

ST. ATHANASIUS ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

July 14 2024

Tone 2 / Eothinon 3 Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the Fourth Ecumenical Council

Apostle Aquila of the Seventy; Joseph the Confessor, Archbishop of Thessalonica



WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

We are glad you are with us this morning to join our worship of the Father, Son & Holy Spirit! Please join us on the patio after the Liturgy for the Agape Meal. 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

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

THE DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

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"

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 2

When Thou didst submit Thyself unto death,
O Thou deathless and immortal One,
then Thou didst destroy hell with Thy Godly power.
And when Thou didst raise the dead from beneath the earth,
all the powers of Heaven did cry aloud unto Thee:
O Christ, Thou giver of life, glory to Thee.

Troparion of the Holy Fathers

Tone 8

You are most glorious, O <u>Christ</u> our God! You have established the <u>Holy Fathers as lights</u> on the earth. Through them You have <u>guided</u> us to the <u>true Faith.</u>// O greatly compassionate One, glory to You!

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 8

Blessed are You, O Lord, God of our fathers, and praised and glorified is Your name forever.

Verse: For You are just in all that You have done for us.

EPISTLE READING Titus 3:8-15

Titus, my son, faithful is the saying, and concerning these things I desire you to affirm confidently, that those who have believed in God may be thoughtful of how to preside in honorable occupations. These things are good and profitable to men. But avoid foolish disputes, and genealogies, and contentions, and controversies about the Law; for they are unprofitable and vain. A man who is a heretic after the first and second admonition reject, knowing that such a one is subverted, and sins, being self-condemned. When I send Artemas to you, or Tychicós, give diligence to come to me to Nicopolis; for I have determined to winter there. Set forward Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their journey diligently, that they may be lacking in nothing. And let our people also learn how to preside in honorable occupations, so as to help in cases of urgent need, that they should not be unfruitful. All who are with me salute you. Salute those who love us in the faith. Grace be with you all. Amen.

Alleluia before the Gospel

Tone 2

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

v: May the Lord hear you in the day of trouble! May the name of the God of Jacob protect you! (Ps 19/20:1)

v: Save the King, O Lord, and hear us on the day we call! (Ps 19/20:9)

GOSPEL READING Matthew 5:14-19

The Lord said to His Disciples: "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hid. Nor do men light a lamp and put it under a bushel, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father Who is in heaven. Think not that I have come to abolish the law and the prophets; I have come not to abolish them, but to fulfill them. For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Whoever then relaxes one of the least of these commandments, and teaches men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but he who does them and teaches them shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven."

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) Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous; praise befits the just! (Ps 32/33:1) Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Holy Communion & The Thanksgiving Prayers

In the Orthodox Church, the Sacrament of Communion is offered only to Orthodox Christians who have humbly prepared to receive through prayer and a recent Sacramental Confession. Non-Orthodox people and those not communing today may approach during Communion for a priestly blessing by saying, "Father, bless." After this you may take a piece of anti-doron (blessed bread) offered in the bowls.

If you are interested in joining the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church, speak with our Pastor about how to become an Orthodox Christian.

At the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy, we offer **Thanksgiving Prayers** for having received the body and blood of Christ. These beautiful prayers help us to reflect on the mystery in which we have partaken and prepare us for our transition from the Kingdom back into "the world." If you have partaken, stay to listen to these prayers after you have venerated the cross. Immediately after, the priest will bless the Agape Meal. **We ask that all your socializing take place outside of the church.**

UPCOMING FEAST DAY SERVICES

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

Monday, August 5 5:30 p.m. Festal Matins

6:15 p.m. Festal Liturgy

THE DORMITION OF THE THEOTOKOS

Wednesday, August 14 5:30 p.m. Festal Vespers/Lamentations

6:30 p.m. Festal Liturgy

THE NATIVITY OF THE THEOTOKOS

Sat./Sun. Sept. 7-8 Regular weekend service times

THE FEAST OF THE ELEVATION OF THE CROSS

Saturday, September 14 9am Festal Matins/10am Festal Liturgy

The On. HOWARD SHANNON

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SAVE THE DATE

SEPTEMBER 13™ 2024

DINNER & AUCTION

GLEN ANNIE GOLF CLUB www.stathanasius.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE EXTEND OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY to the Chala and Gabrie Families on the repose of beloved Evonne Antonette Chala, especially to her daughters, Sonia, Veronica and Marta. Evonne was a dear friend and adopted Mom, Auntie & Grammy to many in our community, and she will be sorely missed. MAY HER MEMORY BE ETERNAL! Thank you to our clergy & choir, June Easbey and all who helped make Evonne's funeral and reception so beautiful and welcoming to our guests.

The family has requested that the St. Athanasius Temple Fund be the designated cause for which donations may be made in Evonne's memory.

CONGRATULATIONS AND MANY YEARS to Chandller Baker and Naomi Siragusa, who were united in Holy Matrimony last Sunday, July 7th. Many years, also, to their sponsors, Teri and Timmy Palmer. Chandler and Naomi just graduated this spring from Westmont College and both were received into the Orthodox Faith in 2023. Naomi served this past year as an Assistant in our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, and Chandler served in the choir and at the chant stand. They will be moving to Florida after their honeymoon to be near family and to determine the next steps in their educational and professional paths. We will miss their joyful presence and enthusiasm!



