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LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM February 3, 2013

Tone 2 / Eothion 2; Thirty-Second Sunday of Pentecost
& Fifteenth Sunday of Luke (Zacchaeus)

**Synaxis of Holy and Righteous Simeon the
God-receiver & Anna the Prophetess**



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, February 3

8:45 a.m. Rel. Education ages 3-18
9:00 a.m. Matins
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour
12:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Fr. Nicholas will be away this Monday through Thursday, February 4-7, at the diocese Clergy Retreat.

Monday, February 4

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins
10:30 a.m. Religious Ed.-Level I Atrium
4:15 p.m. St. Brigid Outreach dinner at St. Michael's in Isla Vista
7:00 p.m. Financial Peace University

Tuesday, February 5

5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers

Wednesday, February 6

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins
12:00 p.m. Women's Prayer Group

Thursday, February 7

5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Friday, February 8

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

Saturday, February 9

4:30 p.m. Adult Catechism
6:00 p.m. Great Vespers/Confessions

Sunday, February 10

8:45 a.m. Rel. Education ages 3-18
9:00 a.m. Matins
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour
5:00 p.m. YAC—Fire on Father

Sunday Morning Ministries Schedule

Eucharist Bread

February 3 McConnell
February 10 Dn. G. Braun
February 17 Gish
February 24 Giordani

Coffee Hour

February 3 D. & D. Alexander
(for SS. Simeon and Anna)
February 10 Ben Hedges Family commemorating St. Theodora the Empress in honor of Sydney Theodora
February 17 Adult Singles
February 24 Dillon

Greeters

February 3 D. & D. Alexander
February 10 P. Morrison/D. Genatone
February 17 P. Matthews/D. Washburn
February 24 E. Fryer/L. Shackelford

Ushers

February 3 D. Meyer, Barre, Lewis
February 10 Craig & Gabe Speier, R. Schneider
February 17 Jon King, G. Braun Jr., R. Barre
February 24 S. & L. Speier, P. Brunner

CHANGEABLE TEXTS FOR THE DAY

AT THE END OF THE MATINS SERVICE, WE SING THE GREAT DOXOLOGY.
("Glory to You, Who have shown us the light..." - Complete text is
in the front of the Liturgy Book.)

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

GREAT LITANY

First Antiphon—For the Feast of the Presentation

(verse) *My heart hath poured forth a good word; I speak of my works to the king.
My tongue is the pen of a swiftly writing scribe.*

Refrain: **Through the intercessions of the Theotokos,
O Savior, save us.**

(verse) *Grace hath been poured forth on Thy lips.
Wherefore God hath blessed Thee forever.*

(verse) *Glory... & Both now...*

Second Antiphon—For the Feast of the Presentation

(verse) *Gird Thy sword upon Thy thigh, O Mighty One, in Thy
comeliness and Thy beauty.*

Refrain: **O Son of God who was carried in the arms of Simeon the Righteous, save
us who sing to Thee, Alleluia!**

(verse) *Bend Thy bow, and proceed prosperously, and be king.*

(verse) *Thine arrows are sharp, O Mighty One, sharp in the heart of the
enemies of the king. A scepter of uprightness is the scepter of
Thy kingdom.*

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—For the Feast of the Presentation

(verse) *Hearken, O daughter, and see, and incline thine ear;
and forget thine own people and thy father's house.*

Refrain:

Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos, Full of Grace!

**From you shone the Sun of Righteousness, Christ our God,
enlightening those who sat in darkness.**

**Rejoice and be glad, O righteous Elder,
you accepted in your arms the Redeemer of our souls,
Who grants us the Resurrection!**

(verse) *The rich among the people shall entreat thy countenance. [Refrain]*

(verse) *I shall commemorate thy name in every generation. [Refrain]*

**AT THE LITTLE ENTRANCE
WE SING THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL HYMNS FOR THE DAY:**

Troparion of the Resurrection

Tone 2

(Music on page 42 of Liturgy Booklet)

When Thou didst submit Thyself unto death,
O Thou deathless and immortal One,
then Thou didst destroy Hell with Thy Godly pow'r,
and when Thou didst raise the dead from beneath the earth,
all the pow'rs of heaven did cry aloud unto Thee.
O Christ, Thou art the Giver of life, Glory to Thee.

Troparion for the Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord

Tone 1

Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos, who art full of grace;
for from thee arose the Sun of justice, Christ our God,
a light to those who dwell in darkness.
Rejoice and be glad, O righteous Simeon,
carrying in thine arms the Deliverer of our souls,
who grants us Resurrection.

