



*Welcome to St. Athanasius the Great Byzantine
Catholic Church*

Christ is Risen! Christos Voskrese!

Indeed He is Risen! Voistunu Voskrese!

We welcome all to the Divine Services at our parish. Our restrooms are in the Dormition Hall behind the next door Rectory.

On Sundays, after Divine Liturgy, our potluck luncheon is open to everyone, especially our guests.

Need to request an appointment with Father?

Father is available for confession or spiritual direction by appointment and he welcomes you to contact him whenever you need him.

Prayers for the sick or other intentions:

If you have a special intention for the sick, birthdays, deceased, need to request a Liturgy or other service to be offered for someone please give a note, text or call Father at 216-532-6364.

ECF Class

We welcome kids of all ages from our parish to participate in ECF class on Sundays after Liturgy and Lunch for 30 minutes.

An adult ECF class will be held on Sundays in our church as well. Please bring your friends to our church to help build our church community.

Announcements:

Happy Mothers Day to all Mothers. God grant them many blessed and happy years, mnohaja lita, Christ is Risen, Chrystos Voskrese!

This year's Eparchial Pilgrimage will take place August 19-20 at the Shrine of Our Lady Mariapoch in Burton, Ohio. On Saturday, there will be the Blessing of Water and Moleben to the Theotokos, Divine Liturgy and an evening campfire and chat. Sunday will include Matins, activities for children and teens, and Hierarchical Divine Liturgy. No registration is required.

Visit: <https://www.parma.org/pilgrimage>

The Greek Catholic Union fraternal organization has provided each parish, including ours, in our Metropolitan Church a generous \$2,000.00 grant in their Fraternal Metamorphosis Program. We are grateful that they are helping all parishes across the four eparchies. May God grant their board and members health and happiness.

Stewardship Appeal

Please consider making a sacrificial gift to this year's Appeal that reflects the importance of the Church in your life and in the lives of those close to you. The Eparchy needs your support. Your gift will make a positive difference, such as: Development of Parishes, Vocations and Seminarian Education, The Works of the Apostolate and Retired Priests of the Eparchy.

METROPOLITAN ASSEMBLY

When: November 2 – 5, 2023

Theme: Living Our Faith, Moving Forward, Appreciating Our Past. For more details visit: byzantineassembly2023.org.

PROTECT THEM BOTH

A proposed amendment to Ohio's Constitution for a vote on the November 2023 ballot expands and enshrines abortion at the expense of protections for preborn children and women. Every parish is asked to unite in prayer, distribute educational materials, and encourage voter registration to Vote NO on the abortion expansion amendment. All campaign materials and other helpful resources can be found on the Protect Them Both campaign site: www.ohiocathconf.org/protect

The Paschal greeting and response in various languages

CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED HE IS RISEN!

Greek: Christós anésti! Alithós anésti!

Slavonic: Christós voskrése! Vo-ístinu voskrése!

Ukrainian: Христос воскрес! Воістину воскрес!

Services for the Week of May 14-May 21, 2023				
	Day	Time	Service	Readings
Sunday	May 14 Sunday of the Man Born Blind Mother's Day	8:15 AM 10:00 AM 11:30 AM 12:15 PM	Matins Divine Liturgy Moleben to the Theotokos ECF Class	Acts 16:16-34 Jn 9:1-38
Tuesday	May 16 Theodore Venerable	6:00 PM	Moleben to the Theotokos Divine Liturgy meeting with youth	Acts 17:19-28 Jn 12:19-36
Wednesday	May 17 Andronicus and Other Apostles	6:00 PM	Vespers and Matins for holy day	
Thursday	May 19 Ascension of our Lord – Holy Day of Obligation	6:00 PM	Divine Liturgy	Acts 1:1-12 Lk 24:36-53
Friday	May 19 Epiphanius & Germanus Bishops	6:00 PM	Moleben to the Theotokos Divine Liturgy	Acts 19:1-8 Jn 14:1-11
Saturday	May 20 Glyceria Martyr	5:00 PM	Vespers	
Sunday	May 21 Sunday of the Fathers of the 1 st Ecumenical Council Mother's Day	8:15 AM 10:00 AM 11:30 AM 12:15 PM	Matins Divine Liturgy Moleben to the Theotokos ECF Class	Acts 20:16-18 & 28-38 Jn 17:1-13

SUNDAY OF THE MAN BORN BLIND



Again they said to the blind man. What dost thou say of him who opened thy eyes? But he said. He is a prophet. The Jews therefore did not believe. The Scriptures must be read, not merely casually or superficially, but with all care, so that one may not be confused. And I say this for even now one might with reason be perplexed at this text as to how it was that, though they had said:

"This man is not from God, for he does not keep the Sabbath," they then said to the man: "What dost thou say of him who opened thy eyes"? They did not say: "What do you say of him who has broken the Sabbath," but now substituted defense for accusation. "And they did not believe that he had been blind and had got his sight until they called his parents." Moreover, notice in how many ways they tried to hide and discredit the miracle. Yet the nature of truth is such that it becomes stronger by the very schemes by which men seem to be undermining it; it becomes resplendent by the means intended to obscure it. For, if these efforts to discredit the miracle were not made,

its authenticity might have been doubted by many. But as it was, they did everything as if they were trying to reveal the truth. They would not have brought about a different result if they had been actually doing everything in Christ's behalf. Now, I say this for they were trying to cast aspersion on Him because of the method He had used, when they said: "How did he open your eyes"? that is, "Was it by some kind of sorcery"? Elsewhere, indeed, when they were unable to indict Him, they tried to discredit the way in which He healed by saying: "He does not cast out devils except by Beelzebub." And here once again, since they could assert nothing derogatory, they took refuge in the time [as a pretext for accusing Him] and said: "He breaks the Sabbath," and again: "He is a sinner." But, if they called Him a sinner because of the fact that He seemed to be breaking the Sabbath, even this charge appeared ineffective, since their very associates remarked its great cold-bloodedness and meanness.

By St. John Chrysostom (c.347-407)

During the month of May you are encouraged to have special devotions to Mary, the Theotokos. Come pray in church and, when you're at home, you can choose to celebrate a Moleben, Akathist, sing Marian Hymns, etc.



Weekend Divine Services

Saturday: 5 PM Vespers

Sunday: 8:15 AM Matins
10 AM Divine Liturgy

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