

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, May 20, 2018 Tone 6 / Eothinon 10

Sunday of the After-feast of the Ascension Commemoration of the Holy Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council

Martyrs Thallelaios the Unmercenary Healer of Phoenicia, and his disciples Alexander and Asterios of Cilicia;
Martyr Askellas of Egypt; Venerable Nikitas, John and Joseph of Chios; Lydia 'the seller of purple' of Thyatira and Philippi;
Alexis the Wonderworker, Metropolitan of Moscow; and Venerable Stephen of Piperi in 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, May 20

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

9:00 a.m. Matins

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy/Baptism of

Micah Landrum

11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour

1:00 p.m. College/Young Adult

Fire on Father

Monday, May 21

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

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

University Church in Isla Vista

7:00 p.m. Men's Sticks Gathering

Tuesday, May 22

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

Wednesday, May 23

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

12:00 p.m. Intercessory Prayer Group 7:00 p.m. Parish Council Meeting

Thursday, May 24

11:00 a.m. Showers of Blessing

5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers 6-8 p.m. Youth Group

All teens—group activity

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Friday, May 25

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

Saturday May 26

6:00 p.m. Vespers/Confession

Sunday, May 27—PENTECOST

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

Fr. Nicholas will be out of town from this Thursday, 5/24, through Saturday, 5/26.

Sunday Morning Ministries Schedule

Eucharist Bread

May 20 Tinyayeva
May 27 Sieck
June 3 Fr. Nicholas
June 10 Meyer

Coffee Hour

May 20 David Lewis

May 27 PENTECOST POTLUCK

June 3 D. & K.King June 10 M. & M. Easbey

Greeters

May 20
P. King/K.P. King
May 27
D. Lewis/Deacon
June 3
K. & L. Jacobs
June 10
L. Baker/K. Fox

Ushers

May 20 C. Speier, J. King, D. Washburn May 27 C. Berari, G. Shannon, S. Speier June 3 P. Brunner, P. King, D. Meyer June 10 R. Barre, D. Lewis, C. Speier

Readers

May 20 Rdr. M. Kern

May 26 Rdr. M. Kern (Vespers)

May 27 Rdr. J. Butler

June 2 Rdr. V. Gish (Vespers)

June 3 D. Washburn June 10 Troy Harris

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

THE DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

FIRST ANTIPHON FOR FEAST OF ASCENSION

[Verse] Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy!

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

- For the Lord, the Most High is terrible; a great God over all the earth. He subdued people under us, and nations under our feet. [Refrain]
- God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet! [Refrain]
- Glory to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen. [Refrain]

SECOND ANTIPHON FOR FEAST OF ASCENSION

[Verse] God is the Lord and greatly to be praised in the city of our God.

[Refrain] O Son of God, Who rose from the dead, save us who sing to Thee, Alleluia.

- Mount Zion in the far north, is the city of the Great King. Within her citadels God is known when He defends her. [Refrain]
- For lo, the kings assembled; they came on together. [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 was 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 FEAST OF ASCENSION

[Verse] Hear this, all ye people; give ear, all ye inhabitants of the earth.

Refrain:

You ascended in glory,
O <u>Christ</u> our God,
granting joy to Your disciples by the
promise of the Holy <u>Spirit</u>.
Through the blessing <u>they</u> were assured
that You are the <u>Son</u> of God,
the Redeemer of the world!

[Verse] My mouth shall speak of wisdom; and the meditation of my heart shall be of understanding. [Refrain]

[Verse] I will incline mine ear to a parable; I will unfold my problem on the harp. [Refrain]

AS THE CLERGY GO IN PROCESSION TO THE BAPTISMAL FONT, WE SING THE THIRD ANTIPHON FOR THE FEAST OF ASCENTION

AND THEN THE HYMNS OF THE DAY:

Resurrectional Troparion

When Mary stood at Thy grave looking for Thy sacred body, angelic pow'rs shone above Thy revered tomb, and the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men. Thou led Hades captive and wast not tempted there-by, Thou did meet the Virgin and didst give life to the world. O Thou Who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to Thee.

Troparion of Ascension

You ascended in glory,
O <u>Christ</u> our God,
granting joy to Your disciples by the
promise of the Holy <u>Spirit</u>.
Through the blessing <u>they</u> were assured
that You are the <u>Son</u> of God,
the Redeemer of the world!

