



*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.

*The hymn that is chanted on this day:
Troparion of the Fathers, Tone 8:*

*Most glorified art Thou, O Christ our God, Who hast established our fathers as
luminaries on earth, and thereby hast guided us all to the true faith.*

[*O Most Merciful One, glory to Thee*](#)

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 (9:00-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:

Upcoming Chrismation

The Mystery of Holy Chrismation will be held on Sunday, November 3 for Renata Xavier Nadia Xavier.

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?



Services for the Week of October 13 - October 20, 2024				
Day		Time	Service	Readings
Sunday	October 13 Sunday of the Fathers of the 7 th Ecumenical Council	8:15 AM 10:00 AM 11:30 AM 12:15 PM	Matins Divine Liturgy Luncheon ECF	Gal 2:16-20 Lk 8:5-15 or Heb 13:7-16 Jn 17:1-3
Monday	October 14 Paraskeva Venerable		No Services	Col 2:13-20 Lk 9:18-22
Tuesday	October 15 Euthymius Venerable		No Services	Col 2:20-3:3 Lk 9:23-27
Wednesday	October 16 Longinus Martyr	6:00 PM	Vespers	Col 3:17-4:1 Lk 9:44-50
Thursday	October 17 Hosea Prophet		No Services	Col 4:2-9 Lk 9:49-56
Friday	October 18 Luke Apostle Evangelist	6:00 PM	Moleben for the sick	Col 4:5-9,14,18 Lk 10:16-21
Saturday	October 19 Joel Prophet	5:00 PM	Vespers Confessions	2 Cor 5:1-10 Lk 7:1-10
Sunday	October 20 22 nd Sunday After Pentecost	8:15 AM 10:00 AM 11:30 AM 12:15 PM	Matins Divine Liturgy Luncheon ECF	Gal 6:11-18 Lk 16:19-31

The Financial Report will appear in a future bulletin

Sunday of the Fathers of the 7th Ecumenical Council at Nicea

Hebrews 13:7-16

Brethren: remember your prelates who have spoken the word of God to you; whose faith follow, considering the end of their conversation, Jesus Christ, yesterday, and today; and the same forever. Be not led away with various and strange doctrines. For it is best that the heart be established with grace, not with meats which have not profited those that walk in them. We have an altar, whereof they have no power to eat who serve the tabernacle. For the bodies of those beasts, whose blood is brought into the holies by the high priest for sin, are burned without the camp. Wherefore Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people by His own blood, suffered without the gate. Let us go forth therefore to Him without the camp, bearing His reproach. For we have not here a lasting city, but we seek one that is to come. By Him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise always to God, that is to say, the fruit of lips confessing to His name. And do not forget to do good, and to impart; for by such sacrifices God's favour is obtained.

John 17:1-13

At that time: Jesus, lifting up His eyes to heaven, said: Father, the hour is come, glorify Thy Son, that Thy Son may glorify Thee. As Thou hast given Him power over all flesh, that He may give eternal life to all whom Thou hast given Him. Now this is eternal life: That they may know Thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, Whom Thou hast sent. I have glorified Thee on the earth; I have finished the work which Thou gavest Me to do. And now glorify Thou Me, O Father, with Thyself, with the glory which I had, before the world was, with Thee. I have manifested Thy name to the men whom Thou hast given Me out of the world. Thine they were, and to Me Thou gavest them; and they have kept Thy word. Now they have known, that all things which Thou hast given Me, are from Thee: because the words which Thou gavest Me, I have given to them; and they have received them, and have known in very deed that I came out from Thee, and they have believed that Thou didst send Me. I pray for them: I pray not for the world, but for them whom Thou hast given Me: because they are Thine: and all My things are Thine, and Thine are Mine; and I am glorified in them. And now I am not in the world, and these are in the world, and I come to Thee. Holy Father, keep them in Thy name whom Thou hast given Me; that they may be one, as We also are. While I was with them, I kept them in Thy name. Those whom Thou gavest Me have I kept; and none of them is lost, but the son of perdition, that the scripture may be fulfilled. And now I come to Thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they may have My joy filled in themselves.

Today our Holy Church remembers the 350 holy Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council under the holy Patriarch Tarasios. The Council of 787, the second to meet at Nicea, refuted the Iconoclast heresy during the reign of Empress Irene and her son Constantine Porphyrogenitos. This Council decreed that the veneration of Icons was not idolatry (Exodus 20:4-5), because the honor shown to them is not directed to the wood or paint but passes to the prototype the person depicted). It also upheld the possibility of depicting Christ, Who became man and took flesh at His Incarnation. The Father, on the other hand, cannot be represented in His eternal nature, because "no man has seen God at any time" (Jn 1:18). Since this Council, the use of Icons has been an important aspect of our prayer lives till this very day. In our Eastern Church we have inherited the practice of having an Icon corner in our Domestic Churches-our households. The Icon corner should be part of every Eastern Christian home in order to enhance daily prayer. It is customary to have an Icon corner located in a special place. It is a graphic proclamation that the family is committed to the Christian life and the life in the heavenly kingdom. This is the place where the family Icon is enshrined and where the family gathers for prayer. This is a reminder that the home is a Domestic Church. Usually, the Icon corner faces east so that when we pray facing the Icons, we are facing east, the direction of the rising sun – the direction of Christ's Light. Prominent are the Icons of Christ and the Theotokos. These are sometimes surrounded by Icons of the patron Saints of the parents and of the children. Since Icons are sacred images revealing the special presence of the holy ones depicted in them, a votive lamp, traditionally suspended from the ceiling, or a candle placed on a shelf before the Icon is usually burning before the Icon, especially during prayer. The face of a true Icon is written in such a way as to reflect the light of the candle or lamp and remind us of the way the person depicted reflected the grace of the Holy Spirit within them.

There should be images in the churches of the faithful, especially the images of our Lord Jesus Christ and of the Holy Mother of God, of every kind of material, both gold and silver and of every color, so that his incarnation may be set forth for all. Let there also be painted the lives of the Saints and Prophets and Martyrs, so their struggles and agonies may be set forth for the stirring up and teaching of the people, especially of the unlearned. *St. Theodosius to the Second Council of Nicea*



Weekend Divine Services

Saturday: 5 PM Vespers

Sunday: 8:15 AM Matins
10 AM Divine Liturgy

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