

ST. ATHANASIUS ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

A Parish of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America

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LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Sunday, April 22, 2018
Tone 2 / Eothinon 4
Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women,
Pious Joseph of Arimathaea & Righteous Nicodemus



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,	Anril	22-Sun	day of	Mvrr	hhearers
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9:00 a.m. Religious Education 6-18 yr. olds

9:00 a.m. Matins

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

1:00 p.m. College/Young Adult

Fire on Father

Monday, April 23

6:45 a.m. Daily Paschal Matins

5:00 p.m. Outreach Meal at St. Michael

University Church in Isla Vista

Tuesday, April 24

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

Wednesday, April 25

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

Thursday, April 26

11:00 a.m. Showers of Blessing 5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers

6:30 p.m. Youth Group Activity—

both groups

Friday, April 27

6:45 a.m. Daily Paschal Matins

Saturday April 28

9:30 a.m. Memorial service in front of

Planned Parenthood downtown

6:00 p.m. Vespers/Confession

Sunday, April 29-Sunday of the Paralytic

9:00 a.m. Religious Education 6-18 yr. olds

9:00 a.m. Matins

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

Sunday Morning Ministries Schedule

Eucharist Bread

April 22 Dn. G. Braun

April 29 Kern May 6 Hedges May 13 Jacobs

Coffee Hour

April 22 D. McCalmont in memory of

Natalia Nikolenko Lambert

April 29 Angelina Speier in memory of

Kevin Speier

May 6 Dn. Scott & Karen Jacobs

in honor of St. Irene

May 13 Michael & Margaret Easbey

Greeters

April 22 K. & L. Jacobs

April 29 D. Washburn/D. Lewis

May 6 Lange/Andonian May 13 Morrison/Genatone

<u>Ushers</u>

April 22 D. Lewis, C. Speier, J. King

April 29 D. Washburn, C. Berari, G. Shannon

May 6 S. Speier, P. Brunner, P. King May 13 D. Meyer, R. Barre, D. Lewis

Readers

April 22 D. Alexander

April 29 R. Barre

May 2 V. Gish (Liturgy for Mid-Feast)

May 6 T. Harris May 13 D. Meyer

At the conclusion of Matins, we sing the Great Doxology followed by the Matins Dismissal Troparion.

THE DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

The Priest begins Divine Liturgy with "Blessed is the Kingdom" and the choir responds "Amen." Bearing the Paschal Candle, the Priest then leads the singing of the Paschal Troparion and censes the west side of the Altar Table.

Priest: Blessed is the Kingdom of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of age.

People: Amen.

Clergy: Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tombs bestowing life.

People: Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tombs bestowing life. (2 times)

GREAT LITANY

FIRST ANTIPHON

Verse: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth! Sing of His Name, give

glory to His praise!

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

- Say to God: How awesome are Thy deeds! So great is Thy power that Thine enemies cringe before Thee. [Refrain]
- Let all the earth worship Thee and praise Thee. Let it praise Thy Name, O Most High! [Refrain]
- Glory to Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen. [Refrain]

SECOND ANTIPHON

Verse: God be bountiful to us and bless us! Show the light of Thy

countenance upon us and have mercy on us!

Refrain: O Son of God, Who rose from the dead,

save us who sing to Thee, Alleluia.

- That we may know Thy way upon the earth, and Thy salvation among all nation! [Refrain]
- Let the people give thanks to Thee, O God! Let all the people give thanks to Thee! [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...

THIRD ANTIPHON

Verse: Let God arise, Let His enemies be scattered; let those who hate Him flee

from before His face.

Refrain: Christ is risen from the dead trampling down death by death,

and upon those in the tombs bestowing life.

• As smoke vanishes, so let them vanish; as wax melts before the fire. [Refrain]

- So the sinners will perish before the face of God; but let the righteous be glad. [Refrain]
- This is the day which the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it. [Refrain]

LITTLE ENTRANCE

In the gathering places bless ye God the Lord from the Springs of Israel. O Son of God Who Rose From the dead, save us who sing to Thee, Alleluia!

Troparion of the Resurrection (Music on page 42 of Liturgy Booklet)

Tone 2

When Thou didst submit Thyself unto death, O Thou deathless and immortal One, then Thou didst destroy Hell with Thy Godly pow'r,

and when Thou didst raise the dead from beneath the earth,

all the pow'rs of heaven did cry aloud unto Thee.

O Christ, Thou art the Giver of life, glory to Thee.

