

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.

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# 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 Farmers' 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 always needed, even if it is for a couple of hours.

The Summer Carmel Market started in May & is 86% complete continuing every Saturday through the end of September. Bakery activities continue Tuesday through Friday.

Please contact John Danovich, (317) 538-7444, to schedule a workable day and time (Tuesday through Saturday) for you and/or your family.

# Opportunities For Service At St. Athanasius

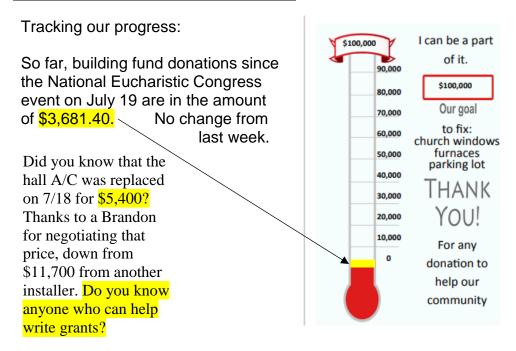
- The Summer Farmer's Market in Carmel runs on Saturday mornings and ends at the end of September. Another set of volunteers is needed to bring products to the market and sell them to free up those who spend their days preparing the products Tues through Friday. If this is not in place before mid-Oct then we will not be attending the Winter Carmel market this year (mid-Oct/24 – April/25 and that potential income will be lost.
- Pierogi pinchers and bakers are always needed (Tuesday through Friday with pierogi making typically on Wednesday).
- Our worship space needs to be kept maintained; plants watered, candles filled, carpet vacuumed.
- Our social space needs to be kept clean and organized, including bathrooms. Please clean up chairs as well as tables in the hall.
- Items for the food pantry are always needed; (food, cans with pop tops, toiletries, cereal, carton milk)
- Bags for the food pantry need to be assembled every week.
- In the garden: weeding, harvesting, fall planting
- Plastic grocery bags are needed to bag market sales.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

#### Save the Date - October 5, 2024

The Knights of Columbus are having a clean-up day on Saturday, October 5 from 9 am until 4 pm. A dumpster will be brought in so most of the items in the storage building can be discarded and, a second priority, to clean out the rectory basement. All parishioners are encouraged to help. Some blessed items (e.g. old iconostasis) will have to be burned.

## **Thermometer Update for Fundraising**



#### IMPD SOUTHWEST DISTRICT COMMUNITY DAY COLLABORATION

Thursday, September 26, 2024, from 4:00-7:00 pm at 551 N. King Avenue/ Haughville Park. This is an opportunity for our parish to reach out to our neighbors to invite them to attend our services and inform them about us. Flyers and business cards can be handed out. Will you help? Over 1,000 people attended last year. John Danovich has further information.

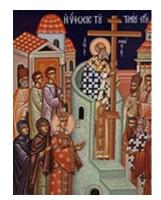
	Services for the Week o	f September 1	5 - September 22,	2024
Day		Time	Service	Readings
Sunday	September 15 Sunday After the Exaltation of the	8:15 AM 10:00 AM 11:30 AM	Matins Divine Liturgy Luncheon	Gal 2:16-20 Mk 8:34-9:1
Monday	Cross September 16 Euphemia	11.30 AW	No Services	Eph 4:25-32
Tuesday	Great-Martyr September 17 Sophia and Others Martyrs		No Services	Lk 3:19-22 Eph 5:20-26 Lk 3:23-4:1
Wednesday	September 18 Eumenius Bishop	6:00 PM	Vespers	Eph 5:25-33 Lk 4:1-15
Thursday	September 19 Trophimus and Others Martyrs		No Services	Eph 5:33-6:9 Lk 4:16-22
Friday	September 20 Eustace and Others Martyrs	6:00 PM	Moleben for the sick	Eph 6:18-24 Lk 4:22-30
Saturday	September 21 Saturday After the Exaltation of the Cross	5:00 PM	Vespers Confessions	1 Cor 1:26-29 Jn 8:21-30
Sunday	September 22 18 <sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost	8:15 AM 10:00 AM 11:30 AM	Matins Divine Liturgy Luncheon	2 Cor 9:6-11 Lk 5:1-11

## Financial Report 9/8/2024

Date	Bakery Sales	Building Fund	Candles	Holy Day	Sunday Tithes	Weekly Total
9/8	\$1544.56			\$15.00	\$815.52 *	\$2,375.08

<sup>\*</sup> includes \$50.00 from non-parishioners

# **Sunday After the Exaltation of the Cross**



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#### Galatians 2:16-20

Brethren: Knowing that man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ; we also believe in Christ Jesus, that we may be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: because by the works of the law no flesh shall be justified. But if while we seek to be justified in Christ, we ourselves also are found sinners; is Christ then the minister of sin? God forbid. For if I build up again the things which I have destroyed, I make myself a prevaricator. For I, through the law, am dead to the law, that I may live to God: with Christ I am nailed to the cross. And I live, now not I; but Christ liveth in me. And that I live now in the flesh: I live in the faith of the Son of God, Who loved me, and delivered Himself for me.

#### Mark 8:34-9:1

The Lord said: If any man will follow Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me. For whosoever will save his life, shall lose it: and whosoever shall lose his life for My sake and the gospel, shall save it. For what shall it profit a man, if he gain the whole world, and suffer the loss of his soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul? For he that shall be ashamed of Me, and of My words, in this adulterous and sinful generation: the Son of man also will be ashamed of him, when He shall come in the glory of His Father with the holy angels. And He said to them: Amen I say to you, that there are some of them that stand here, who shall not taste death, till they see the kingdom of God coming in power.

Today we continue to celebrate the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross. It may seem strange that we devote certain periods of the Church year especially to the Cross because it is so characteristic of our entire life in Christ. No matter what else is going on in the Church or in our own lives, we may never leave behind the Cross, for our Savior calls us—just as He did His original disciples—to take up our crosses and follow Him each and every day. That is not a command limited to certain days or particular facets of our lives; it is simply a key dimension of what it means to be a Christian.

Our Lord's disciples, like the other Jews of that time, had apparently expected a Messiah who would have had nothing to do with a cross. They wanted a successful ruler, someone like King David, who would destroy Israel's enemies and give them privileged positions of power in a new political order. So they could not accept His clear word that He would be rejected, suffer, die, and rise again. When St. Peter actually tried to correct Him on this point, Christ called him "Satan" and said that he was thinking in human terms, not God's. To place the pursuit of worldly power over faithful obedience was a temptation Christ had faced during His forty days of preparation in the desert before His public ministry began. Then that same temptation came from the head disciple, and the Lord let St. Peter know in no uncertain terms that He must serve God and not the powers of this world. To place worldly success over sacrificial obedience was simply the work of the devil; we face the same temptations today.



#### **Weekend Divine Services**

Saturday: 5 PM Vespers
Sunday: 8:15 AM Matins
10 AM Divine Liturgy

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