



ST. ATHANASIUS ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

A Parish of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America

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DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Sunday, February 6, 2022

Tone 8 / Eothinon 11;

**Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
& Seventeenth Sunday of Matthew**

After-feast of the Presentation (Meeting) of Christ;

The Martyr and Healer Julian of Homs

Boukolos, Bishop of Smyrna; Photios the Great, Patriarch of Constantinople



WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

We are glad you are with us this morning.
Please join us on the patio after the Liturgy for 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, February 6

9:00 a.m. Matins
9:00 a.m. Religious Education for ages 6-12
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
11:30 a.m. Teen Religious Education
11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour
12:30 p.m. Adult Catechism (Priesthood and
Spiritual Guidance—Fr. Nicholas)

Monday, February 7

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins
5:00 p.m. St. Xenia Prayer Ministry—Akathist
by Zoom

Tuesday, February 8

5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers

Wednesday, February 9

NO DIVINE LITURGY

12:00 p.m. St. Xenia Prayer Ministry

Thursday, February 10

7:45 a.m. St. Xenia Prayer Ministry by Zoom
10:00 a.m. Showers of Blessing
3:30 p.m. Catechesis Level I
5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers
6:00 p.m. Youth Group

Friday, February 11

6:45 a.m. Daily Matins

Saturday, February 12

6:00 p.m. Great Vespers/Confessions

Sunday, February 13-Hierarchichal Visit by

Metropolitan JOSEPH

9:00 a.m. Matins
9:00 a.m. Religious Education for ages 6-12
Blessing of the Atria
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour

NO TEEN CLASS

NO ADULT CATECHISM

**Fr. Symeon will be gone this coming
week Monday-Thursday at the
Diocesan Clergy Retreat.**

SUNDAY MORNING MINISTRIES SCHEDULE

EUCCHARIST BREAD

February 6 D. Washburn
February 13 Morrison
February 20 Sieck
February 27 Tinyayeva

READERS

February 5 D. Washburn (Vespers)
February 6 D. Meyer
February 13 Rdr. H. Lange
February 20 D. Alexander
February 26 D. Washburn (Vespers)
February 27 Rdr. M. Kern

GREETERS

February 6 G. & L. Hoppe
February 13 H. Lange/D. Washburn
February 20 K. Fox/D. Lewis
February 27 L. Baker/C. Fisher

USHERS

February 6 P. King/J. King
February 13 D. Meyer/M. Loulias
February 20 D. Washburn/K.L. King
February 27 C. Speier/S. Speier

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS

February 6 Alexander
February 13 Reception for Met. Joseph's Visit
February 20 Berari
February 27 MEATFARE BBQ

THURSDAY SHOWERS OF BLESSING HOSPITALITY TEAM

February 10 F. Young/S. Saunders
February 17 L. Ballew/D. Franzen
February 24 M. Loulias/P.Cocores
March 3 D. Washburn/D. Alexander

HOLY COMMUNION

In the Orthodox Church, the sacrament of Communion is offered only to Orthodox Christians who have prepared to receive. Non-Orthodox believers and others **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.

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

THE DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

THE 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 wast 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]

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

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 for the Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord

Tone 1

Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos, full of grace;
for from thee arose the Sun of justice, Christ our God,
lighting those who are in darkness.
Rejoice and be glad, O righteous elder,
carrying in thine arms the Deliverer of our souls,
who granteth us Resurrection.

Troparion of St. Julian of Homs**Tone 3**

O holy passion-bearer and healing physician Julian,
intercede with the merciful God
that He grant unto 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 of The Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord in the Temple**Tone 1**

By Thy Nativity, Thou didst sanctify the Virgin's womb!
And didst bless Simeon's hands, O Christ God.
Now Thou hast come and saved us through love.
Grant peace to all Orthodox Christians, O only Lover of Man!

TRISAGION (THRICE-HOLY) HYMN

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**Tone 8**

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**2 Corinthians 6:16-7:1**

Brethren, you are the temple of the living God; as God said, "I will live in them and move among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. Therefore, come out from them, and be separate from them," says the Lord, "and touch nothing unclean; then I will welcome you, and I will be a father to you, and you shall be My sons and daughters," says the Lord Almighty. Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, and make holiness perfect in the fear of God.

Preparatory Psalm Verses with Alleluia Refrain Before the Gospel

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.

Matthew 15:21-28

At that time, Jesus went to the district of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and cried, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely possessed by a demon." But He did not answer her one word. And His disciples came and begged Him, saying, "Send her away, for she is crying after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before Him, saying, "Lord, help me." And He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their master's table." Then Jesus answered her, "O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire." And her daughter was healed instantly.

HYMN TO THE THEOTOKOS for the Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord

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 unoriginated Father, the first-born Son of the unwedded Mother!

Communion Hymns

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. Alleluia! (*Ps 115/116:13*)

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 the blessing of the food at Coffee Hour to eat and socialize.**

CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

Birthdays

2/7 Stan Friesen
2/11 Nora Schumacher

Patronal Feast Days

2/10	St. Anna of Novgorod	Anya Madrigal
2/11	St. Theodora the Empress	Sydney Hedges

CONSIDER COMING FOR SOME WEEKDAY SPIRITUAL REFRESHMENT!

