



ST. ATHANASIUS ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. BASIL THE GREAT

Sunday, April 5, 2020

Tone 1 / Eothinon 9;

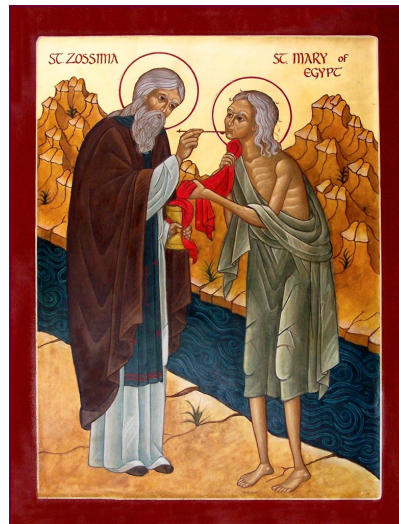
Fifth Sunday of Great Lent

Commemoration of our Righteous Mother Mary of Egypt

Martyrs Claudius, Diodore and their companions;

New-martyr George of New Ephesus;

Venerable Theodora and Didymus of Alexandria



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!

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

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, April 5 (St. Mary of Egypt)

9:00 a.m. Matins

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

(CLERGY & CHANTERS ONLY)

Monday, April 6

5-7 p.m. Fr. Nicholas is available to distribute the Eucharist and/or hear Confessions.

Wednesday, April 8

9-10:30 a.m. Fr. Nicholas is available to distribute the Eucharist and/or hear Confessions.

Friday, April 10

5-6 p.m. Fr. Nicholas is available to distribute the Eucharist and/or hear Confessions.

Evening service TBA

Saturday, April 11—Lazarus Saturday

SCHEDULE TBA

Sunday, April 12—PALM SUNDAY

9:00 a.m. Matins

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

(CLERGY & CHANTERS ONLY)

If these times available to receive the Eucharist do not fit with your schedule, call Fr. Nicholas to make an appointment.

All other services, meetings and activities are cancelled in response to the directives from Metropolitan Joseph and our civil authorities.

For those who come to the church to receive Eucharist, to pray or light candles, we ask that you wash your hands as soon as you enter the church building, and again before you exit.

**At the conclusion of Matins, we sing the Great Doxology
followed by the Matins Dismissal Troparion.**

THE DIVINE LITURGY

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”

**AS THE CLERGY ENTER THE ALTAR AT THE LITTLE ENTRANCE,
WE SING THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL HYMNS FOR THE DAY**

Troparion of the Resurrection

Tone 1

(Music on p. 40 of Liturgy book)

While the stone was sealed by the Jews,
and the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body,
Thou didst arise on the third day,
O Savior, granting life to the world.
For which cause the heavenly powers
cried aloud unto Thee, O Giver of life;
Glory to Thy resurrection, O Christ!
Glory to Thy kingdom!
Glory to Thy providence, O Thou
Who alone art the lover of mankind.

Troparion of St. Mary of Egypt

Tone 8

The image of God was truly preserved in you, O Mother,
for you took up the Cross and followed Christ.
By so doing, you taught us to disregard the flesh
for it passes away;
but to care instead for the soul, for it is immortal.
Therefore your spirit, O holy Mother Mary,
rejoices with the angels.

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 - Ordinary Sundays

Tone 4

O undisputed intercessor of Christians,
The mediatrix, who was unrejected by the Creator.
Turn not away from the voice of our petitions, though we be sinners.
Come to us with aid in time, who cry unto thee in faith, for thou art good.
Hasten to us with intercessions, O Theotokos,
who dost ever intercede for those who honor thee.

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.

Preparatory Psalm Verses before the Epistle (Prokeimenon)

Tone 1

Reader: Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us, as we have set our hope on Thee. (Ps 32/33:22)

Verse: Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise is becoming to the upright.

THE EPISTLE READING
Hebrews 9:11-14

Brethren, when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) He entered once for all into the Holy Place, taking not the blood of goats and calves but his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. For if the sprinkling of defiled persons with the blood of goats and bulls and with the ashes of a heifer sanctifies for the purification of the flesh, how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without blemish to God, purify your conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

Alleluia before the Gospel

Tone 1

Chanter: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

People: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Verse: It is God Who avenges me, and subdues people under me. (Ps 17/18:47)

Verse: He gives great deliverance to His King, and shows mercy to His anointed, to David and his seed forever. (Ps 17/18:50)

GOSPEL READING
Mark 10:32-45

At that time, Jesus took His twelve disciples, and began to tell them what was to happen to Him, saying, "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem. And the Son of man will be delivered to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn Him to death, and deliver Him to the Gentiles. And they will mock Him, and scourge Him, and spit upon Him, and kill Him; and after three days He will rise again."

And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Him, and said to Him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of You." And Jesus said to them, "What do you want Me to do for you?" And they said to Him, "Grant us to sit, one at Your right hand and one at Your left, in Your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" And they said to Him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized. But to sit at My right hand or at My left is not Mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. And Jesus called them to Him and said to them, "You know that those who are supposed to rule over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great men exercise authority over them. But it shall not be so among you; but whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be servant of all. For the Son of man also came not to be served but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many."

Meglynarion—Hymn to the Mother of God

All of creation rejoices in you, O Full of Grace: the assembly of Angels and the race of men. O sanctified temple and spiritual paradise, the glory of virgins, from whom God was incarnate and became a Child – our God before the ages: He made your body into a throne, and your womb He made more spacious than the heavens. All of creation rejoices in you, O Full of Grace. Glory to you!

Communion Hymns

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

The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance. He shall not fear evil tidings. (*Ps 111/112:6b-7a*)

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

4/5	Corina Berari, Ethan Keller
4/6	Monica Finley, Valerie Yova
4/10	Edgar Aviles, Fr. John Finley, Brennan West



A Message from our Pastor...

Beloved,

God is with us!

We have been given a corporate Lent. One that separates us but also binds us together in Christ. We find that we have a common struggle: to be vigilant with our health and the health of others and to find our own Lent as we travel through this time of isolation.

It is wonderful to hear how you are encouraging one another and helping out others in the general community. Many are being blessed by our efforts.

We are about to enter the sixth week of Great Lent, which ends with Lazarus being raised from the dead and Christ proclaimed as King. These are realities that are always present with us and for us. We will be raised from this isolation and come forth again rejoicing that through it all, CHRIST IS OUR KING AND OUR GOD! HOSANNAH IN THE HIGHEST!

You are in my prayers,

Fr. Nicholas



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. Jacob
Mother Christophora
Fr. Jon B.
Joseph B.
Dn. Richard E.
Kh. Diane C.
Greg & Margaret Y.
Hoppe Family in Albania
Joseph Wm. B. in Kenya
Duane F.
Richard and Susan B.
Zac B.
Kh. Carla Z.

Vanessa K. and son Anthony
Monsignor J. Yanek
Ryder H.
Kent F.
Bob N.
Fr. Jon-Stephen H.
Cole K. (military)
Jeremiah H. (Airforce Academy)
Lauren K. (military)
Chase K. (military)
Jeff H.
Steve T.
Bonita M.
Olga Marie G.

Dn. John Y.
Azalea, Dahlia, Dominic, Rose
Roger R.
Glenn F.
Loretta V.
Elliott and Family
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.

For repose of the souls of: Jeff H. Fuddah S., Elder Pavlos of Sinai, Adolfo & Mary Jane
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 CHURCH BOOKSTORE

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 **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 Building Fund.
