



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

***“Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory to Him forever!”
Slava Isusu Christu! Slava naviky Bohu sviatomu!***

MARK IN CALENDAR March 2, 2025 at 10AM

Everyone is invited and welcome to participate on Mystery of Chrismation for
Jasmine Marie Mansfield & Jack Winn Mansfield III

Please, let us pray for them and their family.

When you come to the earth in glory, O God, and the universe trembles and a river of fire flows before your judgment seat and the books are opened and everything hidden is revealed, deliver me then from the unquenchable fire and make me worthy to stand at your right hand, O most righteous Judge.

(Kontakion of Meatfare Sunday)

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, or 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

Currently, 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 is also a welcome opportunity to serve (can be an evening after work). **You are always needed, even if it is for a couple of hours.**

The Winter Carmel Market started October 19 and continues every Saturday until March 29, 2025. Bakery activities continue Tuesday through Friday. Please contact Father Mykhaylo, to schedule a workable day and time (Tuesday through Saturday) for you and/or your family.

Opportunities For Service At St. Athanasius

- **This year's Winter Market (Oct 19 – March 29) has begun and requires at least one able-bodied volunteer every Saturday morning at 6:40 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.**
- 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 are appreciated], toiletries, cereal, carton milk, crackers, peanut butter)
- Bags for the food pantry need to be assembled every week.
- **In the garden: soil preparation (laying down cardboard & cover with leaves)**
- Plastic grocery bags are needed for the food pantry and market sales.

The Fourth Annual Men's Retreat

SAVE THE DATE

The Beatitudes: The Way of Life Our Lady of the Pines Retreat Center Fremont, Ohio March 14, 2025

March 16, 2025 Retreat Master: Father Lukas Mitro

Contact Karl Busam for further information karl.busam.77@gmail.com

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Further details will follow Sponsored by Saint Mary Byzantine Catholic Church

THE EPARCHY OF PARMA

PRESENTS 3RD ANNUAL Family Liturgy & Life Camp Life Transfigured by the Light of the East

3-9 August 2025 CEDAR LAKE MINISTRIES CEDAR LAKE, INDIANA

STAY TUNED TO PARMA.ORG FOR DETAILS!

Next Ukrainian Liturgy is placed on MARCH 23

It could be me

We are creating an activity area in Dormition Hall for our toddlers and preschoolers. A small table and chairs and a rug have been donated. Other items like a small bookcase, floor pillows, books, puzzles and drawing supplies will be needed and welcomed donations.

The Holy and Great Fast begins at March 3

Strict fast and abstinence required. No meat and dairy products. Abstinence and other penances are traditionally observed throughout the Great Fast

Services for First Week of Great Fast

Monday of March 3 – Sixth Hour

Wednesday of March 5 - Vespers and Presanctified Liturgy

Thursday of March 6 – Great Compline

Friday of March 7 - Vespers and Presanctified Liturgy

Services for the Week of February 23 – March 2 , 2025				
	Day	Time	Service	Readings
Sunday	February 23 Meatfare Sunday	8:00 AM 10:00 AM 11:30 AM 1:00PM	Matins Divine Liturgy Luncheon Ukrainian Liturgy	Jn 20:1-10 1 Cor 8:8-9:2 Mt 25:31-46
Monday	February 24 The first & second finding of the Head of the Prophet & Baptizer John	6:00 PM	Akathist to the Holy Prophet John the Baptizer	2 Cor 4:6-15 Mt 11:2-15
Tuesday	February 25 Holy Father Tarasius		No service	Jude 1-10 Lk 22:39-42,45b- 23:1
Wednesday	February 26 Holy Father Porphyry		No service	Joel 2:12-26
Thursday	February 27 Venerable Father & confessor Procopius & Decapolite		No service	Jude 11-25 Lk 23:1-34a.44- 56
Friday	February 28 Venerable Father & confessor Basil	6:00 PM	Great Compline	Zachariah 8:7-17
Saturday	March 1 Memory of all Holy Ascetics	5:00 PM	Vespers Confessions	Gal 5:22-6:2 Mt 11:27-30
Sunday	March 2 Cheesefare Sunday	8:15 AM 10:00 AM 11:30 AM 12:30 PM	Matins Divine Liturgy Luncheon Vespers of the Beginning of the Great Fast NO UKRAINIAN LITURGY	Jn 20:1-10 1 Cor 8:8-9:2 Mt 25:31-46
Financial update: 2/16/2025				
Bakery	Building Fund	Candles	Horizon	Sunday Tithes
\$756.74	\$0	\$165	\$20	\$1,430
Totals \$2,371.74				