Troparion of Joseph of Arimathea

Tone 2

The <u>no</u>ble <u>Jo</u>seph, when he had taken down Your most pure <u>Body</u> from the Tree, <u>wrapped</u> it in fine linen and anointed it with <u>spices</u>,

and <u>placed</u> it in a <u>new</u> tomb. But You <u>rose</u> on the <u>third</u> day, O Lord,// granting the <u>world</u> great <u>mer</u>cy.

Troparion of the Myrrh-bearing Women

Tone 2

The <u>angel</u> came to the myrrhbearing women at the <u>tomb</u> and said:

Myrrh is fitting for the dead;

But Christ has shown Himself a stranger to corruption!

So proclaim: The Lord is <u>risen</u>, Granting the <u>world</u> great <u>mercy</u>.

Troparion to St. Athanasius

Tone 3

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 Pascha

Thou didst descend into the tomb O Immortal. Thou didst destroy the pow'r of death. In victory Thou didst arise, O Christ God, proclaiming rejoice to the myrrh-bearing women, granting peace to Thine apostles, and bestowing resurrection on the fallen.

TRISAGION HYMN

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, Have mercy on us. (3 times)

+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) (Page 57 of Liturgy Book)

Tone 2

The Lord is my strength and my song. He has become my salvation.

Verse. The Lord has chastened me severely but He has not given me over to death.

THE EPISTLE READING Acts 6:1-7

In those days, when the disciples were increasing in number, the Hellenists murmured against the Hebrews because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution. And the Twelve summoned the body of the disciples and said, "It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. Therefore, brethren, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this duty. But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word." And what they said pleased the whole multitude, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolas, a proselyte of Antioch. These they set before the Apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands upon them. And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.

Alleluia before the Gospel

Verse:

Tone 2

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

Verse: May the Lord hear you in the day of trouble!

May the name of the God of Jacob protect you! (Ps 19/20:1) O Lord, save the King in the day we call on Thee! (Ps 19/20:9)

GOSPEL READNG Mark 15:43-16:8

At that time, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself looking for the Kingdom of God, took courage and went to Pilate, and asked for the body of Jesus. And Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether Jesus was already dead. And when he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. And he bought a linen shroud, and taking him down, wrapped him in the linen shroud, and laid him in a tomb, which had been hewn out of the rock; and he rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where he was laid.

And when the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week they went to the tomb when the sun had risen. And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the door of the tomb?" And looking up, they saw that the stone was rolled back -- it was very large.

And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe; and they were amazed. And he said to them, "Do not be amazed; you seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen, He is not here; see the place where they laid Him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that He is going before you to Galilee; there you will see Him, as He told you." And they went out and fled from the tomb; for trembling and astonishment had come upon them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Hymn to the Mother of God (Meglynarion)

The angel cried to the lady full of grace: Rejoice, O pure virgin! Again I say rejoice, O pure Virgin. Your son is risen from His three days in the tomb. With Himself He has raised all the dead. Rejoice all ye people. O Shine! Shine! Shine, O New Jerusalem! The glory, the glory of the Lord has shone on you. Exult, exult and be glad. Be glad, O Zion, be radiant, O Mother of God, in the resurrection of your Son, of your Son!

Communion of the Clergy and Communion of the Faithful

Receive the body of Christ. Taste the fountain of immortality. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Instead of "We have seen the true light, we sing: "Christ is risen" ONE time.

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.

At the end of the dismissal prayer the service then continues with the typical Paschal dialogue, as follows:

Priest: Christ is risen.
Faithful: Indeed He is risen.
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Priest: Glory to His third-day Resurrection.
Faithful: Let us worship His third-day Resurrection.

Priest: Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in the

tombs

Faithful: bestowing life.

English:Christ is risen!He is risen indeed!Greek:Christos anesti!Alithos anesti!Arabic:El Messieh kahm!Hakken kahm!Slavonic:Christos voskrese!Voistinu voskrese!Romanian:Hristos a inviat!Adeverat a inviat!

Spanish: Christo ha resucitado! En verdad ha resucitado!

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.

CHANGE IN DAILY TRISAGION PRAYERS

- 1. From Pascha until Pentecost, do not say, "O Heavenly King..."
- 2. From Pascha until Ascension, replace "Holy God, Holy Mighty..." with "Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in tombs bestowing life."

THE "MEALS FOR NEW MOMS" MINISTRY is now being headed by Margaret Easbey. If you know of a new mom in the parish who could use some help with meals during the first few weeks after giving birth, please let Margaret know: cell 805-266-9110 or mveasbey@gmail.com.

