

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**

SERVICES FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 13, 2014

PALM [FLOWERY] SUNDAY.

**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. APR. 12 **5 PM** *Int. of Fr. Michael Lee & family*
6:15 PM **MYSTERY OF HOLY REPENTANCE**
[CONFESSIONS]

SUN. APR. 13 **9:45 AM** **THE THIRD HOUR**
THE BLESSING OF PALMS &
PUSSYWILLOWS
10:00 AM ***FOR THE PEOPLE***
11:30 AM **LENTEN SUNDAY LUNCHEON**
1:15 PM **PALM SUNDAY LENTEN VESPERS**

MON. APR. 14 **GREAT & HOLY MONDAY.**
NO DIVINE SERVICES ~ FATHER'S DAY OFF

TUE. APR. 15 **GREAT & HOLY TUESDAY.**
9 AM **BRIDEGROOM MATINS**
7 PM **PRE-SANCTIFIED LITURGY**

WED. APR. 16 **GREAT & HOLY WEDNESDAY [NO MEAT].**
9 AM **BRIDEGROOM MATINS**
7 PM **PRE-SANCTIFIED LITURGY**
[MYSTERY OF HOLY ANOINTING]

THU. APR. 17 **GREAT & HOLY THURSDAY.**
7 PM **VESPERS & LITURGY**

FRI. APR. 18 **GREAT & HOLY FRIDAY [STRICT FAST].**
12 NOON **12 PASSION GOSPELS**
7 PM **VESPERS AND BURIAL SERVICE**

SAT. APR. 19 **GREAT & HOLY SATURDAY.**
NO DIVINE SERVICES

**WE WELCOME ALL OF OUR VISITORS PLEASE JOIN US FOR
OUR PARISH SOCIAL IN OUR ST. MARY HALL.**

**PLEASE FOR THE CHANGEABLE PARTS, HYMN NUMBERS,
AND PROPER ON THE COLORED INSERT.**

SUN. APR. 20

**PASCHA: THE FEAST OF THE
RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD, GOD, &
SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST.**

10 AM PROCESSION & RESURRECTION

MATINS DIVINE LITURGY

BLESSING OF PASCHAL FOODS

***[PLEASE PLACE BASKETS IN THE FRONT OF THE CHURCH ON
THE TABLES PROVIDED, BEFORE DIVINE SERVICES BEGIN!]***

12 NOON PASCHAL LUNCHEON

1:30 PM PASCHAL EVENING PRAYER

[AGAPE VESPERS]

***GLORY TO JESUS CHRIST! GLORY FOREVER!
SLAVA ISUSU CHRISTU! SLAVA VO VIKI!
CHRIST IS AMONG US! HE IS AND SHALL BE!***

YOUR GIFT TO THE LORD ~ THE MONTH OF MAR. 2014

<i>Date</i>	<i>Collection</i>	<i>Candles</i>	<i>Holy Day</i>	<i>Fundraising</i>	<i>Total Income</i>
<i>Apr. 6</i>	<i>\$594.81</i>	<i>\$121.25</i>	<i>\$ 0.00</i>	<i>\$96.00</i>	<i>\$812.06</i>
<i>TOTAL</i>	<i>\$594.81</i>	<i>\$121.25</i>	<i>\$ 0.00</i>	<i>\$96.00</i>	<i>\$812.06</i>

WE NEED YOUR HELP WITH TIME, TALENT, AND TREASURE!

Candles Available Monthly Donation Intention Sponsor

<i>Eternal Lamp</i>	<i>\$40.00</i>	<i>In Thanksgiving</i>	<i>Karen Ybarra</i>
<i>Icon Screen (6)</i>	<i>\$40.00</i>	<i>Ukraine</i>	<i>Dan & Olga Vaughn</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>Jesus, Mary, Joseph</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>+Beau Callaway</i>	<i>Rebecca Becker</i>
<i>Annunciation Triptych</i>	<i>\$25.00</i>	<i>Deceased</i>	<i>Dan & Olga Vaughn</i>
<i>Holy Table</i>	<i>\$40.00</i>	<i>Family & Friends</i>	<i>Dan & Olga Vaughn</i>

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.

