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LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Sunday, June 5, 2016

**Tone 5 / Eothinon 8; Sixth Sunday of Pascha
Sunday of the Blind Man**

Hieromartyr Dorotheos, Bishop of Tyre;
The Holy Ten Martyrs of Egypt; New-martyr Mark of Smyrna;
Theodore Yaroslavich, Brother of Alexander Nevsky;
Peter of Korisha in Serbia



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 Breakfast ~ we'd love to meet you!

Calendar for this Week

Sunday, June 5—Sunday of the Blind Man

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

Monday June 6

6:45 a.m. Paschal Matins
5:00 p.m. Outreach Meal at St. Michael
University Church in Isla Vista

Tuesday, June 7

3:30 p.m. Level I Catechesis
5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers

Wednesday June 8

6:45 a.m. Paschal Matins
12:00 p.m. Intercessory Prayer Group
6:00 p.m. **Vespertal-Liturgy for Ascension**

Thursday June 9—Feast of Ascension

5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers
7:00 p.m. Parish Council Meeting

Friday June 3

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

Saturday June 4

4:30 p.m. Book Study—A Conversation of
St. Seraphim with Motovilov
6:00 p.m. Vespers/Confession

Sunday, June 12—After-feast of Ascension and Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council

9:00 a.m. Religious Education
9:00 a.m. Matins
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy/40-day memorial for
Mary Ellen Braun
11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour/Parish Council elections
12:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
5:00 p.m. High School “Fire on Father”

Sunday Morning Ministries Schedule

Eucharist Bread

June 5 Hedges
June 12 Dn. G. Braun
June 19 M. Kern
June 26 M. Kern

Coffee Hour

June 5 AbuGhazaleh
June 12 D. & K. King/Braun Family in memory
of Mary Ellen—40 days
June 19 PENTECOST & FATHER’S DAY
CELEBRATION (Bring a salad or
dessert)
June 26 NEED A HOST

Greeters

June 5 D. Lewis/D. Washburn
June 12 K. & L. Jacobs
June 19 P. King/L. Baker
June 26 G. Shannon/K. King

Ushers

June 5 D. Washburn, G. Shannon, S. Speier
June 12 P. Brunner, P. King, D. Meyer
June 19 R. Barre, D. Lewis, C. Speier
June 26 J. King, D. Washburn, G. Shannon

Readers

June 5 D. Alexander
June 8 V. Gish/R. Barre (Ascension)
June 11 M. Kern (Vespers)
June 12 D. Meyer
June 18 D. Alexander (Vespers of Pentecost)
June 19 D. Washburn (Pentecost)
June 26 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**

Priest: Blessed is the Kingdom of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of age.

People: Amen.

Clergy: Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tombs bestowing life.

People: Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tombs bestowing life. **(2 times)**

GREAT LITANY

FIRST ANTIPHON OF PASCHA

Verse: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth! Sing of His Name, give glory to His praise!

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

- Say to God: How awesome are Thy deeds! So great is Thy power that Thine enemies cringe before Thee. [Refrain]
- Let all the earth worship Thee and praise Thee. Let it praise Thy Name, O Most High! [Refrain]
- Glory to Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen. [Refrain]

SECOND ANTIPHON OF PASCHA

Verse: God be bountiful to us and bless us! Show the light of Thy countenance upon us and have mercy on us!

Refrain: **O Son of God, Who rose from the dead,
save us who sing to Thee, Alleluia.**

- That we may know Thy way upon the earth, and Thy salvation among all nation! [Refrain]
- Let the people give thanks to Thee, O God! Let all the people give thanks to Thee! [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...

THIRD ANTIPHON OF PASCHA

Verse: Let God arise, Let His enemies be scattered; let those who hate Him flee from before His face.

Refrain: **Christ is risen from the dead trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tombs bestowing life.**

- As smoke vanishes, so let them vanish; as wax melts before the fire. [Refrain]
- So the sinners will perish before the face of God; but let the righteous be glad. [Refrain]
- This is the day which the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it. [Refrain]

LITTLE ENTRANCE

Clergy: In the gathering places bless ye God the Lord from the Springs of Israel.

People: O Son of God Who Rose From the dead, save us who sing to Thee, Alleluia!

Troparion of the Resurrection

(Music on p. 47-48 of Liturgy book)

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.

Tone 5 Byzantine melody
harmonized by Fr. J. Finley

Troparion to St. Athanasius

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.

Tone 3 Byzantine melody**Kontakion of the Blind Man**

I come to You, O Christ,
blind from birth in my spiritual eyes,
and call to You in repentance:://
“You are the most radiant Light of those in darkness.”

Tone 4 Slavic Chant**Kontakion for Pascha**

Thou didst descend into the tomb O Immortal.
Thou didst destroy the pow'r of death.
In victory Thou didst arise, O Christ God,
proclaiming rejoice to the myrrh-bearing women,
granting peace to Thine apostles,
and bestowing Resurrection on the fallen.

