

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, August 26, 2018
Tone 4 / Eothinon 2;
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
& Thirteenth Sunday of Matthew

Martyrs Adrian and Nataliya of Nicomedia Venerable Joasaph, Prince of India; Venerable Adrian of Ondrutsov



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, August 26

9:00 a.m. Matins

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

4:00 p.m. St. Barbara Monastery Friends

Monday, August 27

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

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

University Church in Isla Vista

Tuesday, August 28 NO DAILY VESPERS

Wednesday, August 29-Beheading of St. John

the Baptist

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

12:00 p.m. Intercessory Prayer Group

Thursday, August 30

11:00 a.m. Showers of Blessing

5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers

6-8:00 p.m. Youth Group Fall Kick-off

Jr. High & High School together

Friday, August 31

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

Saturday September 1-Church New Year

6:00 p.m. Vespers/Confession

Sunday, September 2

9:00 a.m. Matins

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

Fr. Nicholas and Kh. Jan will be away from August 20-28.

Sunday Morning Ministries Schedule

Eucharist Bread

August 26 Washburn
September 2 Dillon
September 9 Braun
September 16 Hedges

Coffee Hour

August 26 Young

September 2 Papu McIntire (Ethiopian cuisine)

September 9 Shannon

September 16 NEED A HOST

Greeters

August 26 K. & L. Jacobs
September 2 H. Lange/L. Baker
September 9 D. Lewis/D. Washburn

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Ushers

August 26R. Barre, D. Lewis, C. SpeierSeptember 2J. King, D. Washburn, C. BerariSeptember 9G. Shannon, S. Speier, P. Brunner

September 16 P. King, D. Meyer, R. Barre

Readers

August 26 Rdr. H. Lange September 2 D. Meyer

September 8 D. Alexander (Liturgy for Nativity of

Theotokos)

September 9 Rdr. J. Butler

September 13 R. Barre (Vesp-Lit, Feast of Cross) September 15 Rdr. V. Gish—Great Vespers

September 16 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

The Liturgy of the Word

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!

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 the Martyrs Adrian and Nataliya

Your holy martyrs Adrian and Natalia, O Lord, through their sufferings have received incorruptible crowns from You, our God. For having Your strength, they laid low their adversaries, and shattered the powerless boldness of demons. Through their intercessions, save our souls!

Tone 4 Byzantine melody

Tone 4

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

Tone 3 Byzantine melody

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 Virgin,

Joachim and Anna are freed from barrenness,

Adam and Eve from the corruption of death.

And we, your people, freed from the guilt of sin,

celebrate and sing 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. (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!

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us. People:

Preparatory Psalm verses before the Epistle (Prokeimenon) Tone 4 Byzantine (Music on page 59 of Liturgy book)

Reader: O Lord, how manifold are Thy works, in wisdom Thou hast made them all.

(Ps 103/104:24)

People: O Lord, how manifold are Thy works, in wisdom Thou hast made them all.

Reader: Vs. Bless the Lord O my soul, O Lord my God, Thou art very great.

O Lord, how manifold are Thy works, in wisdom Thou hast made them all. People:

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People: in wisdom Thou hast made them all.

EPISTLE READINGI 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)

Priest: Peace be to you who reads.

Reader: And to your spirit.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Verse: Draw Thy bow and prosper and reign, in the cause of

truth, meekness, and righteousness. (Ps 44/45:5)

People: Alleluia, Alleluia!

Reader: Verse: Thou hast loved righteousness and hated wickedness. (Ps 44/45:8)

People: Alleluia, Alleluia!

GOSPEL READING 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?""

HOMILY

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)

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 THIS WEEK

Wedding Anniversaries

8/30 Nikolay & Velislava Nikolov

Birthdays

8/28	Lara .	Jacol	SC

8/30 Mitch Denny, Jan Speier8/31 Peggy King, Timothy Braun

Patronal Feast Days

8/29	St. Sabina the Martyr	Sabina Shackelford
8/29	St. Theodora of Salonica	Jody Wallace
9/1	Prophetess Abigail, Wife of King David	Abigail Simonsen
9/1	St. Joshua, The Son of Nun	Josh Kern
9/1	St. Penelope, the Holy Virgin Martyr	Penny Cocores

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.

