:30 p.m. Brief musical program inside

2:00 p.m. Dessert/coffee





His Eminence The Most Reverend Metropolitan JOSEPH



Archbishop of New York and Metropolitan of All North America

ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN ARCHDIOCESE OF NORTH AMERICA

Beloved in Christ,

We greet you with great joy as we embark upon this new Lenten journey which lies ahead. Before us lies a strenuous path leading to the Feast of the Holy Resurrection of our Lord and God and Savior Jesus Christ. May your journey be blessed!

This year marks the 30th anniversary of an important event in the life of our Archdiocese. I do not want to let this event pass without remembering and giving thanks to God for it.

Beginning in early 1987, over two-thousand members of the former Evangelical Orthodox Church were received with open arms into the Antiochian Archdiocese of North America. Over the course of several months, the faithful from seventeen parishes in cities across North America were chrismated and clergy were ordained.

The process started in the Los Angeles area on February 8th, where our beloved Metropolitan PHILIP of thrice-blessed memory, received the largest numbers. The next Sunday at Saint Nicholas Cathedral in Los Angeles, more LA area laity were chrismated and more ordinations took place.

This process continued next in Santa Cruz, California (the weekend of February 18) and then to Nashville, Tennessee for more chrismations and ordinations the following weekend (February 21).

His Grace Bishop ANTOUN made several trips in March, 1987, to bring in EOC parishes in Jackson, Mississippi; Memphis, Tennessee; Gary, Indiana; as well as three parishes in Canada.

Finally, His Eminence Metropolitan PHILIP flew to Anchorage and Seattle to complete the process by early April. By Pascha 1987, all the EOC parishes had been received into the Antiochian Archdiocese.

In his address at the National Convention in Detroit that year, His Eminence reflected back on those grace filled months. He stated: "I wish I could go beyond words to describe to you the joy which I experienced as I was chrismating these little children of the Evangelical Orthodox faithful. Every experience I had was like a chapter from the Book of Acts. I felt as if the Church was recapturing her apostolic

spirit and rediscovering, once again, her missionary dimension." And later he added: "From the depth of my heart, I say to the Evangelical Orthodox, 'Welcome Home!"

Like our beloved Metropolitan, many of the leaders of this movement have now gone to be with the Lord. Father Peter Gillquist, Father Richard Ballew, Father Gordon Walker, Father Jack Sparks, Father Harold Dunaway, and other founding members have finished the course of their earthly journey. They have joined the great cloud of witnesses we read about in Hebrews, where they are praying for us and cheering us on as we continue the journey.

Dear ones in Christ, I strongly believe that what was "completed" by Pascha of 1987 continues on today, and that the blessing of God is no less active now than it was from the beginning. For over 20 years I have been privileged to shepherd and work with many, and now with all of you. As your Metropolitan, I pledge to do no less than what was begun by our late Metropolitan PHILIP. And in return, I ask all who were present during those holy and all-revered days, to be the leaven that continues to spread throughout this nation.

Since you are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, you must "run with endurance the race that is set before [you]" (Hebrews 12:1). You must be very active and dynamic in all your labors. In all of this, I am sure that God will cause you to bear still much more fruit in the years ahead.

With a joyful heart, I congratulate and embrace each one of you in Christ. Please be assured that you have my appreciation and commitment forever!

Your Father in Christ,

Netropolitan Joseph

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Archbishop of New York and Metropolitan of all North America

TEEN SCENE

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January—February, 2017
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Unless noted otherwise, the Junior Highers meet from 6:00-7:30 p.m. on Thursdays, and the High Schoolers meet from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Thursday, February 16 Regular Youth Group Sessions

Thursday, February 23 Combined Youth Group—All Teens 6:30pm - 8:30pm *Meet at Rusty's Pizza on Turnpike at 6:30pm for Dinner. Walk over to Cloud 10 for Dodgeball and Trampoline Fun!*

Dear St. Athanasius Parish Family,

Last summer I traveled from Antiochian Village after the Clergy Symposium to visit my brother, (Uncle) Paul Finley, in Cleveland, OH where he serves as the Executive Director of the St. Herman House of Hospitality for FOCUS North America. http://sainthermans.com/ The next day we traveled over to Toledo to have lunch with Bp. ANTHONY, Auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese of Toledo and the Midwest.

