



ST. ATHANASIUS ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Sunday, November 18, 2018

**Divine Liturgy Variables on Sunday, November 18,
2018**

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**Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost
& Ninth Sunday of Luke**

Holy Martyr Plato of Ancyra; Martyr Romanos
of Antioch; Martyrs Zacchaeus the deacon and Alphaeos
the reader of Caesarea in Palestine



**Presentation of the Theotokos in the Temple
Vesperal-Liturgy this Tuesday, Nov. 20th at 6:00**

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, November 18

9:00 a.m.	Religious Ed.—grades 1-12
9:00 a.m.	Matins
10:00 a.m.	Divine Liturgy
11:45 a.m.	Coffee Hour
12:15 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal

Monday, November 19

6:45 a.m.	Daily Matins
5:00 p.m.	Outreach dinner at St. Michael's Church in Isla Vista

Tuesday, November 20

6:00 p.m.	Vesperal-Liturgy for Feast of the Presentation of the Theotokos
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Wednesday, November 21

6:45 a.m.	Daily Matins
12:00 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer Group
6:00 p.m.	Akathist of Thanksgiving

Thursday, November 22-THANKSGIVING

NO DAILY VESPERS

Friday, November 23

6:45 a.m.	Daily Matins
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Saturday, November 24

6:00 p.m.	Great Vespers/Confession
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Sunday, November 25— Great Martyr Katherine

NO RELIGIOUS ED. CLASSES

9:00 a.m.	Matins
10:00 a.m.	Divine Liturgy
11:45 a.m.	Coffee Hour

Sunday Morning Ministries Schedule

Eucharist Bread

November 18	Dillon
November 25	Dn. G. Braun
December 2	Kern
December 9	Jacobs

Coffee Hour

November 18	NO HOST
November 25	POTLUCK—Thanksgiving
December 2	NEED A HOST
December 9	Ballew (in memory of Fr. Richard Ballew—10 year anniversary)

**(To sign up to host Coffee Hour, go to:
www.stathanasius.org/coffee-hour/)**

Greeters

November 18	K. & L. Jacobs
November 25	P. King/ L. Baker
December 2	D. Lewis/Deacon
December 9	K. Fox/D. Washburn

Ushers

November 18	C. Berari, G. Shannon, S. Speier
November 25	S. Speier, P. Brunner, P. King
December 2	D. Meyer, D. Lewis, C. Speier
December 9	J. King, D. Washburn, C. Berari

Readers

November 18	D. Alexander
November 20	D. Meyer (Vesp-Liturgy for Feast of Presentation of Theotokos)
November 25	D. Washburn
December 2	TBA
December 9	Rdr. J. Butler

**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 art risen 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.

**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 8

(Music on p. 53 of Liturgy book)

From the heights Thou didst descend,

O Compassionate One;

and Thou didst submit to the three day burial,

that Thou might deliver us from passion.

Thou art our Life and our Resurrection,

O Lord, glory to Thee.

Troparion to St. Athanasius

Tone 3

(Music on p. 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 for the Presentation of the Theotokos

Tone 4 Slavic Chant

The most pure Temple of the Savior;

the precious Chamber and Virgin;

the sacred Treasure of the glory of God,

is presented today to the house of the Lord.

She brings with her the grace of the Spirit,

therefore, the Angels of God praise her,

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

Tone 8 Byzantine melody

Pray and make your vows before the Lord, our God! (*Ps 75/76:11*)

Verse: *God is known in Judah; His name is great in Israel. (Ps 75/76:1)*

EPISTLE READING

Ephesians 4:1-7

Brethren, I, a prisoner for the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all lowliness and meekness, with patience, forbearing one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of us all, Who is above all and through all and in all. But grace was given to each of us according to the measure of Christ's gift.

Preparatory Psalm Verses with Alleluia Refrain Before the Gospel
(Music on page 64 of Liturgy Booklet)

Tone 8

Chanter: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

People: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Verse: Come, let us rejoice in the Lord, let us shout with jubilation unto God our Savior.

Verse: Come before His countenance with thanksgiving, and with psalms let us shout in jubilation unto Him.