Mondays/Wednesdays/Fridays	6:45 --7:30 a.m.	Daily Matins
Tuesdays/Thursdays	5:30—6:00 p.m.	Daily Vespers
Wednesdays	8:30—9:30 a.m.	Divine Liturgy

Matins and Vespers provide the “bread and butter” of Orthodox liturgical life: Trisagion Prayers, Psalms, hymns about the Resurrection and Crucifixion, beautiful poetry that teaches us about the saints being commemorated on that day, prayers for peace, health, salvation, our leaders, and prayers for the living and those who have departed this earthly life.

As we begin the new year, consider making a commitment to attend one of the daily services offered by the Church for our spiritual nourishment.

Consult the parish website calendar for the schedule of services.



**Join us for a
Pre-Lenten Seminar**

“The Crucifixion of the King of Glory”

A deep dive into the Crucifixion of Christ
from a historical, medical, legal, and patristic perspective

Presvytera/Dr. Jeannie Constantinou, Presenter

Based on her new book, due out in March of 2022

Saturday, February 26, 2022

10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

(Soul Liturgy 8:30 a.m. followed by Coffee & Refreshments)

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Catch Dr. Jeannie on her live podcast — “Search the Scriptures”
on Ancient Faith Radio on Mondays at 5:00 p.m.

All of the shows are archived on Ancient Faith:
<https://www.ancientfaith.com/podcasts/searchthescryptureslive>

More about Dr. Jeannie: <https://www.drjeannie.com/about>





PARISH COUNCIL CORNER

Warming Kitchen Update

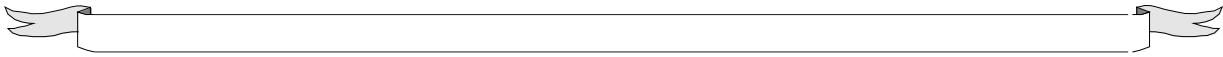
The county has issued our permits. Due to annual cost increases and increases due to supply demand, the cost for the kitchen will be more than originally planned. Thankfully, we have golf tournament money earmarked for the kitchen and money saved in our regular building fund that will cover the extra cost. BDS Construction (Brian Sieck) will be the General Contractor. Thank you to Dn. Scott for his work on this project and for serving as the Owner's (SAOC) Representative during construction. We HOPE to have the kitchen completed by Pascha barring any unforeseen delays.

Unauthorized Parking in our Church Lot

The church parking lot serves as a night-time parking place for a family through the Safe Parking program. Recently there have been several unauthorized vehicles parked overnight - and some 24 hours/day. SAOC will be using a local towing company to tow unauthorized vehicles. The company will place signs on the premises to help prevent unauthorized parking and tow when necessary. We will monitor the lot for the first two weeks of the towing program and ask the sheriff to patrol our property more frequently during this time.

Security Plan

A committee consisting of Fr. Symeon, Valerie Yova, Robert Rachhaus and Dominic Dopico has been assessing the security needs of SAOC. The PC approved the purchase of an alarm system, which will be installed in the next several months. The committee will continue to evaluate security needs and monitor the new system.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fr. Symeon will be gone this coming week Monday-Thursday at the Diocesan Clergy Retreat.

THERE ARE LOTS OF NEW PHOTOS on the parish website from the retirement festivities!
<https://www.stathanasius.org/media/photo-gallery/>

BLESSING OF HOMES with the Water of Theophany!

In this season it is customary to invite a priest to bless your home and your family. To partake in this blessing, please speak to any of our priests to schedule a time for him to bless your home.

METROPOLITAN JOSEPH will be with us next Sunday, February 13th. We will have a special reception for him that day after the Divine Liturgy. Please consider coming a few minutes early for Matins so that we can welcome him upon his entrance into the church.

AS PART OF OUR SUPPORT OF MISSIONS, our parish makes a monthly contribution to the OCMC "Support a Mission Priest" program every year. This year we are supporting both Fr. Francis Kiriri in Kenya, as well as Fr. Nicholas Andruchow at St. Innocent Orphanage in Tijuana. We also send monthly support for the Hoppe family, who are serving in Albania. These donations are line items in our general operating budget, and so when you tithe to the church, you are helping us to support missions. Please consider keeping these Orthodox missionaries in your prayers. (OCMC stands for Orthodox Christian Mission Center. Their headquarters are in St. Augustine, Florida. www.ocmc.org)

**SANTA BARBARA POINT-IN-TIME COUNT
of those living without shelter or in transitional housing**

Santa Barbara County is looking for volunteers to assist with a census of those experiencing homelessness. The 2022 Count will take place on Wednesday, February 23rd between 5:30 - 8:30 a.m. For more information or if you are interesting in volunteering, go to: <https://countyofsb.pointintime.info/>

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. Markos
Fr. Jon 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.
Monsignor J. Yanek
Bob N.
Kh. Melissa H.
Cole K. (military)
Jeremiah H. (Airforce Academy)
Lauren & Fernando J. (military)
Chase K. (military)

Nick & Kristine J. (military)
Connor V. (military)
Steve T.
Bev R.
Phyllis M.
Scott L.
Abp. Benjamin
Kris F.
Temmo K.
Sarah B.
Coleman Family (Lori, Abby, Matt)
Jerry J.
Chuck S.
Mat. Trudi & Richter Family
Linda Gish & Family
Kevin F.
Debbie S.
Steve H.
David L.

Joanne R.
James A.
Dn. John & Fay Y.
Zachary B.
Samantha & Chris N. & Family
Lander and Washburn Families

The Ethiopian Orthodox Church
The Church & people in Lebanon
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: Larissa F., Liz. P., Archpriest Nicholas N. ,Tom W., Fr. Thomas L

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.