During that extended lunch meeting my brother shared with us a teaching he has been developing for some time on the Beatitudes and the Sermon on the Mount. He described the Beatitudes as a spiritual progression in which each Beatitude leads to the next in a spiritual progression (or ladder). He went on to explain how the entire Sermon on the Mount, far from being a mere or random collection of sayings of Jesus, actually relates back to the Beatitudes as a kind of road map, or set of instructions from Christ as to how we must progress through the entire set of eight steps.

Both Bp. ANTHONY and I were dumbfounded and deeply impressed with what my brother had laid out. I immediately thought this series could be used in our parishes for spiritual renewal and parish revitalization; you might think of it as "in reach" instead of "outreach." What better way could we prepare for the upcoming season of Great Lent than to consider the Beatitudes and the Sermon on the Mount as our call to renew our spiritual life, and progress through these steps.

In Christ's Great Commission to his disciples when he ascended on High, he said, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen." Matt. 28:19-20. How often do we quote only the first half of this commission and take our marching orders to go out preaching the Gospel and recruiting disciples, while neglecting or failing to fulfill the second half: "..teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you."

This wonderful teaching series will remind us of the commandments of Christ, and exhort us to keep them, living always in the presence of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and being strengthened by our constant communion with Him.

Please join us on Friday evening and Saturday, February 17-18 at St. Athanasius Church for this "not to be missed" series co-sponsored by the Department of Missions and Evangelism.

In Christ,

V. Rev. John D. Finley

SING TO THE LORD A NEW SONG!

The St. Athanasius Orthodox Church Choir sings some of its favorite hymns Valerie Yova, Music Director



A parish under the authority of His Eminence, Metropolitan JOSEPH of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America.



It's almost ready! Our choir's new CD will be available for purchase the weekend of our 30 Anniversary, February 17-19, 2017. **\$17 per CD**

SING TO THE LORD A NEW SONG! PS. 97

ST. ATHANASIUS ORTHODOX CHURCH CHOIR

Total 11me: 72:15

1)	Joyfully with One True Voice	
	V. Rev. John Finley	(2:43)
2)	Christ is Risen (Troparion of Pascha), Vladimi	r
	Morosan, dedicated to V. Rev. Jon Braun	(1:43)
3)	Thy Bridal Chamber (Troparion of Bridegroon	n
	Matins)	
	Kievan Chant, arr. A. Arkhangelsky	
	adapted by V. Morosan	(2:14)
4)	Great Litany by Nazo Zakkak	
	Celebrant: Deacon Gary Braun	(3:29)
5)	Anaphora by V. Rev. Sergei Glagolev	
	Celebrants: V. Rev. Jon Braun,	
	V. Rev. Nicholas Speier	(4:58)
6)	In the Flesh (Exapostilarion of Pascha)	
	Galician melody, harm. & arr. W. G. Obleschuk	(2:53)
7)	The Jesus Prayer	
	Gornensky Monastery Chant	(1:52)
8)	Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos	
	V. Rev. John Finley	(2:10)
9)	Cherubic Hymn V. Rev. John Finley	(2:10)
10)	0) Prokeimenon for Feast of the Nativity of Christ	
	V. Rev. John Finley, Chanter: Stephanie Braun	(0:56)
11)	The Wise Thief (Exapostilarion of Holy	
	Friday Matins)	
	Byzantine melody, arr. V. Rev. J. Finley	(1:12)
12)	By the Waters of Babylon	
	Znamenny Chant, harm. A. Arkhangelsky,	
	set in English and edited by V. Morosan	(4:05)
13)	Receive the Body of Christ (Communion Hym	
	Original melody John Butler & Madeleine Meye	:11
	harm. V. Yova & N. Zakkak	
	Chanter: Mary M. Gish III,	
	Conducted by John Butler	(3:25)
14)	O, Isaiah, Dance Your Joy (Wedding Troparia)	
	Nazo Zakkak	(1:36)

