



ST. ATHANASIUS ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

June 30, 2024

**Tone 8 / Eothinon 1; First Sunday after Pentecost:
Commemoration of All Saints &
Synaxis ("Gathering") of the Twelve Apostles**



WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

We are glad you are with us this morning
to join our worship of the Father, Son & Holy Spirit!
Please join us on the patio after the Liturgy for
the Agape Meal. We'd love to meet you!

We welcome children of all ages in our worship.

"Let the little children come unto Me for of such is
the Kingdom of Heaven." Luke 18:16

**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.

**We sing the following hymns of the day after
The Little Entrance:**

Troparion of the Resurrection

Tone 8

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 of All Saints

Tone 4

As with fine porphyry* and royal purple,
Your Church has been adorned with Your martyr's blood,
shed throughout all the world.
She cries to You, O Christ God:
“Send down Your bounties on Your people,//
grant peace to Your habitation and great mercy to our souls!”
(*Porphyry is a deep purple stone quarried in Egypt.)

Troparion for the Synaxis of the Apostles

Tone 3

O Holy Apostles, intercede with our merciful God,
to grant our souls forgiveness of sins.

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 All Saints**Tone 8**

The universe offers You the God-bearing Martyrs
as the first fruits of creation, O Lord and Creator.
By their prayers keep Your Church,
Your habitation, in abiding peace//
through the Theotokos, O most Merciful One!

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.

Prokeimenon before the Epistle**Tone 4**

God is wonderful in His saints, the God of Israel. (Ps. 68:35)

VERSE: *In the churches bless ye God the Lord, from the fountains of Israel.*

THE EPISTLE READING**Hebrews 11:33-12:2**

Brethren, all the saints through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, received promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release that they might rise again to a better life. Others suffered mocking and scourging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were tempted, they were killed with the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, ill-treated -- of whom the world was not worthy -- wandering over deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth.

And all these, though well attested by their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had foreseen something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect. Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfection of our faith.

Alleluia before the Gospel Tone 4

Chanter: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

People: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Verse: *The righteous cried and the Lord heard them and delivered them out of all their troubles. (Ps 33/34:18)*

Verse: *Many are the afflictions of the righteous; the Lord will deliver them out of them all. (Ps 33/34:20)*

THE GOSPEL READING FOR THE DAY

Matthew 9:36-10:8 (For the Synaxis of the Holy Apostles)

At that time, when Jesus saw the crowds, He had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then He said to His Disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; pray therefore the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." And He called to Him His twelve Disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every disease and every infirmity. The names of the twelve Apostles are these: first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed Him. These twelve Jesus sent out, charging them, "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. And preach as you go, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, cast out demons. You received without paying, give without pay."

Holy Communion & The Thanksgiving Prayers

In the Orthodox Church, the Sacrament of Communion is offered only to Orthodox Christians who have humbly prepared to receive through prayer and a recent Sacramental Confession.

Non-Orthodox people and those not communing today may approach during Communion for a priestly blessing by saying, "Father, bless." After this you may take a piece of antidoron (blessed bread) offered in the bowls.

If you are interested in joining the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church, speak with our Pastor about how to become an Orthodox Christian.

At the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy, we offer **Thanksgiving Prayers** for having received the body and blood of Christ. These beautiful prayers help us to reflect on the mystery in which we have partaken and prepare us for our transition from the Kingdom back into "the world." If you have partaken, stay to listen to these prayers after you have venerated the cross. Immediately after, the priest will bless the Agape Meal. **We ask that all your socializing take place outside of the church.**

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*)

Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous; praise befits the just! (*Ps 32/33:1*)

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!



Many thanks...

**To all those whose efforts
made our Pentecost celebration
so beautiful and joyful!**

- To “those who serve and those who sing!”
- To our Festal Decorating team, who beautify our worship space. (Carla Brunstead, Cheryl Washburn-Lander, Kh. Cayce Marie, Melissa Wayne, Papu McIntire, Penny Cocores)
- To Nataliya Tinyayeva for capturing the feast in photos.
<https://www.stathanasius.org/media/photo-gallery/june-23-2024-pentecost/>
- To Jane Meyer and the children of Catechesis Level III for the opportunity to pray for the gifts of the Spirit. It has become a beloved tradition for us!
- To Suzi Wiley and all who stepped up to help with the potluck last Sunday.
- To Christie Robinson for coordinating the Family Night Barbecue, including preparing all of the food.
- To our guitar man, Verne Gish, for being the “wind beneath the wings” of our various performers, and to all who had the courage to share their talents.
- For all who participated and added their “Amen!” to the celebration!



the
Dn. HOWARD SHANNON

GOLF

-Tournament-



SAVE THE DATE

SEPTEMBER 13TH 2024

DINNER & AUCTION

GLEN ANNIE GOLF CLUB

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

FR. SYMEON WILL BE AWAY THIS WEEK at the Diocesan Parish Life Conference. Please note that the only weekday services this week will be Monday and Wednesday Reader's Matins.

