

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 OCTOBER 20, 2013

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST.

The Holy Great Martyr Artemis.

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

- SAT. OCT. 19** **5 PM VIGIL LITURGY** *Int. of Michelle Ernst & Nate*
Arends [Wedding] by Judy Ernst
- 6:15 PM MYSTERY OF HOLY REPENTANCE**
- SUN. OCT. 20** **9:45AM THE THIRD HOUR**
10:00 AM LITURGY *For the People*
11:15 AM COFFEE SOCIAL [IN ST. MARY'S HALL]
11:30 AM LIVING THE LITURGY #1
- MON. OCT. 21** **Our Ven. Fr. Hilarion the Great.**
NO DIVINE SERVICES~FATHER'S DAY OFF
- TUE. OCT. 22** **The Holy Bishop Abercius, Equal to the Apostles,**
Wonder-Worker. The Holy Seven Children of Ephesus.
Our Blessed Father John Paul II, Pope of Rome.
9 AM Health of the Derek Anthony by friends
- WED. OCT. 23** **The Holy Apostle James, the Brother of God.**
7 PM PARAKLIS & MYSTERY OF HOLY ANOINTING
- THU. OCT. 24** **The Holy Martyr Arethas and His Companions. The Icon**
of the Theotokos, the Joy of all who Sorrow.
9 AM + Virginia Kosmo by Friends
- FRI. OCT. 25** **The Holy Martyrs and Notaries Marcian & Martyrius.**
The Holy and Just Tabitha the Merciful.
9 AM Int. of Dennis M. Swit Jr. by a friend
- SAT. OCT. 26** **The Holy & Glorious Great-Martyr Demetrius. Memory**
of the Great and Fearful Earthquake [Constantinople,
740].
5 PM VESPER LITURGY *Health of Laura Reksc by Kirk*
Rich

CHRIST IS AMONG US! HE IS AND SHALL BE!

SUN. OCT. 27

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. The Holy Martyr Nestor. The Holy Martyr Capitolina & her servant Erotheides.

9:45 AM THE THIRD HOUR

10 AM LITURGY FOR THE PEOPLE

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

11:30 AM LIVING THE LITURGY #2



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20 –
LITURGY BEGINS ON PAGE 11
PROPERS FOR THE LITURGY
ARE FOUND ON PAGES 146 TO
148 [TONE 5] OR **ON THE PULL**
OUT SHEET FOUND IN THIS
CHURCH BULLETIN.

VESPERS PROPERS

ARE FOUND ON PAGES 143-146
*Vigil Liturgy begins on page 104 of
the Blue-Green Pew Book. We
switch to the Liturgy portion at
“Holy God” pages 28-30.*

Memory Eternal!

+Larry Wiethe, father of Peter Wiethe fell asleep on the Lord on September 26, 2013. A 40th Day Panachida will be served at the conclusion of the 10 AM Liturgy on Sunday Nov. 10, 2013.

+Juliana Pytel Peresie, mother of Henry Peresie fell asleep in the Lord on October 3, 2013. A 40th Day Panachida will be served at the conclusion of the 10 AM Liturgy on Sunday Nov. 17, 2013. May their memory be eternal! Vicnaya Pamjat! [please note corrected date.]

YOUR GIFT TO THE LORD FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, 2013

<i>Date</i>	<i>Collection</i>	<i>Candles</i>	<i>Holy Day</i>	<i>Fundraising</i>	<i>Total Income</i>
<i>Oct. 6</i>	<i>\$1,161.70</i>	<i>\$ 96.12</i>	<i>\$00.00</i>	<i>\$ 414.50</i>	<i>\$1,672.32</i>
<i>Oct. 13</i>	<i>\$610.58</i>	<i>\$87.00</i>	<i>\$00.00</i>	<i>\$ 588.50</i>	<i>\$1,286.08</i>
<i>Totals</i>	<i>\$1,772.28</i>	<i>\$183.12</i>	<i>\$00.00</i>	<i>\$ 1,003.00</i>	<i>\$ 2,958.40</i>

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, SONIA DOUGLAS-STANTON.**

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

Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption... [Psalm 140:4]

SCHEDULE A DIVINE LITURGY: 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 earlier you make your request, the more likely the date requested will be available. 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.

