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LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Sunday, October 1, 2017

**Tone 8 / Eothinon 6; Seventeenth Sunday after
Pentecost & Second Sunday of Luke
Apostle Ananias of the Seventy, First Bishop of Damascus
& Righteous Father Romanos the Melodist**

Martyr Dominos of Thessalonica; Venerable John Koukouzelis &
Gregory the Domesticos of the Great Lavra on Athos;
Venerable Sabbas of Vishera in Russia



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, October 1

Blessing of Musicians

9:00 a.m. Matins
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour
12:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Monday, October 2

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins
5:00 p.m. St. Brigid Outreach Dinner
at St. Michael's in Isla Vista

Tuesday, October 3

5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers

Wednesday, October 4

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins
12:00 p.m. Intercessory Prayer Ministry

Thursday, October 5

11:00 a.m. Showers of Blessing Ministry
5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers
6-7:30 p.m. Jr. High Youth Group
6:30-8:30 p.m. High School Youth Group
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Friday, October 6

DIOCESE FALL GATHERING

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

Saturday, October 7

DIOCESE FALL GATHERING

6:00 p.m. Great Vespers, Confessions

Sunday, October 8

9:00 a.m. Matins
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy & Trisagion
Prayers for Mary Sue Walker
11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour

<p>Fr. Nicholas and Jan will be away next weekend at our Diocesan Fall Gathering in Fairfield, CA.</p>

Sunday Morning Ministries Schedule

Eucharist Bread

October 1 Meyer
October 8 Dillon
October 15 Sieck
October 22 Hedges

Coffee Hour

October 1 Berari
October 8 NEED A HOST
October 15 NEED A HOST
October 22 V. Yova in memory of her parents:
Silvia (10/21/16) Dn. Paul (11/9/87)

Greeters

October 1 L. Baker, P. King
October 8 D. Genatone, P. Morrison
October 15 H. Lange, G. Shannon
October 22 D. Lewis, D. Washburn

Ushers

October 1 D. Meyer, R. Barre, D. Lewis
October 8 C. Speier, J. King, D. Washburn
October 15 C. Berari, G. Shannon, S. Speier
October 22 P. Brunner, P. King, D. Meyer

Readers

October 1 D. Alexander
October 8 D. Washburn
October 15 V. Gish
October 22 T. Harris

**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

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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]

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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 incar-
nate 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, the choir and congregation sing the refrain:

“Remember us, O Lord, when you come in your Kingdom.”

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 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 for Apostle Ananias, First Bishop of Damascas

Holy Apostle Ananias,
entreat the merciful God
to grant our souls forgiveness of transgressions.

Tone 3 Slavic Chant

Troparion for Venerable Romanos the Melodist

You gladdened Christ’s Church by your melodies
like an inspired heavenly trumpet.
You were enlightened by the Mother of God
and shone on the world as God’s poet.
We lovingly honor you,
O righteous Romanos.

Tone 4 Serbian 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 - Ordinary Sundays

O undisputed intercessor of Christians,
O mediatrix, who is unrejected by the creator.
Turn not away from the voice of our petitions, though we be sinners.
Come to us with aid in time, who cry unto thee in faith,
for thou art good. Hasten to us with intercessions, O Theotokos,
who dost always intercede for those who honor thee.

Tone 4 Byzantine melody
harmonized by F. Karam

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

Tone 8 Byzantine melody

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**2 Corinthians 6:16-7:1**

Brethren, we are the temple of the living God; as God said, "I will live in them and move among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. Therefore, come out from them, and be separate from them," says the Lord, "and touch nothing unclean; then I will welcome you, and I will be a father to you, and you shall be My sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty." Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, and make holiness perfect in the fear of God.

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. 6:31-36

The Lord said: "As you wish that men would do to you, do so to them. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for He is kind to the ungrateful and the selfish. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful."

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.

Communion Hymn

Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the Highest! Alleluia! (Ps. 148)

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

10/4 Corina and Adrian Berari
10/07 Benny & Michelle Madrigal

Birthdays

9/29 Elijah Landrum (missed last week)
10/1 Jase Speier
10/2 Andrew Macdonald
10/3 Kassiana Van Wagoner
10/6 Austin Harris, Holden Dillon

Patronal Feast Days

10/1 **St. Sidonia of Georgia** Suzi Wiley
10/2 **St. Justine of Nicomedia** Justina King
10/3 **Apostle Thomas** Thomas Ballew, Thomas Johnson, Craig Speier

Our St. Athanasius parish will, once again, participate in the 40 Days for Life Vigil by praying the Trisagion (Memorial) Prayers in front of Planned Parenthood on Saturday, October 28th at 10:00 a.m.

Please join us in this peaceful vigil. We will carpool at 9:30 a.m. from the church.