WE HAVE RESUMED OUR WEDNESDAY EVENING SERVICE SCHEDULE.

Except on days when there are other festal services, we will pray the following schedule:

- First and third Wednesdays — Paraklesis in the field at the Cross at 5:30 p.m.
- Second, fourth and fifth Wednesdays — Akathists for various saints at 5:30 p.m.

(There is no Paraklesis this week because of the Parish Life conference.)

THIS SUMMER, WE WILL BE ASSEMBLING A NEW PHOTO DIRECTORY of all active parish members. If you have a family photo of high quality/resolution, taken within the past six months, please send it to Valerie at valerie@stathanasius.org. (Please, no selfies and no sunglasses.) If you would like to have a photo taken, Nataliya Tinyayeva will be available on several Sundays after the liturgy in the next few months. Watch for a link to a sign-up list to have her take your photo. Single adults and families without young children at home may choose to use their photo from our 2022 directory. If you don't remember what your photo looked like in the last directory, a link will be sent for you to view the directory online.

PLEASE KEEP OUR BIBLE BOWL TEAM and their leaders in your prayers as they travel this week to compete at the Diocesan Parish Life Conference in Tucson, Arizona. They will be competing on their knowledge of St. Paul's Letter to the Romans.

Team Members:	Jimmy Easbey, Katia Nikolov, Amos Palmer, Atalya Wayne
Coach:	Subdn. Michael Easbey
Team Mom/Chaperone:	Melissa Wayne

ADULT CATECHISM SPRING/SUMMER 2024

FINAL CLASS OF THIS SERIES:

Saturday, July 13 at 5:30 p.m.

"The Age to Come: The Second Coming, the Saints, & the Jesus Prayer"

CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

Birthdays

6/30	Joanne Gish
7/5	Beau Brunner

Patronal Feast Days

6/30	Holy Prince Jonathan	Fr. Jon Braun
7/2	St. John Maximovich	John Butler, Niko Halsell

2024 GRADUATES

HIGH SCHOOL

John Ronan Meyer, son of Douglas and Jane Meyer, graduated from Eureka school of Santa Barbara with a Certificate of Achievement in Creative Writing and received his diploma from Heartland Charter School,. He also took classes at Santa Barbara City College from Freshman to Junior years of high school, learning Music Theory and Songwriting in hopes of pursuing his passion for media composition. John Ronan plans to study next year in the Music Department of the College of Creative Studies, a creatively oriented sub-college within UC-Santa Barbara. John Ronan has been in our SAOC Choir since 2022.



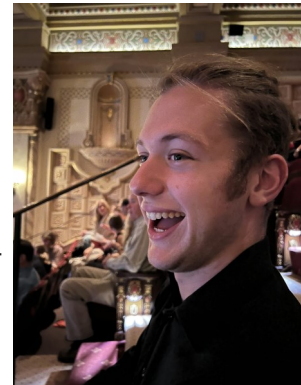
COLLEGE



Chandler Baker, godson of Howard Lange, was chrismated on the feast of Epiphany in 2023. He graduated from Westmont College with degrees in Physics, Mathematics, and Music. Chandler is excited to be marrying his favorite person, Naomi Siragusa, on July 7th. His plans for the coming year are still not firmed up, but it is possible that he and Naomi will be staying in Santa Barbara for a while longer. Chandler was active in chorus, orchestra and the opera and theatre departments while at Westmont, and has been a member of the St. Athanasius Choir since his chrismation in 2023.

Naomi Siragusa, daughter of Eric and Susan Siragusa, received a Bachelor's degree in Physics from Westmont College, graduating Cum Laude. She also loved participating in other Westmont events; particularly taking piano lessons and being involved in Westmont's Opera productions each year, as the Props and Set Manager. In the future, she plans to earn her teaching credential for High School Physics and to focus on curriculum development. More excitingly, she is thrilled to be marrying Chandler Baker on July 7 and starting a new phase of her life. Naomi was chrismated on Holy Saturday of 2023.

Sean Ryan graduated from Westmont College with a Bachelor's degree in Physics and Mathematics. At Westmont, he was grateful for making many friends and for the opportunity to do Physics research in Europe. He is moving to Tampa, Florida to pursue a Ph.D. in Medical Physics at the University of South Florida. For his Ph.D., Sean hopes to do research into the development of life-saving cancer treatment technology. Sean was active in chorus, orchestra and the opera/theatre department while at Westmont, and has been a member of the St. Athanasius Choir since his chrismation on the feast of Epiphany of 2023.