EPARCHIAL ASSEMBLY PRESENTATIONS CONTINUE~ *Our SECOND presentation and discussion will be held on Sunday NOVEMBER 10, 2013 after the 10 AM Divine Liturgy at the Coffee Social @ 11:15 AM. The Presentation will be the SECOND one given by Fr. Deacon Michael Lee at the Eparchial Assembly. There will be a discussion following the presentation. There will be a number of parish-based presentations and discussions required in preparation for the Eparchial Canonical Assembly in early October of 2014. Please plan now to attend!*

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 fillout 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

<u>WED. Oct. 23</u>	<u>FEAST OF ST JAMES, THE BROTHER OF OUR LORD</u> 7 PM “ANCIENT HEALING SERVICE” PARACLIS AND HOLY ANOINTING
<u>SAT. Oct. 26</u>	5 PM VESPERS & DIVINE LITURGY 6:15 PM MYSTERY OF HOLY REPENTANCE
<u>SUN. Oct. 27</u>	<u>23RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST</u> 9:45 AM THIRD HOUR 10 AM LITURGY 11:15 AM COFFEE SOCIAL [ST. MARY HALL] 11:45 AM <i>LIVING THE LITURGY #2</i>
<u>WED. Oct. 30</u>	7 PM VIGIL OF THE HOLY NEW BISHOP- MARTYR THEODORE ROMZHA
<u>THU. Oct. 31</u>	<u>FEAST OF THE HOLY NEW BISHOP-MARTYR THEODORE ROMZHA OF MUKACHEVO.</u> 9 AM DIVINE LITURGY
<u>SAT. Nov. 2</u>	5 PM VESPERS & DIVINE LITURGY 6:15 PM MYSTERY OF HOLY REPENTANCE
<u>SUN. Nov. 3</u>	<u>24th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST</u> 9:45 AM THIRD HOUR 10 AM LITURGY 11:15 AM COFFEE SOCIAL [ST. MARY HALL] <i>Fr. Christiaan Kappes will cover</i>
<u>THU. Nov. 7</u>	7 PM VIGIL LITURGY OF THE HOLY ANGELS

**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 October 23

Wednesday November 20 [Vigil Liturgy of the Entrance of the Theotokos]

Wednesday December 18 PLEASE INVITE YOUR NEIGHBORS & FRIENDS!

Eastern Christian Formation Program to begin TODAY!

*Based on a number of conversations and questions from parishioners, Father Bryan has decided that this Fall's Adult Eastern Christian Formation will be "An Introduction to Byzantine Liturgy." Or "**Living the Liturgy**" In this class we will present and discuss the various aspects of the Liturgical Life of the Byzantine Churches. It will include the development of the Byzantine Church's Liturgical Cycle, Evening Prayer, Morning Prayer, the Hours, and the Divine Liturgies. Bring your questions we will begin the classes at around 11:45 AM and end at around 1 PM. Please join in!*

Eastern Christian Formation for our Children Pre-K through Grade 8

"We Welcome All to Open the Door of Faith" is the 2013 – 2014 theme for the Eastern Christian Formation Programs throughout the Eastern Catholic Churches of America. Here at St. Athanasius the Great Parish we wish to aid and encourage our young parents in the Spiritual Formation of their Children Pre-K through Grade 8. For the 2013-2014 school year Fr. Bryan asks that parents provide the Names, ages and Grades of all of the Children from Pre-K through Grade 8. Please provide them to Fr. Bryan or the Office Manager John Danovich. Then we can obtain the appropriate Books and Instructor's Guides for the parents to teach their children in their homes. Plans will soon be made to provide group instruction for the children during the 2014-2015 school year. [We will have to find, train and commission volunteer catechists for this program.] High School aged students should participate in the Adult Program this school year. Everyone's active cooperation will be most appreciative. St. Athanasius the Great Parish will fulfill the requirements of the Eparchy of Parma's Safe Environment program.

FATHER'S LITURGICAL CORNER



Father, recently I attended a funeral at another Byzantine Catholic Church. The casket was open throughout the Funeral Service and there was no Divine Liturgy celebrated. Is this the correct way to conduct a Funeral in our Church?

Yes, this is actually how the officially Vatican approved texts are all set up. The traditional [or received] texts in Church Slavonic and Greek do not contain a Divine Liturgy celebrated in concert with a Funeral Service.

