Services & Activities for St. Athanasius & St. Nina

Saturday, September 6 3:00pm - Community Clothing Swap

4:30pm - Mercer Co. Vespers (Location TBA)

6:30pm - Cathedral Vigil

6:30pm - Lay Vespers at St. Nina

7:30pm - Confessions

Sunday, September 7 9:30am - Divine Liturgy

11:30am - Fellowship Hour 12:00pm - Bread Ministry

6:30pm - Vigil for Nativity of the Theotokos

8:10pm - Confessions

Monday, September 8 7:00am - Festal Liturgy for the Nativity of the

Theotokos

8:15am - Festal Breakfast

Tuesday, September 9 6:30pm - <u>Vespers and Catechesis at St. Nina</u>

Wednesday, 6:30pm - Vespers

September 10 7:20pm - Catechesis with Fr. Giorgi

Friday, September 12 11:00am - Akathist to Sts. Joachim and Anna

11:50am - Confessions

Saturday, September 13 6:30pm - <u>Great Vespers and Confessions at St. Nina</u>

6:30pm - Vigil for the Exaltation of the Cross

8:30pm - Confessions

Sunday, September 14 9:30am - <u>Liturgy and Potluck at St. Nina</u>

9:30am - Divine Liturgy 11:30am - Fellowship Hour 12:00pm - Bread Ministry

Calendar Updates can be found on the Parish Website — bluegrassorthodox.org Administrative Assistant, John Corum: john.fcorum@bluegrassorthodox.org

September 7th, 2025 - Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost





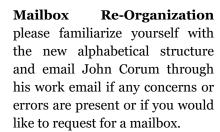
There is a Vigil tonight at 6:30pm for the Nativity of the Theotokos as well as a Liturgy in the Morning at 7:00am

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.

Annual St. Herman Camping Trip will be happening Sept. 26-28, 2025; make reservations now using the OR code below. There assortment an accommodations from cabins to camping sites. This is a wonderful annual tradition where multiple Orthodox communities have the interact, become opportunity enjoy the acquainted, and

pleasantries of nature and company. Please join us!



Presentation on St. Ignatius of Antioch: On Sunday, September 14 (Feast of the Cross Exaltation), William Weber of St. Michael Orthodox Church in Louisville will give a 45-minute talk on St. Ignatius of Antioch (martyred c. AD 115). The talk, held in the nave at 12pm after lunch, will be followed by Q&A and a book signing for Dying to Reach God: A New Translation and Commentary on the Writings of St. Ignatius of Antioch and St. Polycarp of Smyrna.

Choir Workshop: St. Paul Orthodox Church in Dayton is hosting its 4th Annual Choir Workshop on Friday & Saturday, September 19-20. The cost is free but you must register! Get with friends to share the cost of a hotel

room (or simply drive up early on Saturday for the day.)



The New Kitchen Island and other additions were assembled by Matthew Hill Josh Lourie, Chisholm, and JP Adam Patterson. Many thanks for their dedication to improving the parish!

The Annual Parish Meeting has been on the calendar for Sunday, Sept. 21, for several months. This annual meeting of the whole community is required both by OCA Statute and by Diocesan requirement. The main tasks of this meeting is to review the past year, hear reports on parish health and parish finance, approve a parish budget for 2025-26, and hold elections for parish leadership for 2025-26. The full proposed agenda can be reviewed here. If you have any proposed amendments to this agenda, please reach out to Fr. Justin as rector by next Saturday, Sept. 13.

1). We have one open seat on our parish council. Steve Adams is running again for this seat. (The other six members are not up for re-election this year.) Terms for are three years and we have a term-limit system whereby a parish council member may only run for two consecutive terms. Nominations are due by Saturday, Oct. 13, to Fr. Justin. If you wish to run for parish council now or in the future, please be mindful of the



Many years to the Smith family!

following guidelines: The parish rector to be considered for council members are elected from nomination. among parishioners of our parish community. Parishioners who 2). Note that this meeting is meet the following criteria are important enough that we able to be nominated for service provide childcare so parents on the parish council, he or she can attend. We will have more must:

- +Be an Orthodox Christian for at and lunch plans next Sunday. least 3 years and a full member of the parish for at least one year.
- +Be at least 18 years of age.
- +Make Confession regularly in meeting via Google Meet on the parish (or elsewhere with the Thursday, Sept. 17, at 7pm. explicit blessing of the rector.)
- regularly in the parish.
- of the parish.
- service/support within the parish. +Receive the blessing of the

- information about childcare
- 3). Note also that we will hold a Finance and Budget Info This will be the chance to +Receive Holy Communion familiarize yourself with the budget, ask questions, and +Be a tithing or pledging member suggest any changes before the Annual Meeting. We try to +Be engaged in some kind of avoid last-minute changes that could take significant time in the actual meeting.

Social Media Retreat at St. Michael's in Louisville: Children's Sunday School and ROCK at St. Michael's are excited to welcoming Michelle be Moujaes to speak to our community this entire Friday and Sat.

She is the Executive Director of

Faithtree Resources.

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

Ministry Sunday 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



Diocesan Leadership

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