Tone 8 Slavic Melody**TRISAGION HYMN**

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
(Page 60 of Liturgy Book)****Tone 5** Byzantine melody
harmonized by Fr. J. Finley

Thou O Lord shall keep us and preserve us from this generation forever. (*Ps 11/12:7*)

Verse: Save me O Lord, for there is now no saint. (*Ps 11/12:1*)

EPISTLE READING—Acts 16:16-34

In those days, as we Apostles were going to the place of prayer, we were met by a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners much gain by soothsaying. She followed Paul and us, crying, "These men are servants of the Most High God, who proclaim to you the way of salvation." And this she did for many days. But Paul was annoyed, and turned and said to the spirit, "I charge you in the Name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

But when her owners saw that their hope of gain was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market place before the rulers; and when they had brought them to the magistrates they said, "These men are Jews and they are disturbing our city. They advocate customs which it is not lawful for us Romans to accept or practice." The crowd joined in attacking them; and the magistrates tore the garments off them and gave orders to beat them with rods. And when they had inflicted many blows upon them, they threw them into prison, charging the jailer to keep them safely. Having received this charge, he put them into the inner prison and fastened their feet in the stocks.

But about midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. And suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken. And immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's fetters were unfastened. When the jailer woke and saw that the prison doors were open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, supposing that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul cried with a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." And he called for lights and rushed in, and trembling with fear he fell down before Paul and Silas, and brought them out and said, "Men, what must I do to be saved?" And they said, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." And they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all that were in his house. And he took them the same hour of the night, and washed their wounds, and he was baptized at once, with all his family. Then he brought them up into his house, and set food before them; and he rejoiced with all his household that he had believed in God.

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 READNG— John 9:1-38

At that time, when Jesus was passing, he saw a man blind from his birth. And His disciples asked Him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God might be made manifest in him. I must work the works of Him who sent Me, while it is day; night comes, when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." As He said this, He spat on the ground and made clay of the spittle and anointed the man's eyes with the clay, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" [which means Sent]. So he went and washed and came back seeing. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar, said, "Is not this the man who used to sit and beg?" Some said, "It is he; others said, "No, but he is like him." He said, "I am the man." They said to him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash;' so I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is He?" He said, "I do not know."

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a Sabbath day when Jesus made the clay and opened his eyes. The Pharisees again asked him how he had received his sight. And he said to them, "He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for He does not keep the Sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?" There was a division among them. So they again said to the blind man, "What do you say about Him, since He has opened your eyes?" He said, "He is a prophet."

The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight, until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight, and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but how he now sees we do not know, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age, he will speak for himself." His parents said this because they feared the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that if anyone should confess Him to be Christ, he was to be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age, ask him."

So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and said to him, "Give God the praise; we know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "Whether He is a sinner, I do not know; one thing I know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did He do to you? How did He open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you too want to become His disciples?" And they reviled him, saying, "You are His disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where He comes from." The man answered, "Why, this is a marvel! You do not know where He comes from, and yet He opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does His will, God listens to him. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a man born blind. If this man were not from God, He could do nothing." They answered him, "You were born in utter sin, and would you teach us?" And they cast him out.

Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him He said, "Do you believe in the Son of God?" He answered, "And who is He, Sir, that I may believe in Him?" Jesus said to him, "You have seen Him, and it is He who speaks to you." He said, "Lord, I believe"; and he worshiped Him.

Hymn to the Mother of God (Meglynarion)

The angel cried to the lady full of grace: Rejoice! Rejoice O pure virgin! Again I say rejoice, your son is risen from His three days in the tomb. With Himself He has raised all the dead. Rejoice, rejoice, O ye people. Shine! Shine! Shine! O New Jerusalem. The glory of the Lord has shone on you. Exult, now exult and be glad, O Zion. Be radiant, O pure Theotokos, in the resurrection, the resurrection of your son!

Communion Hymn

Receive the Body of Christ; taste the fountain of immortality!

Instead of “We have seen the true light, we sing: “Christ is risen” ONE time.

At the end of the dismissal prayer the service then continues with the typical Paschal dialogue, as follows:

Priest: Christ is risen.

Faithful: Indeed He is risen.

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Priest: Glory to His third-day Resurrection.

Faithful: Let us worship His third-day Resurrection.

Priest: Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tombs

Faithful: bestowing life.

English: Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed!

Greek: Christos anesti!

Alithos anesti!

Arabic: El Messieh kahm!

Hakken kahm!

Slavonic: Christos voskrese!

Voistinu voskrese!

Romanian: Hristos a inviat!

Adeverat a inviat!

Spanish: Christo ha resucitado!

En verdad ha resucitado!

