



ST. ATHANASIUS ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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**LITURGY OF
ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM**
Sunday, September 2, 2018
Tone 5 / Eothinon 3;
Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
& Fourteenth Sunday of Matthew
Martyr Mamas and His Family
John the Faster, Patriarch of Constantinople



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, September 2

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

Monday, September 3—LABOR DAY

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins
NO OUTREACH DINNER—HOLIDAY

Tuesday, September 4

5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers
7:00 p.m. Trisagion Prayers for
Dean Brunner

Wednesday, September 5

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins
11:00 a.m. Funeral for Dean Brunner

Thursday, September 6

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

Friday, September 7

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

Saturday September 8

8:00 a.m. Reader's Matins
8:30 a.m. Liturgy for Feast of the Nativity of
the Mother of God & Coffee Hour
6:00 p.m. Vespers/Confession

Sunday, September 9

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

Sunday Morning Ministries Schedule

Eucharist Bread

September 2 Dillon
September 9 Braun
September 16 Hedges
September 23 Jacobs

Coffee Hour

September 2 Papu McIntire (Ethiopian cuisine)
September 9 Shannon (in memory of Dn. Howard)
September 16 NEED A HOST
September 23 Harris

Greeters

September 2 H. Lange/L. Baker
September 9 D. Lewis/D. Washburn
September 16 K. Fox/Deacon
September 23 Morrison/Genatone

Ushers

September 2 J. King, D. Washburn, C. Berari
September 9 G. Shannon, S. Speier, P. Brunner
September 16 P. King, D. Meyer, R. Barre
September 23 D. Lewis, C. Speier, J. King

Readers

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
September 22 Rdr. M. Kern (Vespers)
September 23 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**

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

Tone 5

Let us believers praise and worship the Word,
co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit,
born of the Virgin for our salvation.
For He took pleasure in ascending the Cross in the flesh
to suffer death and to raise the dead by His glorious resurrection.

Troparion for the Martyr Mamas of Caesarea

Tone 4

Your holy martyr Mamas, O Lord,
through his suffering has received an incorruptible
crown from You, our God.
For having Your strength, he laid low his adversaries,
and shattered the powerless boldness of demons.
Through his intercessions save our souls!

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

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 the Feast of the Nativity of the Theotokos Tone 4

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!

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

**Preparatory Psalm verses before the Epistle (Prokeimenon) Tone 5
(Music on page 60 of Liturgy book)**

Reader: Thou O Lord shall keep us and preserve us from this generation forever.

People: Thou O Lord shall keep us and preserve us from this generation forever.

Reader: **Verse:** Save me O Lord, for there is now no saint.

People: Thou O Lord shall keep us and preserve us from this generation forever.

Reader: Thou O Lord shall keep us...

People: and preserve us from this generation forever.

**EPISTLE READING
2 Corinthians 1:21-2:4**

Brethren, it is God who establishes us with you in Christ, and has commissioned us; He has put his seal upon us and given us His Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee. But I call God to witness against me—it was to spare you that I refrained from coming to Corinth. Not that we lord it over your faith; we work with you for your joy, for you stand firm in your faith. For I made up my mind not to make you another painful visit. For if I cause you pain, who is there to make me glad but the one whom I have pained? And I wrote as I did, so that when I came I might not suffer pain from those who should have made me rejoice, for I felt

sure of all of you, that my joy would be the joy of you all. For I wrote you out of much affliction and anguish of heart and with many tears, not to cause you pain but to let you know the abundant love that I have for you.

Alleluia Refrain and Psalm verses before the Gospel

Tone 5

Chanter: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

People: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Verse: I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever; with my mouth;
I will make known Thy faithfulness to all generations. (Ps 88/89:1)

Verse: For Thou hast said: “Mercy shall be built up forever;
In the heavens shall Thy truth be established.” (Ps 88/89:2)

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 22:2-14

The Lord spoke this parable: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a marriage feast for his son, and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the marriage feast; but they would not come. Again he sent other servants, saying, ‘Tell those who are invited, Behold, I have made ready my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves are killed, and everything is ready; come to the marriage feast.’ But they made light of it and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. Then he said to his servants, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore to the thoroughfares, and invite to the marriage feast as many as you find.’ And those servants went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment; and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?’ And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, and cast him into the outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash their teeth.’ For many are called, but few are chosen.”

