



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 19th day of August, Twelfth Sunday of Matthew, we celebrate:

Andrew the General & Martyr & his 2,593 soldiers

Holy Martyrs Timothy, Agapius and Thecla

Theophanes the New Wonderworker of Macedonia

Afterfeast of the Dormition of our Most Holy Lady the Theotokos and

Ever Virgin Mary

Eutychianos and Strategios the Martyrs

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

SUNDAY, AUGUST 19, 2018
TWELFTH SUNDAY OF MATTHEW

Apolytikion for the Resurrection (Third Tone)

Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad, for the Lord, by His Mighty Arm, has created a Dominion. He has conquered death by death, and become the firstborn of the dead. He has delivered us from the depths of Hades, and has granted the world great mercy.

Apolytikion for the Dormition

In birth, you preserved your virginity; in death, you did not abandon the world, O Theotokos. As mother of life, you departed to the source of life, delivering our souls from death by your intercessions.

Apolytikion 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 Kontakion

Neither the grave nor death could contain the Theotokos, the unshakable hope, ever vigilant in intercession and protection. As Mother of life, He who dwelt in the ever-virginal womb transposed her to life.



THIS WEEK'S SERVERS

Epistle Readers: Greek: Alex Trigonis
English: Randy Langel

Acolytes: Theophanis Fox, Jacob Kaminsky,
Xander Kolendrianos, Jacob Kourakis,
Alex Nikolov, Zachary Nikolov

Ushers: William Poulis & Pete Stathopoulos

Prosforo: Andriana Hohlbauch

Coffee Hour: Nick and Helen Ioannidis
Family Memorial

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, AUGUST 19—Twelfth Sunday of Matthew

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

Memorial—Ioannidis Family

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26—Thirteenth Sunday of Matthew

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

*Memorials—Lefteris Kallonas (10 years) & Adelphi Theophano (7 years)
“Bagels and Baklava”*

Epistle Notes: Paul delivered an apostolic tradition of Christ's Resurrection, which is unchanging and sufficient for salvation. How had Paul received his gospel? By direct experience with the risen Lord, confirmed by his interactions with the original Apostles and the whole Church. It is impossible to decipher what he learned where; in Paul's mind, his gospel forms a seamless whole. “To receive” designates the passing on of tradition.

EPISTLE READING

I Corinthians 15:I-II

Brethren, I would remind you in what terms I preached to you the gospel, which you received, in which you stand, by which you are saved, if you hold it fast—unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brethren at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God which is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 19:16-26

At that time, a young man came up to Jesus, kneeling and saying, "Good Teacher, what good deed must I do, to have eternal life?" And he said to him, "Why do you call me good? One there is who is good. If you would enter life, keep the commandments." He said to him, "Which?" And Jesus said, "You shall not kill, You shall not commit adultery, You shall not steal, You shall not bear false witness, Honor your father and mother, and You shall love your neighbor as yourself." The young man said to him, "All these I have observed; what do I still lack?" Jesus said to him, "If you would be perfect, go, sell what you possess and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." When the young man heard this he went away sorrowful; for he had great possessions.

And Jesus said to his disciples, "Truly, I say to you, it will be hard for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven. Again I tell you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." When the disciples heard this they were greatly astonished, saying, "Who then can be saved?" But Jesus looked at them and said to them, "With men this is impossible, but with God all things are possible."

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all things are possible."*

- Matthew 19:26

Memorial Today

IOANNIDIS FAMILY

~ May Their Memory Be Eternal ~



— *Kick Off the New Ecclesiastical Year* —

SUNDAY | SEPTEMBER 9
“HOMECOMING”

On Sunday, September 9th, immediately following Liturgy we'll celebrate homecoming in our courtyard. Live 🎵 music, dance performance by our youth dance group, and performance by our junior choir. In addition, representatives of our many ministries will be on hand to inform you and pass on information about how you can be part of the ministries they lead.

*Join in and continue to be part of
the Parish Family!*

This will all be followed by complimentary celebration luncheon. Hopefully you'll find another ministry to share your talents. Please make every attempt to be part of this celebration. See you there!

Fun!

music!

FOOD!

DANCING!



**NOTE: Beginning Sunday, Sept. 9, Orthros begins at 9am
and Divine Liturgy begins at 10am.**



Bagels and Baklava

Sunday, August 26th | 11:30am-2:30pm
Saint Barbara Greek Orthodox Church

*Please join us as we get to know our neighbors at
Congregation B'nai B'rith (the Jewish synagogue down
the street)—through fun, socializing, food and culture!*

We will enjoy a bi-cultural buffet, followed by a
short presentation by Fr. Bob and Rabbi Steve Cohen
on wedding traditions in the Orthodox and Jewish faiths.

And then the dancing begins!



Please RSVP at
tinyurl.com/BagelsBak



The Directories have arrived!

If you and/or your family posed for a photo or submitted one for inclusion in our new Directory, please stop by following this morning's service and pick up your copy!

AFTER FESTIVAL PASTRY SALE

Baklava 6-Packs will be available for sale at a reduced rate of \$15, and other pastries will also be available for sale (\$2/each) following this morning's service. Pick up one or two to eat or treat and/or to freeze!



THE PRIEST IS "IN"

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

service *Times*

Come Worship With Us



—through Labor Day—

Summer Sunday
Liturgy times:

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

Did you know....

METROPOLITAN

Our Bishop is referred to as “Metropolitan Gerasimos” - he is still a Bishop, but he has been given the title of “Metropolitan.” In the Ancient Church, when every church had a bishop, the head bishop of the largest city (“Metropolis”) was given this title. It refers to him being the “first among equals” of all of the bishops under him. Our Metropolitan doesn’t have any other bishops in other cities (although he does have one assistant Bishop). So then why is he a Metropolitan?

Originally – all of the bishops in America were auxiliary Bishops to the Archbishop of New York. That meant all paperwork for baptisms and weddings, and all ordinations, etc. were done through the Archdiocese. When the bishops were raised to “Metropolitans”, they were given the right to run their own dioceses. (Remember when we use to say “Bishop Anthony”, they all of a sudden he became “Metropolitan Anthony”? That’s why). Because of this administrative change, the “Diocese of San Francisco” also came to be properly known as the “Metropolis of San Francisco.”