Tone 6

Tone 4

Troparion of the Holy Fathers

Tone 8

Most glorious are You, O <u>Christ</u> our God! You have established the <u>Holy</u> Fathers as <u>lights</u> on the earth. Through them You have <u>guided</u> us to the <u>true</u> Faith.// O greatly compassionate <u>One</u>, glory to You!

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 Ascension

Tone 6

When You had fulfilled the dispensation for our sake, and united earth to heaven,
You ascended in glory, O Christ our God, not being parted from those who love You, But remaining with them and crying:
"I am with you and no one will be against you!"

BAPTISM of Micah Landrum

After the Baptism, the clergy circle the baptismal font three times with the child and godparents, and then the clergy process into to the altar for the readings.

ANTI-TRISAGION

In place of "Holy God" we sing:

As many as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. (Repeat 3X)

All glory be to the Father to the Son and Holy Ghost, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen. As many...

Preparatory Psalm Verses before the Epistle (Prokeimenon) Tone 8

Blessed are You, O Lord, God of our fathers, and praised and glorified is Your name forever.

Verse: For You are just in all that You have done for us.

BAPTISMAL EPISTLE READING

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Acts 20:16-18, 28-36

In those days, Paul had decided to sail past Ephesus, so that he might not have to spend time in Asia; for he was hastening to be at Jerusalem, if possible, on the day of Pentecost. And from Miletus he sent to Ephesus and called to him the elders of the church. And when they came to him, he said to them:

"Take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the Church of God which He obtained with the blood of His own Son. I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; and from among your own selves will arise men speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after them. Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish everyone with tears. And now I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. I coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities, and to those who were with me. In all things I have shown you that by so toiling one must help the weak, remembering the words of the Lord Jesus, how He said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive."

And when he had spoken thus, he knelt down and prayed with them all.

Alleluia before the Gospel Tone 1

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

Verse: The Lord, the God of gods, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of

the sun to its setting. (Ps 49/50:1)

Verse: Gather to Me, My venerable ones, who made a covenant with Me by sacrifice!

(Ps 49/50:5)

BAPTISMAL GOSPEL READING

THE GOSPEL READING John 17:1-13

At that time, Jesus lifted up His eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify Thy Son that the Son may glorify Thee, since Thou hast given Him power over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom Thou hast given Him. And this is eternal life, that they know Thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom Thou hast sent. I glorified Thee on earth, having accomplished the work which Thou gavest Me to do; and now, Father, glorify Thou Me in Thy own presence with the glory which I had with Thee before the world was made."

"I have manifested Thy Name to the men whom Thou gavest Me out of the world; Thine they were, and Thou gavest them to Me, and they have kept Thy word. Now they know that everything that Thou hast given Me is from Thee; for I have given them the words which Thou gavest Me, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from Thee; and they have believed that Thou didst send Me. I am praying for them; I am not praying for the world but for those whom Thou hast given Me, for they are Thine; all Mine are Thine, and Thine are Mine, and I am glorified in them. And now I

am no more in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to Thee. Holy Father, keep them in Thy Name, which Thou hast given Me, that they may be one, even as We are one. While I was with them, I kept them in Thy Name, which Thou have given Me; I have guarded them, and none of them is lost but the son of perdition, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to Thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they may have My joy fulfilled in themselves."

HYMN TO THE MOTHER OF GOD (Meglynarion) 9th Ode of the Canon for Ascension:

Magnify, O my soul, Christ the Giver of Life, Who has ascended from earth to heaven! We magnify the Mother of God, who beyond reason and understanding gave birth in time to the Timeless One.

Hymns for Communion of the Clergy:

Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise Him in the highest! Alleluia! (*Ps 148:1*) God has gone up with a shout; the Lord with the sound of a trumpet! (Ps. 47:5)

Instead of "We have seen the true light," we sing the Troparion for Ascension:

You ascended in glory, O <u>Christ</u> our God, granting joy to Your disciples by the promise of the Holy <u>Spirit</u>.

Through the blessing <u>they</u> were assured that You are the <u>Son</u> of God, the Redeemer of the world!

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.

BIBLE STUDY IN JUNE

On four Saturdays in June from 4:30-6:00 p.m., Fr. Nicholas will offer a Bible study on the Gospel of St. John.

