



ST. ATHANASIUS ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

July 23, 2023

Tone 6 / Eothinon 7;

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
& Seventh Sunday of Matthew

Hieromartyr Phocas, Bishop of Sinope;

Hieromartyrs Apollinaris and Vitalis, Bishops of Ravenna;

Martyr Apollonius of Rome; Holy Prophet Ezekiel



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.

Fr. Symeon will be at the Archdiocese Convention from July 24-28 and with our mission team in Mexico from August 1-7.

Sunday, July 23

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

Monday, July 24

7:00 a.m. Daily Matins
7:45 a.m. St. Xenia Prayer Ministry by Zoom
(Akathist for St. Nikoforos)

Tuesday, July 25

5:30 p.m. Reader's Vespers

Wednesday, July 26

7:00 a.m. Daily Matins
12:00 p.m. St. Xenia Prayer Ministry

Thursday, July 27

7:45 a.m. St. Xenia Prayer Ministry by Zoom
10:00 a.m. Showers of Blessing
5:30 p.m. Readers Vespers
6:00 p.m. Youth Group
6:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Friday, July 28

7:00 a.m. Daily Matins

Saturday, July 29

5:30 p.m. Great Vespers/Confessions

Sunday, July 30

9:00 a.m. Matins
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
Braun & Palmer baptisms
11:45 a.m. Agape Meal
12:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

SUNDAY MORNING MINISTRIES SCHEDULE

EUCCHARIST BREAD

July 23 Dn. G. Braun
July 30 Jacobs
August 6 Washburn
August 13 Dillon
August 14 Kern (Feast of Dormition)

READERS

July 23 Butler
July 30 Lange
August 5 Kern
August 6 Gish
August 13 Meyer
August 14 Butler (Feast of Dormition)

GREETERS

July 23 L. Baker
July 30 K.P. King
August 6 D. Washburn
August 13 P. Cocomes/M. Loulias

USHERS

July 23 M. Loulias/D. Alexander
July 30 D. Washburn/D. Meyer
August 6 P. King/J. King
August 13 S. Speier/C. Speier

AGAPE MEAL HOSTS

July 23 Team Hoppe
July 30 Team Speier
August 6 Team Worthington
August 13 Team Palmer

THURSDAY SHOWERS OF BLESSING HOSPITALITY TEAM

July 27 M. Loulias
Aug. 3 D. Alexander/J. Jones
Aug. 10 F. Young
Aug. 17 L. Ballew

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 6

When Mary stood at Thy grave looking for Thy sacred body,
angelic pow'rs shone above Thy revered tomb,
and the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men.
Thou led Hades captive and wast not tempted there-by,
Thou did meet the Virgin and didst give life to the world.
O Thou Who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to Thee.

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 - Ordinary Sundays

Tone 4

O undisputed intercessor of Christians,
O mediatrix, who is 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 always intercede for those who honor thee.

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 (Prokeimenon)

Tone 6

O Lord save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance. (*PS 27/28:9*)

Verse: *To Thee will I cry, O Lord, O my God,
do not be silent unto me. (PS 27/28:1)*

THE EPISTLE READING

Romans (15:1-7)

Brethren, we who are strong ought to bear with the failings of the weak, and not to please ourselves; let each of us please his neighbor for his good, to edify him. For Christ did not please himself; but, as it is written, "The reproaches of those who reproached thee fell on me." For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures, we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome one another, therefore, as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.

Alleluia Refrain and Psalm verses before the Gospel

Tone 6

Chanter: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

People: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Vs. 1 He Who dwelleth in the help of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the protection of the God of Heaven. (*Ps 90/91:1*)

Vs. 2 He will say to the Lord, Thou art my protector and my refuge, my God, in Him will I hope. (*Ps 90/91:2*)

GOSPEL READING

Matthew (9:27-35)

At that time, as Jesus passed on from there, two blind men followed him, crying aloud: "Have mercy on us, Son of David." When He entered the house, the blind men came to Him; and Jesus said to them, "Do you believe that I am able to do this?" They said to Him, "Yes, Lord." Then He touched their eyes, saying, "According to your faith be it done to you." And their eyes were opened. And Jesus sternly charged them, "See that no one knows it." But they went away and spread His fame through all that district. As they were going away, behold, a dumb demoniac was brought to Him. And when the demon had been cast out, the dumb man spoke; and the crowds marveled, saying, "Never was anything like this seen in Israel." But the Pharisees said, "He casts out demons by the prince of demons." And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every disease and every infirmity.