THANK YOU TO CARLA BRUNSTEAD, who has taken on the role of liaison between the church and the landscape maintenance company.

PARISH COUNCIL CORNER

- The Parish Council approved a landscaping clean-up and plant replacement project, based on recommendations made by our landscape designer. She is working with our Festal Decorating team to plant some things that we will be able to use in decorating for feast days.
- It was suggested that we create a page on the parish website describing our landscaping in detail, since all of the trees and shrubs are not only drought tolerant but many were chosen because of their connection to the Holy Land or because of some spiritual significance.
- The Council will research the cost of glass protection over the large icons on the iconostasis, as a means of protecting our newly restored icons from future damage.
- The Council will research and take into consideration the hiring of a person to lead the College & Young Adult Ministry.
- The design/plan for the enlarged patio with a shade structure has gone back to the County with the modifications they required us to make. We are awaiting approval to begin construction.

CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

Wedding Anniversaries

4/22 Owen J. & Monica Finley

Birthdays

4/22 Dn. Gary Braun, Elias Woodrow Hedges

4/24 Christie Robinson, Julianna Ballew, Sydney Hedges

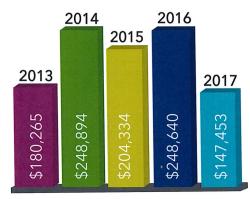
Patronal Feast Days

4/23 St. George the Great Martyr Richard Ballew
4/25 St. Mark the Evangelist Mark Kern

ANNUAL 2017 SAOC BUILDING FUND

2017 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- \$76,836 principle paid
- Preserved \$100K in reserve
- Successful golf tournament
- Raised \$150,000 for kitchen from last 2 golf fundraisers
- Committee formed to explore options for our property



BUILDING FUND CONTRIBUTIONS

2018 GOALS

For 2018, our goals are to complete the patio improvements and submit plans for our kitchen build-out.

Many thanks to all who gave to the building fund last year. Please remember the building fund for 2018!



for more information visit www.stathanasius.org

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.

4/26/18 6:30-8:30 p.m.—Special Event/Combined Youth Group: Meet for dinner at the church followed by Network Medical Event.

THE BENHAM BROTHERS: UNSHAKABLE

Two ic riches Two identical twin brothers, entrepreneurs and best-selling authors will share their rags to riches story of how their uncompromising Christian faith and integrity have helped them to fulfill their dreams and grow God's Kingdom.

THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 2018 7:00-8:30 P.M. AT THE GRANADA THEATRE **ALL ARE WELCOME!** LET FR NICHOLAS KNOW IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND!

5/3/18	Regular Youth Group times
5/10/18	Regular Youth Group times (Fire on Father)
5/17/18	Regular Youth Group times
5/24/18	Special Activity—Both groups from 6-8 p.m.
5/31/18	Regular Youth Group times



Youth Group Evening of Broomball-March 31, 2018

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. Romanos (O.C.M.C. priest, Congo)

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. Rich and Susan B.

Duane F.

Galina, Nikolai & Nataliya

Joan T. Friesen family Ethan & Cole K. Tony C.

Paul F. and Family

Justin B.

Fr. Anthony Y. and Family

Tony E. Alma G. Guadalupe Phyllis M. John D.

Fr. Wayne W. & Family

Fr. Dimitrie V. Monsignor John Y. Antonio

Steve (Zach Brasel's father)

Gaylen C. Zac B. Dotte G. Fay Y.

Terri Lynn & Hannah Rose

Lauren Cheryl G. Jerry J.

All those suffering and in danger in Ukraine, Africa, and the Middle East

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For repose of the souls of:

Bette F., Merrily M., Alyson, Dawn All who have died in the conflicts in 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 Preparation of the Bread and Wine for Communion).

********************* ST. ATHANASIUS BOOK CENTER

※ The church bookstore is located in the foyer of the fellowship hall - two enclosed cabinets con- ★ 🛠 taining items that are FOR SALE. One cabinet holds icons, crosses, incense, prayer ropes, 🛠 ※ etc. The bookshelf has books for sale, arranged alphabetically by book title. Children's books
★ * are on the bottom shelf. 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 brown lockbox on wall next * * to Fr. Nicholas' office. Make checks payable to St. Athanasius Book Center.. (The pamphlets in *

All proceeds go to the parish Building Fund.