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.

Kontakian of The Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord in the Temple

Tone 1

By Your Nativity You sanctified the Virgin's womb!

And blessed Simeon's hands, O Christ God.

Now You have come and saved us through love.

Grant peace to all Orthodox Christians, O only Lover of Man!

TRISAGION (THRICE-HOLY) HYMN (p. 13 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 2

(Page 57 of Liturgy Book)

The Lord is my strength and my song. He has become my salvation.

Vs. The Lord has chastened me severely but He has not given
me over to death.

Epistle Reading— 1 Timothy 4:9-15

Timothy, my son, the saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. And I am the foremost of sinners; but I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience for an example to those who were to believe in Him for eternal life. To the King of ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory to the ages of ages. Amen.

Alleluia Refrain and Psalm verses before the Gospel
(Music on Page 64 in Liturgy Book)

Tone 2

Verse: May the Lord hear you in the day of trouble! May the name of the God of Jacob protect you! (Ps 19/20:1) **Alleluia**

Verse: O Lord, save the King in the day we call on Thee! (Ps 19/20:9) **Alleluia**

Gospel Reading—Luke 19:1-10

At that time, Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. And there was a man named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector, and rich. And he sought to see who Jesus was, but could not, on account of the crowd, because he was small of stature. So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Jesus, for He was to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, He looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, make haste and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he made haste and came down, and received Him joyfully. And when they saw it they all murmured, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." And Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I restore it fourfold." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham. For the Son of man came to seek and to save the lost."

LITURGY OF THE FAITHFUL

Meglynarion for the Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord
(Hymn to the Mother of God—p. 27 of Liturgy book)

O Virgin Theotokos, hope of all Christians, protect, preserve, and save those who hope in you!

We faithful saw the figure in the shadow of the Law and the Scriptures: Every male child that opened the womb was holy to God! Therefore, we magnify the first-begotten Son of the unoriginate Father, the first-born Son of the unwedded Mother!

Communion of the Clergy (Liturgy Book page 32)

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

I will receive the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord. (Ps. 116:4)

Communion of the People (Liturgy Book page 33)

Receive the Body of Christ, taste the fountain of immortality.

HOLY COMMUNION

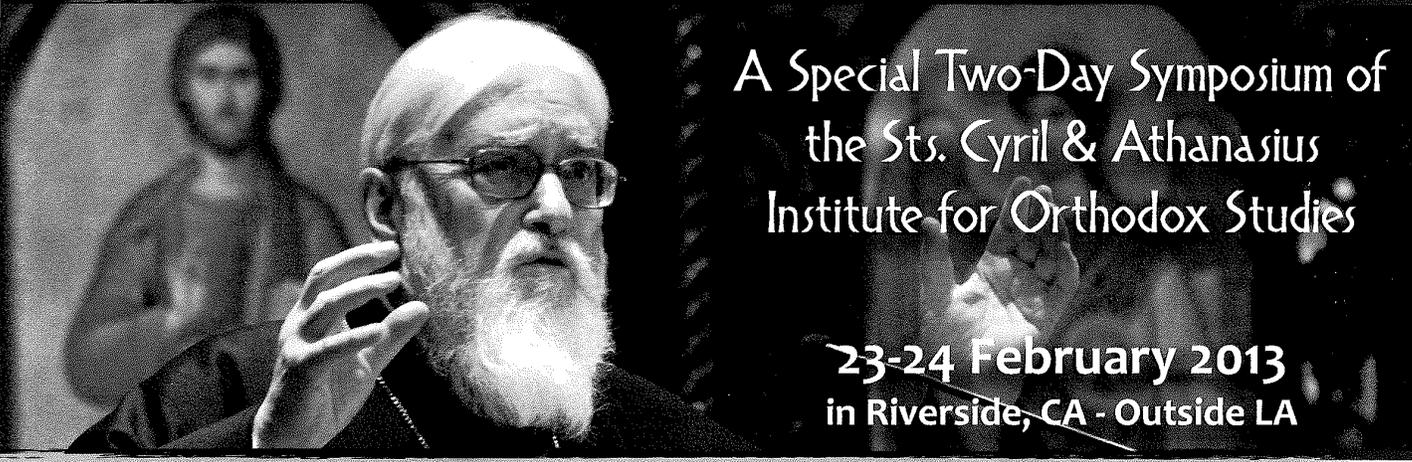
*In the Orthodox Church, the sacrament of Communion is offered only to Christians who are baptized in the name of the Trinity and chrismated into the Orthodox Faith. Non-Orthodox believers **may approach the chalice for a blessing and the blessed bread instead of the Eucharist.** So that the priest is 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.

