

# **THE LIGHT OF THE EAST**



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

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### **WEEKEND DIVINE SERVICES**

**Sat: 7 PM [Evening Prayer]**

**Sun: 9 AM [Morning Prayer] 10 AM [Divine Liturgy]**

**Mystery of Holy Repentance [Confessions]: AFTER Saturday**

**Evening Prayer or ANYTIME by appointment**

**SERVICES FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 5, 2015**

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

**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].**

<b><u>SUN. APR. 5</u></b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>FESTAL MORNING PRAYER</b> <i>Rush Procession, Resurrection Matins, Mysteries of Initiation for Anastasia Lucille Goshorn For the People</i>
	<b>10:00 AM</b>	
	<b>11:30 AM</b>	<b>BLESSING OF PASCHAL FOODS</b>
		<b>PASCHAL LUNCHEON</b>
	<b>1 PM</b>	<b>AGAPE EVENING PRAYER</b>
<b><u>MON. APR. 6</u></b>		<b><u>BRIGHT MONDAY. The Death of our Holy Father Methodius, Teacher of the Slavs.</u></b>
	<b>7 AM</b>	<b>PASCHAL 1<sup>ST</sup> HOUR</b>
	<b>7:30 AM</b>	<i>Intention of Austin McGoff</i>
<b><u>TUE. APR. 7</u></b>		<b><u>BRIGHT TUESDAY.</u></b>
	<b>7 AM</b>	<b>PASCHAL 1<sup>ST</sup> HOUR</b>
	<b>7:30 AM</b>	<i>Intention of Andrew Dietz</i>
<b><u>WED. APR. 8</u></b>		<b><u>BRIGHT WEDNESDAY.</u></b>
	<b>7 AM</b>	<b>PASCHAL 1<sup>ST</sup> HOUR</b>
	<b>7 PM</b>	<b>AKATHIST HYMN TO THE THEOTOKOS THE INEXHAUSTIBLE CUP</b>

**WE WELCOME OUR VISITORS TO THIS MORNING'S  
DIVINE SERVICES. PLEASE LOOK FOR THE  
CHANGEABLE PARTS, HYMN NUMBERS, AND  
PROPER SONGS ON THE COLORED INSERT.**

**THU. APR. 9**

**BRIGHT THURSDAY.**

**7 AM PASCHAL FIRST HOUR**

**FRI. APR. 10**

**BRIGHT FRIDAY.**

**7 AM PASCHAL FIRSHT HOUR**

**SAT. APR. 11**

**BRIGHT SATURDAY.**

**7AM PASCHAL FIRST HOUR**

**7 PM FESTAL EVENING PRAYER**

**8 PM MYSTERY OF HOLY**

**REPENTANCE**

**[CONFESSIONS]**

**SUN. APR. 12**

**THOMAS SUNDAY.**

**9:00 AM MORNING PRAYER**

**10 AM *FOR THE PEOPLE***

**11:30 AM PARISH LUNCHEON**

**CHRIST IS RISEN!**

**INDEED HE IS RISEN!**

**Arabic: Al-Maseeh qam!**

**Háqqan qam!**

**Greek: Christós anésti!**

**Alithós anésti!**

**Slavonic: Christós voskrése!**

**Vo-ístinu voskrése!**

**Romanian: Christós a inviáht!**

**Adevarát a inviáht!**

**Hungarian: Feltamadt Kristusz!**

**Valoban Feltamandt!**

**The Paschal greeting and response in various languages. May God bless our Pascha!**

## **~YOUR GIFT TO THE LORD ~THE MONTH OF MAR. 2015**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Collection</b>	<b>Candles</b>	<b>Holy Day</b>	<b>Fund Raising</b>	<b>Weekly Totals</b>
3/1/15	\$844.23	\$77.00	\$0.00	\$365.74	\$1,286.97
3/8/15	\$1,180.72	\$130.00	\$35.00	\$571.92	\$1,917.64
3/15/15	\$845.22	\$87.00	\$10.00	\$572.28	\$1,504.50
3/22/15	\$818.99	\$93.00	\$5.00	\$430.53	\$1,347.52
3/29/15	\$501.87	\$41.43	\$55.00	\$652.00	\$1,249.90
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$4,230.63</b>	<b>\$428.43</b>	<b>\$105.00</b>	<b>\$2,592.47</b>	<b>\$7,356.53</b>