GOSPEL READING

Luke 12:16-21

The Lord spoke this parable: “The land of a rich man brought forth plentifully; and he thought to himself, ‘What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?’ And he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns, and build larger ones; and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; take your ease, eat, drink, be merry.’ But God said to him, ‘Fool! This night your soul is required of you; and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God.” As He said this, Jesus called out, “He who has ears to hear, let him hear.”

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 Hymn

Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the Highest! Alleluia! (Ps. 148)

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.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A SANTA’S HELPER THIS CHRISTMAS?

Help us to bring some Christmas joy to one of the boys
living at St. Innocent Orphanage in Mexico.

Once again, our parish will be **Ángel Brian’s** Santa’s Helper this year.

You should have received a link to an online sign-up list.

If you did not, you can find the list here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080e4cabab29aafd0-santas>

Questions? Contact Cheryl Washburn Lander at cherylynn.sb@gmail.com.

**PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR
WITH THE FOLLOWING UPCOMING SERVICES & ACTIVITIES**

ADVENT BEGINS ON NOVEMBER 15

Tuesday, November 20— 6:00 p.m.	Vesperal-Liturgy for Feast of the Presentation of the Theotokos
Wednesday, November 21—6:00 p.m.	Akathist of Thanksgiving
Wednesdays during Advent 6:00 p.m. Nov. 28, Dec. 12, Dec. 19	Advent Paraklesis
Monday, Dec. 3/Tuesday, Dec. 4	Feast of St. Barbara Monastery—4:00 p.m. Vigil on 12/3 10:00 a.m. Liturgy on 12/4 St. Barbara Greek parish Services TBA
Thursday, December 6 6:00 p.m.	Liturgy for St. Nicholas
Sunday, December 9 6:00 p.m.	ST. NICHOLAS FAMILY NIGHT

A PRAYER FOR ADVENT

Lord, Jesus Christ, at your holy birth you deemed a lowly cave to be a fit dwelling place, so in your mercy make our souls and bodies temples worthy to contain you, the uncontainable God.

And as we make our Advent journey, open our ears to heed the prophets' warning to "Prepare the way of the Lord!"

*For we glorify you along with the angels and shepherds,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.*

Amen.

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.

WE HAVE NO COFFEE HOUR HOSTS for December 2, 16, 23. If you have not signed up yet for the 2018-19 Liturgical Year, please consider stepping up to host on one of these Sundays. You can sign up online at: <http://www.stathanasius.org/coffee-hour> or contact Suzi Wiley at: suziwiley@cox.net.

THE MONTHLY MEN'S "STICKS" GATHERING will take place tomorrow, November 19th at the Harris residence.

CONGRATULATIONS to **Chris & Samantha (Morrison) Nalepa** on the birth of their son, John Robert, on November 15th. Congrats to proud grandparents, Jim & Gloria Morrison!

ST. NICHOLAS CELEBRATION

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2018

6:30 p.m.

We will celebrate the life of St. Nicholas of Myra with story telling, music, a carol sing-a-long, and a fun evening for the whole family. A lenten reception and visit from St. Nicholas will follow the program. Children ages 3-12 will be invited to leave their shoes in the chapel during the program so that St. Nicholas can fill them with treats, and all of the children will participate in welcoming St. Nicholas at the end of the program.

PARISH COUNCIL CORNER

PATIO: Our patio plan was submitted to the County. The County requested some changes in the design. We have complied with their requests and resubmitted the plan and are waiting to hear back. Brian Sieck will proceed with the project when we receive the permit to start.

KITCHEN: Dn. Scott received design ideas back from Chris Kamages. He will continue to work on the design. This project will be a bit more complex as it involves the Health Department signing off on the permit as well as the County.

GOLF TOURNAMENT: Proceeds were \$89,598.61. Thank you to the Golf Tournament Committee Dr. Scott Speier, Jami Stetler, Angel Speier, Chris Robinson, Terri Speier and Jody Wallace! All proceeds from the tournament will go to our patio project.

PARISH SURVEY: All active, chrismated, communing members of the parish should have received a link by email to an important all-parish survey. This information will be used in the strategic planning process as we develop goals and priorities for the next 3-5 years. The deadline for filling out the survey is midnight **THIS Monday, November 19th**. If you are an active parish member and have not seen the survey in your email inbox, please check your SPAM folder. If it is in SPAM, you will need to MOVE it to your inbox for the link to work, and mark the sender "safe." If you prefer to fill out a paper copy, please ask Fr. Nicholas for one.

CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

Birthdays

11/19 Atalia Finley, Kristen Roberts
11/22 Jami Stetler

Patron Saint Commemorations

11/17 **St. Gregory the Wonderworker** Cole Keller
11/21 **The Theotokos (Feast of Presentation)** Lauren Shackelford
11/23 **St. Alexander Nevsky** Alexander Nikolov, Brett Williams
11/24-25 **St. Catherine the Martyr**
Katie Abughazaleh, Catherine Braun, Kh. Diane Carrillo, Melissa Hedges,
Gloria Morrison, Delaney Newhouse, Ekaterina Nikolov,
Amanda Simonsen, Jami Stetler, Kate Vander Laan
11/24 **St. Clement of Rome** Farley Easbey

The expanded BOOKSTORE will be set up from now until Sunday, December 23rd. Be sure to check out all of the new books and lovely Christmas items!



WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP WINDOW

**ALL LADIES- school age and up,
please mark your calendars for our
Women's Fellowship Advent gathering.
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1st 9:30-11:30 a.m.**

We'll be packaging up our good works project and having brunch together.
An Evite will be sent out soon with more details.
Please join us for fellowship, great fun (Christie R. is on our committee - self explanatory for the fun part, right?), a few carols, good food and the opportunity to give of our time and resources to others.

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.**

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| 11/20 (Tuesday) | Vesperal Liturgy for Feast of Presentation of the Theotokos—6:00 p.m. |
| 11/21 (Wednesday) | AKATHIST OF THANKSGIVING —6:00 p.m. |
| 11/22 | Thanksgiving (no Youth Group) |
| 11/29 | Regular Thursday Youth Group— FIRE ON FATHER |

HAVE YOU SUBMITTED YOUR STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENT FORM?

PLEASE PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER WHAT YOU ARE ABLE TO TITHE in the coming year to both the General Operating Fund and the Building Fund, and also how you can best offer to God and the parish your time and talent in one of the many ministry groups of the parish.

There will be blank forms next to the tithe box until the end of the year. Commitment forms may be put in the tithe box, or handed to Fr. Nicholas.

You can also fill out the form online on the church website.
<https://www.stathanasius.org/stewardship/time-talent-treasure-commitment/>

**THE PARISH COUNCIL ASKS THAT YOU SUBMIT YOUR COMMITMENT
FORM BY TODAY, NOVEMBER 18
so that we can use the information
in preparing the 2019 budget.**

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.	Devin
Mother Victoria	Tony E.	Kh. Carla Z.
Met. Paul & Abp. John	Fr. Dimitrie V.	Sharmaine & Emma
Fr. Romanos (O.C.M.C. priest, Congo)	Monsignor John Y.	Sue & Tim B.
Mother Christophora	Gaylen C.	Glenn H.
Fr. Jon B.	Zac B.	Evonne C.
Dn. Richard E.	Terri Lynn & Hannah Rose	Miguel, Rachel, Naomi, Miki & Roman
Kh. Diane C.	Lauren	Alissa and children
Greg & Margaret Y.	Cheryl G.	All those suffering and
Hoppe Family	Jerry J.	in danger in Ukraine,
Gail S.	Elka	Africa, and the Middle East
Penny B. and Family	Elizabeth J.	The victims of the recent shootings
Duane F.	Jimmy	
Joan and Steve T.	Phoebe L.	Please pray for the raising up and sup-
Friesen family	Gabriel M.	port of long-term missionaries from our
Richard and Susan B.		parish.
Fr. Jon and Kh. Elizabeth S.		

For repose of the souls of: All who have died in the conflicts in Ukraine Africa & the Middle East, in the floods and hurricanes, and in the shootings in Pittsburgh and Thousand Oaks..

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.** *



GLORY TO GOD FOR ALL THINGS!

Join us for the
Akathist of Thanksgiving

Wednesday, Nov. 21, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

**Bring the whole family. Bring your out-of-town
guests. Bring your friends and neighbors!**

A beautiful way to begin the Thanksgiving Weekend!