

Saint Barbara Greek Orthodox Church

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October 2nd, 2016

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 2nd day of October, we commemorate:

2nd Sunday of Luke The Holy Hieromartyr Cyprian and the Virgin Martyr Justina Theophilus the Confessor

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

Sunday, October 2nd, 2016 The Second Sunday of Luke

Hymn for the Resurrection (Sixth Tone)

O Christ, the angelic powers appeared at Your tomb, the guards were as dead, and Mary stood by the grave, seeking Your sacred body. You destroyed Hades, yet remained untouched by it. You encountered the Virgin and, through her, bestowed Life. "Glory to You who have risen from the dead!"

Hymn for Saint Barbara (Fourth Tone)

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 (Second Tone)

Champion of Christians not put to shame, advocate before the Maker always steadfast, do not spurn sinners' voices raised in prayer. 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 Servers

Greek: George Papzacharioudakis English: Theophilos Lasswell Epistle Readers:

Acolytes:

Connor Blake, Theophanis Fox, Cainan Iorio, Jacob Kaminsky, Alex Nikolov, Zachary Nikolov

Prosfora: Angelique Chuchas

Ushers: William Poulis, Brian Iorio

Coffee Hour: Afrula Fields

Flowers: Vivi & Paul Tziouvaras

In honor of Andriana Tziouvaras' Birthday

This Week's Schedule

Sunday, October 2nd - 2nd Sunday of Luke Orthros, 9 am; Divine Liturgy, 10 am

Sunday, October 9th - 3rd Sunday of Luke

- Orthros, 9 am; Divine Liturgy, 10 am
- Youth Choir Rehearsal during Sunday School

Epístle Reading - St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 4:6-15

BRETHREN, it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.

But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, to show that the transcendent power belongs to God and not to us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies. For while we live we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be manifested in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you.

Since we have the same spirit of faith as he had who wrote, "I believed, and so I spoke," we too believed, and so we speak, knowing that He who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into His presence. For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.



Gospel Reading - Luke 6:31-36

The Lord said, "And as you wish that men would do to you, do so to them. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the selfish. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful."

Father Haralambos Out of the Office

On Tuesday, September 13th, Father Bob went in for minor surgery and is now recovering well. He will be taking the rest of September and part of October off for his recovery, so there will be no services for weekday observances during that time. Sunday services will, however, be covered by substitute priests until Father Bob returns on Sunday, October 9, 2016.

Remember...

While Fr. BoB is away, if you have a pastoral emergency, please call Fr. Nicholas at St. Athanasius, (805) 685-5400

THANK YOU, FR. JON-STEPHEN!

We would like to welcome back Fr. Jon-Stephen Hedges to St. Barbara's, from St. Athanasius and thank him for serving the Divine Liturgy during Fr. Bob's absence.

AHEPA Event Cancelled

The October 8th AHEPA Glendi Event has been cancelled due to lack of interest. Please contact Jim Arger for more details.

<u>Coffee Hour</u>

Special thanks to those who have sponsored our Coffee Hour. If you are interested in sponsoring a please sign up in the Church Hall. If you have any comments, questions, or concerns please contact Kiki Dyer at 805-432-9285.

HAVE FUN AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE: PRESENTING CALM



TODAY from 12:00-1:00, we welcome Lori Goodman, Development Director of our Signature Charity: Child Abuse Listening Mediation (**CALM**) in the Orthodox Center. **Please Join Us To:**

- *Learn how CALM prevents abuse
- *Learn how you can prevent/address abuse
- *Hear about state-of-the-art techniques used to heal victimized children
- *Discover how you can help CALM families
- *Sign up for a CALM facility site tour Everyone is encouraged to attend, you'll be glad you did!



Opera on the Sea



Featuring Opera Singers

Jamie Chamberlin & Nathan Granner



1 Afternoon Only Sunday October 23, 3pm Dinner, Wine and Champagne

Climb aboard the vessel Relationship for an enchanting operatic concert while meandering down the Santa Barbara coastline. Acclaimed Opera singers Jamie Chamberlin (soprano) and Nathan Granner (Tenor) will perform a very special evening of duets, bringing us their immense talents – some of their credits include appearances with the LA, Chicago, Kansas City and St. Louis Operas, as well as the LA Philharmonic and Pasadena symphony. If you missed Jamie's enchanting and spellbinding performance at our November concert, and especially if you experienced it, you'll want to be sure to get your tickets right away, as seating for this incredible event is extremely limited!

Embark at Accommodation Dock by SB Harbormaster's Office

Tickets - \$100 suggested donation, space limited to 50 guests (805) 683 4492 • www.saintbarbara.net

All proceeds will benefit Saint Barbara Greek Orthodox Church 1205 San Antonio Creek Road, Santa Barbara, CA

V.I.P. SENIORS

Our next meeting will be on October 6, 2016 at 11:30 AM at Cody's Café. Please come so that we can continue working on the plans for the future meetings.

Orthodox Social Network

The Orthodox Social Network and Women's Fellowship Group are joining forces! October 15, we'll be meeting downtown at 2:00 PM for the Santa Barbara Harbor and Seafood Festival (http://harborfestival.org/). Please contact Sophia Kenrick at louloudaki@gmail.com if you're interested to coordinate schedules and meeting locations.

TANZANIA MISSIONS UPDATE

- 1. The earthquake damage in Kagera Reginal (Bukoba)
 - 440 people injured
 - 151 people hospitalized in Bukoba government hospital
 - 113 people discharged
 - 38 people until now remained in the hospital
 - 187 people hospitalized in deferent health center
- 2. 121,315 people in need of help

And the Holy Archdiocese of Mwanza suffered the following damages.

- Until now to the church buildings inspected, 10 church buildings damaged and need repair.
- At St. Sosthenes Secondary School electrical system damaged and needs replacement
- Mission Center Office in Bukoba severe damage
- Mission house at the hill near to the Mission Center Office – severe damages
- 2 water wells damaged.

Your continued prayers and support are much appreciated!



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Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.
Worship the Lord with gladness:
Come before him with joyful songs.

Know that the LORD is God.

It is He who made us, and we are His:

We are His people, the sheep of His pasture.

Enter His gates with thanksgiving

And His courts with praise:

Give thanks to him and praise His name.

For the LORD is good and His love endures forever:

His faithfulness continues through all generations.

- Psalm 100:1-5