PRAYER FOR THE SANCTITY OF LIFE

(Please consider incorporating this prayer into your daily devotions during the "40 Days for Life Vigil" - September 27-November 5, 2017)

O Lord, Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of the Father, Who was pleased to be conceived in the womb of the Virgin Mary for the salvation of our souls by the power of Your All-Holy Spirit. O Master, we ask You to enlighten the minds and hearts of those blinded to the truth that life begins at conception, and that the unborn in the womb are already adorned with Your image and likeness; enable us to guard, cherish and protect the lives of all those who are unable to care for themselves. For You are the Bestower of Life, bringing each person from non-being into being, sealing each person with divine and infinite love. Be merciful, O Lord, to those who, through ignorance or willfulness, affront Your divine goodness and providence through the evil act of abortion. May they, and all of us, come to the light of Your Truth and glorify You, the Giver of Life, together with your Father and Your All-Holy and Life-Giving Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

You can access a complete calendar of services and other parish activities on our website: www.stathanasius.org.
On the homepage, click on **VIEW CALENDAR** at the bottom left.

Fr. Nicholas and Jan will be away next weekend at our Diocesan Fall Gathering in Fairfield, CA.

ALL CHANTERS S & CHOIR MEMBERS will receive a special blessing after Liturgy today.

BOOKSTORE—JEWELRY

Today we will have the crosses and chains displayed during Coffee Hour, and we will do this periodically on Sundays since the jewelry is locked up during the week. —Terri Speier

CHRISTMAS WREATHS

Once again, Annunciation Orthodox Church in Santa Maria is selling fresh Noble Fir pine wreaths as a fundraiser for \$22 each. The wreaths include a red velvet bow and 2 pine cones. Wreaths ordered by November 2nd will be delivered to our church the first week of December. If you would like to order a wreath, please **make checks out to Annunciation Church and put in tith box, or bring to the church office.** Include the words “Christmas Wreath” in the memo line. **Wreaths will only be ordered if we have your cash or check by the deadline. Deadline for payment is November 2, 2017.**

TEEN SCENE

**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.**

Oct. 5	Regular Youth Group
October 12	Regular Youth Group
October 19	NO YOUTH GROUP
October 20- 21	Overnight at Saint Barbara's Monastery <i>(Final details are in the works. We will be leaving SB in the late afternoon and returning on Saturday in the early afternoon).</i>
October 26	Regular Youth Group
Nov. 2	Regular Youth Group

ADULT CATECHSIM 2017-2018
Saturdays at 4:30 p.m.

All are welcome!

- 9/23 Important Concepts
- 9/30 Tradition, pp. 7-30 from book: **DOCTRINE**
- 10/7 Trinity, pp. 137-149 (Fr. Jon Braun teaching)
- 10/14 History of the Church (Fr. Jon-Stephen Hedges teaching)
- 10/21 Creed and Creation, pp. 33-50
- 10/28 Man and Christ, pp. 52-85
- 11/4 Redemption and Resurrection, pp. 86-116
- 11/11 The Holy Spirit, pp. 118-134
- 11/18 Church art/architecture, pp. 3-22 from book: **WORSHIP**
- 11/25 Thanksgiving weekend—NO CLASS
- 12/2 Sacraments I, pp. 25-58
- 12/9 Sacraments II, pp. 25-58
- 12/16 Cycle of Prayers, pp. 60-68
- 12/23 NO CLASS
- 12/30 NO CLASS

FALL MEETING OF MINISTRY LEADERS AND ANNUAL BLESSING OF ALL MINISTRY LEADERS

SEPTEMBER 23-24, 2017



PARISH COUNCIL CORNER

NEW GRAVEL PARKING LOT

Feel free to park in the front gravel parking lot on Sundays. If the cones are still blocking the entrance on Sunday morning, it is fine to move them to the side. The cones are up the rest of the week to discourage speeding and “joy riding” on the property.

MEETING MINUTES

The Parish Council monthly meeting minutes are posted on the parish website in the password protected area **for parishioners only**. If you do not have a password, log onto the website, go to the box on the homepage that says PARISHIONER SIGN-IN, and click on “Not registered.” It can take several days to receive your password.

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
Bill & Robin H. and Family
Tony E.
Yong and Amy

Michael A. & Edward S., who are
studying in Russia
All those suffering and
in danger in the Ukraine,
Africa, and the Middle East

The victims of hurricanes, floods,
fires and earthquakes in Texas,
Florida, Montana and Mexico, and
all of the disaster relief workers and
first-responders

For repose of the souls of: James P., Rosa R., 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 Proskomedie (Preparation of the Bread and Wine for Communion).

ST. ATHANASIUS BOOK CENTER

The church bookstore is located in the foyer 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.