***WE NEED YOUR HELP WITH TIME, TALENT, AND TREASURE!***  
**We are in special need of your financial help and support at this time. We need to pay over \$6,000.00 in past due Eparchial Hospitalization Coverage [six months]. We also have to pay for our Property Insurance due this month, in addition to other normal expenses such as salaries, utilities, et. al. And we also need to resume the completion of repairs to save and preserve our Church building and hall. Please help us at this critical time, Thank You.**



### **PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:** our

parishioners, family members, friends and others who are ill or infirm: AMY CHIAPPE, ETHAN EYMAN, CULVER "RED" EYMAN, MARGARET EYMAN, BOBBI SPAK, JAY MURTAUGH, BJ NOVAK, ELAINE WILSON, DR. CHARLOTTE NEUMANN, SONIA DOUGLAS-

STANTON, RON ZELLER, NICHOLE RICHARDS, BR. JAMES BROWN S.M., WILLIS WILLIAMS, BELINDA DORNEY, DAVID BLEVINS, FR. DEACON MICHAEL GEORGE, MONICA KING GILBRECH, KATHERYN LOIDOLT, PAUL SUVAK, GLEN GRABOW, EVIE KOBUS, JOHN BORGERT, LAUREN FIORELLI, CLARE HUNTER, IGNATIO ROMERO, MAGDELINA CHAUBY, COL. WILLIAM HOSPODAR, ALEXANDER YOUNG, RICHARD MEDWIG, MEGAN ZAHN, JOSEPH COSGROVE, BARB & PHIL LINK, DAVE WILSON, TOMMY CAITO, REBECCA MALY, LILAH NICHOLE MALY, AL MACEK, LINDA STENGER.

## **EASTERN CHRISTIAN FORMATION CLASSES 2014-2015**

**CLASSES CONTINUE THIS SUNDAY. WE WILL NOT HAVE CLASSES ON THE HOLY PASCHA [APRIL 5<sup>TH</sup>] AND THOMAS SUNDAY [APRIL 12<sup>TH</sup>].**



**CLASSES WILL RESUME ON SUNDAY APRIL 19<sup>TH</sup>.**

**Our Classes are an excellent way of developing a greater and deeper understanding of Byzantine Christianity. This is a part of our Total and Life-Long Eastern Christian Formation.**

*Please remember to join us for our Eastern Christian Formation Program for all! The classes will start about 12 to 12:15 PM and end 75 minutes later. Children in the Hall and adults in the Church.*

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.**

<b><u>Candles Available</u></b>	<b><u>Monthly Donation</u></b>	<b><u>Intention</u></b>	<b><u>Sponsor</u></b>
Eternal Lamp	\$40.00	<b>The Reuter Family</b>	<b>Angie Hartman</b>
Icon Screen (6)	\$40.00	<b>Alison Hendricks</b>	<b>Judy Ernst</b>
Tetrapod (2)	\$30.00	<b>Special Intention</b>	<b>Al Macek</b>
Nativity Icon	\$25.00	<b>Doris Hamilton</b>	<b>Ray/Anne Hamilton</b>
Theotokos of Vladimir Icon	\$25.00	<b>Special Intention</b>	<b>Glen Grabow</b>
Resurrection Icon	\$25.00	<b>AVAILABLE</b>	
St. Athanasius Icon	\$25.00	<b>Nancy Vorgias</b>	<b>Ray/Anne Hamilton</b>
Holy Table	\$40.00	<b>Peter &amp; Christine Majanja</b>	<b>Judy Ernst</b>

**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. Thank you!



**THE AKATHIST TO THE THEOTOKOS,**  
**THE INEXHAUSTIBLE CUP, HEALER**  
**OF ALCOHOLICS**

**WEDNESDAY APRIL 8<sup>TH</sup> 7 PM**  
**WEDNESDAY MAY 20<sup>TH</sup> 7 PM**  
**WEDNESDAY JUNE 3<sup>RD</sup> 7 PM**  
**WEDNESDAY JULY 15<sup>TH</sup> 7 PM**  
**WEDNESDAY AUGUST 19<sup>TH</sup> 7 PM**

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**DO YOU KNOW ANYONE WHO IS TROUBLED BY THE DISEASE OF**  
**ALCOHOLISM OR CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY?**

**PLEASE GIVE THEIR FIRST NAME TO FR. BRYAN AND JOIN US FOR**  
**THIS LIFE-CHANGING AND HEALING AKATHIST.**



**ST. ATHANASIUS THE**  
**GREAT PARISH**  
**COMMUNITY MEAL~**

**Many thanks to all who helped and**  
**participated watch this space for**  
**further announcements**

**As part of our call to participate**  
**actively in the Holy Father's call for**  
**the "New Evangelization", we need**