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TEEN & YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMS—NEW LEADERSHIP

Many thanks to Tyler Speier for leading our teen program for the past two years. His gift for organization, his enthusiasm and his love for our teens played a huge role in increasing teen involvement over the past two years. Tyler has stepped down as Teen Program Coordinator in order to have more time to be with his family and to grow his consulting business. The Parish Council has appointed Michael Easbey as the new Teen Program Coordinator, and Mitchell Denny to develop and lead the College/Young Adult Program. We are blessed to have these two young men leading our youth. May God give them strength and wisdom in the coming Liturgical Year!

LITURGICAL NEW YEAR

The new Liturgical Year begins on September 1st. Most of the service schedule is now posted to the online Google calendar on the church website, along with many other church classes, events and activities. Please get in the habit of consulting this calendar. It can be accessed from any page of the church website in the bottom, left hand corner: www.stathansius.org.

ALL MINISTRY TEAM LEADERS will meet on Saturday, September 15th from 9-11 a.m. at the church.

UPCOMING FEAST DAY CELEBRATIONS:

Saturday, September 8 Divine Liturgy 8:30 a.m. for Nativity of the Theotokos

Thursday, September 13 Vesperal-Liturgy 6 p.m. for Elevation of the Cross

Silent Auction

We are looking for donated items big and small. Our wish list includes gift certificates (spa, restaurants, outdoor activities, entertainment, hotel), vacation homes, autographed sports items or your special talent (paintings, design, handmade jewelry, your special trade or talent). We have Donation Request Letters and Tax Receipts you may give to the business/individual you solicit. All donated items are due Friday, September 7th. Please contact Terri Speier (stspeier@cox.net) or Jody Wallace (805 208-6150) if you have questions.

Also, we need **baskets in good condition** for the auction. If you are going through your supply and tossing some out - toss them our way!

How to sign up to host a Coffee Hour

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

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

You can also contact Suzi Wiley with your preferred date, and she will sign you up. E-mail: suziwiley@cox.net Mobile Phone: 805-448-2787

SUNDAY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AUTUMN START-UP

All Sunday Religious Education classes will begin on **Sunday, September 16 at 9:00 a.m.**

That would include:

Catechesis Level II Catechesis Level III Junior High Senior High

Day and Time for Level I Catechesis session TBA.

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.

8/30	FALL	KICK-OF	F—Both	groups	at 6:00	p.m.

^{9/6} Regular Youth Group times

9/13 Vesperal Liturgy—Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross

Liturgy - 6pm

Pizza in Youth Room - 7:30 - 8:30pm

9/20 Regular Youth Group times

9/27 Regular Youth Group times



Help us to complete the expansion of our patio, including the pergola (shade structure) above, plus an extension of the brick area and a play area for the children on the grass.

Please support this year's Golf Tournament by:

- Becoming a sponsor or making a donation
- Registering to golf and/or attending the dinner
 - Securing or donating auction items
 - Bringing a friend!

PROCEEDS THIS YEAR GO TOWARDS THE PATIO PROJECT.

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 Ethan & Cole K. Kh. Carla Z. Mother Victoria Tony E. Sharmaine & Emma

Met. Paul & Abp. John Fr. Dimitrie V.

Fr. Romanos (O.C.M.C. priest, Congo) Monsignor John Y. All those suffering and Mother Christophora Gaylen C. in danger in Ukraine,

Fr. Jon B. Zac B. Africa, and the Middle East Dn. Richard E. Terri Lynn & Hannah Rose

Kh. Diane C. Lauren Greg & Margaret Y. Cheryl G. Hoppe Family Jerry J. Gail S. Elka Dean & Penny B. Elizabeth J. Duane F. Jimmy

Joan and Steve T. Phoebe L. Friesen family Gabriel M. Devin

For repose of the souls of: Kevin A.

All who have died in the conflicts in Ukraine Africa & the Middle East

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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 **** the rack are FREE, as are the 12-month liturgical calendars.) *

All proceeds go to the parish Building Fund.

-The beautiful, drought-resistant landscaping at St. Athanasius Orthodox Church Designed by Martha Degasis/ Photos by Fay Young Grounds maintenance by Cicileo Landscapes/ Parish Liaison—Carla Brunstead