CELEBRATIONS for THIS WEEK

Birthdays

6/6 Violet Gray

6/7 Michelle Madrigal

6/8 Greyson AbuGhazaleh

6/9 O.J. Finley

6/10 Zach Brasel

6/11 Andrew Meyer

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

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

UPCOMING FEAST DAY SERVICE

Wed., June 8 at 6:00 p.m. VESPERAL-LITURGY FOR ASCENSION

40-DAYS MEMORIAL FOR MARY ELLEN BRAUN—SUNDAY, JUNE 12

On Sunday, June 12th, we will commemorate the 40 days since Mary Ellen's falling asleep in the Lord with the Trisagion Prayers.

FAMILY PICNIC FOR PENTECOST/FATHER'S DAY—JUNE 19

Save the date for a Pentecost/Father's Day celebration following Divine Liturgy on **Sunday June 19th**. Main dish & drinks provided. \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under 12. Bring your dad's favorite salad and/or dessert to share.

WE WILL HAVE OUR ANNUAL ALL-PARISH MEETING ON SUNDAY, JUNE 26 after Coffee Hour. Please plan to stay for this important informational meeting.

SAOC SUMMER SCHOOL 2016 for children in grades K through 6 is Monday, June 20-Thursday, July 7. (No class on Monday, July 4th) Registration forms and information are now available both in the foyer of the church and also on the parish website. To download them, go to: <https://www.stathanasius.org/ministries/youth-education/summer-school/>

We are in need of teen assistants for Summer School. If you would like to volunteer for part or all of the time, please contact Mary Gish. maryngish@gmail.com

BENEFIT CONCERT: Chris Hillman, Herb Pedersen and the Agape Trio will give a benefit concert on Saturday, June 18th at 7:30 p.m. at the Plaza Playhouse Theatre (4916 Carpinteria Ave. in Carpinteria). **Proceeds will support the construction of the St. Nicholas Shrine** at Ground Zero in New York City in memory of all those who died on September 11, 2001. For tickets and information: www.onestowatchproductions.com or 805-796-3674.

HELP US TO "GREEN UP" THE CHURCH FOR PENTECOST!

On Sunday, June 19, we want to "green up" the sanctuary for the feast of Pentecost, with your help. Please bring anything green from your garden or the garden stand. Fresh flowers are great, too! There will be vases in front of the iconostasis and in other areas of the nave of the church in which you can put them. You can bring your offering to celebrate the feast on Saturday, June 18th before Vespers or when you come for liturgy on Sunday, June 19th. Larger branches need to be delivered to the church on Saturday morning, May 30th, so that we can arrange and place them appropriately. Many thanks — Lisa Ballew/Festal Decorating Team



ICON RESTORATION PROJECT

The Parish Council, in their May meeting, appointed Dorothy Alexander to lead a restoration project on our icons at St. Athanasius. Some are simple fixes of adding varnish that has rubbed off. Others, like this one, are a bit more complicated. Again, we ask that all of us be mindful of how we handle our precious icons, particularly on the iconostasis, and that we avoid kissing icons with lipstick on our lips. Thank you to Dottie Genatone and Laurie Baker for their regular cleaning of all of the icons in the church!

TEEN SCENE

Activities—Winter/Spring 2016

Junior High School

June End of year trip (Date TBA)

High School

Sunday, June 12 Graduation Party 5:00-7:00 p.m. Fr. Nicholas and Jan's
& Fire on Father

DID YOU KNOW....

- St. Athanasius parish has a Facebook page? Consider joining so that you can view photos and be reminded of upcoming services and events.
- The parish website has a Google Calendar that can be linked to your personal calendar so that you will receive updates and changes. Consider making the parish website the homepage on your computer.
www.stathanasius.org

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. Jon Braun
Dn. Richard E.
Kh. Diane C.
Kh. Mary Sue W.
Greg & Margaret Y.
Hoppe Family

Gail S.
Dean & Penny B.
Kevin & Angel S.
Mary
Susan B.
Baby Christian F.
Duane F.
Galina, Nikolai & Nataliya
Olga Marie G.

Mike, Trevor & Adam
Emily F.
Joan T.
Terri-Lynn & Hannah Rose H.
Silvia Y.
Manny
Philip E.
All those suffering and
in danger in the Ukraine,
Africa, and the Middle East

For repose of the souls of: Jeff E., Kh. Mary Ellen, Milijana, All who have died in the conflicts in the 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 Proskomedia (Preparation of the Bread and Wine for Communion).

* **ST. ATHANASIUS BOOK CENTER** *
* The church bookstore is located in the foyer of the fellowship hall. The two *
* enclosed cabinets hold icons, books, and other items that are FOR SALE. *
* See Terri Speier if you are looking for jewelry such as a cross or chain. Pay- *
* ment should be made at time of purchase and placed in the brown lockbox *
* mounted on wall next to Fr. Nicholas' office. Make checks payable to "St. *
* Athanasius Book Center." *
* **All proceeds go to the parish Building Fund.** *



- FOR THE CHILDREN TO COLOR DURING THE HOMILY OR AT HOME -