**to truly reach out to the Neighborhood Community**  
**surrounding our Parish Facilities. One way for us to do this is to**  
**provide a Free Community Meal on a regular basis.**

**Daun Hughey has come forward to coordinate this effort. But**  
**she will need everyone's cooperation to connect with the**  
**Community to make this meal a success. If you are willing to**  
**help with this effort, please see Daun or Father Bryan.**

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

*Wednesday April 29 Paraclis & Holy Anointing*

*Wednesday May 27 Paraclis & Holy Anointing*

*Wednesday June 24 Paraclis & Holy Anointing*

*Wednesday August 29 Paraclis & Holy Anointing*

**Please invite your friends and join us for this beautiful Healing Service!**

**The Blessing of Paschal Foods**

*The Blessing of Paschal Foods will take place at the close of the Divine Liturgy today! There are tables at the front of the Church where you are to place your basket as soon as you arrive in Church. The Blessing of the various Paschal Foods and the Artos will take place after the Dismissal from the Divine Liturgy and the Holy Anointing and Distribution of Blessed Bread.*

*After you receive your anointing and blessed bread; please return to your pew. At the appropriate time Father Bryan will inform you when can come forward to CAREFULLY light the candles in your basket. During the Blessing a Basket will be collection basket passed in order for you to put in your contribution for the blessing. Then after the blessing please come forward to retrieve your basket and then come over to the Parish Hall for our Paschal Repast. Thank you!*

**Parish Weekly Luncheon Donations:**

*Everyone is invited and always welcome to join us at our Weekly Luncheon after the Liturgy. There is a Donation Basket at the beginning of the meal line, and we ask those who are able to place a few dollars in the basket, occasionally.*

*These monies are used to provide the various snacks, bottled water, juices, coffee and milk that we have at this weekly Luncheon. And without these monies or in-kind donations, we will not be able to regularly have these items available. So anything that you can contribute would be most welcome and appreciated.*

*We greatly appreciate everyone who have been working with Dr. Judy Ernst and using the Perfect Potluck website to make sure we have a complete variety of foods. Also thank you for your attention to those of our parishioners who have food allergies and other special requirements.*

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

**Sat. April 11**

**THOMAS SUNDAY CELEBRATION**

**7 PM FESTAL EVENING PRAYER**

**Sun. April 12**

**9 AM FESTAL MORNING PRAYER**

**10 AM FESTAL DIVINE LITURGY**

**11:30 AM THOMAS SUNDAY LUNCHEON**

**OINTMENT BEARERS CELEBRATION**

**Sat. April 18**

**7 PM FESTAL EVENING PRAYER**

**Sun. April 19**

**9 AM FESTAL MORNING PRAYER**

**10 AM FESTAL DIVINE LITURGY**

**11:15 AM WEEKLY SUNDAY LUNCHEON**

**12:15 PM EASTERN CHRISTIAN**

**FORMATION CLASSES FOR ALL**

**PARALYTIC MAN CELEBRATION**

**Sat. April 25**

**7 PM FESTAL EVENING PRAYER**

**Sun. April 26**

**9 AM FESTAL MORNING PRAYER**

**10 AM FESTAL DIVINE LITURGY**

**11:15 AM WEEKLY SUNDAY LUNCHEON**

**12:15 PM EASTERN CHRISTIAN**

**FORMATION CLASSES FOR ALL**

**Wed. April 29**

**7 PM PARACLIS & THE MYSTERY OF  
HOLY ANOINTING**



**Saints Cyril and Methodius** were 9th-century Byzantine Greek brothers born in Thessalonica, Macedonia, in the Byzantine Empire. They were the principal Christian missionaries among the Slavic peoples of the Great Moravia and Pannonia, introducing Byzantine Christianity and writing to the hitherto illiterate, pagan Slav migrants into parts of Macedonia and elsewhere in the Balkans. Through their work they influenced the cultural development of all Slavs, for which they received the title "*Apostles to the Slavs*". They are credited with devising the Glagolitic alphabet, the first alphabet used to transcribe Old Church Slavonic. After their deaths, their pupils continued their missionary work among other Slavs. Both brothers are venerated in the Byzantine Catholic and Orthodox Churches as saints with the title of "*equal-to-apostles*". In 1880, Pope Leo XIII introduced their feast into the calendar of the Roman Catholic Church. In 1980, Pope John Paul II declared them co-patron saints of Europe, together with Benedict of Nursia.

