

Services & Activities for St. Athanasius & St. Nina

Saturday, May 24	6:00pm - <u>Vespers at St. Nina &amp; Confessions</u>
	6:30pm - Cathedral Vigil
	7:30pm - Confessions
Sunday, May 25	9:30am - Divine Liturgy
	9:30am - <u>Divine Liturgy at St. Nina</u>
	11:30am - Fellowship Hour
	12:00pm - Bread Ministry
Tuesday, May 27	6:30pm - <u>Vespers and Catechesis at St. Nina</u>
Wednesday, May 28	6:30pm - Vigil for Ascension
	8:00pm - Confessions
Thursday, May 29	7:00am - Liturgy for Ascension
Friday, May 30	11:00am - Akathist to our Lord's Ascension
	11:50am - Confessions
Saturday, May 31	12:30pm - Girl's Group
	6:00pm - <u>Vespers at St. Nina &amp; Confessions</u>
	6:30pm - Cathedral Vigil
	7:30pm - Confessions
Sunday, June 1	9:30am - Divine Liturgy
	12:00pm - Highbridge Picnic
	12:00pm - Bread Ministry



Saint Athanasius  
ORTHODOX CHURCH



*Please pray for those who have lost their lives and homes in Somerset and Laurel County. Also, consider donating to the Christian Appalachian Project as they help those affected on the ground. May God bless their work! <https://www.christianapp.org/>*

Sunday of the Blind Man

This **Sunday** we commemorate Christ's healing of the blind man, thus fulfilling the prophecy of the Prophet Isaiah.

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

Welcome to all Visitors! 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.

**Decorating for Pentecost: Help Needed** Mark your calendar for Saturday, June 7, 11am-1pm for decorating the church with bushes, trees, and shrubs. Please let Fr. Justin know if you can bring small trees, greenery and/or help set it all up!

**Ladies' Monastery Trip** being led by Fr. Justin, is leaving this Tuesday at 5am and returning late Thursday (May 27-29). We ask for prayers and support for these young ladies and their parents.

**Announcing Election of Two Lay Delegates Sunday, May 25, to the 21st All-American Council** Nominations to serve as lay delegates to our triennial AAC (in Phoenix this July 14-18) are in! The three candidates nominated to stand for election to the two seats up for grabs are Collins Timothy Kamau, Jacob Kaylor, & Matushka Tamara Patterson. All are excellent candidates. Short bios are included in the Scripture insert of the bulletin and were emailed out earlier this week. Secret ballot will be used in a brief 5-minute parish meeting

held this Sunday immediately after Liturgy both in Nicholasville and in Berea.

**Mark Calendars for Our Annual Highbridge Pascha-to-Pentecost Picnic** (falling each year sometime in that period between the feasts) will be Sunday, June 1. Immediately after Liturgy, we will migrate from Nicholasville to High Bridge Park. There we will celebrate a parish potluck-style picnic. Stay tuned for more announcements in the Liturgy this Sunday about the event, but we hope everybody can join in this fun “farewell to Pascha” potluck event.

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***Highbridge Park Pavillion***



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**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

**We celebrate Ascension Feast on Thursday, May 30.** Festal Vigil will start on Wednesday at 6:30PM, and Divine Liturgy will be celebrated on Thursday at 7:00AM. **There will be no class this coming Wednesday** because of Ascension Festal Vigil and confessions.

**Girl's Group Date Has Been Changed** To Saturday, May 31st at 12:30pm to 3:00pm (same times). This was due to a conflict in the schedule with the Annual Highbridge Picnic being booked for the same times.

**Youth Group Camp Fundraiser!** To help offset church camp costs for our campers this year, the Youth Group is hosting our fourth annual Chili Cook-off after church on Sunday, June 8th. We welcome everyone to join us for chili & to donate.

anything you'd like to give. All proceeds will be split among our seven campers.

**Assurance for Life Baby Bottles** are now in since Mother's Day. Please take a bottle home, place it near your prayer corner, and fill it with change and cash (and maybe a check) and return it on Father's Day (June 15.) These offerings will support Assurance for Life, a crisis pregnancy center that serves young families so that they might keep their babies and choose life.

**Using Square for book Ministry Payments!** This is a more convenient way to make purchases with a card instead of Tithely. To utilize Square consistently, we need some volunteers to run it during Fellowship Hour and on Wednesday nights. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact David Derenge or Steve Bishop.

**Update on our Bulletin Deadlines** As our clergy and office staff adjust to our new configurations, we ask that all announcements for a Sunday bulletin be into the office no later than the Monday before the Sunday in question. We are working hard to make sure the bulletin is beautiful and clean and we need announcements early.

**Online Giving** If you find it more convenient to give online, please scan the QR code and follow the instructions on the website.



**Sunday Ministry Schedule Update:** Going forward, the Sunday Ministry schedule will be posted on the website instead of in the bulletins. Printed schedules are in the narthex and downstairs on the bulletin board.



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