

THE LIGHT OF THE EAST



ST. ATHANASIUS THE GREAT **BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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WEEKEND DIVINE SERVICES

Sat: 5 PM [Vespers with Liturgy]

Sun: 9:45 AM [Third Hour] 10 AM [Divine Liturgy]

**Mystery of Holy Repentance [Confessions]: AFTER Saturday
Evening Prayer or ANYTIME by appointment**

DIVINE SERVICES FOR THE WEEK OF SEPT. 22, 2013

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST.

**The Holy Martyr Phocas, Bishop of Sinope. The Holy Prophet Jonah.
Our Ven. Fr. Jonah, the Priest, Father of Theophane the Hymnographer
and Theodore the Artist.**

**PLEASE COME FORWARD AFTER THE DIVINE LITURGY;
KISS THE HOLY ICONS, RECEIVE THE HOLY ANOINTING, &
PARTAKE OF THE ANTIDORAN [BLESSED BREAD].**

- SAT. SEPT. 21** **5 PM VIGIL LITURGY** *For the People*
6:15 PM MYSTERY OF HOLY REPENTANCE
- SUN. SEPT. 22** **8:45 AM LITURGY** *For the People*
10:00 AM COFFEE SOCIAL [IN ST. MARY'S HALL]
- MON. SEPT. 23** **The Conception of the Holy Prophet, Forerunner, and
Baptist John.**
NO DIVINE SERVICES ~ FATHER'S DAY OFF
- TUE. SEPT. 24** **The Holy Martyr, First Among Women, and Equal to the
Apostles, Thecla.**
9 AM *The Health Mike Radovanic and Jay Murtaugh by
Martha Eyman*
- WED. SEPT. 25** **Our Venerable Mother Euphrosyna.**
7 PM PARAKLIS & HOLY ANOINTING
- THU. SEPT. 26** **The Falling Asleep of the Holy Apostle and Evangelist
John the Baptist.**
9 AM *Int. of Seth and Elise Feroce*
- FRI. SEPT. 27** **The Holy Martyr Callistractus and His Comps. Our Ven.
Fr. Nilus, Founder and Hegumen of Grottaferrata
Monastery.**
9 AM *Int. of Nicholas & Christine Loya*
- SAT. SEPT. 28** **Our Ven. Fr. and Confessor Chariton. Wenceslaus, Prince
of Czechs. The Holy Prophet Baruch. The Passing of our
Blessed Father and Bishop-Martyr Nicetas Budka [1949].
Synaxis of the Holy Fathers of the Pecherskaya Lavra, who
repose near the Venerable Anthony.**
5 PM VESPER LITURGY *+Paul DeMayo by friends*

CHRIST IS AMONG US! HE IS AND SHALL BE!

SUN. SEPT. 29

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. Our

Ven. Fr. Cyriacus the Anchorite.

9:45 AM THE THIRD HOUR

10 AM LITURGY FOR THE PEOPLE

11:15 AM COFFEE SOCIAL [IN ST. MARY'S HALL]



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 –
LITURGY BEGINS ON PAGE 11

PROPERS FOR THE LITURGY
ARE FOUND ON PAGES 125 TO
127 [TONE] OR **ON THE PULL**
OUT SHEET FOUND IN THIS
CHURCH BULLETIN.

VESPERS PROPERS

ARE FOUND ON PAGES 123- 127
Vigil Liturgy begins on page 104 of
the Blue-Green Pew Book. We
switch to the Liturgy portion at
“Holy God” pages 28-30.

Eparchial General Assembly and Ordination this weekend.

This weekend Fr. Bryan and 9 parishioners are sharing in the Eparchial General Assembly and the Ordinations at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Parma. St. Athanasius Parishioner John Russell was ordained to the Holy Order of Sub-Deacon at Festal Evening Prayer Saturday. Also being ordained Sub-Deacon was Seminarian Kenneth Malley.

Seminarian Kenneth is being ordained a Deacon this morning at the General Assembly Liturgy. May God grant them many years.

YOUR GIFT TO THE LORD FOR THE MONTH OF SEPT., 2013

<u>Date</u>	<u>Collection</u>	<u>Candles</u>	<u>Holy Day</u>	<u>Fundraising</u>	<u>Total Income</u>
Sept. 1	\$1,078.50	\$168.00	\$34.00	\$948.50	\$2,229.00
Sept. 8	\$3,680.70	\$ 13.00	\$00.00	\$860.25	\$4,553.95
Sept. 15	\$1,197.56	\$ 9.61	\$10.00	\$804.25	\$2,021.42
Totals	\$5,956.76	\$190.61	\$44.00	\$2,613.00	\$8,804.37

We need a weekly income of \$3000.00 to properly operate YOUR Parish.