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, 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 **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.**

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/Lamentations
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
Marleyinna Worthington

FINANCIAL UPDATE June 2023

	<u>Actual Income</u>	<u>Budget Goal</u>
Tithes received in June	\$ 48,655	\$ 57,461 (includes \$20,555 for mortgage)
Tithes received Jan.-June	\$306,203	\$344,766 (includes \$123,330 for mortgage)
June Temple donations	\$ 113,252	
Jan.-June Temple donations	\$ 151,257	
Temple Fund Balance	\$ 530,000	
Total expenses Jan- June		\$373,151 (\$12,400 under budget)
Total income Jan.- June		<u>353,197</u>
DEFICIT for first 6 months		\$ 19,954

58 out of 127 households contributed in June.

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**THE HOWARD SHANNON
GOLF TOURNAMENT**



September 15

GOLF • DINNER • AUCTION

Day of Events

10AM REGISTRATION

Check in, grab lunch and buy some mulligans!
Entry into the putting contest is **Free!**

Sign up for other contests during registration
Hole in one, Closest to the pin, Longest Drive
Prizes for both Men & Women!

11:30AM PUTTING CONTEST

Qualify to win \$2500 before the tournament!
Qualifications end at 11:00!

12PM SHOTGUN START

Take a swing and play from the best ball!

5PM DINNER & AUCTION

Dinner, Music, Drinks and Silent Auction!

Sponsors & Tickets

All golfers receive Lunch, Dinner, & Entry into Putting Contest

PLEASE REGISTER BY Sept 1, 2023

CORPORATE SPONSOR: \$10,000

Full advertising throughout tournament, special recognition at the dinner, 4 golfers (includes dinner) and a reserved table for your 4 golfers and 6 additional dinner guests

DIAMOND SPONSOR: \$5,000

Advertisement at tournament, 4 golfers (includes dinner) & 4 additional dinner guests

PLATINUM SPONSOR: \$2,500

Advertising at tournament, 2 golfers (includes dinner) & 2 additional dinner guests

GOLD SPONSOR: \$1,000

Shared sponsorship at a hole
Includes 1 golfer & 1 additional dinner guest

SILVER SPONSOR: \$500

Shared sponsorship at a hole - Includes 2 dinner guests

FOURSOME: \$750

Includes lunch and dinner

SINGLE GOLFER: \$195

Includes lunch and dinner

DINNER ONLY: \$85

Dinner, auction, music & fun!

* Space is limited and will sell out! Golf is not confirmed until paid in full. No walk ups for golf or dinner will be available. 18 years and older only.

<https://www.stathanasius.org/events/2023-golf-tournament/>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fr. Symeon will be at the Archdiocese Convention from July 24-28 and with our mission team in Mexico from August 1-7.

THE ST. BARBARA MONASTERY FRIENDS will gather next Sunday, July 30th. The afternoon begins with a presentation by Deacon Benjamin Garcia, a seminarian from St. Tikhon Seminary in Pennsylvania. The presentation will be followed by Vespers and a potluck supper.

HELP WITH SUMMER VACATION for the boys at St. Innocent Orphanage
This summer the staff of St. Innocent Orphanage in Mexico is taking 19 of the boys on a family vacation. They are trying to raise \$7,400 for this purpose, and as of this past week, they were about a third of the way to funding the trip. (Our parish donates \$50 every month in support of the priest who lives at the orphanage.) If you would like to help with the summer vacation fund between now and August 7th, donations can be made towards accommodations, fuel, food and camping passes on the Project Mexico website at:

<https://www.projectmexico.org/donate> If you prefer to write a check, please make checks out to Project Mexico, put in the tithe box, and we will mail it.

CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

Wedding Anniversaries

7/27 Zach & Sarah Brasel

Birthdays:

7/26 Paulo Carralejo

7/29 Douglas Meyer

Patron Saint Feast Days

7/24 St. Christina

Kaya Christine Heiduk, Christie Robinson,
Christina Shackelford, Kristin King

7/25 St. Anna (Dormition)

Anna Grace Butler

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
Metropolitan SABA
Mother Victoria
Met. Paul & Abp. John
Fr. Markos
Fr. Jon B.
Fr. John & Kh. Diane C.
Fr. Nicholas & Jan
Audrey C.
Greg & Margaret Y.
Hoppe Family in Albania
Joseph Wm. B. in Kenya
Duane F.
Richard and Susan B.
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..
Dn. John & Fay Y.
Zachary B.
Samantha & Chris N. & Family
Kevin D. & Family
Stephan & Rosa K.
Ethan K.
Erik L.
Matthew
Nina & Erik Sr.
Anthony & Christina and Family
Hannah Rose
Leticia B.
Kari H.
Carol J.
Suzi W.
Wade V.
Adam and Family

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.

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 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. 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.

