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LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Sunday, September 3, 2017

Tone 4 / Eothinon 2 Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost & Thirteenth Sunday of Matthew

Hieromartyr Anthimos of Nicomedia & Venerable Theoktistos, fellow ascetic with Euthymios the Great; Martyr Chariton; New-martyr Polydoros of Cyprus; Phoebe the Deaconess of Cenchreae; Righteous Basilissa of Nicomedia; Ioanikios I, Patriarch of Serbia



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, September 3

9:00 a.m. Matins

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

Monday, September 4—LABOR DAY

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

5:00 p.m. St. Brigid Outreach Dinner

at St. Michael's in Isla Vista

Tuesday, September 5

5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers

Wednesday, September 6

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

12:00 p.m. Intercessory Prayer Ministry

Thursday, September 7

11:00 a.m. Showers of Blessing Ministry 6:00 p.m. Vesperal-Liturgy for Feast of the

Nativity of the Theotokos

Friday, September 8

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

Saturday, September 9

6:00 p.m. Great Vespers, Confessions

Sunday, September 10

9:00 a.m. Matins

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour 12:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal Valerie Yova will be away August 31-September 5.

Sunday Morning Ministries Schedule

Eucharist Bread

September 3 Fr. Nicholas September 10 Meyer

September 17 Tinyayeva

September 24 Washburn

Coffee Hour

September 3 P. Cocores/M. Loulias

September 10 G. Shannon

in memory of Dn. Howard

September 17 NEED A HOST September 24 NEED A HOST

Greeters

September 3 H. Lange, G. Shannon September 10 D. Lewis, D. Washburn September 17 K. Fox, K.P. King

September 24 K. & L. Jacobs

Ushers

September 3 P. King, D. Meyer, R. Barre

September 10 D. Lewis, C. Speier, J. King

September 17 D. Washburn, C. Berari, G. Shannon

September 24 S. Speier, P. Brunner, P. King

Readers

September 3 R. Barre

September 7 H. Lange (Nativity of Theotokos)

September 10 T. Harris

September 13 R. Barre (Feast of Cross Vesp-Lit.)

September 17 D. Meyer

September 24 D. Washburn

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!

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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.

FOLLOWING THE PROCESSION WITH THE GOSPEL, THE CLERGY ENTER THE ALTAR AS WE SING THE FOLLOWING 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.

Troparion for St. Antimos

O godly-minded Anthimos, as a staunch defender of thy flock, thou eagerly sheddest thy blood for its protection. Unbending and wholly unafraid of all thine adversaries' fearful threats, thou rejoicest now in Heaven, standing before the throne of the Three-Sun Godhead., Glory to Christ Who hath given thee strength. Glory to thy manly bravery. Glory to thy patient endurance in martyrdom.

Tone 4 Byzantine melody harmonized by Fr. J. Finley

Tone 1

Troparion for St. Theoktistos

Tone 8

The barren wilderness thou didst make fertile with the streams of thy tears; and by thy deep sighing thou hast given fruit through thy struggles a hundredfold. Accordingly, thou hast become a star for the universe, sparkling with miracles. Therefore, O righteous Father Theoktistos, intercede with Christ God to save our souls.

Troparion to St. Athanasius (Music on p. 54 of Liturgy book)

Tone 3 Byzantine melody harmonized by Fr. J. Finley

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 Feast of the Nativity of the Theotokos

Tone 4 Slavic Chant

By your nativity, most pure <u>Virgin</u>,
Joachim and Anna are freed from <u>barr</u>enness,
Adam and Eve from the cor<u>rup</u>tion of death.
And we, your people, freed from the guilt of sin,
celebrate and <u>sing</u> 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.

EPISTLE READING for the DAY 1 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 (Music on p. 64 of Liturgy book)

Tone 4

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)

GOSPEL READING for the DAY 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?"

Communion Hymns

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

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.

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 Coffee Hour to socialize.

