

Parish Services & Activities August 19 - 27

◆ Saturday, August 19

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

◆ Sunday, August 20 *Afterfeast Dormition & Prophet Samuel*

- 9:30am **Divine Liturgy**
- 11:30am Fellowship Hour / Team C. (Siskar)
- 12pm Bread Ministry
- 3pm “God on the Quad” at Berea University with Bert Walther Leading

◆ Monday, August 21

◆ Tuesday, August 22

◆ Wednesday, August 23

- 6:30pm Vespers
- 7:20pm Christian Ed Class: **A SPECIAL VIDEO—FR. ROMAN BRAGA INTERVIEW**

◆ Thursday, August 24

- 4-6:30pm Asbury Activities Fair

◆ Friday, August 25

- 11am Akathist to St. Job Pochaev
- 11:50 Confessions

◆ Saturday, August 26

- 6:30pm **Cathedral Vigil**
- 7:30pm New Member Event (by invitation only)
- No Confessions

◆ Sunday, August 27 **Visitor Sunday**

- 9am Confessions
- 9:30am **Divine Liturgy**
- 11:30am Fellowship Hour / Team D (Lourie)
- 12pm Bread Ministry

**NOTE: SATURDAY VIGIL, SUNDAY LITURGY, WEDNESDAY VESPERS
ARE LIVE-STREAMED ON YOUTUBE & FACEBOOK.**



Saint Athanasius

ORTHODOX CHURCH

August 20, 2023 / 11th Sunday After Pentecost
Afterfeast Dormition & Prophet Samuel

Readings for Today: 1 Corinthians 9:2-12 (Epistle) Matthew 18:23-35 (Gospel)

Outreach Opportunities

Berea College
“God on the Quad”
Today 3-5pm
Join Bert Walther in
Welcoming Students
for the Fall Semester



Asbury University
“Activities Fair”
Thursday, 4 - 6pm
Join Fr. Justin in
Welcoming Students
for the Fall Semester

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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Welcome on this 11th Sunday After Pentecost / *Hieromartyr Alexander Hotovitsky*

If you are visiting, feel free to participate at your comfort level. 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 confession, and are at peace with their neighbor.

Welcome Paul and Nikita Crofford who have moved from Jacksonville FL and are being enrolled as Catechumens today.

Please keep Jordan Herman Syrone & Katerina Poltoratska in prayer as they are wed this afternoon in a small ceremony. Many Years Jordan & Kate!

Liturgical Services this Week at St. Athanasius

- ★ Vespers on Wednesday at 6:30pm
- ★ Akathist to St. Job Pochaev on Friday at 11am/Confessions

Parish Life Activities this Week

- ★ Christian Ed Class on Wednesday at 7:20pm, Fr. Roman Braga Interview Video
- ★ New Member Dinner on Saturday at 7:30pm. Due to our limited seating this is by invitation only. Thank You Zach & Willie Ann for coordinating the event.

Visitor Sunday is August 27

Please help spread the news and be thinking about who you will invite to the Divine Liturgy, Church Tour, and Fellowship Hour. A new OCA Catechism Series will begin on Wed August 30, so invite your friends and neighbors not only to Visitor Sunday, but to our Fall Christian Education Class on Wednesdays after Vespers.

Forward in Faith Campaign Update—

- ◆ We now have a candidate who has received the unanimous support of the council and the diocesan leadership to serve as second priest and parish administrator. Many of you met Seminarian Giorgi Lomsadze, who just completed a 2-week internship here. Giorgi has signed a letter of intent to join us in summer of 2024. For a man of his (relative) young age, he brings extensive administrative-managerial experience, impressive language skills, deep knowledge of old-world Orthodoxy, and a top-notch education at St. Vladimir's Seminary to our community. Over the next year, Giorgi will continue to prepare himself for the priesthood and for service in our parish. Moreover, in that time he will be mentored by some of the finest priests in the OCA. I ask your prayers for him and Barbare and their children Gabriel, Eugenia, and Dorothea as they complete their work in New York and make plans to join us!
- ◆ We also have an archpriest clearing the final hurdles of entering retirement and preparing to move to Kentucky! This move could happen as early as October 1! (I will publicly announce the name of this archpriest and his wife once the final letter granting him retirement is received.)

“Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.” (Matthew 5:4)

The Memory Eternal Ministry would like to offer an eight-week contemplation of grief to a small group of no more than eight people called the **Mt. 5:4 Fellowship**. This is a fellowship guided by prayer and discussion in the book *Memory Eternal: Living with Grief as Orthodox Christians* by Sarah Byrne-Martelli. In her overview of the purpose of such a group, Sarah Byrne-Martelli says, “The goal is to draw on our deep, rich heritage as Orthodox Christians – to explore the prayers of the Church and the Scriptures, which teach us how to live in bright sadness.” The first series will begin on Monday, Sept. 11, 2023. We plan to meet regularly on Monday evenings from 7:00-8:30pm but take a couple of weeks off here and there as needed as we progress. Our goal is to finish the series before the Nativity Fast. We plan to alternate between meeting at Mary Cook’s house in Wilmore and Mary Bradshaw’s house in Lexington. Each participant in the group will need to purchase the book. There are several available in our bookstore. For more information or to sign up for the group, contact Mary Cook (cook4me@gmail.com) or Mary Bradshaw (mary.bradshaw81@gmail.com).

Attention Ministry Leaders.....

Your help is needed for the following:

- ◆ Share your calendar events activities for 2023-24 if you have not already done so, and
- ◆ A brief summary report of your 2022-23 ministry activity is due by August 31 for inclusion in the APM report that will be available for all in either hard copy or online.

Date	Bread Ministry (12-12:30pm)	Counting	Doorkeeper	Fellowship Hour	Greeter	Prosphora
8/20	Mat Tamara, Ian, Rebecca Wilson	Michael Harover, Grace Sowers	Linda Frangedakis	Team C / Siskar	Tommy Evans	Vera Foushee
8/27	Hannah Kamau, Eduard Svystun	Ashley Harover, Teresa Bame	Jeremiah Naughton	Team D / Bradshaw	Rebecca Wilson	Mary Bradshaw
9/3	Bradshaws, Skees	Tim Powell, Logan Sowers	Hannah Kamau	Team A / Lourie	Ronald McKinley	Steve Bishop
9/10	Audrey Wagner, Ashlee Harover	Mary Cook, Michael Harover	Michael Naughton	Team B / Kamau	Tommy Evans	TBA