



*Welcome to St. Athanasius the Great
Byzantine Catholic Church
"Glory to Jesus Christ! Slava Isusu Christu!"
"Glory to Him Forever! Slava Naviki Bohu!"*

We welcome all to the Divine Services at our parish. Our restrooms are in the Dormition Hall behind the Rectory next door. On Sundays, after Divine Liturgy, our potluck luncheon is open to everyone, especially our guests. Come join us for fellowship.

Eastern Christian Formation classes

ECF classes for children are in the church after the potluck luncheon. All children are welcome.

Congratulations to our newly elevated Bishop Robert Pipta!

May God grant him many happy and healthy blessed years. Axios!

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.

Opportunities to Help with Fundraising...we are called into service At this time, our parish is unable to exist without fundraising initiatives. Our most successful venture over the years has proved to be the traditional pierogi and European baked goods made in our commercial kitchen and sold at the various local Farmer's Market venues. **Volunteers are always needed to help with the baking and selling.** Cleaning the work areas and equipment are also welcomed opportunities to serve (can be an evening after work). **You are needed NOW, before and during the holiday demand, even if it is for a couple of hours.**

Please contact John Danovich to schedule a workable day and time (Tuesday through Saturday) for you and/or your family.

On Saturday, November 18, is the second of the annual craft fairs at the same time as the Carmel market.

Sellers are needed for both the craft fair and the market on that day and volunteers are needed to prepare double quantities of pierogi and bakery items on (Tues through Sat) beginning now and up until the event. (*This last Wednesday only 15 doz. pierogi were made.*)

- Cookies that sell well at the fairs also need to be made.
- Biodegradable birdhouses were donated, and "kits" need to be put together to sell at the craft fair and on market wagon.

Pumpkins need to be processed into puree for seasonal pumpkin roll demand.

Thanks to those who helped with product preparation and marketing for the Nov 11 craft fair and Carmel Winter's Market.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

THE PHILLIP'S FAST BEGINS WEDNESDAY NOV 15 THROUGH DEC 24

All those between the ages of 15 and 60, in good health, not pregnant or lactating are expected to observe this fast. Fasting includes abstaining from animal products on Wednesdays and Fridays. Everyone can abstain from something like television, social media, video gaming and spend that time in prayer, service and alms giving.

CHRISTMAS ON THE PRARIE DEC 9, 2023

St Athanasius families are invited to come and share our Eastern Catholic traditions around the venerable St. Nicholas during this Advent Season. Christmas on the Prairie, Saturday, Dec 9th, 2023 is happening at Annunciation Byzantine Catholic Church in Homer Glen, Illinois. This free winter event has quickly become a family favorite in the Southwest Suburbs of Chicago and all in attendance have the opportunity to learn about the real man behind the legend we now know as Santa Claus.

Participants will be able to enjoy live music and choirs from Chesterton Academy as well as Riverside Studio. Also, a true relic of St. Nicholas, on loan from the All Saints Shrine in Livonia, MI, will be available for veneration in the church during the event. Start time is 2 PM and at 4:30 PM the children gather awaiting the arrival of St. Nicholas. After he departs at 6 PM, all will gather for Vespers in the church. The flyer and a letter to parents with additional information is posted in Dormition Hall here at St. Athanasius.

EXTRA COLLECTIONS

In addition to our regular collections we are asking for donations for:

- (1) furnaces (the two in the church have already exceeded their useful life),
- (2) sign for the front of the church.

We don't have a "rainy day" fund and no extra money to pay our debts. Thank you to those who've already donated. May God bless you!

Services for the Week of November 12 – November 17, 2023				
	Day	Time	Service	Readings
Sunday	November 12 24th Sunday After Pentecost	8:15 AM 10:00 AM	Matins Divine Liturgy	Eph 2:14-22 Lk 10:25-37
Monday	November 13 John Chrysostom Archbishop		No Services	Heb 7:26-8:2 Jn 10:9-16
Tuesday	November 14 Philip Apostle		No Services	1 Cor 4:9-16 Jn 1:43-51
Wednesday	November 15 Gurias, Samonas and Habib - Martyrs	6:00 PM	Day 1 Phillip's Fast Divine Liturgy	2 Thess 2:1-12 Lk 15:1-10
Thursday	November 16 Mathew Apostle Evangelist		No Services	1 Cor 4:9-16 Mt 9:9-13
Friday	November 17 Gregory Wonderworker	6:00 PM	Divine Liturgy	2 Thess 3:6-18 Lk 16:15-18 & 17:1-4
Saturday	November 18 Plato and Roman Martyrs	5:00 PM	Vespers Confession	Gal 1:3-10 Lk 9:57-62
Sunday	November 19 25th Sunday After Pentecost	8:15 AM 10:00 AM	Matins Divine Liturgy	Eph 4:1-6 Lk 12:16-21

Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

EPHESIANS 2

14 For He Himself is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of division between us, 15 having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two, thus making peace, 16 and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity. 17 And He came and preached peace to you who were afar off and to those who were near. 18 For through Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father. 19 Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, 20 having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone, 21 in whom the whole building, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord, 22 in whom you also are being built together for a habitation of God the in the spirit.

