



SAINT BARBARA GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

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We welcome you to Saint Barbara Greek Orthodox Church and are blessed that you have come to our worship service. We hope that this worship experience is both enlightening and inspirational. Each Sunday is the day in which we commemorate the Resurrection of our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ. The Christian Orthodox Church is the Church of the Resurrection and we rejoice in the Lord's triumph over death.

If you are a visitor to our Parish we encourage you to follow the Divine Liturgy book to assist you in following the Liturgy. While we are joyful that you have come to join us in worship, we must let you know that the sacraments are reserved for those who are Baptized and Chrismated in the Orthodox Faith. Though we may share a common belief in the Holy Trinity, not all churches are one in faith and practice. We believe that Holy Communion is not the means to Christian unity but it is in fact the fullest expression of that unity. We fervently pray for this unity in every divine service of the Orthodox Church. While visitors from other faiths are not able to receive Holy Communion today, we welcome all to receive the blessed bread that is distributed by the Priest at the end of the service. Feel free to contact Fr. Haralambos, if you desire to learn more about the Orthodox Church, the Church of the New Testament.

We would like to remind all Orthodox Christians to be spiritually prepared and in proper canonical standing with the Church in order to partake of the Holy Eucharist.

FEASTS CELEBRATED TODAY

On this, the 18th day of June, Second Sunday of Matthew, we commemorate:

Leontius, Hypatius, & Theodulus the Martyrs of Syria

Leontios the Myrrh-Streamer of Argos

Aitherios the Martyr of Nicomedia

By their holy intercessions, Christ our God, have mercy on us. Amen.

SUNDAY, JUNE 18, 2017
Second Sunday of Matthew

Hymn for the Resurrection (First Tone)

Savior, Your tomb was sealed by the Jews with a stone. Soldiers kept watch over Your sacred body. Yet, You rose on the third day, giving life to the world. Wherefore the powers of heaven cried out to You, O Giver of Life, "Glory to Your Resurrection, O Christ; glory to Your Kingdom, glory to Your dispensation who alone are the Loving One."

Hymn for Saint Barbara

Let us honor Saint Barbara; for the all-modest one prevailed over the snares of the enemy, and was freed from them as a sparrow, with the Cross as aid and weapon.

Seasonal Hymn

Champion of Christians not put to shame, advocate before the Maker always steadfast, do not spurn sinners' voices raised in prayer. In your goodness respond to bring help to us who devoutly petition you. Hasten your intercession and urgently make entreaty; for you unfailingly defend, Theotokos, those who honor you.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Sunday, June 18—Second Sunday of Matthew

❖ **Orthros, 8am; Divine Liturgy, 9am**

Father's Day

Thursday, June 15

❖ **Bible Study, 1pm, Redding Center**

Saturday, June 24—Nativity of the Forerunner

John the Baptism

❖ **Orthros, 8am; Divine Liturgy, 9am**

Sunday, June 25—Second Sunday of Matthew

❖ **Orthros, 8am; Divine Liturgy, 9am**

THIS WEEK'S SERVERS

Epistle Readers:	Greek: Alex Trigonis English: Ruth Angelos
Acolytes:	Connor Blake, Theophanis Fox, Cainan Iorio, Jacob Kaminsky, Alex Nikolov, Zachary Nikolov
Prosfora:	Alexandra Trigonis
Ushers:	Paul Tziouvaras & Brian Iorio
Coffee Hour:	William Poulis & Hroundas Family <i>In Honor of Father's Day</i>

Epistle Notes: Even as believing Christians, we must not take the outcome of God's final judgment for granted. In every Divine Liturgy Orthodox Christians pray, "For a good defense before the dread Judgment Seat of Christ, let us pray to the Lord: Lord have mercy." Romans 2:2-16 describes God's righteous judgment, showing how we can prepare ourselves for it.

EPISTLE READING

Romans 2:10-15

BRETHREN, glory and honor and peace for every one who does good, the Jew first and also the Greek. For God shows no partiality. All who have sinned without the law will also perish without the law, and all who have sinned under the law will be judged by the law. For it is not the hearers of the law who are righteous before God, but the doers of the law who will be justified. When Gentiles who have not the law do by nature what the law requires, they are a law to themselves, even though they do not have the law. They show that what the law requires is written on their hearts, while their conscience also bears witness and their conflicting thoughts accuse or perhaps excuse them on that day when, according to my gospel, God judges the secrets of men by Christ Jesus.

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 4:18-23

At that time, as Jesus walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon who is called Peter and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." Immediately they left their nets and followed him. And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left their boat and their father, and followed him. And he went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every infirmity among the people.

"Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men."

- Matthew 4:19

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Come Worship With Us



NEW LITURGY TIMES !

Please note that our Sunday Liturgy times are:

Orthros, 8:00 am; Liturgy, 9:00 am

THE PRIEST IS "IN"

Although the parish office hours are from 10am-2pm,
Fr. Bob is ALWAYS available at
818-536-9122 (cell)



WE NEED YOU IN THE PARISH DIRECTORY!

Be included in the Church Directory by signing up today in the Orthodox Center, or by going to the Church website at www.saintbarbara.net and clicking on the "Photography Scheduling" link. Every family photographed will receive a complimentary Directory and an 8"x10" portrait. There is no obligation to purchase other portraits, however, they will be made available to you.

Also included in the Directory will be a section dedicated to advertising local businesses, services and personal messages. Purchased space may include memorials, commemorations, dedications, congratulatory or other personal messages. Each page in this section will be divided into eight business card-size ads (3.5" x 2"), available for \$100; full, half and/or quarter page ads will also be available for purchase. The deadline for returning your camera-ready ad and payment is July 1, 2017.

Be sure to take advantage of this opportunity to include your ad in the Directory and to assist with costs of production.

SANTA BARBARA'S
ANNUAL
GREEK FESTIVAL



Please join us at the next Festival Meeting!

Tuesday, June 20 @ 6:30 PM

**... watch your mailbox ... raffle tickets were
mailed to you on Friday!**

FESTIVAL BAKING

Please join us as we make delicious pastries for the Greek Festival!

BAKING DATES: Saturday July 8
 Friday July 21
 Saturday July 22



To find out how you can help, please contact

ST. ATHANASIUS SUMMER SCHOOL!

St. Athanasius Orthodox Church
2017 Summer School
June 19-July 6

Registration forms are available on the church website
<https://www.stathanasius.org/ministries/youth-education/summer-school/>

BIBLE STUDY ... NEW START TIME!

Please note that our Thursday afternoon Bible Study sessions will begin at 1pm effective Thursday, June 22.

Happy Father's Day

We cannot speak about fathers without also speaking of our Heavenly Father, Who loves us so much that “He gave His only begotten Son.” (John 3:16) His Son, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, then established His Church as “His Body” (Ephesians 1:23) to be the Ark of our salvation. We were baptized into His Body becoming one with the Lord who gave us “the right to become children of God.” (John 1:12) Our real, albeit mystical, union with God is what leads us to understand, or at least appreciate, the connection between family, church and heaven. When one is united to our Heavenly Father, one cannot help but discuss every aspect of life from the perspective of union with Him, whether fathers and their families are grilling in the back yard or receiving the Eucharist in Church on Sunday.

—*Rev. Fr. Athanasios Haros*