The Lord says "Bring your whole tithe to the Temple and put me to the Test!" {Malachi 3:10} Are you following the Lord's Commandment? WE NEED YOUR HELP WITH TIME, TALENT, AND TREASURE! MANY THANKS TO THOSE WHO FAITHFUL CONTRIBUTE TO ST.ATHANASIUS THE GREAT PARISH!

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: our parishioners, family members, friends and others who are ill or infirm: **AMY CHIAPPE, ETHAN EYMAN, CULVER "RED" EYMAN, BOBBI SPAK, JULIE COLLINS, BJ NOVAK, DONALD STEIN, ELAINE WILSON, DEREK ANTHONY, CORY ROMERO, KEVIN ZAHN, DR. CHARLOTTE NEUMANN.**

<u>Candles Available</u>	<u>Monthly Donation</u>	<u>Intention</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
Eternal Lamp	\$40.00	+Family & Friends	Olga Vaughn
Icon Screen (6)	\$35.00	Juliana Peresie	Henry Peresie
Tetrapod (2)	\$30.00	Special Intention	Al Macek
Nativity Icon	\$25.00	In Thanksgiving	Richard Medwig
Theotokos of Vladimir Icon	\$25.00	Special Intention	Glen Grabow
Resurrection Icon	\$25.00	Dr. Charlotte Neumann	Judy Ernst
Annuciation Tryptych	\$25.00	AVAILABLE	

Give a spiritual Gift to someone in need. We have candle Gift Cards you can send or give to a loved one, friend or someone in need of prayers. A single 6-day candle is \$5. For an entire month the cost is \$25. When giving your donation use the candle envelope in the back of the Church. Paired with it, take the candle card to give as a gift. In addition to the name on the candle, please specify a start date if you would like the Church to light the candle[s] in front of the Icons of our Lord or the Theotokos for you on a future date.

You are the Light of the World! Let your Light shine before men!

SCHEDULING A DIVINE LITURGY: A number of people have asked if they can schedule a Divine Liturgy for a particular intention. YES, it is truly a laudable thing to offer a Divine Liturgy for the intention of a loved one, a special intention of one's own, or in memory of a departed loved one or friend. You may even REQUEST a particular date if you wish, subject to the liturgical season, previously scheduled Liturgies and the availability of the Pastor. The usual and customary stipend is \$10.00. Please write down your intention, include the stipend, and place them in an envelope clearly marked "Liturgy Intention". You may give the envelope to Father Bryan, John Danovich, or place it in the collection basket.

Upcoming celebrations of the Paraclis to the Theotokos and Mystery of Holy Anointing "Ancient Healing Service"

We will be celebrating the Paraclis to the Theotokos and Mystery of Holy Anointing one a month. This celebration will usually be served on the Fourth Wednesday of the month, unless there is a Holy Day or Holiday. Celebrations will be held at 7 PM
Wednesday September 25 Wednesday October 23
Wednesday November 20 [Vigil Liturgy of the Entrance of the Theotokos]
Wednesday December 18 PLEASE INVITE YOUR NEIGHBORS & FRIENDS!

DISCERNMENT RETREAT AT CHRIST THE BRIDEGROOM MONASTERY

"Draw me in your footsteps, let us run" [Song of Songs 1:4] Young, single Catholic women ages 18 to 35, who would like to take a weekend to pray about a possible vocation to the monastic or religious life, are invited to inquire about attending the upcoming Discernment Retreat at Christ the Bridegroom Monastery, Thurs. Nov. 7 through Sunday November 10. Experience the life of prayer at Christ the Bridegroom Monastery, listen to talks on prayer and discernment, make use of the opportunity to get to know the nuns, and receive healing through the Mystery of Holy Repentance [Confession]. If you are interested in the Retreat, or a future retreat or discernment opportunities, visit www.christthebridegroom.org and fill out the online "Vocation Inquiry Form." Space is limited for the November Retreat, so be sure to fill out the form by October 21. Mother Theodora will call you to talk about availability. For any questions call 440-834-0290 or email" christthebridegroom@gmail.com.