Prayer in the Church Fathers

With Featured Speaker, Metropolitan Kallistos (Ware)



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ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

You can access a complete calendar of services and other parish activities on our website: www.stathanasius.org.

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PARISH ANNIVERSARY

On Sunday, February 17th, we will celebrate the anniversary of our parish with a special coffee hour hosted by the adult singles of the parish.

MEETING OF MINISTRY TEAM LEADERS

On Saturday, February 23rd from 9-11 a.m. our ministry leaders will have their twice-annual meeting to discuss planning and goals for the coming year. Team leaders will be receiving more information by e-mail.

HAVE YOU MOVED RECENTLY OR CHANGED PHONE NUMBERS OR E-MAIL?

Please email your new contact information to the church office: office@stathanasius.org or call 805-685-5400.

CELEBRATIONS for THIS WEEK

Birthdays

2/3	Velislava Nikolov
2/4	Hannah Sieck
2/7	Stan Friesen
2/9	Zavien Van Wagoner
2/12	Ginger Kronman

Feast Day Celebrations

2/3	St. Anna the Prophetess	Dorothy Alexander, Leslee Kinman
2/3	St. Simeon the God Receiver	Dana Alexander, Tyler Speier
2/10	St. Anna of Novgorod	Anya Madrigal, Anya Johnson
2/11	St. Theodora the Empress	Sydney Hedges

2013 HOUSE BLESSINGS

Don't forget to call one of the priests of our parish to schedule an appointment for your House Blessing!

Righteous Simeon the God-Receiver was, according to the testimony of the holy Evangelist Luke, a just and devout man waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him (Luke 2:25). God promised him that he would not die until the promised Messiah, Christ the Lord, came into the world.

Ancient historians tell us that the Egyptian pharaoh Ptolemy II Philadelphus (285-247 B.C.) wished to include texts of Holy Scripture in the famous Library at Alexandria. He invited scholars from Jerusalem, and the Sanhedrin sent their wise men. The Righteous Simeon was one of the seventy scholars who came to Alexandria to translate the Holy Scriptures into Greek. The completed work was called "The Septuagint," and is the version of the Old Testament used by the Orthodox Church.

St Simeon was translating a book of the Prophet Isaiah, and read the words: "Behold, a virgin shall conceive in the womb, and shall bring forth a Son" (Is 7:14). He thought that "virgin" was inaccurate, and he wanted to correct the text to read "woman." At that moment an angel appeared to him and held back his hand saying, "You shall see these words fulfilled. You shall not die until you behold Christ the Lord born of a pure and spotless Virgin."

From this day, St Simeon lived in expectation of the Promised Messiah. One day, the righteous Elder received a revelation from the Holy Spirit, and came to the Temple. It was on the very day (the fortieth after the Birth of Christ) when the All-Pure Virgin Mary and St Joseph had come to the Temple in order to perform the ritual prescribed by Jewish Law.

When St Simeon beheld their arrival, the Holy Spirit revealed to him that the divine Child held by the All-Pure Virgin Mary was the Promised Messiah, the Savior of the world. The Elder took the Child in his arms and said, "Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace, according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to enlighten the Gentiles, and the glory of Thy people Israel" (Luke 2:29-32).

Anna the Prophetess

According to St Luke's Gospel, "And there was one Anna, a prophetess, the daughter of Phanuel of the tribe of Aser. She was of a great age, and had lived with a husband for seven years from her virginity; and she was a widow of about eighty-four years, who did not leave the temple, but served God with fasting and prayers night and day. And coming at that very hour, also gave thanks to the Lord, and spoke of Him to all those who looked for redemption at Jerusalem" (Luke 2:36-38).

TEEN SCENE

RITE -13 plus (Grades 7-9)

Saturday, February 16th: Service Project: Challenger Division baseball team's annual Valentine dance at the Elk's Lodge for local physically and developmentally disabled youth.

Saturday, February 23rd—Family hike, picnic and games.

Friday/Saturday, March 8-9—Annual Rite-13 Retreat at St. Barbara's Monastery.

YAC (Young Adults in Church- Grades 10-12)

Sunday February 10—5:00 p.m.—Fire on Father at Fr. Nicholas & Jan's home

Friday, February 22—6:30 p.m.—Teen Coffee House Night at the Church

Sunday, March 10—5:00 p.m.—Fire on Father at Fr. Nicholas & Jan's house

Saturday, March 16—Service Project —Day at St. Barbara Monastery

Say "I love you!"

with a

Singing Valentine

sung by our own chanter, reader & choir member Howard Lange!

