



*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.

***“Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not
reluctantly or under compulsion,
for God loves a cheerful giver. “ 2 Cor 9:7***

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 Sept. **This year's Winter Market (Oct 19 – March 29) will require at least one able bodied volunteer every Saturday morning at 6 AM at the church hall to load the van with products, drive the van to the market, unload the van, reload the van with unsold products at market close (noon), drive the van back to the hall, unload the van, take product inventory and store products appropriately in the hall. Additional volunteers, at least 2, are needed to sell products (8:30 -noon) at the market. Someone is needed to manage this. If a system is not in place before Sept 28, then we will not be attending the Winter Carmel market this year.**
- 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

Tracking our progress:

So far, building fund donations since the National Eucharistic Congress event on July 19 are in the amount of **\$4,011.00**

Did you know that the hall A/C was replaced on 7/18 for **\$5,400?** Thanks to a Brandon for negotiating that price, down from \$11,700 from another installer. **Do you know anyone who can help write grants?**



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.

The Knights of Columbus are meeting next Sunday after the Luncheon.

Services for the Week of September 22 - September 29, 2024				
Day	Time	Service	Readings	
Sunday	September 22 18 th 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
Monday	September 23 Conception of John the Baptist		No Services	Gal 4:22-31 Lk 1:5-25
Tuesday	September 24 Thecia Proto-Martyr		No Services	Phil 1:8-14 Lk 5:12-16
Wednesday	September 25 Euphrosyna Venerable	6:00 PM	Vespers	Phil 1:12-20 Lk 5:33-39
Thursday	September 26 The Passing of John Apostle - Evangelist		No Services	1 Jn 4:12-19 Jn 19:25-27 & 21:24-25
Friday	September 27 Callistratus and Others - Martyrs	6:00 PM	Moleben for the sick	Phil 1:27-2:4 Lk 6:17-23
Saturday	September 28 Chariton Venerable-Confessor	5:00 PM	Vespers Confessions	2 Cor 4:6-15 Lk 6:17-23
Sunday	September 29 19 th Sunday After Pentecost	8:15 AM 10:00 AM 11:30 AM	Matins Divine Liturgy Luncheon K of C mtg	2 Cor 11:31-12:9 Lk 6: 31-36

Financial Report 9/15/2024

Date	Bakery Sales	Building Fund	Candles	Holy Day	Sunday Tithes	Weekly Total
9/15	\$1554.58	\$329.60	\$163.36	\$30.00	\$390.29	\$2,467.83

18th Sunday After Pentecost

2 Cor 9:6-11

Brethren: The point is this: he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that you may always have enough of everything and may provide in abundance for every good work. As it is written, "He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures forever." He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your resources and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for great generosity, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God.

HE WHO SOWS SPARINGLY WILL ALSO REAP SPARINGLY, AND HE WHO SOWS BOUNTIFULLY WILL ALSO REAP BOUNTIFULLY.

He called the thing sowing, so you might at once looked into the recompense, and having in mind the harvest, you might feel that you receive more than you give. For this reason, he did not say, 'he who gives,' but 'he who sows'... A man when left to himself, does a thing more readily than when compelled. Therefore, he dwells on this... Or if it is a work of virtue and yet all that is done is of necessity, it is shorn of its reward. So he labors at this point with reason. And he does not merely advise, he also adds a prayer... By this prayer he waylays a thought which lay in wait against this liberality and which is now also a hindrance to many. For many persons are afraid to give alms, saying 'Lest perchance I become poor'... To do away with this fear then, he adds this prayer, saying, May 'He make all grace abound towards you.' Not merely fulfill, but 'make it abound.' 'Fill you,' he means, 'with such great things, that you may be able to abound in this liberality'... He does not pray for riches, nor for abundance, but for all sufficiency... For in carnal things he asks for a sufficiency for them, but in spiritual things for abundance, not only in almsgiving, but in all other things as well, 'unto every good work.' Then he brings the prophet for word as a counsellor for them, having sought out a testimony inviting them bountifulness... Let us not therefore nicely calculate, but sow with a profuse hand. Do you see how much others give to players and harlots? Give at any rate the half to Christ, of what they give to dancers... For they clothe the persons of wantons with untold gold but you do not cover even with a threadbare garment the flesh of Christ, and that though beholding it naked.

St. John Chrysostom. Homily XIX on II Corinthians IX, 2, 3. B#56, PP. 369 – 370.

Lk 5:1-11

At that time as Jesus stood by the Lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd pressed in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats moored by the side of the lake; the fishermen had disembarked and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to pull out a short distance from the shore; then, remaining seated, he continued to teach the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into deep water and lower your nets for a catch." Simon answered, "Master, we have been hard at it all night long and have caught nothing; but if you say so, I will lower the nets." Upon doing this they caught such a great number of fish that their nets were at the breaking point. They signaled to their mates in the other boat to come and help them. These came, and together they filled the two boats until they nearly sank. At the sight of this, Simon Peter fell at the knees of Jesus saying, "Leave me, Lord. I am a sinful man." For indeed, amazement at the catch they had made seized him and all his shipmates, as well as James and John, the sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid. From now on you will be catching men." With that they brought their boats to land, left every-thing, and became his followers.

JESUS SAID TO SIMON... 'FROM NOW ON YOU WILL CATCH MEN'

Also see Matt. 4:18, Mark 1:16, John 1:40, and Second Sunday after Pentecost. (Page 174-175) (commentary follows below): 18 Now Jesus, walking by the Sea of Galilee, saw two brothers, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. 19 And He said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men." 20 Then they immediately left their nets and followed Him. 21 And going on from there, He saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets. And He called them, 22 and immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed Him. 23 Now Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease among the people.

HE SAID TO PETER AND ANDREW, FOLLOW ME, AND I WILL MAKE YOU FISHERS OF MEN

Yet John says that they were called in another manner. Therefore, it is evident that this was a second call. One may perceive this from many things. For there it is said that they came to Him when 'John was not yet cast into prison,' but here, after he was in confinement. And there Andrew calls Peter, but here Jesus calls both. And John says, Jesus seeing Simon coming; says, 'You are Simon, the Son of Jona, you shall be called Cephas, which is by interpretation, a stone' (John 1:42). But Matthew says that he was already called by that name ... And from the place whence they were called, and from many other things, one may perceive this: such as their ready obedience and abandonment of all. For now they were well instructed beforehand ... But mark both their faith and their obedience. For though they were in the midst of their work ... 'They forsook all and followed.' Such is the obedience which Christ seeks of us ... We can see this, too, when some other had come to Him and was asking leave to bury his own father: He permitted not even this (Matt. 8:21,22).

St. John Chrysostom. Homily XIV on Matthew IV, 3. B#54, pp. 87- 88



Weekend Divine Services

Saturday: 5 PM Vespers

Sunday: 8:15 AM Matins
10 AM Divine Liturgy

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