The traditional order of Funeral Services in the Byzantine Catholic Church include:

- 1) The Parastas ["Always Standing Service"] or Great Panachida was originally the beginning of an all-night vigil, the Parastas is based on Morning Prayer. It contains Psalm 90 [91] a Psalm of God's Protection; a number of Litanies; two "Stations" based on the solemn singing Psalm 118 [119]; and special Hymns for the Deceased traditionally ascribed to St. Romanos the Melodist. The summit of the Parastas is the chanting of one of the Canons of the Departed [often abbreviated]. The Parastas then is concluded with celebration of the Panachida [short Memorial Service] and a closing Gospel [if desired]. Originally the Parastas was served in the home of the departed although today it is usually served [in the USA] at the Funeral Home. The day of the burial begins with another Panachida at the Home. Then the body is taken to the Temple [Church] for the Office of Christian Burial. As is the case for all of the Holy Mysteries [Sacraments], the deceased and funeral party are greeted at the entrance of the Temple by the Presbyter and an appropriate Gospel is chanted. Then led by the Clergy, the Funeral Party enters the Temple and is taken to the Tetrapod. [Again were many of the Holy Mysteries are celebrated] The beginning of the Office of Christian Burial mirrors the Parastas of the evening before. Then "The Hymns of St. John Damascene" were written by the famous 8th Century Church Father who wrote them while a monk in Jerusalem. These hymns are some of the most moving reflections on the reality of death in Christianity. Based on the Sacred Scripture, they include such lines as "All is vanity in man that does not out live death..." Then the Beatitudes are sung in Irmos Tone 6, followed

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Epistle and Gospel [each varying according to the Day of the Week.] Closing the Office of Christian Burial are the "Hymns of Farewell" sung in Podoben Tone 2. During the "Hymns of Farewell" the congregation comes forward and takes their last view of their departed loved one or friend. Then one of the Prayers of Absolution are chanted, and often a copy of the Prayer is placed in the hand or pocket of the departed. After the Dismissal the Deceased and Funeral Party on once again lead from the Temple. At the door the casket and Party are incensed and the Gospel of the Widow of Naim [or the Raising of Lazarus] is chanted. And then the Body is taken to the Cemetery.

2) *The Internment Service at the graveside quickly brings the Funeral Services to a conclusion. The celebrant sprinkles a shovelful of dirt on the casket while chanting "To the Lord belongs the earth and its fullness, the world and all who dwell in it." The congregation sings the hymn "O gaping earth..." while the casket is lowered into the grave. Traditionally the grave would be filled in and the Internment would close with the Priest sealing the grave. In the USA today this symbolic "sealing" is done by the Presbyter pounding on the four sides of the casket with the hand cross. Then with a sprinkling of*



Holy Water the Presbyter intones for the singing of "Eternal Memory!"

In the Byzantine Catholic and Orthodox Funeral Services the casket is to be kept open except when the body is being transported to the Temple and from the Temple to the cemetery. All of the various hymns presume that the casket is open and the departed is in a very real way a part of the Funeral Services.

Father will present more about the theology of this practice in an upcoming bulletin.

Thank you for your question!



Fifth Sunday after the Cross

(Pentecost 22, St. Luke 6)

Christ Calls a Demoniac

THE GOSPELS RECORD SEVERAL INSTANCES when the Lord Jesus called people to be His followers. At times He called people to leave their homes and livelihoods and follow Him. He called Peter and Andrew, James and John as they were busy fishing “*and immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him*” (Mt 4:22). Similarly Matthew walked away from his toll booth and followed Jesus (see

Mt 9:9); the other disciples whose calls are not recorded in the Gospels did the same.

Sometimes the Lord called but was refused. The cost of following Jesus was more than some people could bear. To the rich young man who wanted to be perfect Jesus said, “*If you want to be perfect, go, sell your possessions and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me.*’ When the young man heard this, he went away sad, because he had great wealth” (Mt 19:21-22).

In other instances the Lord raised objections Himself before the would-be follower could discover through failure and discouragement that following Christ meant enduring hardships. Thus “*a teacher of the law came to Him and said, ‘Teacher, I will follow you wherever you go.’ Jesus replied, ‘Foxes have dens and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head’*” (Mt 8:19-20). The Lord wanted this teacher of the law to know that following Christ would not provide the comfortable lifestyle he may have been anticipating.

