



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

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

PHILLIP'S FAST

**According to the forty-day tradition, the Phillip's Fast in
preparation for Christmas began on November 15 to December 24.**

Let us praise Andrew the theologian for his courage, the first apostle of the Savior and brother of Peter. In like manner he drew his brother to Christ.

He is now crying out to us: Come and see, for we have found the One whom the world desires.

(Kontakion of the holy apostle Andrew)

1 ALTAR SERVERS MEETING

The 4th meeting for altar servers will be on November 30th after Divine Liturgy in the Church.

Please mark your calendar and plan to bring your child to this meeting.

2 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

There will be Knights of Columbus meeting on Sunday November 30th after luncheon.

Everyone who would like to become a member of Knights of Columbus asked for Glan Grabov & Henry Parecie

3 MEETING WITH ST. NICHOLAS

All kids are welcome to meet St. Nicholas on December 7th at 10AM Divine Liturgy than story of St. Nicholas.

COME AND SEE

4 CHRISTMAS COOKIE SALE

Mark your calendar, on December 14th our Church will have a CHRISTMAS COOKIE SALE after Divine Liturgy.
COME & BRING YOUR FRIENDS.

5 BOOK CLUB “Festal orations by St. Gregory Nazianzus”

SESSION 1: Thursday, December 18 at 7PM

Oration 38: On the Nativity

Book is \$17 to have book or copy text 317-403-7353

Register today & join the discussion: bgoshorn@stsjp.org

Services for the Week of November 30 – December 7, 2025				
Day		Time	Service	Readings
Sunday	November 30 Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost	8:15 AM 10:00 AM 11:30 AM	Matins Divine Liturgy Luncheon	Mk. 16:9-20 Eph. 4:1-6 Lk. 13:10-17
Monday	December 1 Holy Prophet Nahum		No service	1 Tim. 1:1-7 Lk. 19:37-44
Tuesday	December 2 Holy Prophet Habakkuk		No service	1 Tim. 1:8-14 Lk. 19:45-48
Wednesday	December 3 Holy Prophet Zephaniah	8-9 PM	Book club online meeting Call or message to 317-403-7353 to get zoom info	1 Tim. 1:18-20; 2:8-15 Lk. 20:1-8
Thursday	December 4 The Holy great Martyr Barbara		No service	1 Tim. 3:1-13 Lk. 20:9-18
Friday	December 5 Venerable Father & God-bearing Father Sabbas	6:00 PM	Divine Liturgy	1 Tim. 4:4-8.16 Lk. 20: 19-26
Saturday	December 6 HOLY FATHER NICHOLAS	7:15-12:00 5:00 PM	Winter Market Vespers Confessions	Heb. 13:17-21 Lk. 6:17-23
Sunday	December 7 Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost	8:15 AM 10:00 AM 11:30 AM	Matins Divine Liturgy Luncheon	Lk. 24:1-12 Eph. 5:9-19 Lk. 17:12-19
Financial update: 11/23/2025				
Bakery	Building	Candles	Other	Sunday Tithes
\$2,903.01	\$0	\$15	\$0	\$1,115.64
Totals \$4,033.65				

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY TO OUR PARISH

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Ephesians 4:1-6

Brethren: I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, beg you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all lowliness and meekness, with patience, forbearing one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call, one Lord, ore faith, one baptism, one God and Father of us all, who is above all and through all and in all.

Luke 13: 10-17

At that time on a sabbath day Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues. There was a woman there who for eighteen years had been possessed by a spirit which drained her strength.

She was badly stooped-quite incapable of standing erect. When Jesus saw her, he called her to him and said, "Woman, you are free of your infirmity." He laid his hand on her, and immediately she stood up straight and began thanking God. The chief of the synagogue, indignant that Jesus should have healed on the sabbath, said to the congregation, "There are six days for working. Come on those days to be cured, not on the sabbath." The Lord said in reply, "O you hypocrites! Which of you does not let his ox or ass out of the stall on the sabbath to water it? Should not this daughter of Abraham here who has been in the bondage of Satan for eighteen years have been released from her shackles on the sabbath?" At these words, his opponents were covered with confusion; mean-while, everyone else rejoiced at the marvels Jesus was accomplishing

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

Glory to Jesus Christ!

Saint Andrew was the very first apostle to become a follower of Christ, and was therefore called "the First-Called." We celebrate his feast day on November 30 in the Gregorian calendar.

The apostle Andrew was originally a disciple of John the Baptist. The day after Jesus' baptism in the Jordan, "John was standing there again, with two of his disciples. And when he looked at Jesus as he was coming, he said, 'Behold, the Lamb of God!' And the two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus."

Andrew followed Christ with another, unnamed disciple, although the clear indication of the specific hour in the Gospel of John indirectly points to a witness to this event, this second disciple of John the Baptist—the apostle John (John 1:39).

Andrew's next encounter with Jesus occurs when Christ, after his baptism and 40 days in the wilderness, settles in Capernaum. 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. And he said to them, 'Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.' And they immediately left their nets and followed him" (Matthew 4:18–20).

After the Ascension of Christ and the descent of the Holy Spirit, Andrew the First-Called, like the other apostles, set out to preach the Gospel.

The Fathers of the Church, in particular Gregory the Theologian, Gregory the Great, John Chrysostom, Jerome, agree that Saint Andrew taught in Greece, in Epirus, he enlightened Achaia, and, according to tradition, he was the first to proclaim the word of God in the city of Byzantium (now Constantinople). There he chose priests and bishops to continue his work.

The oldest church writers claim that the Apostle Andrew preached the doctrine of Christ in Scythia, that is, in the territory of Rus. The chronicler Nestor and others tell, based on tradition that Saint Andrew and his disciples walked up the Dnieper River, all the way to the hills where Kyiv later stood. Here the holy apostle spent the night, and in the morning he said to his disciples: "Do you see those mountains? Know that the grace of God will shine upon them and a great city will arise here, and there will be many churches in it, and this whole land will be enlightened with holy baptism." And, having placed a cross here, he went on.

Pope Clement (1st century) and the author of Slavic writing Cyril studied information about the apostle's stay in Crimea.

There is an opinion that Saint Andrew traveled through Scythia for 10 to 20 years.

At the end of his journey, the apostle crossed from the shores of Pontus (the Black Sea) through Propontis (the Sea of Marmara) to Thrace, and then to Greece.

Saint Andrew was martyred in the Greek city of Patras. The governor Aegeus sentenced him to death, ordering the holy apostle to be tied to an oblique cross. This happened in 77 AD, during the reign of Emperor Nero.

The relics of Saint Andrew the Apostle were transferred to Constantinople in 355 AD and placed together with the relics of Saint Luke the Evangelist and Saint Timothy in the Church of the Holy Apostles. Emperor Arkady built a magnificent church in Constantinople in honor of Saint Andrew.

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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