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

9/05 Dn. John & Fay Young

Birthdays

9/2 Ben Ballew
9/3 Bob Gundersen, Lucia Speier
9/4 Richard Ballew, Tom Williams
9/7 Suzi Wiley
9/8 Breanna Faria, Luke Hedges

Patronal Feast Days

9/3 **St. Pheobe the Deaconess** Phoebe Lenhart

9/5 **St. Elizabeth, Mother of John the Baptist**
Elizabeth Ballew Atalia Finley Elizabeth (Bitty) Easbey Heiduk
Lara Jacobs Elleney King Kh. Peggy King
Jane Meyer Terri Speier Salem Vander Laan

9/5 **St. Zachariah, Father of John the Baptist** Zachary Nikolov

9/7 **St. Cassiana the Hymnographer** Chantél Cappuccilli, Kassiana Van Wagoner

9/8 **St. Adriana** Adriana de Bruin

9/8 **Theotokos (Feast of her Nativity)** Fr. John Carrillo, Breanna Faria
Kellie Landrum

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.

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 followed by Coffee Hour

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

Silent Auction—Deadline for items is this Friday, Sept. 7th

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!

If you are working on getting an item for the auction and need a little more time, PLEASE CONTACT TERRI SPEIER to discuss it with her.

HOW TO SIGN UP TO HOST A COFFEE HOUR IN 2018—19

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.

DONATED CLOTHING

The Showers of Blessing ministry is still in need of clothing, however they are asking for **ONLY JEANS AND T-SHIRTS. No women's clothing, please, and no dress clothes.**

Between now and Christmas, we will be accepting new or gently used sweatshirts, hoodies, and jackets for our St. Brigid Christmas Outreach Breakfast, so keep that in mind as you are doing your fall purging and Christmas shopping!

Donated clothing should be put in the area by the copier (the hallway between the two offices) and **CLEARLY MARKED** for either the Showers or Christmas.

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.

9/6 Regular Youth Group times
9/13 **Vespertal 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
Mother Victoria
Met. Paul & Abp. John
Fr. Romanos (O.C.M.C. priest, Congo)
Mother Christophora
Fr. Jon B.
Dn. Richard E.
Kh. Diane C.
Greg & Margaret Y.
Hoppe Family
Gail S.
Penny B. and Family
Duane F.
Joan and Steve T.
Friesen family

Ethan & Cole K.
Tony E.
Fr. Dimitrie V.
Monsignor John Y.
Gaylen C.
Zac B.
Terri Lynn & Hannah Rose
Lauren
Cheryl G.
Jerry J.
Elka
Elizabeth J.
Jimmy
Phoebe L.
Gabriel M.
Devin

Kh. Carla Z.
Sharmaine & Emma

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

For repose of the souls of:

Dean B., Kevin A.
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.)

All proceeds go to the parish Building Fund.



*Give rest, O Lord, to the soul of your servant,
where all your saints repose.*

This week we will say our earthly farewell to one of our founders,
Dean Brunner, who fell asleep in the Lord on Monday, August 27th.

Schedule of Services

- Tuesday, Sept. 4th at 7:00 p.m.
Trisagion Prayers at St. Athanasius
- Wednesday, Sept. 5th

Funeral Service: 11:00 a.m. at St. Athanasius Church

Burial: immediately following the funeral at Goleta Cemetery

Mercy Meal: Frog Restaurant at Glen Annie Golf Course

We extend our deepest sympathy to Dean's wife, Penny,
their children Jami Stetler (Stoney), Zac, Tawnia Malory (Keith),
Justin, Beau (Leticia), and Tiffany Van Wagoner (Jamie),
their 20 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren.

May his memory be eternal.