In 862, the brothers began the work which would give them their historical importance. That year Prince Rastislav of Great Moravia requested that Emperor Michael III and the Patriarch Photius send missionaries to evangelize his Slavic subjects. In 867, Pope Nicholas I invited the brothers to Rome. Their evangelizing mission in Moravia had by this time become the focus of a dispute with Theotmar, the Archbishop of Salzburg and bishop of Passau, who claimed ecclesiastical control of the same territory. They arrived in Rome in 868, where they were warmly received. This was partly due to their bringing with them the relics of Saint Clement; the rivalry with Constantinople as to the jurisdiction over the territory of the Slavs would incline Rome to value the brothers and their influence

Their project in Moravia found support from Pope Adrian II, who formally authorized the use of the new Slavic liturgy. The ordination of Methodius and the brothers' Slav disciples was performed by Formosus and Gauderic, two prominent bishops, and the newly made priests officiated in their own tongue at the altars of some of the principal churches. Feeling his end approaching, Cyril became a monk, was given the new name Cyril, and died fifty days later (14 February 869). St. Methodius' death is placed on 8 April 885, which is the date on which he is commemorated individually.



## Pascha - The New Passover

### A Lamb Without Blemish And Without Spot

“WHAT’S IN A NAME?” This question, which Shakespeare put in the mouth of Juliet, has become something of a cliché ever since. Nevertheless, it is certainly a valid question when we look at our name for the Feast of Christ’s Resurrection.

In AD 725 St. Bede the Venerable, an English monk and scholar, addressed this question in his work, *The Reckoning of Time*. He tells us that the word “Easter” was the Old English term for the month which we call April and which, in turn “*was once called after a goddess of theirs named Ēostre, in whose honor feasts were celebrated in that month.*”

In most cultures with a Christian heritage the feast is called Pascha, a Greek term which itself was a transliteration of the Hebrew Pesach. While the term Easter has pagan associations, the term Pascha is rooted in the New Testament and, ultimately, the Old Testament understanding of God’s work among us.

### ***Pesach: The Old Testament Passover***

The term Pesach refers to both the determining event in Jewish history and the festival which celebrates it. Sometime in the second millennium BC, Joseph, the eleventh son of Jacob, was sold into slavery as a teenager by his own half-brothers (see *Gen 37*). Joseph was brought to Egypt and bought by Potiphar, an officer of the Pharaoh’s guard. “*The LORD was*

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with Joseph” (Gen 39:2) and he eventually became the chief of Potiphar’s household.

After a series of reversals, Joseph came to the attention of Pharaoh himself by correctly interpreting the king’s dreams and averting a famine. In gratitude Pharaoh made Joseph overseer over his kingdom: “*You shall be over my house and all my people shall be ruled according to your word; only in regard to the throne will I be greater than you*” (Gen 41:40). Joseph eventually brought his entire tribe to Egypt (see Gen 42-50) and they prospered there for several generations.

Then “*there arose a new king over Egypt, who did not know Joseph*” (Ex 1:8) and saw his tribe as a threat to Egypt. This began their period of slavery in Egypt which culminated with the call of Moses to deliver his people from Egypt in the thirteenth century BC (see Ex 1-11). According to the Book of Exodus, “*Now the sojourn of the children of Israel who lived in Egypt was four hundred and thirty years. And it came to pass at the end of the four hundred and thirty years—on that very same day—it came to pass that all the armies of the LORD went out from the land of Egypt*” (Ex 12:40-41).

In commemoration of their deliverance the first Passover was celebrated: “*It is a night of solemn observance to the LORD for bringing them out of the land of Egypt. This is that night of the LORD, a solemn observance for all the children of Israel throughout their generations*” (Ex 12:42). The Passover festival recalls how the children of Israel “passed over” from slavery to freedom.

The principal observance of the Jewish Passover to this day is the Seder, the ritual meal which begins the week-long festival. Through story, song and ritual foods such as the matzoh (unleavened bread) and the bitter herbs this meal recalls the hardships the Israelites endured during the exodus as well as the protecting presence of God which delivered them. As long as the Jerusalem temple stood, the centerpiece of this meal was the Passover

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lamb, sacrificed in the temple and then consumed at the Seder. Ever since the temple was destroyed by the Romans, the Passover sacrifice has been symbolized by a roasted shank bone on the Seder plate.

### **Christ Our Passover**

A few years after the death and resurrection of Christ St Paul would write from Ephesus to the Christians of Corinth, “*Christ, our Passover, was sacrificed for us*” (1 Cor 5:7). Paul, and perhaps others before him, saw Christ as the new Passover, the ultimate Passover delivering not one tribe but all mankind from slavery; and not from slavery to an earthly tyrant but from a universal tormentor: the power of sin and death.