**Thank you to everyone who supports us and helps
to spread the Holy Gospe**

SUNDAY OF MEATFARE

1st Corinthians 8: 8 thru 9: 2

Brethren: Now food does not bring us closer to God. We suffer no loss through failing to eat, and we gain no favor by eating. Take care, however, lest in exercising your right you become an occasion of sin to the weak. If someone sees you, with your "knowledge," reclining at table in the temple of an idol, may not his conscience in its weak state be influenced to the point that he eats the idol-offering? Because of your "knowledge" the weak one perishes, that brother for whom Christ died. When you sin thus against your brothers and wound their weak consciences, you are sinning against Christ. Therefore, if food causes my brother to sin I will never eat meat again, so that I may not be an occasion of sin to him. Am I not free? Am I not an apostle? Have I not seen Jesus our Lord? And are you not my work in the Lord? Although I may not be an apostle for others, I certainly am one for you. You are the very seal of my apostolate in the Lord.

Matthew 25: 31-46

The Lord said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels of heaven, he will sit upon his royal throne, and all the nations will be assembled before him. Then he will separate them into two groups, as a shepherd separates sheep from goats. The sheep he will place on his right hand, the goats on his left. The king will say to those on his right: 'Come. You have my Father's blessing! Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the creation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink. I was a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me. I was ill and you comforted me, in prison and you came to visit me.' Then the just will ask him: 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you or see you thirsty and give you drink? When did we welcome you away from home or clothe you in your nakedness? When did we visit you when you were ill or in prison?' The king will answer them: 'I assure you, as often as you did it for one of my least brothers, you did it for me.' "Then he will say to those on his left: 'Out of my sight, you condemned, into that everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels! I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink. I was away from home and you gave me no welcome, naked and you gave me no clothing. I was ill and in prison and you did not come to comfort me.' Then they in turn will ask: 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or away from home or naked or ill or in prison and not attend you in your needs?' He will answer them: 'I assure you, as often as you neglected

to do it to one of these least ones, you neglected to do it to me.' These will go off to eternal punishment and the just to eternal life."

When the son of man shall come in his glory

What is before signified in the two preceding parables, is here clearly and distinctly represented without a parable: and it should be observed, that as the foregoing parables only regard the Gospel church state, and the ministers and members of it, good and bad, or all sorts of Christian professors; so this account of the last judgment only concerns them; for though all men that ever have been, are, or shall be in every nation under heaven, from Adam to the last man that will be born, will be judged; yet the part or it here described, though it gives a general and lively idea of the whole, only regards the judgment and final state of such who have made a profession of the Christian religion. The judge himself is first described, who is said to be "the son of man"; a name by which Christ is frequently called, and by which he styles himself in his state of humiliation; expressing both the truth of his human nature, and the meanness of it in that state: but as despicable as he appeared then in human nature, in the form of a servant, a man of sorrows, despised by men, and subject to sufferings and death; yet when he comes again, it will be in another guise manner: he will appear "in his glory"; in the glory of the only begotten of the Father, in the glory of his proper deity, in the glory of all the perfections of the divine nature; which glory was, in a great measure, and from most persons, hid in the days of his flesh, though he was in the form of God, and equal with him. He will also come in his mediatorial glory, which he had with the Father before the world was, and with all the honour, power, and authority of the judge of the whole earth, to execute judgment upon men; and in the glory of his human nature, of which his transfiguration on the mount was a pledge and emblem.

And all the holy angels with him;

which splendid retinue will add to the glory of his appearance; and who will accompany him not merely, or only as his attendants, to make the solemnity more grand, pompous, and magnificent; but as ministering spirits, who will be employed by him in gathering all before him, separating the wicked the good, and conducting each to their several apartments of bliss or woe: and when he thus appears,

then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory;

or glorious throne, upon the clouds of heaven, where he will sit as judge, and be visible to all.



Weekend Divine Services

Saturday: 5 PM Vespers

Sunday: 8:15 AM Matins
10 AM Divine Liturgy

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