YOU ARE NO LONGER STRANGERS AND FOREIGNERS, BUT FELLOW CITIZENS WITH THE SAINTS AND MEMBERS OF THE HOUSEHOLD OF GOD

Is this then the great privilege, it may be said, that we are admitted into the commonwealth of the Jews?... What is this, 'both one?' He does not mean that He has raised us to that high heritage of theirs, but that he has raised both us and them to a yet higher. However, the blessing to us is greater, because to the Jews it had been promised, and they were nearer than we... For this reason he says, 'And that the Gentiles might glorify God for His mercy' (Rom. 15:9). The promise He gave indeed to the Israelites, but they were unworthy; to us He gave no promise, no, we were even strangers. We had nothing in common with them, yet He has made us one.

... He calls 'the enmity in the flesh,' a middle wall, in that it is a common barrier, cutting us off alike from God. As the Prophet says, 'Your inequities separate between you and Me' (Isa. 54:2)... And this, while the law existed, was not only not abolished, but rather was strengthened; 'for the law,' says the Apostle, 'works wrath' (Rom. 4:15)... The law was a hedge... Listen to the Prophet, where he says, 'I made a trench about it' (Isa. 5:2). And again, 'You have broken down her hedges, so that all who pass by the way pluck her fruit' (Ps. 80:12)... It became a middle wall, no longer establishing them in security, but cutting them off from God... His death, says the Apostle, has 'slain' the enmity... How well than it is that it does not rise again? From our exceeding depravity. For as long as we abide in the body of Christ, as long as we are united, it does not rise again, but lies dead... He calls those acts which the sole performs of herself 'natural,' and those which the body performs of itself 'carnal'... The virtue of the flesh is her subjection to the soul. It is her vice to govern...

He did not send Angels or Archangels on the mission, because to repair so many and such vast mischiefs and to declare what had been wrought was in the power of none other, but required His own coming. The Lord then took upon Himself the rank of a servant, no, almost all of a minister.

St. John Chrysostom. Homilies V and VI on Ephesians II. B# 57, PP. 71-74.

LUKE 10

25 And behold, a certain lawyer stood up and tested Him, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" 26 He said to him, "What is written in the law? What is your reading of it?" 27 So he answered and said, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind,' and 'your neighbor as yourself.'" 28 And He said to him, "You have answered rightly; do this and you will live." 29 But he, wanting to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" 30 Then Jesus answered and said: "A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, who stripped him of his clothing, wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead. 31 "Now by chance a certain priest came down that road. And when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. 32 "Likewise a Levite, when he arrived at the place, came and looked, and passed by on the other side. 33 "But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was. And when he saw him, he had compassion up on him, 34 "and went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; and he set him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. 35 "On the next day, when he departed, he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said to him, 'Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, when I come again, I will repay you.' 36 "So which of these three do you think was neighbor to him who fell among the thieves?" 37 And he said, "He who showed mercy on him." Then Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

THE PARABLE OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN

Very skillfully the Savior of all weaves the parable of him who fell into the hands of thieves. He said that when the man was lying half dead, and in the last extremity of evil, a priest passed by, and in a like manner a Levite without feeling towards him any sentiment of humanity or dropping upon him the oil of compassionate love; their mind rather was unsympathizing and cruel toward him. But one of another race, a Samaritan, fulfilled the law of love. Justly, therefore, He asked, which of these three was the sufferer's neighbor. And he said, 'He who showed mercy on him'. And it to this Christ added, 'Go and do likewise.'

You have seen, O lawyer, and it has been proved by the parable, that it is of no avail whatsoever to any man, to be set up by empty names and pride to himself on unmeaning and ridiculous titles, so long as the excellence of deeds does not accompany them. For the dignity of the priesthood availing to its owners and equally so is being called learned in the law, to those who are so reputed, unless they also excel in deeds. For lo! A crown of love is being twined for him who loves his neighbor; and he proves to be a Samaritan. Nor is he rejected on this account; for he who was foremost among the disciples, the blessed Peter testified (Acts 10:34) 'In truth I perceive that God it's not a respecter of persons; but in every nation, whosoever fears Him, and works righteousness, is accepted of Him.' For Christ, Who loves our virtues, accepts all who are diligent in good pursuits; by Whom and with Whom, to God the Father be praise and dominion with the Holy Spirit, unto ages of ages. Amen.

Saint Cyril of Alexandria. *Commentary on the Gospel of Saint Luke*, Homily 68. B# 42, P. 290.



Weekend Divine Services

Saturday: 5 PM Vespers

Sunday: 8:15 AM Matins
10 AM Divine Liturgy

1117 South Blaine Avenue,
Indianapolis, IN 46221

Website: www.saindy.com

Email: sabcc@indy.rr.com

Cantors: Brian Goshorn, John
Danovich, Suzanne Goshorn

Business Manager: John
Danovich

Phones: Office: 317-632-4157;

Cell Phone (Fr. Mykhaylo):
216-532-6364