**Upcoming celebrations of the Paraclis to the Theotokos
and Mystery of Holy Anointing "Ancient Healing Service" at 7 PM.**

Wednesday April 16 Pre-Sanctified Liturgy and Holy Anointing [Holy Week]

Wednesday May 28 Festal Evening Prayer of the Ascension with Holy Anointing

Wednesday June 25 Paraclis and Mystery of Holy Anointing

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, CORY ROMERO, KEVIN ZAHN, DR. CHARLOTTE NEUMANN, SONIA DOUGLAS-STANTON, RON ZELLER, NICHOLE RICHARDS, JUDY ERNST, BR. JAMES BROWN S.M., WILLIS WILLIAMS, BELINDA DORNEY, DAVID BLEVINS, FIREFIGHTER ROBERT KRAMER, KEITH SCOTT, DANNY ENCISO, AUSTIN MCGOFF, FR. DEACON MICHAEL GEORGE, MONICA KING GILBRECH, KATHERYN LOIDOLT, PAUL SUVAK, GLEN GRABOW.**

Adult Eastern Christian Formation Program will be on Pascha hiatus!

"Living the Liturgy" [An introduction to the Liturgy of the Byzantine Churches] will restart after the Pascha and Bright Week celebrations.

PASCHA CELEBRATIONS~ THE OVERWHELMING MAJORITY OF PARISHIONERS CHOSE THE SECOND OPTION FOR PASCHAL SERVICES.

10 AM RUSH PROCESSION, RESURRECTION MATINS FOLLOWED BY THE DIVINE LITURGY AND THE BLESSING OF PASCHAL FOODS. [PLEASE BRING YOUR PASCHAL FOOD BASKETS AND PLACE THEM IN THE FRONT OF THE TEMPLE BEFORE RESURRECTION MATINS PROCESSION.]

12 PM PASCHAL POTLUCK LUNCHEON

1:15 PM AGAPE VESPERS

PASCHAL LUNCHEON~ THE TRADITIONAL PASCHA LUNCHEON IN NEARLY EVERY BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH IS TYPICALLY A PUBLIC SHARING OF THE FOODS ABSTAINED FROM DURING THE GREAT FAST. PLEASE PLAN NOW TO REMAIN AT ST. ATHANASIUS FOR BOTH THE LUNCHEON AND THE AGAPE EVENING PRAYER. ALSO PREPARE ADDITIONAL FOODS TO SHARE WITH YOUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST!

THOMAS SUNDAY POTLUCK LUNCHEON~ WE WILL CELEBRATE THOMAS SUNDAY [APRIL 27TH] WITH THE FINAL BLESSING OF THE ARTOS AND OUR SPECIAL POTLUCK LUNCHEON. PLEASE PLAN ON BRINGING YOUR FAVORITE PASCHAL FOODS TO THE LUNCHEON!

WELLNESS CLASSES CONTINUE!

Every Tuesday during the Great Fast Glen Grabow is providing a series of DVD's to help permit the wellness of everyone of us. Please join us Tuesday evenings at 6 pm in our St. Mary Hall. Refreshments will be provided.

SURPRISE VISIT: *Imagine being on your day-off, and climbing out of the shower, when you discover that your Company President is at the Door! That is what Father Bryan experienced on his day off this past Monday when His Grace Bishop JOHN arrived for a short visit at St. Athanasius the Great Parish. His Grace was on his return trip from a pastoral visitation to St. Luke the Evangelist Parish in Sugar Creek, MO [just outside Kansas City]. John Danovich was giving Bishop John a tour of the Church, where Father met them, when he had made himself presentable! His Grace was pleased when he saw the rearranged seating in the Temple. Expressing how much easier it must be to conduct the Divine Services properly with the new configuration, Bishop JOHN was pleased with the change. May God grant His Grace Bishop JOHN many happy and blessed years!*

Seminarian assigned to St. Athanasius for the Summer ~ *Bishop JOHN has announced that First Year Seminarian Bryan Scotton will serve at St. Athanasius Parish for one month this summer. Bryan is the son of Dave and Julie Scotton, and the brother of Alex. He is from Independence, OH and St. Joseph Parish.*

