

## Parish Services & Events December 3 - 11

### ◆ Saturday, December 3

- 12-2pm SES Christmas Event at the home of Deb Bishop
- 6:15pm **Memorial Litya** for Luke & Felicity Allen (Parents of Mary Bradshaw)
- 6:30pm **Cathedral Vigil**
- 7:30pm Confessions

### ◆ Sunday, December 4 *St. Alexander Hotovitsky (f/w/o)*

- 9:30am **Divine Liturgy**
- 11:10am Children's Sunday School
- 11:30am Fellowship Hour (Team B)
- 12pm Bread Ministry (Audrey, Ashlee)

### ◆ Monday, December 5 *Ven Sabbas the Sanctified*

- 6:30pm **Great Vespers for St. Nicholas**
- 7:15pm St. Nicholas Program

### ◆ Tuesday, December 6 *St. Nicholas Feast Day (f/w/o)*

- 9am **St. Nicholas Liturgy**
- 10:20am Festal Breakfast

### ◆ Wednesday, December 7 *St. Ambrose of Milan*

- 6:30pm **Vespers**
- 7:20pm Part 11 of the fall catechesis "On the Orthodox Faith"
- 8pm Adult Sunday School via zoom
- 8:20pm **Small Compline & Confessions**

### ◆ Thursday, December 8 (w/o)

- 6:30pm Parish Council Meeting

### ◆ Friday, December 9 *Conception of the Theotokos*

- 11am Akathist to Ss. Joachim & Anna
- 11:50am Confession

### ◆ Saturday, December 10 (f/w/o)

- 6:30pm **Cathedral Vigil**
- 7:30pm Confessions

### ◆ Sunday, December 11 (f/w/o)

- 9:30am **Divine Liturgy**
- 11:10am Children's Sunday School
- 11:30am Fellowship Hour (Team C)
- 12pm Bread Ministry (Mat Tamara, Ian, Rebecca)

Note: Saturday Vigil, Sunday Liturgy, Wednesday Vespers are live-streamed on YouTube & Facebook.

# Saint Athanasius

ORTHODOX CHURCH

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December 4, 2022 / 25th Sunday after Pentecost

*St. Alexander Hotovitsky*



Thank You to the volunteers who came on Thursday,  
December 1 and decorated for the Nativity Season.

His Beatitude Tikhon, Archbishop of Washington, Metropolitan of All America and Canada

His Eminence Alexander, Archbishop of Dallas and the South

His Grace Bishop Gerasim, Bishop of Ft. Worth, Diocesan Administrator

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**We Welcome All Who are Worshipping with us Today!**

*If you are a visitor, feel free to participate at your comfort level (sit, stand, kneel). Our greeters and doorkeepers are happy to answer any questions you may have about the service. As a reminder to all, Holy Communion is only given to Orthodox Christians who have kept fast, made recent confessions, and are at peace with their neighbors.*

**After Liturgy Today, Father will bless the St. Nicholas Gifts and we will sing Many Years to those with December Celebrations.**

**Join us on St. Nicholas Eve**

for Vespers and a Special Program with music, drama, treats, and an actual visit from St. Nicholas himself!



**On the Feast Day for St. Nicholas,** Festal Liturgy will begin at 9am and after we will have a Festal Breakfast (*Lenten f/w/o*) in the parish hall.

- ◆ **Wednesday**— 6:30pm Vespers followed by the weekly class; 8:20pm Small Compline for Nativity, and then Fr. Justin will be available for confession. Adult SS will start at 8pm via zoom.
- ◆ **Thursday**—Parish Council Meeting at 6:30pm
- ◆ **Friday**—Akathist to Ss. Joachim & Anna at 11am; confessions after. Young Adult Event (hosted by Fr. Justin) at 7pm, RSVP required.



**2022 Nativity Retreat—December 16/17—St. Michael Orthodox Church**

Friday, December 16

- 5pm Vespers
- 6pm 1st Talk “*The Kenosis of Christ and the Mother of God in Orthodox Iconography*”
- 7:30pm Dinner reception with Author’s Book Table Exhibition

Saturday, December 17

- 1pm Opening Prayer / 6th Hour
- 1:30pm 2nd Talk “*Christ is Born! The Two Meanings of Christmas*”
- 3pm Q & A / 3:15pm Break / Refreshment in Parish Hall
- 4pm 3rd Talk “*They Opened Their Treasures and Worshiped Him: The Three Wise Men in Orthodox Iconography*”
- 5:30pm Q & A / 5:45pm Break ‘ Transition back to St. George Chapel
- 6pm Great Vespers

**2023 Liturgical Calendars** are available to parish households (one per family). They are in a box on the pew in the back of the nave. Many Thanks to a very generous parishioner, who wishes to remain anonymous, for this gift.

**St. Elizabeth Sisterhood Annual Nativity Fast Book Discussion** will be held on Sunday, December 18 around noon in the conference room. We are reading “*Glittering Vices*” by Rebecca Konyndyk DeYoung. Oma has one extra copy of the book to share. You can find it on [thriftbooks.com](http://thriftbooks.com) or Amazon. Any questions regarding the reading, please contact Sue Clark at [goldendoodlesterling@gmail.com](mailto:goldendoodlesterling@gmail.com) If any of the younger ladies want to form a book reading, let Oma know and she will help you get started.

| Date  | Bread Ministry (12-12:30pm)                | Counting                   | Greeter        | Doorkeeper        | Prospora          | Fellowship Hour   | <b>Weekly Volunteers for Sunday Ministries</b><br>If you would like to volunteer contact the ministry coordinator (contact info is on the bulletin board in the parish hall). |
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| 12/4  | Audrey Wagner, Ashlee Harover              | Tim Powell/Michael Harover | Rebecca Wilson | Michael Naughton  | Zach & Willie Ann | Team B / Kamau    |   |
| 12/11 | Mat Tamara, Ian, Rebecca Wilson            | Mary Cook / Logan Sowers   | Josh Lourie    | Linda Frangedakis | Alina Rizea       | Team C / open     |   |
| 12/18 | Hannah Kamau, Eduard Svystun               | Mary Cook / Ursula Rij     | Rebecca Wilson | Jeremiah Naughton | Steve Bishop      | Team D / Bradshaw |   |
| 12/25 | David & Mary Bradshaw, Steve & Sandy Skees | TBA                        | Josh Lourie    | Hannah Kamau      | Mary Bradshaw     | No Fellowship     |   |