CELEBRATIONS for this WEEK

Wedding Anniversaries

9/05 Dn. John & Fay Young

Birthdays

9/3	Bob Gundersen, Lucia Speier
9/4	Richard Ballew, Tom Williams
9/7	Gage Braun, Suzi Wiley
9/8	Breanna Faria, Luke Hedges
9/9	Stephanie Braun

Patronal Feast Days

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9/3	St. Pheobe the Deaconess	Phoebe Lenhar	Phoebe Lenhart		
9/5	St. Elizabeth, Mother of John Elizabeth Ballew Lara Jacobs Jane Meyer	Atalia Finley Elleney King Terri Speier		Elizabeth (Bitty) Easbey Heiduk Kh. Peggy King Salem Vander Laan	
9/5	St. Zachariah, Father of John	the Baptist	Zachar	y Nikolov	
9/7	St. Cassiana the Hymnograph	her	Chanté	el Cappuccilli, Kassiana Van Wagoner	
9/8	St. Adriana		Adrian	a de Bruin	
9/8	Theotokos (Feast of her Nativ	vity)	•	nie Braun, Fr. John Carrillo aa Faria	
9/9	St. Anna, Mother of the Theo	otokos	-	Dillon, Ginger Gillquist lle Madrigal, Sherie Shackelford	

Announcements & Calendar Highlights

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

LITURGICAL NEW YEAR

The new Liturgical Year began on September 1st. Most of the service schedule 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. It can be accessed from the homepage of the church website: www.stathansius.org.

ALL MINISTRY TEAM LEADERS will meet on Saturday, September 23rd from 9-11 a.m. at the church.

UPCOMING FEAST DAY SERVICES

Thursday, September 7

Vesperal-Liturgy for the Feast of the Birth of the Theotokos—6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 13

Vesperal-Liturgy for the Feast of the Elevation of the Holy Cross—6:00 p.m.

SUNDAY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION START-UP

All Sunday Religious Education classes will begin on <u>Sunday, September 17 at 9:00 a.m.</u> That would include: Catechesis Level II, Catechesis Level III, Junior High, Senior High

ALL STUDENTS WILL RECEIVE A SPECIAL BLESSING AT THE END OF LITURGY ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17.

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TEEN SOENE

Junior High teens meet from 6:00-7:30 p.m. and High School teens meet from 6:30-8:30 p.m. on Thursdays in the Teen Room at the church, unless noted otherwise.

9/7 Vesperal Liturgy for Birth of the Theotokos at 6:00	p.m.
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9/14 Regular Youth Group times

9/21 Regular Youth Group times

9/28 Regular Youth Group times

have you signed up yet?

12 days till 60LF the fournament

Sign up for GOLF & DINNER TODAY!

Bring your friends to the dinner and auction Donate to the Fr. Nicholas Hole #10 Silent Auction Items still needed Help us finish the new kitchen!

https://www.stathanasius.org/2017-golf-tournament/



It's that time again!

Time to sign up to host a



during the 2017-2018 Liturgical Year!

How to Sign up

Sign-ups will be done online again this year. Please consult your family calendar, and then use the online list to sign up.

You can also e-mail a preferred date to suziwiley@cox.net, or give Suzi a call at 805-448-2787. Here is the link to sign up online.

http://www.stathanasius.org/coffee-hour/

FEEDBACK FROM COFFEE HOUR SURVEY:

What do you like about Coffee Hour?

- Chatting with friends, chance to catch up with people I rarely see
- Fellowship
- Chance to get something healthy in my stomach after fasting
- Getting to know visitors and our own members better
- For most of us, it is our only interacting during the week with church family
- Great way to meet new people

Any suggestions?

- Better quality coffee
- Move beverage table for better traffic flow
- Maybe include a structured activity sometimes
- Ask the hosts if they actually NEED extra help. Sometimes there are actually too many in the kitchen.
- Safe, enclosed play area for the kids
- Provide music sometimes
- Potluck on regular (monthly?) basis so that we get to share a meal and make deeper connections.
- Need more places to sit
- More shade, more chairs



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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.

Fr. Patrick and Vanessa K. Greg & Margaret Y. Hoppe Family Gail S.

Dean & Penny B.

Angelina, Jase & Alina S.

Mary Rich and Susan B.

Duane F. Galina, Nikolai & Nataliya

Joan T.

Friesen Family Temmo K. Ethan K. Tony C. Mona Z.

Paul F. and Family

Justin B.

Fr. Anthony Y. and Family All those suffering and in danger in the Ukraine, Africa, and the Middle East

For repose of the souls of: Met. Antonios, Kh. Mary Sue 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 fover of the fellowship hall. The two enclosed cabinets hold icons, books, and other items that are FOR SALE. 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 the brown lockbox mounted on wall next to Fr. Nicholas' office. Make checks payable to "St. Athanasius Book Center."

All proceeds go to the parish Building Fund.