BRIGHT WEEK, HOLY DAY, AND GUERIN HIGH SCHOOL VISITS

Mon. Apr. 21 Bright Monday

9 AM Festal Divine Liturgy

Tue. Apr. 22 Bright Tuesday

9 AM Festal Divine Liturgy

7 PM Festal Evening Prayer

Wed. Apr. 23 Bright Wednesday & Feast of St. George

9 AM Third Hour

10 AM Festal Divine Liturgy [with Guerin students]

7 PM Welcome of the icon of Our Lady followed by
the Akathist Hymn

Thu. Apr. 24 Bright Thursday

9 AM Festal Divine Liturgy

7 PM Moleben for the Victims of Abortion

Fri. Apr. 25 Bright Friday and Feast of St. Matthew

9 AM Third Hour

10 AM Festal Divine Liturgy [with Guerin students]



**It is time to order your Pascha and Pierogies
[Pyrohi or Veranyky]**

Please call John Danovich at the Parish Office at 317-632-4157 to find out which varieties will be available and to place your order. PLEASE ALSO CALL JOHN TO VOLUNTEER. You may also call the Parish Office to order your Paschas now for your Paschal Baskets! Please let people know

about what is cooking at St. Athanasius the Great Byzantine Catholic Church.

BYZANTEEN YOUTH RALLY JULY 10-13, 2014

The TRANSFIGURATION of Christ, of US, of our World

Mount St. Mary University Emmitsburg, MD

ages: 13-19 Cost: \$300.00 [plus transportation]

For more Information contact: Father Edward Cimbala

ByzanTEEN Rally 2014 at 908-725-06125

UPCOMING HOLY DAYS & SPECIAL SERVICES
AT ST. ATHANASIUS THE GREAT CHURCH

Thomas Sunday Celebration

<u>Sat. April 26</u>	5 PM	VESPERS WITH DIVINE LITURGY
	6:15 PM	MYSTERIES OF HOLY REPENTANCE [CONFESSIONS]
<u>Sun. April 27</u>	9:45 AM	THIRD HOUR
	10 AM	FESTAL DIVINE LITURGY
	11:30 AM	BLESSING OF THE ARTOS & THOMAS SUNDAY LUNCHEON

Sunday of the Ointment-Bearing Women Celebration

<u>Sat. May 3</u>	5 PM	VESPERS WITH DIVINE LITURGY
	6:15 PM	MYSTERIES OF HOLY REPENTANCE [CONFESSIONS]
<u>Sun. May 4</u>	9:45 AM	THIRD HOUR
	10 AM	FESTAL DIVINE LITURGY
	11:30 AM	PARISH SOCIAL LUNCHEON
	12:15 PM	LITURGY & LIFE

“PARTAKERS OF THE DIVINE NATURE”

Sunday of the Paralytic Man Celebration

<u>Sat. May 10</u>	5 PM	VESPERS WITH DIVINE LITURGY
	6:15 PM	MYSTERIES OF HOLY REPENTANCE [CONFESSIONS]
<u>Sun. May 12</u>	9:45 AM	THIRD HOUR
	10 AM	FESTAL DIVINE LITURGY
	11:30 AM	PARISH SOCIAL LUNCHEON MOTHERS' DAY

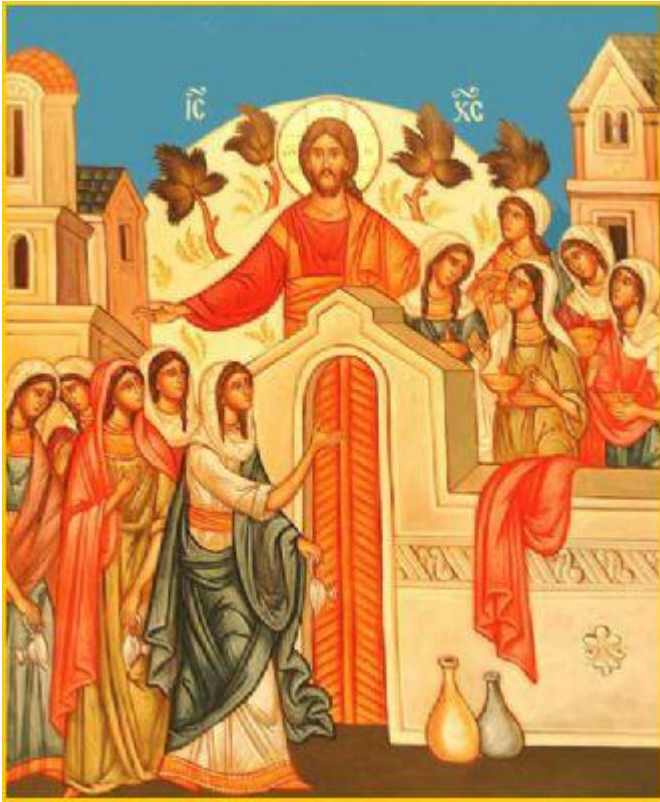
Your help is needed to prepare for Great and Holy Week and Bright Week!