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:

His Beatitude, Patriarch John X
Metropolitan SABA
Mother Victoria
Met. Paul & Abp. John
Abp. Benjamin
Fr. Mathias in Tanzania (OCMC)
Fr. Jon B.
Fr. John & Kh. Diane C.
Fr. Nicholas & Jan
Fr. Turbo & St. Mary parish
Fr. Paul and St. Moses parish
Greg & Margaret Y.
Hoppe Family in Albania (OCMC)
Joseph Wm. B. in Kenya
Duane F.
Richard and Susan B.
Bob N.
Kh. Melissa H.
Jeremiah & Sarah H. (military)
Lauren & Fernando J. (military)
Chase K. (military)
Nick & Kristine J. (military)
Connor V. (military)
Julianna & Zaron D. (military)
P. Speier (military)

Subdn. Matthew W. (seminary)
Steve T.
Temmo K.
Sarah B..
Dn. John & Fay Y.
Samantha & Chris N. & Family
Kevin D. & Family
Erik L.
Matthew
Wade
Amanda Catherine
Darcy
Penny B.
Nancy & Patrick G.
Audry D.
Kh. Peggy K.
Laura & Jeff & Family
Amanda, Chris & Baby James
Benny & Michelle M.
Evonne C. and Family
Kh. Janet Henderson
Stephanie Maly
Nikolov Family

For the local agencies and their leaders who are working to fight human trafficking.

The Ethiopian Orthodox Church

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

Please pray for the raising up and support of long-term missionaries from our parish.

OUR CATECHUMENS:

Karti Adimulam
Kevin Duke
Isaak Lau
Matthew, Ashley and Ryan McCauley
Brennan Pawley
Ethan Salcedo
Logan Strait

For repose of the souls of: Fr. James B., Fr. Basil C.

ST. ATHANASIUS CHURCH BOOKSTORE

The church bookstore is located in the foyer of our building. The tables and two enclosed cabinets contain 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. **You can contact Terri at: bookstore@stathanasius.org.**

Payment should be made at time of purchase and placed in the brown lockbox on wall next to Fr. Symeon's office. Make checks payable to **S.A.O.C. Bookstore**.

The pamphlets in the rack are FREE, as are the 12-month liturgical calendars.)

All proceeds go to the parish Temple Fund.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, June 30

9:00 a.m.	Matins
10:00 a.m.	Divine Liturgy
11:30 a.m.	Teen Religious Ed. (Bible Bowl Study)
11:45 a.m.	Agape Meal
12:15 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal

**The Diocesan Parish Life Conference is
in Tucson this week.**

**Please note that most of the weekday
services have been cancelled this week.**

Monday, July 1

7:00 a.m.	Daily Reader's Matins
4:45 p.m.	St. Xenia Prayer Ministry by Zoom

Tuesday, July 2—St. John Maximovich

NO VESPERS

Wednesday, July 3

7:00 a.m.	Daily Reader's Matins
12:00 p.m.	St. Xenia Prayer Ministry
NO PARAKLESIS	

Thursday, July 4

7:45 a.m.	St. Xenia Prayer Ministry by Zoom
10:00 a.m.	Showers of Blessing
NO YOUTH GROUP	
NO VESPERS	

Friday, July 5

NO MATINS

Saturday, July 6

5:30 p.m.	Great Vespers/Confessions
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Sunday, July 7

9:00 a.m.	Matins
10:00 a.m.	Divine Liturgy
11:45 a.m.	Simplified Agape Meal under front portico

SUNDAY MORNING MINISTRIES SCHEDULE

EUCCHARIST BREAD

June 30	Kern
July 7	Dillon
July 14	Fr. Nicholas
July 21	Dn. G. Braun

READERS

June 29	Alexander (Vespers)
June 30	Meyer
July 6	Meyer (Vespers)
July 7	Butler
July 13	Alexander (Vespers)
July 14	Gish
July 21	Lange

GREETERS

June 30	M. Loulias
July 7	L. Baker
July 14	H. Lange
July 21	G. Hoppe

USHERS

June 30	M. Loulias/D. Alexander
July 7	P. King, J. King
July 14	S. Speier/C. Speier
July 21	D. Washburn/D. Alexander

AGAPE MEAL HOSTS

June 30	Team Speier
July 7	Team Halsell
July 14	Team Worthington
July 21	Team Loulias/Cocores

**MANY THANKS
TO OUR 2024 SUMMER SCHOOL STAFF!**

TEACHERS

Fr. Symeon Halsell, Fr. Nicholas Speier,
Mary Denny & Lara Jacobs (Coordinator)

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Penny Cocores, Liz Hoppe, Jane Meyer, Jan Speier,
Cheryl Washburn-Lander, Melissa Wayne, Suzi Wiley

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