UPCOMING HOLY DAYS & SPECIAL SERVICES

AT ST. ATHANASIUS THE GREAT CHURCH

WED. Sept. 25 **7 PM PARAKLIS TO THE HOLY THEOTOKOS
AND MYSTERY OF HOLY ANOINTING**

SAT. Sept. 28 **5 PM VIGIL LITURGY
6:15 PM MYSTERY OF HOLY REPENTANCE**

SUN. Sept. 29 **19TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
9:45 AM THIRD HOUR
10 AM LITURGY
11:15 AM COFFEE SOCIAL [ST. MARY HALL]**

MON. Sept. 30 **7 PM VIGIL LITURGY FOR THE HOLY
PROTECTION OF THE THEOTOKOS**

TUE. Oct. 1 **FEAST OF THE HOLY PROTECTION
9 AM THE THIRD HOUR**

SAT. Oct. 5 **5 PM VIGIL LITURGY
6:15 PM MYSTERY OF HOLY REPENTANCE**

SUN. Oct. 6 **20TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
9:45 AM THIRD HOUR
10 AM LITURGY
11:15 AM COFFEE SOCIAL [ST. MARY HALL]**

SAT. Oct. 12 **5 PM VIGIL LITURGY
6:15 PM MYSTERY OF HOLY REPENTANCE**

SUN. Oct. 13 **21ST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST.
9:45 AM THIRD HOUR
10 AM DIVINE LITURGY 11:15 AM COFFEE SOCIAL**

2ND ANNUAL PRAYER RALLY

FOR FAITH AND FREEDOM

NEXT SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 29, 2013 FROM 2 TO 4 PM

MARIAN UNIVERSITY

ST. VINCENT ATHLETIC FIELD

3200 COLD SPRING ROAD, INDIANAPOLIS

Come and Pray for our republic and our church with Fr. Michael O'Mara, Fr. Bob Robeson, and Fr. Glenn O'Connor local Religious, Seminarians and School Children.

The Main Speaker will be Fr. James Kelleher, S.O.L.T. from the Diocese of Corpus Christi, Texas.

Please be in the Bleachers by 2 PM as an act of Respect to allow the Eucharistic Procession to enter the Athletic Field.

Free Parking is available and transportation of the handicapped from the parking lot will be provided.

In case of inclement weather, the event will be held in the Marian Center.

For more information please call Kathy at 317-888-0873

THE BISHOP IS COMING! THE BISHOP IS COMING!

His Grace Bishop John has tentatively scheduled a Pilgrimage to St. Athanasius Parish in Indianapolis the weekend of October 26 and 27. He will bring with him the relics the Bishop Martyrs of the Byzantine Catholic Church in Europe. They are Bishop Theodore Romzha of Mukachevo, Paul Gojdich of Presov and Basil Hopko of Medila [auxiliary Bishop of Presov]. More details will be forthcoming, but please plan now to be there. All the more reason to beautify

the Church and our property with some paint, flowers and plants. We need to help to show the bishop St. Athanasius Parish wishes to grow and reach out to Indianapolis!



FATHER'S LITURGICAL CORNER



Father, After the Second Vatican Council the Latin Church started to have the Liturgy “Facing the people.” But in the Byzantine Catholic Churches you celebrate the Liturgy with your “back to the people.” Why have the Byzantine Churches continued this practice? Wouldn't it be better if our priests also “faced

the people?”

As you may be aware before the Second Vatican Council all Catholic Churches had the priest facing the Holy Table for the Eucharistic Liturgy. This practice is more accurately called celebrating the Liturgy “ad orientum” [facing east]. The Latin Church began celebrating “facing the people” as a means of “encouraging the participation of the faithful in the liturgy.” This was part of the renewal of the Latin Church’s Liturgy subsequent to the Council.

The sources of this custom are varied including some western monastic liturgical practices. [I.E.: Dominican, Benedictine and other conventual monastic and religious groups] Another source was the ancient liturgical practice of St. Peter’s Basilica in Vatican City. The Basilica is built over an ancient Roman Christian cemetery, originally outside the city walls. In order to build the Basilica, and place the Holy Table over the tomb of St. Peter, it was necessary to place the altar on the Western end of the Basilica, rather than the traditional Eastern end of the building.

When the Eucharistic Liturgy was being celebrated the bishop or priest celebrant would stand facing east across the Holy Table. [towards the congregation]. But when the Anaphora would begin, the people would be directed also to turn to face east, so both celebrant and congregation would be facing the same direction. [The people would have their backs towards the Holy Table, but the view of the Holy Table would be occluded with a closed curtain.] Then the congregation would turn again facing the Holy Table for the reception of the Holy Eucharist.

In the Byzantine Churches and the rest of the Christian East, the clergy and congregation would all be facing east together throughout the Eucharistic Liturgy.

FATHER'S LITURGICAL CORNER [PAGE 2] One should remember that the Synaxis [liturgical opening] and the Liturgy of the Word were traditionally celebrated in the middle of the Church's nave. The raised area for the clergy and pulpits [the ambo] was in the center and the people would be standing and gathered around the ambo. This enabled them to better hear the various Scripture readings and prayers during that portion of the Liturgy.



