



ST. ATHANASIUS ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Sunday, June 24, 2018

Tone 3 / Eothinon 4

Nativity of the Forerunner and Baptist John

New-martyr Panayiotis of Caesarea in Cappadocia



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, June 24

9:00 a.m. Matins
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour/Parish Council Elections
12:30 p.m. All-parish Meeting
4:00 p.m. St. Barbara Monastery Friends
Gathering—Teaching by
Fr. Bob Fox from St. Barbara Parish:
“When Brothers Dwell Together
in Unity”

Monday, June 25

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins
8:45-11 a.m. Summer School
5:00 p.m. Outreach Meal at St. Michael
University Church in Isla Vista

Tuesday, June 26

8:45 am-2pm Summer School
5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers

Wednesday, June 27

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins
8:45-11 a.m. Summer School
12:00 p.m. Intercessory Prayer Group

Thursday, June 28

8:45 am-2pm Summer School
11:00 a.m. Showers of Blessing
6:00 p.m. Vespers-Liturgy for Feast of
Saints Peter & Paul, Trisagion
for Kh. Stefanie Yova Yazge

Friday, June 29-SS. PETER & PAUL

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins
8:45-11 a.m. Summer School

Saturday June 30

4:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study
6:00 p.m. Vespers/Confession

Sunday, July 1

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

Sunday Morning Ministries Schedule

Eucharist Bread

June 24	Dillon
July 1	Kern
July 8	Dn. G. Braun
July 15	Hedges

Coffee Hour

June 24	Hoppe
July 1	Gish
July 8	Wiley/Baker/McIntire
July 15	S. & T. Speier

Greeters

June 24	D. Genatone/P. Morrison
July 1	P. King/K.P. King
July 8	D. Lewis/Deacon
July 15	K. & L. Jacobs

Ushers

June 24	P. Brunner, P. King
July 1	P. King, D. Meyer, R. Barre
July 8	D. Lewis, C. Speier, J. King
July 15	D. Washburn, C. Berari, G. Shannon

Readers

June 24	Rdr. J. Butler
June 28	Rdr. V. Gish (Vesp-Liturgy)
July 1	T. Harris
July 8	D. Meyer
July 14	Rdr. M. Kern (Vespers)
July 15	Rdr. H. Lange

**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 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—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

Tone 3 Byzantine melody

(Music on p. 44 of Liturgy book)

Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad,
for the Lord hath done a mighty act with His own arm.
He hath trampled down death by death
and become the first born from the dead.
He hath delivered us from the depths of Hades,
granting the world the great mercy.

Troparion of the Nativity of St. John the Forerunner

Tone 4 Slavic melody

Prophet and Forerunner of the coming of Christ,
although we cannot praise you worthily,
we honor you in love at your nativity,
for by it you ended your father’s silence and your mother’s barrenness,//
proclaiming to the world the incarnation of the Son of God!

Troparion to St. Athanasius

Tone 3 Byzantine Melody

(Music on page 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.

Kontakion - Ordinary Sundays**Tone 4 Byzantine melody**

O undisputed intercessor of Christians,
The mediatrix, who was 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 ever intercede for those who honor thee.

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 p. 58 of Liturgy book)****Tone 3 Byzantine melody**

Sing praises to our God, sing praises. Sing praises to our King, sing praises. *(Ps 46/47:6)*

Verse: Clap your hands all you peoples!
Shout to God with a voice of joy! *(Ps 46/47:1)*

THE EPISTLE READING**Romans 13:11-14:4**

Brethren, salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed; the night is far gone, the day is at hand. Let us then cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us conduct ourselves becomingly as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires. As for the man who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not for disputes over opinions. One believes he may eat anything, while the weak man eats only vegetables. Let not him who eats despise him who abstains, and let not him who abstains pass judgment on him who eats; for God has welcomed him. Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for God is able to make him stand.