To a procrastinator, however, He gave the opposite advice. “*Then another disciple said to him, ‘Lord, first let me go and bury my father.’ But Jesus*

Fifth Sunday after the Cross [Page 2] told him, ‘Follow me, and let the dead bury their own dead’” (Mt 8:21-22). The Lord surely wanted followers but He had a different approach based on the readiness of the person before Him.

This passage suggests the hurdles that people in any age will face when they consider following the Lord in a radical way: fear of the unknown, self-concern, pre-occupation and attachment to other things all can hinder us from following Christ.

The Vocation of the Gadarene

The Gadarene whom Jesus healed (Lk 8:27-39) wanted to follow Jesus as well; the Scripture says that he “*begged to go with Him,*” but the Lord had another plan for him. “*Jesus sent him away, saying, ‘Return home and tell how much God has done for you.’ So the man went away and told all over town how much Jesus had done for him*” (Lk 8:38-39).

The Gadarenes had made it clear that they wanted Jesus to go away. He would not force Himself on them. At the same time He wanted to leave them with a permanent reminder of His presence: their own fellow countryman whom He had delivered. This man had once been a burden to the townspeople; now he would be a blessing.

The Apostles were told to go through the world preaching the Gospel; this man’s call was to go home and do the same in his village. Was his call by Christ less of a vocation than that of the Apostles? It was different, surely, but it was a vocation nonetheless.

Some people in the Church tend to think that “vocation” refers exclusively to the calling of a cleric or monastic. The Lord does call some people in every age to serve the Church as priests, deacons, chanters, etc. He does invite others to serve Him as a monk or nun, or as a member of a religious community. But these are not the only people whom He calls to serve Him.

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Our Fundamental Vocation

Every person baptized into Christ has a vocation. The essence of that vocation is perhaps best expressed in the First Epistle of Peter: “*But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s special possession, that you may declare the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His wonderful light*” (1 Pt 2:9).

There are three important aspects of our universal vocation expressed in this passage. First, our vocation is to a priesthood: what the Scripture calls a “royal priesthood.” Christ is the true kingly priest and because we have been baptized into Him and sealed in His Holy Spirit we share in His priesthood. Secondly, we share in this priesthood as members of a people, the people of God. We are not individually priests, as are the ministers of the altar, but members of a priesthood because of our common union with Christ the High Priest.

This passage also tells us the reason for this priesthood: “*that you may declare the praises of*” God. Our vocation as members of the royal priesthood is to share in the Church’s call to proclaim the work of God in Christ. Some, like the apostles and evangelizers, are called to bring the Gospel to the ends of the earth. Others, like the Gadarene whom Jesus delivered in the Gospel or the Samaritan Woman, are called to show forth God’s love for mankind in their own corner of the world. Still others – most of us in fact – are called to share in the Church’s common vocation to proclaim Christ.

How Can We “Proclaim?”

When we think about “proclaiming God’s works” we invariably think about speaking or writing. There is a host of other ways by which the Church makes the Good News present in our world. At the Bridegroom Matins on Holy Tuesday we are reminded that the abilities we have received are often the way in which the Lord makes known to us our way of responding to this call:

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“Come, O faithful, let us work eagerly for the Master, for He distributes wealth to His servants; and let us increase the talent of grace, each one according to his ability. Let one adorn his wisdom with good deeds. Let another beautify the celebration of the service. Let someone strong in faith communicate the word to the uninitiated, and another dispense his wealth to the poor. Thus, we shall increase what has been loaned to us and, like faithful stewards of grace, shall be worthy of the Master’s joy. O Christ God, make us worthy of that joy, for You are the Lover of Mankind.”

Through each of these ways and countless others believers can take their place in the royal priesthood, joining in the Church’s mission to declare through word or work *“the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His wonderful light.”*

What Happened to the Gadarenes?

The Gospels record that the Lord Jesus sent the man He had healed back home to witness to his neighbors. They do not tell us whether he was successful: was this village converted or not?

We do know that by the Third Century AD the village was all but deserted. The crag which overlooked the Sea of Galilee, however, had become a place of pilgrimage for Christians seeking to commemorate the healing of the Gadarene. By the fifth century a large monastery serving the pilgrims had been established there. The monastery was expanded in the sixth century but abandoned after a catastrophic earthquake destroyed much of the area in 749. Ruins of the monastery were excavated in the 1970s by the Israeli department of antiquities and were later incorporated into a national park.

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!