At the completion of the Great Entrance, when the Holy Gifts are brought into the Temple, the people would all turn towards the East as the clergy entered the Altar. The clergy would gather around the Holy Table with the principal celebrant facing east towards the Holy Table.

Today in the various Byzantine Churches, nearly the whole Liturgy is served facing East. The only exceptions being during the Liturgy of the Word when the priest would be seated in the presbyterium and facing west to see and hear the readings. For Byzantine Christians, facing east to pray continues throughout the day. For us this represents looking forward to the second coming of Christ. The Gospels tell us that the Second Coming of Christ will appear like lighting from East to the West. By all of us facing East to celebrate the Liturgy reminds us that all of us will one day face the awesome judgment seat of Christ.

One should remember that ideally Byzantine Churches should physically face East. But when this is not possible or practical, whatever direction the Church altar faces is considered East. [You can call this "Liturgical East."] St. Athanasius the Great Temple actually does face East. This is very clear during the morning Liturgy with the light flowing through the window of the Theotokos. Or at Evening Prayer as the light flows through the great window in the western wall of the Temple.



Thank you very much for your provocative question!

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN THE MILITARY ESPECIALLY THOSE SERVING IN AFGHANISTAN AND IRAQ.

MAJOR CRAIG M. EYMAN DO~ is Fr. Bryan's 2nd youngest brother. He has reentered the Army Reserve and is currently serving with the 848th FST [Forward Surgical Team] stationed in Twinsburg, OH. He has been deployed to Bagram, Afghanistan.

CAPTAIN BRIAN HEWKO~ has been a friend of Fr. Bryan. Brian is from St. Anne Byzantine Catholic Byzantine Catholic Church in Austinburg, OH. He is a 2008 graduate of West Point. Brian became a Captain in the U. S. Army on July 1, 2011, and has been deployed to Afghanistan during 2011 and 2012. Brian is currently serving our Republic at an Army base in Arizona, where he is training for Army Intelligence. He thanks you for your prayerful support.

CAPTAIN CHRISTINA MOMONIER~ is a friend of Fr. Bryan. Christina is from Baltimore, MD and was received into the Byzantine Catholic Church at St. Michael the Archangel Parish in Fairport Harbor, Ohio. She is currently serving at Ft. Drum, NY.

CAPTAIN [FATHER] JOSEPH BRANKATELLI USA ~ is a friend of Fr. Bryan and a priest of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Cleveland and the Archdiocese for the Military Services USA. Fr. Joseph is currently deployed and serving in Bagram, Afghanistan.

SPECIALIST 3 KATIE WELLER USAF and AIRMEN FIRST CLASS

JOHANN WELLER USAF ~ are friends of Fr. Bryan and members of St. Ann Byzantine Catholic Church in Harrisburg, PA. Before entering the Armed Forces they were active with the BYZANTEEN Youth Rallies.

PRIVATE CODY ROMERO USA, STAFF SERGEANT NIKO ROMERO, and STAFF SERGEANT RORY ROMERO Sons of Sonia Stanton. Cody recently received the Military Blessing at our Church and will soon be deployed to Afghanistan.

PRIVATE JACKSON RUANE USA~ Jackson is formerly from St. Nicholas Byzantine Catholic Parish in Ashtabula, OH. He has completed Basic Training and was deployed to Korea on September 9, 2013.

PRIVATE ABIGAIL BROWN USA~ is the Grand Niece of parishioner Belinda Dorney. She entered Basic Training in the Army at Ft. Sill, OK on August 13, 2013. If you have a member of the military you would like to have commemorated please write a note to Fr. Bryan or call the Parish Office.

May God, in His infinite Love and Mercy, guide and protect all of those serving our Republic in the Armed Forces.

Welcome to St. Athanasius Byzantine Catholic Church of Indianapolis, IN. We are a Byzantine Catholic Community that, as part of the Byzantine Catholic Eparchy [Diocese] of Parma, is in Communion with Pope Francis I and the other Catholic Churches. If you remain until the end of the Divine Liturgy; you will fulfill your Sunday Obligation. [If you leave early you do not fulfill your Sunday obligation.] We welcome to Holy Communion all Orthodox and Catholic Christians, who are able to receive Holy Communion in their own parish Church. At the conclusion of the Liturgy, all should come forward to kiss the Holy Cross, or be anointed with blessed oil, and share in the Blessed Bread. Then join us in our St. Mary Hall for our Coffee Social. THANK YOU FOR JOINING US!