We find this Passover image echoed in the First Epistle of St Peter to the Christians of Asia Minor, which contrasts Christ’s unique sacrifice of Himself with the material sacrifices that people offer: “*You were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold, from your aimless conduct received by tradition from your fathers, but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot*” (1 Pt 1:18-19), qualities required in lambs destined for sacrifice at Passover.

The Gospels all express Christ’s sacrifice in terms of the Jewish Passover. They all depict the Lord Jesus and His disciples going to Jerusalem for this festival. The Synoptic Gospels (Mt, Mk and Lk) depict their meal in the “upper room” as the Passover Seder. This emphasizes the Eucharist as the new Seder, the meal that connects us to the Mystical Supper and to Christ’s Passover to eternal life.

The Gospel of John, however, says that Jesus’ death occurred *before* the Passover. “*Now it was the Preparation Day for the Passover...*” (Jn 19:13), when Christ was sentenced to death and taken to be crucified. He hung on the cross until the ninth hour. “*And at the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice... and breathed His last*” (Mk 15:33-37).

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Thus, in the imagery of St John, Christ dies in the middle of the afternoon before the Seder, at precisely the time when the Passover lambs were being sacrificed in the temple. The implication is clear: Christ is the Passover Lamb whose death nourishes all mankind.

This description of Christ as our Passover recalls the witness of John the Baptist when Jesus approached him at the Jordan, “*Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!*” ([Jn 1:29](#)). [This Lamb reappears in the Book of Revelation at the center of the author’s heavenly vision:](#)

*“And I looked, and behold, in the midst of the throne and of the four living creatures, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as though it had been slain... Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels around the throne... saying with a loud voice:*

*‘Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and blessing!’”* ([Rev 5:6, 11](#)).

### **The Paschal Stichera**

*The following hymns are chanted at Orthros and Vespers on Pascha, throughout Bright Week and every Sunday during the Paschal season, glorifying Christ as our Passover.*

Our Passover Christ the Redeemer is revealed to us today as a noble Passover. He is the new and holy Passover, a mystical Passover, a blameless Passover, a glorious Passover, a Passover for the faithful, a Passover that opens for us the gates of Paradise, a Passover that sanctifies all believers.

A glorious Passover has shone upon us, a Passover of the Lord, a Passover perfectly honorable! Let us then embrace one another with joy! O what a Passover, delivering from sorrow, for Christ – coming out of the tomb as from a nuptial chamber – fills the women with joy by telling them to bring this happy news to the disciples.

Have a good Pascha!

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN THE MILITARY ESPECIALLY THOSE SERVING IN AFGHANISTAN AND IRAQ.**

**Lt. COL. CRAIG M. EYMAN D.O.**~ is Fr. Bryan's 2<sup>nd</sup> youngest brother. He has reentered the Army Reserve and is currently serving with the 848<sup>th</sup> FST [Forward Surgical Team] stationed in Twinsburg, OH. He has returned to his family in Solon, OH.

**CAPT. BRIAN HEWKO USA**~ is a friend of Fr. Bryan and a parishioner of St. Anne Ukrainian Byzantine Catholic Church in Austinburg, OH. He is a 2008 graduate of West Point. Brian has returned from deployment to the Persian Gulf. He is now serving in South Carolina.

**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. Fr. Joseph is posted in Washington, DC.

**AIRMAN MICHAELA and AIRMAN 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 Douglas. Cody received the Military Blessing at our Church and is currently serving at Fort Bragg, NC. His brother Rory has been deployed to Afghanistan. Their brother Niko serves as an Army recruiter in Anderson, IN.

**PRIVATE JACKSON RUANE USA**~ Jackson is formerly from St. Nicholas Byzantine Catholic Parish in Ashtabula, OH. He is currently serving at Ft. Polk, LA since September, 2014. He thanks you for your prayers.

**PRIVATE ABIGAIL BROWN USA**~ is the Grand Niece of parishioner Belinda Dorney. She was recently promoted to PFC and has completed training in Army Intelligence at a base in Arizona. She is serving in Oklahoma.

**2<sup>ND</sup> 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. We welcome to Holy Communion all Orthodox and Catholic Christians, who are able to receive Holy Communion in their own parish Church.*

***In the Byzantine Catholic Church we give Holy Communion to infants and young children. If you bring your child forward at Communion time he or she will be given Holy Communion. If you do not wish your child to receive Holy Communion, please do not bring the child forward at Communion time.*** *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!***