THE MONTHLY FELLOWSHIP OF ST. JOHN MEN'S FIRESIDE will take place TOMORROW, Monday, July 15th, at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Adam Carralejo.

Fr. Symeon will be away July 17-19 at an ordination, and July 22-26 at the Archdiocese Clergy Conference.

PLEASE NOTE: There will be no Wednesday evening Paraklesis or Akathist services for the next two weeks because Fr. Symeon will be away.

THIS SUMMER, WE WILL BE ASSEMBLING A NEW PHOTO DIRECTORY of all active parish members. If you have a family photo of high quality/resolution, taken within the past six months, please send it to Valerie at valerie@stathanasius.org. (Please, no selfies and no sunglasses.) If you would like to have a photo taken, Nataliya Tinyayeva will be available on several Sundays after the liturgy in the next few months. Watch for a link to a sign-up list to have her take your photo. Single adults and families without young children at home may choose to use their photo from our 2022 directory. If you don't remember what your photo looked like in the last directory, a link will be sent for you to view the directory online.

FROM METROPOLITAN SABA: https://www.antiochian.org/regulararticle/2071

"I am delighted to inform you that the first issue of **JOY MAGAZINE** for children has recently been released by our Archdiocese. The pages and sections of this Orthodox Christian magazine are designed to instill our faith in our children.

We chose the name "Joy" ("Farah" in Arabic) because the proclamation of our faith begins with joy: "For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord" (Luke 2:11); and it ends with joy, "And they worshiped Him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy" (Luke 24:52). We want joy for our children. After receiving the issue, some of you expressed great joy and what its pages brought to them."

TO READ MORE, OR TO SUBSCRIBE:

https://www.antiochian.org/dashboard?name=Joy%20Magazine

CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

Wedding Anniversaries

7/19 Fr. John & Kh. Jan Finley

Birthdays

- 7/14 Adam English
- 7/15 Adam Carralejo, Juliana Shackelford, Alicia Trujillo
- 7/16 Mary Denny
- 7/20 Tatianna Calhoun

Patronal Feast Days

7/17 St. Marina of Antioch Tatiana Calhoun, Margaret Easbey, Athena Wayne

7/18 St. Elizabeth the New Martyr Adrienne Macdonald, Jenny Speier

7/20 Prophet Elias/Elijah Elias Hedges

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

Abp. Benjamin Fr. Mathias in Tanzania (OCMC)

Fr. Jon B.

Fr. John & Kh. Diane C. Fr. Nicholas & Jan Fr. Turbo & St. Mary parish Fr. Paul and St. Moses parish

Greg & Margaret Y.

Hoppe Family in Albania (OCMC) Joseph Wm. B. in Kenya

Duane F.

Richard and Susan B.

Bob N.

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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. Temmo K. Sarah B..

Dn. John & Fay Y.

Samantha & Chris N. & Family

Wade

Amanda Catherine

Penny B. Kh. Peggy K.

Amanda, Chris & Baby James

Benny & Michelle M.

Chala Family Kh. Janet Henderson Stephanie Maly Nikolov Family Michael Audrey D.

Eric J. Jason T. Michael J.

Bruce Monica For the local agencies and their leaders who are working to fight human trafficking.

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.

OUR CATECHUMENS:

Karti Adimulam Kevin Duke Isaak Lau

Matthew, Ashley and Ryan McCauley

Brennan Pawley Logan Strait Ethan Salcedo Logan Strait

For repose of the souls of: Evonne C., Fr. James B.

********************************* ST. ATHANASIUS CHURCH BOOKSTORE

The church bookstore is located in the foyer of our building. The tables and two enclosed cabinets contain. 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. You can contact Terri at: bookstore@stathanasius.org.

**** Payment should be made at time of purchase and placed in the 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.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, July 14

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

Monday, July 15—ST. VLADIMIR

7:00 a.m. Daily Reader's Matins

4:45 p.m. St. Xenia Prayer Ministry by Zoom

7:00 p.m. Men's Fireside

Tuesday, July 16

5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers

Wednesday, July 17

7:00 a.m. Daily Reader's Matins

12:00 p.m. St. Xenia Prayer Ministry at the church

NO PARAKLESIS

Thursday, July 18

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

10:00 a.m. Showers of Blessing 5:30 p.m. Daily Vespers 6:00 p.m. Youth Group

Friday, July 19

7:00 a.m. Daily Matins (Fr. Symeon will be gone.)

Saturday, July 20—PROPHET ELIAS

5:30 p.m. Great Vespers/Confessions

Sunday, July 21

9:00 a.m. Matins

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 11:45 a.m. Agape Meal 12:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

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SUNDAY MORNING MINISTRIES SCHEDULE

EUCHARIST BREAD

July 14 Fr. Nicholas
July 21 Dn. G. Braun
July 28 Meyer
August 4 Morrison
August 5 Kern

READERS

July 13 Alexander (Vespers)

July 14 Lange
July 21 Gish
July 28 Meyer
August 4 Kern
August 5 Butler

GREETERS

July 14 H. Lange July 21 G. Hoppe July 28 K.P. King August 4 M. Loulias

USHERS

July 14
S. Speier/C. Speier
July 21
D. Washburn/D. Alexander
July 28
August 4
M. Loulias/K.L. King
P. King/J. King

AGAPE MEAL HOSTS

July 14 Team Worthington
July 21 Team Loulias/Cocores
July 28 Team Wayne

August 4 Team Lander