For just \$40, a barbershop quartet from the Santa Barbara Channel City Chorus will serenade your sweetheart at home, work, at a restaurant...wherever you choose! They deliver two love songs, a crafted rose, and a Valentine's Day card and balloon.

To schedule your Singing Valentine, call Nick Pierce at 805-962-5876, and don't forget to request Howard Lange's quartet!

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:

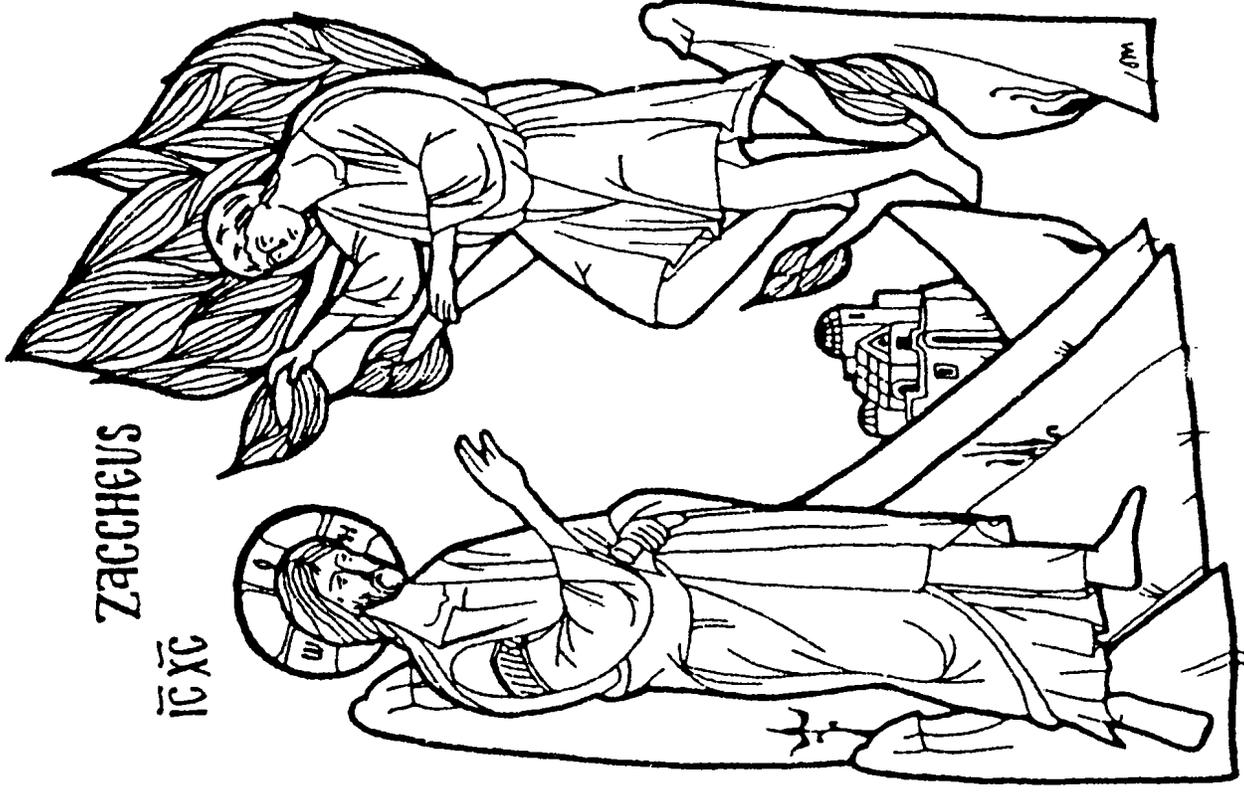
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Olga G.	Pat M.	Kent F.
Leona G.	Marta C.	Carla H.

For repose of the souls of: Fr. Polycarp, George B., Keith K., Bethann R., Betty A.

***** ***** **ST. ATHANASIUS BOOK CENTER** *****

* The church bookstore is located in the fellowship hall.
* The two enclosed cabinets hold icons, books, jewelry and
* other items that are FOR SALE. Payment should be
* made at time of purchase and placed in the brown lock
* box. Make checks payable to "St. Athanasius Book Cen-
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All proceeds go to the parish Building Fund.



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-For the children to color during
the homily or at home -