

St. Athanasius Antiochian Orthodox Church

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DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

July 2, 2023
Tone 3 / Eothinon 4
The placing of the Theotokos' Robe in Blachernae
& Fourth Sunday of Matthew

Juvenaly, Archbishop of Jerusalem; The New-martyrs of Samothrace; Archbishop John Maximovitch of Shanghai and San Francisco





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 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 Religious Education Classes are in recess for the summer. We will resume in the fall.

Sunday, July 2

9:00 a.m. Matins 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 11:45 a.m. Agape Meal

Monday, July 3

7:00 a.m. Daily Matins

7:45 a.m. St. Xenia Prayer Ministry by Zoom

(Akathist for St. Nikoforos)

Tuesday, July 4 — Independence Day

NO VESPERS

Wednesday, July 5

7:00 a.m. Daily Matins

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

Thursday, July 6

7:45 a.m. St. Xenia Prayer Ministry by Zoom 10:00 a.m. Showers of Blessing 5:30 p.m. Reader's Vespers 6:00 p.m. Youth Group

Friday, July 7

7:00 a.m. Daily Matins

Saturday, July 8

5:30 p.m. Great Vespers/Confessions

Sunday, July 9

9:00 a.m. Matins

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 11:45 a.m. Agape Meal

SUNDAY MORNING MINISTRIES SCHEDULE

EUCHARIST BREAD

July 2	Morrison
July 9	Kern
July 16	Meyer
July 23	Dn. G. Brau

READERS

July 2	Kern
July 9	Meyer
July 15	Alexander (Vespers)
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July 16 Gish July 23 Butler

GREETERS

July 2	D. Washburn/D. Lewis	
July 9	H. Lange	
July 16	P. Cocores/M. Loulias	
July 23	L. Baker	

USHERS

July 2	P. King/J. King
July 9	D. Meyer/K. P. King
July 16	S. Speier/C. Speier
July 23	M. Loulias/D. Alexander

AGAPE MEAL HOSTS

July 2	Team Baker
July 9	Team Lander
July 16	Team Kawahara
July 23	Team Hoppe

THURSDAY SHOWERS OF BLESSING

HOSPITALITY TEAM

July 6 D. Alexander/J. Jones

July 13 L. Ballew July 20 M. Loulias July 27 F. Young

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

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 3

Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad, for the Lord hath done a mighty act with His own arm. He hath trampled down death by death and become the first born from the dead. He hath delivered us from the depths of Hades, granting the world the great mercy.

Troparion for the Placing of the Robe of the Theotokos

Tone 8

Ever-<u>Virgin Theotokos</u>, protectress of mankind, you have <u>given</u> your <u>people</u> a <u>powerful legacy</u>: the robe and <u>sash</u> of your most <u>hon</u>ored body, which remained incorrupt thoughout your seed

which remained incorrupt thoughout your seedless childbearing;

for through you time and nature are renewed!//

Therefore we implore you: "Grant peace to your people and to our souls great mercy!"

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 the Placing of the Robe of the Theotokos

Tone 4

O Pure One, full of the grace of God, you have given your sacred robe as a garment of incorruption to all the faithful, with it you covered your holy body,
O divine protection of all mankind.
We celebrate its enshrinement in Blachernae with love and we cry aloud with awe://
"Rejoice, O Virgin, boast of Christians."

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

Tone 3

Sing praises to our God, sing praises. Sing praises to our King, sing praises. (Ps 46/47:6)

Verse: Clap your hands all you peoples! Shout to God with a voice of joy! (Ps 46/47:1)

THE EPISTLE READING Hebrews. (9:1-7)

Brethren, even the first covenant had regulations for worship and an earthly sanctuary. For a tent was prepared, the outer one, in which were the lamp stand and the table and the bread of the Presence; it is called the Holy Place. Behind the second curtain stood a tent called the Holy of Holies, having the golden altar of incense and the ark of the covenant covered on all sides with gold, which contained a golden urn holding the manna, and Aaron's rod that budded, and the tables of the covenant; above it were the cherubim of glory overshadowing the mercy seat. Of these things we cannot now speak in detail. These preparations having thus been made, the priests go continually into the outer tent, performing their ritual duties; but into the second only the high priest goes, and he but once a year, and not without taking blood which he offers for himself and for the errors of the people.