Preparatory Psalm Verses with Alleluia Refrain Before the Gospel**Tone 3**

Chanter: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

People: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Verse: In Thee, O Lord, I have hoped; let me never be ashamed. *(Ps 30/31:1)*

Verse: Be unto me a God and protector, and a house of refuge to save me. *(Ps 30/31:2)*

GOSPEL READING

1:1-25, 57-68, 76, 80

Inasmuch as many have undertaken to compile a narrative of the things which have been accomplished among us, just as they were delivered to us by those who from the beginning were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word, it seemed good to me also, having followed all things closely for some time past, to write an orderly account for you, most excellent Theophilus, that you may know the truth concerning the things of which you have been informed. In the days of Herod, king of Judea, there was a priest named Zacharias, of the division of Abijah; and he had a wife of the daughters of Aaron, and her name was Elizabeth. And they were both righteous before God, walking in all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blamelessly. But they had no child, because Elizabeth was barren, and both were advanced in years. Now while he was serving as priest before God when his division was on duty, according to the custom of the priesthood, it fell to him by lot to enter the Temple of the Lord and burn incense. And the whole multitude of the people was praying outside at the hour of incense. And there appeared to him an angel of the Lord standing on the right side of the altar of incense. And Zacharias was troubled when he saw him, and fear fell upon him. But the angel said to him, "Do not be afraid, Zacharias, for your prayer is heard, and your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you shall call his name John. And you will have joy and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth; for he will be great before the Lord, and he shall drink neither wine nor strong drink, and he will be filled with the Holy Spirit, even from his mother's womb. And he will turn many of the sons of Israel to the Lord their God, and he will go before Him in the spirit and power of Elijah, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, to make ready for the Lord a people prepared." And Zacharias said to the angel, "How shall I know this? For I am an old man, and my wife is advanced in years." And the angel answered him, "I am Gabriel, who stands in the presence of God; and I was sent to speak to you, and to bring you this good news. And behold, you will be silent and unable to speak until the day that these things come to pass, because you did not believe my words, which will be fulfilled in their time." And the people were waiting for Zacharias, and they wondered at his delay in the temple. And when he came out, he could not speak to them, and they perceived that he had seen a vision in the temple; and he made signs to them and remained dumb. And when his time of service was ended, he went to his home. After these days his wife Elizabeth conceived, and for five months she hid herself, saying, "Thus the Lord has done to me in the days when he looked on me, to take away my reproach among men." Now the time came for Elizabeth to be delivered, and she gave birth to a son. And her neighbors and kinsfolk heard that the Lord had shown great mercy to her, and they rejoiced with her. And on the eighth day they came to circumcise the child; and they would have named him Zacharias after his father, but his mother said, "Not so; he shall be called John." And they said to her, "None of your kindred is called by this name." And they made signs to his father, inquiring what he would have him called. And he asked for a writing tablet, and wrote, "His name is John." And they all marveled. And immediately his mouth was opened and his tongue loosed, and he spoke, blessing God. And fear came on all their neighbors. And all these things were talked about through all the hill country of Judea; and all who heard them laid them up in their hearts, saying "What then will this child be?" For the hand of the Lord was with him. And his father Zacharias was filled with the Holy Spirit, and prophesied, saying, "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for He has visited and redeemed His people. And you, child, will be called the Prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare His ways." And the child grew and became strong in spirit, and he was in the wilderness until the day of his manifestation to Israel.

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 Hymns

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

The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance. He shall not fear evil

tidings. (*Ps 111/112:6b-7a*) Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

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.

PARISH COUNCIL CORNER

- 1) The revised plans submitted to the County of Santa Barbara for our patio expansion and shade structure have been approved by the ABR (Architectural Review Board). The Building Committee is waiting for final cost estimates in order to determine how to proceed. The parish will be updated with more information on June 24th after Coffee Hour.
- 2) Michael Easbey has been offered and has accepted the position of Coordinator of our parish College & Young Adult Fellowship.
- 3) Our strategic planning process has been postponed to the autumn, with the kick-off gathering to be in late September or early October. More information to follow soon. No meeting this evening.
- 4) We will still meet today **right after Coffee Hour** for brief updates from the Building Committee and a few of our ministry leaders.

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.

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS BEGIN TODAY. You may vote by ballot TODAY OR NEXT SUNDAY during Coffee Hour, or email your vote to Fr. Nicholas by midnight on Sunday, July 1st: frnicholas@stathanasius.org. Three candidates are on the ballot: Dorothy Alexander, Zak Landrum and Jami Brunner Stetler. Each active member of the parish 18 years and older and in good standing may vote for ONE of the three candidates.

ALL-PARISH MEETING PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING CHANGE:

We WILL have a brief all-parish meeting right after Coffee Hour TODAY, with an update on our Building Project. There is no meeting at 4 p.m. today. Please plan to stay for this update and hear about the progress on our patio expansion project and warming kitchen.