St. Athanasius the Great Parish has a number of important events coming up during the next few weeks for Great and Holy Week and Pascha.

- 1] Fri. April 18 from 8 PM until 12 midnight~ We need people to sign up and keep Vigil at the Tomb of our Lord. [Sign up sheet in the Parish Hall]*
- 2] Sat. April 19 @ 10 AM~ Your help is needed to change all of the altar vestments from Dark to Bright Colors, and to set up the Parish Hall for the Paschal Meal.[Paschal Foods will be blessed in the Temple at the close of the Divine Liturgy.]*
- 3] Wed. Apr. 23 @ 10 AM ~ We need to prepare and serve a lunch for the 50 students and chaperones from Guerin High School attending Liturgy.*
- 4] Wed. Apr. 23 @ 7 PM~ We need people to greet the Icon of the Theotokos of Jasna Gora, Cantor the Akathist, prepare refreshments for visitors, and keep vigil in the Church until Midnight. [A great responsibility for our K of C Council to volunteer to do.]*
- 5] Fri. Apr. 25 @ 10 AM ~ Like Wednesday we need help to prepare and serve a lunch for 50 more students coming for Liturgy from Guerin High School.*

PLANNING FOR EASTERN CHRISTIAN FORMATION CLASSES 2014-2015

With the number of children under 18 whose families are now attending St. Athanasius Parish, we need to re-establish our ECF program to serve them. We will need catechists, willing to instruct our children in Byzantine Christianity. We will also need others who are willing to help provide room dividers so we can separate St. Mary Hall for Catechetical use. More Information will be provided in upcoming bulletins.



Palm Sunday

Behold, the Bridegroom Is Coming

WHEN DOES A DAY BEGIN? The clock says that a new day starts at 12:01 AM, which most people see as the middle of the night. For others a new day begins when the sun rises and reveille (or the alarm clock) is sounded. The Eastern Churches follow the pattern set in the Book of Genesis: “*the evening and the morning were the first day*” (Gen 1:5). The liturgical day begins with Vespers and continues

through the night. Matins (Orthros) at dawn followed by the hours and the Divine Liturgy complete the daily cycle of prayer, and the next day begins with vespers. Based on this pattern the Great and Holy Week begins at sunset, with Vespers, in the evening of Palm Sunday.

There are a great number of services appointed for this week: more than most parishes would schedule. A few important points should be noted about them:

- Fast Days – Every day of this week (including Saturday) is a fast day, as every day (except Holy Friday) is a Eucharistic day. Either the Presanctified Liturgy or the Liturgy of St Basil is celebrated at vespers. Holy Friday is a strict (i.e. day-long) fast in memory of Christ’s saving death.
- “Anticipation” – While the praying day begins in the evening and continues through the night, the average parish has only one service, in the early hours of the evening. In some parishes this is vespers; in others it is matins, anticipating the morning’s observance. When the morning service (Matins) is anticipated the previous evening, the evening service (Vespers) is often anticipated the previous morning!

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- Focus of these services – Some of these services are “thematic”: focusing on the meaning of the Paschal Mystery in our lives. These include the reconciliation of penitents, holy unction and the baptism of catechumens. Other services are historical, focusing on the events of this week in Christ’s life: the Last Supper, the Crucifixion and His burial. These historical services became popular after shrines were erected in Jerusalem in the time of St Constantine the Great (fourth century). Today several of our services combine both thematic and historical aspects.

Holy Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday – The Gospel story of Christ’s teaching in the temple during these days is read at each Matins and Presanctified Liturgy.

The troparion sung on these days is based on the parable of the wise and foolish virgins (see *Mt 25:1-13*), particularly appropriate for this time: “Behold the Bridegroom is coming in the middle of the night – blessed is the servant He shall find awake! But the one He shall find neglectful will not be worthy of Him. Beware, therefore, O my soul. Do not fall into a deep slumber lest you be delivered to death and the doors of the kingdom be closed on you. Watch instead and cry out, ‘Holy holy, holy are You, O our God...’”