	15)	Gladsome Light (Hymn of Vespers)	
		Nazo Zakkak (Dedicated by the composer to	
		Stephanie Braun & Mary Gish)	(2:12)
	16)	Holy God, N. Zakkak (composed for	
		St. Athanasius Choir)	(2:53)
	17)	It is Truly Meet, N. Zakkak (dedicated by the	
		composer to V. Yova)	(1:31)
)	18)	Cherubic Hymn, N. Zakkak	(4:03)
	19)	Blessed be the Name of the Lord, N. Zakkak	(1:03)
	20)	Today is the Beginning of Our Salvation	
		Troparion of Feast of Annunciation,	
		Nazo Zakkak	(1:46)
	21)	Kontakion for the Feast of the Nativity of Chr	ist
		V. Rev. John Finley	(1:39)
	22)	Exapostilarion for the Feast of the Nativity of	
	9.	Christ, Byzantine Chant	(1:28)
	23)	Exapostilarion for the Feast of the Nativity of	Christ
	150	J. Sakellarides/Gellsinger	(1:49)
	24)	Holy God, Original melody Fr. David Wey,	
		arr. V. Rev. J. Finley	(4:32)
	25)	Worthy is the Lamb by V. Rev. John Finley	
		Solo by V. Rev. John Finley	
	3.5	Chorus: Valerie Yova, Melissa Walker Braun &	
		Jami Brunner Stetler	(4:10)
	26)	I have Seen the Kingdom by Dn. Douglas King	
	137	Vocalists: Catherine Braun, Stephanie Braun, Jo	
		Butler, Mary Gish, Verne Gish, Jim Morrison	(2:35)
	27)	Within These Walls by Dn. Douglas King	
		Solos: Jim Morrison, Melissa Walker Braun,	
		Verne Gish, Jami Brunner Stetler	
		Added in chorus: John Butler, Valerie Yova	(2:32)
	28)	Troparion to St. Athanasius	
		Byzantine melody, arr. V. Rev. J. Finley	(1:24)
	29)	Memory Eternal by V. Rev. J. Finley	(0:55)
	30)	Alleluia by V. Rev. Sergei Glagolev	
		Chantan John Dutler	/1.171

As Great Lent 2017 approaches,

please keep the following dates for Lenten services in mind:

Friday Feb. 17-Sat. Feb. 18 See page 9 Pre-Lenten Seminar

Saturday, February 18 8:30 a.m. Soul Liturgy (for the departed)

Sunday, February 19 After Liturgy Meatfare Barbecue at the church

and 30th Anniversary program

The cost is \$10 per person, \$5 for children 5-12 years old.

You may pre-pay online through the parish website.

\$50 maximum charge per family.

Sunday, February 26 6:00 p.m. Forgiveness Vespers

FIRST WEEK OF GREAT LENT

Monday, February 27 6:00 p.m. Great Compline with

Canon of St. Andrew

Tuesday, February 28 6:00 p.m. Little Compline with Canon

Wednesday, March 1 6:00 p.m. Presanctified Liturgy

Thursday, March 2 6:00 p.m. Little Compline with Canon

Friday, March 3 6:00 p.m. Akathist

Saturday, March 4 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Workshop: Food, Faith & Fasting

presented by Rita Madden, Nutritionist,

at St. Barbara Greek Church

http://www.orthodoxspeakers.com/speakers/rita-madden.html

Sunday, March 5 6:00 p.m. Central Coast Inter-Orthodox

Vespers for Sunday of Orthodoxy

We are hosting the Vespers this year. We will need some

help with set-up, clean-up, and a few food items.

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. Jon Braun Dn. Richard E. Kh. Diane C.

Kh. Mary Sue W. Fr. Patrick and Vanessa K.

Greg & Margaret Y.

Hoppe Family

Gail S.

Dean & Penny B. Kevin & Angel S.

Baby Emma James Mary Alma G. Susan B. Dawn L.

Baby Christian F. Michael L., Penny C. and Family

Duane F. Greg Z. Galina, Nikolai & Nataliya Carmen G.

Olga Marie G. All those suffering and Emily F. in danger in the Ukraine, Africa, and the Middle East

Terri-Lynn & Hannah Rose H.

Jared E.

For repose of the souls of: Greg M., Ted C. Fr. Paul D., 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).

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