

Services & Activities for St. Athanasius & St. Nina

- Saturday, May 10** **11:00am** - Bridal Shower for Hannah Chisholm
6:00pm - Great Vespers at St. Nina
6:30pm - **Cathedral Vigil** & Confessions
- Sunday, May 11** **8:30am** - Baptism of Peter Henry
9:30am - **Divine Liturgy**
9:30am - Divine Liturgy at St. Nina
11:30am - Fellowship Hour & Sunday School
12:00pm - Bread Ministry
- Monday, May 12** **6:30pm** - Parish Council
- Tuesday, May 13** **6:30pm** - Vespers and Catechesis at St. Nina
6:30pm - ‘Timios’ Men’s Night for Tim Smith
- Wednesday, May 14** **9:00am** - **Lesser Blessing of Waters** & Confessions
6:30pm - **Great Vespers**
7:20pm - Christian Education Class
- Thursday, May 15** **8:00pm** - Adult Sunday School
- Friday, May 16** **11:00am** - **Akathist to the Empty Tomb** & Confessions
- Saturday, May 17** **4:30pm** - Vespers & Confessions in Mercer Co.
6:00pm - Vespers at St. Nina
6:30pm - **Cathedral Vigil** & Confessions
- Sunday, May 18** **9:30am** - **Divine Liturgy**
11:30am - Fellowship Hour & Sunday School
12:00pm - Bread Ministry



Saint Athanasius
ORTHODOX CHURCH



Sunday of the Paralytic

This **Sunday** the Church remembers the man who lay paralyzed at the Sheep Pool in Jerusalem whom Christ had compassion for and healed.

**Welcome to St.
Athanasius Orthodox
Church!**

Welcome to all Visitors! You should feel free to participate at your comfort level. Greeters and Doorkeepers are happy to assist you. 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 neighbors.

Pray for the Monks of Holy Cross Monastery and the new Abbot Gabriel and the soul of Schema-Archimandrite Panteleimon (Fr. Seraphim). May his memory be eternal!

Many Years to Newly baptized child Peter Henry (baptized Sunday morning) and his parents, and sponsors!

Timios for Tim Smith at Hacienda. Bring advice and cash per tradition!

Announcing the 21st All-American Council and May 25 Elect 2 Lay Delegates Per the statute of the Orthodox Church in America, all the bishops, full-time priests, and lay delegates from every parish gather every 3 years to deliberate about, plan for the future, and share the Sacraments together in unity. These gatherings, known as All-American Councils, have become a regular part of Church life in our OCA. As St. Athanasius now has 2 full-time priests, the statute directs us to elect two lay delegates to the AAC being held July 14-18 in Phoenix.

Nominating and voting on two lay delegates to the AAC!



We will elect 2 delegates on Sunday, May 25, in a brief 5-minute Parish Meeting (secret ballot.) We invite nominations of qualified and engaged parish members to serve as our lay delegates. These people need to be committed Orthodox Christians, regular communicants, and deeply embedded in the life of St. Athanasius—and be able to attend the entire AAC. The parish customarily provides for travel expenses and hotel room. Please submit all nominations to Fr. Justin via email by Friday, May 16th and have the words "AAC Nomination" in the header.

Diocesan Leadership

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



Fr. Justin with Bishop Gerasim for the Lily Foundation

Final Sunday School is this coming Sunday, May 18th. We offer our prayers and support to all the students finishing their academic year!

Lesser Blessing of Waters will be celebrated on Wednesday May 14th. According to Church customs this service marks the midfeast of Pentecost. It is advised that you take some water home on Wednesday or Sunday. Besides drinking it every morning (except the day we receive communion), you can sprinkle it in the corners of your house.

Baby Bottles for Assurance for Life being handed out this Mother's Day. Assurance for Life is a pro-life, non-profit ministry who help struggling mothers and expecting mothers access medical assistance and support. Please collect coins, cash, or write a check and place into the baby bottles to donate to this vital and godly ministry. The bottles will be collected this Father's Day.

Happy Mother's Day to all mothers, grandmothers, and godmothers! We'll sing 'many years' and 'memory eternal' for our departed mothers.

Parish Leadership

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Picnic at Highbridge Park Sunday, June 1st. Mark your calendars for our annual Highbridge Picnic. This will be a potluck-style meal.

Many Years to all the April and May Birthdays, Anniversaries, and Namedays!

Christian Education Class; This Wednesday evening there will be a class after vespers: *Reading Saints' Lives in Scriptural Context*, Part 2

Sunday Ministry Schedule Update: Going forward, the Sunday Ministry schedule will be posted on the website instead of in the bulletins. You can find it at bluegrassorthodox.org/ministries.

Printed schedules are in the narthex and downstairs on the bulletin board.