OUR SINCERE CONDOLENCES TO JASON AND JODY WALLACE and their children on the falling asleep in the Lord of Jason's father, Patrick, last Sunday. Pat and his wife, Linda, were long-time, beloved members of our parish. They retired to Goldendale, Washington to be near the Monastery of St. John the Forerunner, where their daughter is a nun. May Pat's memory be eternal.

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS ARE STILL NEEDED FOR THE FOLLOWING SUNDAYS.

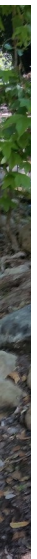
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Please go online and sign up if you have not hosted yet this year, or talk to Suzi Wiley.
<http://www.stathanasius.org/coffee-hour/>

WE NEED "A FEW GOOD MEN" ...OR WOMEN

Our Coffee Hour team is losing several of the young men who have been in the rotation for the past several years to help with set-up and clean-up. This ministry involves opening the umbrellas and setting up a few tables before Liturgy, and then doing the reverse after Coffee Hour and emptying the trash. This ministry is simple and yet offers a vital support to our weekly hosts and to the Coffee Hour team. If you can help, contact Suzi Wiley: suziwiley@cox.net.

THE DIOCESAN PARISH LIFE CONFERENCE will be in Portland, Oregon from July 4-8. Fr. Nicholas and Jan will be attending. **We will be represented in the BIBLE BOWL by Coach Michael Easbey Tom Ballew, Adam King and Peter Speier.** For more information on the conference, go to: <https://www.antiochianevents.com/la.html>



CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

Wedding Anniversaries:

6/24 Dn. Gary & Melissa Braun
6/25 Scott & Terri Speier

Birthdays:

6/24 Michael Easbey
6/26 Ryder Heiduk, Dn. Scott Jacobs
6/27 Kirsten Jaqua
6/28 Taylor Speier
6/29 Seraphima Boatwright
6/30 Joanne Gish

Patron Saint Feast Days

6/27	St. Joanna the Myrrh-bearer	Joanne Gish, Kh. Jan Speier
6/29	The Apostle Paul	Josh Dillon, Paul Franzen, Stan Friesen, Robert Kinman, Paul Wintz
6/29	The Apostle Peter	Hani AbuGhazaleh, Peter Braun, Dean Brunner, Ivan de Bruin, Peter Speier, Hudson Zidek

Summer School 2018—Week 1 Trip to St. Barbara Monastery



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.**

6/28 No Youth Group (Liturgy for St. Peter and Paul—6pm)
7/5 NO YOUTH GROUP (Magic Mountain Day)
7/12 Summer Youth Group—Both groups 6-8 p.m.
7/19 Summer Youth Group—Both groups 6-8 p.m.
7/26 Family BBQ at the park
7/27 Dinner with Deacon Rico Monge followed by his presentation



SAVE THE DATES!

St. Athanasius Summer Family Barbecues
More information to follow.

**Thursday, July 26, 2018
Thursday, August 16, 2018**



SAVE THE DATE!

Friday evening, July 27 & Saturday, July 28
Deacon Rico Paul Monge
will be with us all weekend to teach several sessions
on “Post Modernism & Christianity: Friends or Foes?”
More details to follow soon.

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:

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| Metropolitan JOSEPH | Galina, Nikolai & Nataliya | Terri Lynn & Hannah Rose |
| Mother Victoria | Joan T. | Lauren |
| Met. Paul & Abp. John | Friesen family | Cheryl G. |
| Fr. Romanos (O.C.M.C. priest, Congo) | Ethan & Cole K. | Jerry J. |
| Mother Christophora | Justin B. | Elka |
| Fr. Jon Braun | Fr. Anthony Y. and Family | Elizabeth J. |
| Dn. Richard E. | Tony E. | Jimmy |
| Kh. Diane C. | John D. | |
| Greg & Margaret Y. | Fr. Dimitrie V. | All those suffering and |
| Hoppe Family | Monsignor John Y. | in danger in Ukraine, |
| Gail S. | Steve | Africa, and the Middle East |
| Dean & Penny B. | Gaylen C. | |
| Angelina, Jase & Alina S. | Zac B. | |
| Rich and Susan B. | Dotte G. | |
| Duane F. | Fay Y. | |

For repose of the souls of:

Pat W., Jeffery L., Dawn, Wayne H., Dn. Mark
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 containing 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 the rack are FREE, as are the 12-month liturgical calendars.)
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 * **All proceeds go to the parish Building Fund.** *
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