

Welcome to St. Athanasius the Great Byzantine Catholic Church

"Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory to Him forever!" Slava Isusu Christu! Slava naviky Bohu sviatomu!

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, all of you are welcome for luncheon.

O Christ our God, you are above all praise. You have established our fathers as beacons on the earth, leading us all to the true faith through them. O most merciful Lord, glory to you!

(Troparion of the Council Fathers)

1 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!

2 SUMMER MARKET

We start the summer market on May 3 till September 27 in Carmel From 6 am – 11:30 am, which is every Saturday.

Come to buy and help, address: <u>2 Carter Green, Carmel, IN. 46032</u>
We will appreciate any help from 7 am time for set up than at 11:30 am tear down

3 VOLONTEERING AT CHURCH

Our community needs us, parish has many different jobs that you might like to do and can help our parish: help with baking, lawn care, church cleaning, flower care, hall and bathroom cleaning. WE WAIT FOR YOU. THANK YOU!

4 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.

5 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.

6 2025 Byzantine Assembly in Whiting, Indiana.

Come let us worship and bow before Christ! Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!

Last Chance for Early Bird Rates! Assembly 2025 – July 16-20 Time is running out! Early bird registration for Assembly 2025 is closing soon—don't miss your chance to secure discounted rates for this incredible gathering of faith, fellowship, and reflection.

Join us as we worship and walk alongside our bishops, hear inspiring discussions on faith and mission, and connect with fellow Byzantine Catholics from across the Metropolia.

Register now at <u>ByzantineAssembly.org</u> before the early bird rates expire! You can also ask your local pastor for a paper registration form to mail in. We look forward to seeing you in July—may God bless you and your loved

ones!

			Services for the Week of July 13 – July 20, 2025				
<u>Day</u>		Time	Service	Readings			
Sunday	July 13 Fifth Sunday after Pentecost July 14	8:15 AM 10:00 AM 11:30 AM 1:00 PM	Matins Divine Liturgy Luncheon Ukrainian Liturgy	Lk 24:12-35 Rom 10:1-10 Mt 8:28-9:1			
Monday	Holy Apostle Aquila		No service	Mt 13:10-23			
Tuesday	July 15 Hole Great Prince Vladimir		No service	Gal 1:11-19 Jn 10:1-9			
Wednesday	July 16 The Holy Martyrs Athenogenes		Byzantine Assembly in Whiting, Indiana	1 Cor 2:9-3:8 Mt 13:31-36			
Thursday	July 17 Holy Great Martyr Marina		Byzantine Assembly in Whiting, Indiana	1 Cor 3:18-23 Mt 13:36-43			
Friday	July 18 Holy Martyr Emilian		Byzantine Assembly in Whiting, Indiana	1 Cor 4:5-8 Mt 13:44-54			
Saturday	July 19 Venerable Mother Macrina	5:00 PM	Byzantine Assembly in Whiting, Indiana Vespers Confessions	Rom 9:1-5 Mt 9:18-26			
Sunday	July 20 Fifth Sunday after Pentecost PROPHET ELIJAH	8:15 AM 10:00 AM 11:30 AM	Byzantine Assembly in Whiting, Indiana Matins Divine Liturgy Blessing cars Luncheon	Lk 24:36-53 Rom 12:6-14 Jm 5:10-20 Mt 8:28-9:1 Lk 4:22-30			
Financial update: 7/6/2025							
Bakery	Building	Candles	Other	Sunday Tithes			
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY TO OUR PARISH

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Romans 10:1-10

Brethren: Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for them is that they may be saved. I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but it is not enlightened. For, being ignorant of the righteousness that comes from God, and seeking to establish their own, they did not submit to God's righteousness, For Christ is the end of the law, that everyone who has faith may be justified. Moses writes that the man who practices the righteousness which is based on the law shall live by it. But the righteousness based on faith says, do not say in your heart,"Who will ascend into heaven?" (That is, to bring Christ down) or "Who will descend into the abyss?" (That is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart (that is, the word of faith which we preach); because, if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For man believes with his heart and so is justified, and he confesses with his lips and so is saved.

Matthew 8: 28-34

At that time as Jesus approached the Gadarene boundary, he encountered two men coming out of the tombs. They were possessed by demons and were so savage that no one could travel along that road. With a sudden shriek they cried: "Why meddle with us, Son of God? Have you come to torture us before the appointed time?" Some distance away a large herd of swine was feeding. The demons kept appealing to him, "If you expel us, send us into the herd of swine."

Jesus answered, "Out with you!" At that they came forth and entered the swine. The whole herd went rushing down the bluff into the sea and were drowned. The swineherds took to their heels, and upon their arrival in the town related everything that had happened, including the story about the two possessed men. The upshot was that the entire town came out to meet Jesus. When they caught sight of him, they begged him to leave their neighborhood.

Dear, parishioners and friends, visitors And behold, they cried out

The divine nature of the Only-Begotten scorched the demons with an indescribable fire, just as He did other things in a mysterious way, locking the fiercest demons in [impassable] paths and destroying the tyranny of the devil. You came, they say, before the time, because they knew from the word [of God] that Christ was to come and judge them. And what they said before the time, slandering the time of the Incarnation, which supposedly took place out of time, there is nothing surprising in this, if they, being evil, dare to say this too. Even knowing that they will be punished, that the Judge demands an account from them, since they have transgressed His commandments, they arrogantly say: What have we to do with You? Saint Cyril of Alexandria, Commentaries on the Gospel of Matthew 101

They asked and begged Him

They said: You have come here to torment us before the time. They could not say that they had not sinned, but they asked not to subject them to punishment

before the time. Since [the Lord] found them committing intolerable atrocities and lawlessness and in every way distorting and tormenting His creation, the demons thought that because of their excessive atrocities He would not postpone the time of punishment. Therefore they asked and begged Him. And those whom even iron chains could not hold back come bound, those who were running on the mountains go out into the fields, those who blocked the way for others stop, seeing Him who blocks their own way. Saint John Chrysostom, Sermons on the Gospel of Matthew 28,2

Why do demons enter swine?

Go, he said to them. The worthless cattle are given to the demons not because they want it, but in order to show how furious the demons are in man, how persistently those who asked for so many swine to destroy them seek the death of men. Everything that exists, acts, moves and lives, the demons seek to destroy, not to possess [it]. No one can imagine this: an ancient enmity, an unquenchable anger and malice are prepared against the human race. Demons do not retreat until they are defeated. And they can only harm if they are allowed to. Therefore, God gives the worthless cattle to the demons to clearly show that demons are not allowed to enter men, although they can enter swine. By our vices we give them the opportunity to harm, just as by our virtues we break the necks of demons for the glory of Christ. Saint Peter Chrysologus, Collection of Sermons 16.8

CHRIST IS AMONG US! HE IS AND SHALL BE



Weekend Divine Services

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

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