Sat., June 2	Chapter 1	The Witness
Sat., June 16	Chapters 2-10	The Word Incarnate Transfigures Creation
Sat., June 23	Chapters 11-17	The Word Incarnate Transfigures all Humanity
Sat., June 30	Chapters 18-21	The Paschal Offering: Death & Resurrection

All are welcome!
If you would like to participate, e-mail Fr. Nicholas at frnicholas@stathanasius.org.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

DID YOU KNOW.... that the master calendar for the parish, including all major feast days and week-night feast services, is posted on our parish website every August for the upcoming Liturgical Year? (The Liturgical Year runs from September through August.) Please consider making the parish website the homepage of your computer, and/or linking the Google Calendar on the website to your personal calendar. Great Lent, Holy Week, Pascha and Pentecost for 2019 are already posted to the parish calendar.

CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

Wedding Anniversaries:

- 5/20 Stoney and Jami Stetler
- 5/22 Beau & Leticia Brunner

Birthdays:

- 5/20 Luke Speier, Peter Speier
- 5/23 Nataliya Tinyayeva
- 5/25 Alyssa Simonsen, Tatiana Speier

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.

CONGRATULATIONS to Zak and Kellie Landrum on the baptism of their son, Micah, and to godparents Tyler & Taylor Speier. May God grant Micah many years of good health, peace and joy. May he grow to be a lover of Christ and a defender of His Bride, the Church.

Fr. Nicholas will be out of town from this Thursday, 5/24, through Saturday, 5/26.

DO YOU HAVE A GRADUATE IN THE FAMILY?

Please email a photo of your graduate (or yourself, if YOU are the graduate) to the church office by May 27th, with a few sentences about accomplishments, plans, hopes, dreams. Send to: valerie@stathanasius.org. Thanks!

UPCOMING FEAST DAY SERVICES

PENTECOST

Saturday, May 26th at 6:00 p.m. FESTAL GREAT VESPERS Sunday, May 27th at 9:00 a.m. FESTAL MATINS 10:00 a.m. FESTAL DIVINE LITURGY

The children of the Atrium will, once again, invite us to participate in their Pentecost activity as we enter the church on Pentecost morning.

We will have our traditional GREEN POTLUCK after the Liturgy!

NEW AREA CODE & CHANGE IN THE WAY THAT WE DIAL LOCAL CALLS

Beginning June 30, consumers requesting new or additional telephone numbers for services may be assigned telephone numbers with either the new 820 area code or the original 805 area code, depending on the available telephone number inventory. As of June 2nd, customers will have to dial "1" plus the three-digit area code for all calls from landline telephone numbers with the 805 and 820 area codes. If you do not, you will get a an error message. For cellphone calls, the area code needs to be used for those local numbers but dialing 1 is not necessary.

You will need to reprogram equipment or features that currently use 7-digit dialing, including automatic dialers, life safety systems and medical monitoring devices, speed-dialing, call forwarding, voicemail services, modems for computer or Internet dial-up access, and other similar services or equipment. Residents and businesses also need to ensure that alarms and security systems are reprogrammed to include the area code. Despite the new area code overlay, consumers will still be able to dial three digits to reach 911, 211, 311, 411, 511, 611, 711, and 811.

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 of
5/24/18
All teens from 6-8 p.m. (SPECIAL ACTIVITY)
5/31/18
Regular Youth Group times on Thursdays in the Teen Room at the church, unless noted otherwise.

ANNOUNCING SUMMER SCHOOL 2018 June 18-July 5

for children in grades K-6th grade (Those who have COMPLETED one of those grades.)

Teaching staff: Fr. Nicholas, Mary Gish, Elleney King Administator: Jody Wallace—jasonandjody@cox.net

> Teens who would like to be Teacher's Aids this year must fill out an application form.

Forms and information are now available on the parish website and in the hallway of the church.



Thanks to those who supported the concert last Friday by the St. Petersburg Men's Ensemble. Special thanks to Dan and Judy Braun for opening up their home to the quartet for lodging on Friday evening.

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:

Antonio

Gaylen C.

Steve

Zac B.

Fay Y.

Dotte G.

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 Venesco K

Kh. Diane C.

Fr. Patrick and Vanessa K.

Greg & Margaret Y.

Hoppe Family

Gail S.

Phyllis M.

Justin B.

Terri Lynn & Hannah Rose
Lauren
Cheryl G.

Jerry J.

Elka
Elizabeth J.

Gail S.

Dean & Penny B.

Angelina, Jase & Alina S.

Rich and Susan B.

Phyllis M.

John D.

Fr. Wayne W. & Family

Fr. Dimitric V.

All those suffering and

Rich and Susan B.

Duane F.

Galina, Nikolai & Nataliya

Fr. Dimitrie V.

Monsignor John Y.

Fr. Dimitrie V.

in danger in Ukraine,

Africa, and the Middle East

For repose of the souls of:

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).