This parable is such a powerful image of the Paschal Mystery that the services themselves are popularly called “Bridegroom matins” or “Bridegroom Services” and the icon of Christ displayed for veneration on these days is called “the Bridegroom.”

The Wedding and the Bridegroom

When we think of weddings we think almost exclusively of the bride. In Western churches the bride appears with great ceremony and the groom merely joins her at the last moment. Among first century Jews it was very

Palm Sunday [Page 3] different and it is their practice that we see reflected in Scripture and in our Holy Week observance.

A Jewish marriage of the time consisted of two parts. There was the betrothal in which the bride's father agreed to the marriage and the marriage covenant was established. The man and woman were considered committed to one another but did not yet live together.

There followed a time of preparation: the bride was prepared to take on the role of a wife. She was kept apart to safeguard her purity and be trained in the conduct befitting a wife. For his part the groom devoted himself to preparing a dwelling place – usually in his father's house – where they would live. When the time was right the groom would come with great ceremony to claim his wife and bring her to their new home. *“And at midnight a cry was heard: ‘Behold, the bridegroom is coming; go out to meet him!’”* (Mt 25:6)

This practice is outlined in the Gospel portrayal of Mary and Joseph: *“After His mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Spirit. Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not wanting to make her a public example, was minded to put her away secretly. But while he thought about these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, ‘Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take to you Mary your wife...’”* (Mt 1:18-20).

We also see similar imagery both in Scripture and the liturgy concerning our relationship with Christ the Bridegroom. According to St Paul, the Christian has been pledged to Christ. Like their father he tells the Corinthians: *“I have betrothed you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ”* (2 Cor 11:2). Christ speaks of Himself in similar terms when He says: *“In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you”* (Jn 14:2).

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Our betrothal and time of preparation are mirrored in the Great Fast. At its beginning the catechumens professed their faith (their betrothal). With them the devoted faithful purified themselves during those forty days, preparing to unite with Christ at Pascha. Then, as the Bridegroom takes His own by the hand and leads them to their new homeland, we will sing “O Jerusalem rejoice... for you have seen Christ the King coming out of the tomb as fair as a bridegroom” (Paschalia).

Other Holy Week Observances

Holy Wednesday – The story of Christ’s anointing by Mary at Bethany “*for the day of my burial*” (see *Jn 12:1-11*) is read at the Presanctified Liturgy. The Mystery of Holy Unction is often served as well, preparing us to die and rise with Christ at Pascha.

Holy Thursday – The betrayal by Judas is remembered: “While the glorious disciples were enlightened at the supper by the washing of their feet, Judas the wicked betrayer, fell into darkness and betrayed You...” (troparion). The bishop reenacts the washing of the feet and the institution of the Eucharist is commemorated at the Vesper-Liturgy of St Basil.

Holy Friday – The arrest and passion of Christ is remembered at Orthros/Matins and at the Royal Hours as the passion Gospels are read and the cross is venerated. Christ’s body is taken down from the cross and wrapped in the holy shroud at Vespers.

Holy Saturday – The burial of Christ by Joseph of Arimathea and the sealing of the tomb by Roman soldiers is observed at Orthros. “The noble Joseph took Your most pure body from the tree, wrapped it in clean linen with aromatic spices and laid it for burial in a new tomb” (troparion).

The Vesper Liturgy of St Basil is the time when (adult) catechumens would be baptized, hear the first proclamation of the Resurrection and share for the first time in the Eucharist.

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 returned to his family in Solon, OH.

CAPTAIN BRIAN HEWKO~ has been a friend of Fr. Bryan. Brian is from St. Anne Byzantine Catholic Church in Austinburg, OH. He is a 2008 graduate of West Point. Brian has completed his training in Army Intelligence and is serving in South Carolina awaiting deployment.

CAPTAIN CHRISTINA MOMONIER~ is a friend of Fr. Bryan. Christina is from Baltimore, MD is a Byzantine Catholic She is currently serving at Ft. Benning, GA.

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 has returned to the United States and continues to serve the Military Archdiocese at Fort Bragg, NC.

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 is serving at Fort Benning, GA. His brother Rory has been 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 was recently promoted to PFC and is training in Army Intelligence at a base in Arizona. She is serving in Oklahoma.

2ND LT. AARON JACOBSON~ from Mounds View, MN is a friend of Fr. Bryan. He is a 2013 West Point graduate, who has just completed his special training as a platoon leader. He is serving in Ft. Drum, NY.

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!