Preparatory Psalm Verses with Alleluia Refrain Before the Gospel Tone 3

Chanter: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! **People:** Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Verse: In Thee, O Lord, I have hoped; let me never be ashamed. (Ps. 30/31:1)

Verse: Be unto me a God and protector, and a house of refuge to save me. (Ps 30/31:2)

GOSPEL READING

Matthew. (8:5-13)

At that time, as Jesus entered Capernaum, a centurion came forward to him, beseeching Him and saying, "Lord, my servant is lying paralyzed at home, in terrible distress." And Jesus said to him, "I will come and heal him." But the centurion answered Him, "Lord, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof; but only say the word, and my servant will be healed. For I am a man under authority, with soldiers under me; and I say to one, 'Go,' and he goes, and to another, 'Come,' and he comes, and to my slave, 'Do this,' and he does it." When Jesus heard him, He marveled, and said to those who followed him, "Truly, I say to you, not even in Israel have I found such faith. I tell you, many will come from east and west and sit at table with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the Kingdom of Heaven, while the sons of the kingdom will be thrown into the outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash their teeth." And to the centurion Jesus said, "Go; be it done for you as you have believed." And the servant was healed at that very moment.

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) Alleluia, Alleluia!

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 <u>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.</u>

UPCOMING FEAST DAY SERVICES

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

Saturday/Sunday August 5-6 Regular weekend service times

THE DORMITION OF THE THEOTOKOS

Monday, August 14 5:00 p.m. Festal Vespers/Artoklasia

6:00 p.m. Festal Liturgy

The Dormition Fast is from August 1-15.
We will pray the Little Paraklesis at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays during the Dormition Fast.

Please continue to pray for all of our catechumens, that their minds and hearts will be illumined as they continue their journey towards baptism and/or chrismation.

Rebecca Beech
Paul Carr
Kevin Duke
Adam English
Anthony Salcedo, Ethan, Dominic and Jennifer
Marleynna Worthington

CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

** Birthdays * 7/5 * 7/7 * 7/8 Beau Brunner Ekaterina Nikolov Atalya Wayne

Patronal Feast Days 6/29 St. Paul Paulo Carralejo (LEFT OFF LAST WEEK) John Butler, Niko Halsell

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Saints Priscilla & Aquila Julie Gross











SUMMER SCHOOL WEEK TWO



ANNOUNCEMENTS

FR. SYMEON and his family will be away on vacation from July 5-17. Please pray for their safe travels. If you have an emergency and need a priest, please call Fr. Nicholas Speier or Fr. John Finley.

CLOTHING COLLECTION for THE SHOWERS OF BLESSING BLUE JEANS IN THE FOLLOWING SIZES ARE STILL NEEDED:

34x32—3 needed	42x30—2 needed	
42x32—2 needed	42x34—2 needed	33x30—1 needed
33x32—1 needed	33x34—1 needed	

Donated JEANS should be dropped off outside the church office. See the sign-up list here: https://bit.ly/PantsForShowersofBlessing

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PARISH COUNCIL CORNER

- 1. Timmy Palmer, with the summer school kids, is constructing a Gaga ball court in the field for the children.
- 2. We are looking into solutions to improve the safety of our parking area throughout the week.
- 3. The earwig bug problem on the patio is being addressed asap.

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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

Mother Victoria Met. Paul & Abp. John

Fr. Markos Fr. Jon B.

Fr. John & Kh. Diane C.

Audrey 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.

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. Abp. Benjamin Temmo K. Sarah B. Chuck S.

Dn. John & Fay Y. Zachary B.

Samantha & Chris N. & Family Lander and Washburn Families

Kevin D. & Family Stephan & Rosa K.

David Evonne C. Phyllis M. Judy A. Mark K. Todd C. Ethan K.

Mari & the Fewell Family Matt & Tessa, Matt & Olivia

Jesús D. Erik L. Matthew Nina & Erik Sr. Anthony & Christina and Family

Hannah Rose

Kh. Patricia A. and Family

Leticia B. Kari H. Carol J. Suzi W.

Fr. John & Kh. Jannie F. (traveling)

The Ethiopian Orthodox Church

The Church & people suffering from the earthquake in Syria and Turkey

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.

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For repose of the souls of: Fr.Alexander V.

*********************************** 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 ti-* tle. Children's books are on the bottom shelf. See Terri Speier if you are looking for jew-***** elry such as a cross or chain. Payment should be made at time of purchase and placed in 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. *********************************

THE HOWARD SHANNON Golf Fournament



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