

Services & Activities for St. Athanasius & St. Nina

Sunday, November 23	9:30am - Divine Liturgy
	9:30am - <u>Liturgy &amp; Potluck @ St. Nina</u>
	11:15am - Children's Sunday School
	11:30am - Fellowship Hour
	12:00pm - Bread Ministry
Tuesday, November 25	6:30pm - <u>Vespers &amp; Catechesis @ St. Nina</u>
Wednesday, November 26	6:30pm - Compline w/Akathist Glory to God
	7:30pm - Confessions
Thursday, November 27	8:00am - Liturgy for Thanksgiving
Friday, November 28	Office Closed
Saturday, November 29	6:30pm - <u>Great Vespers &amp; Confessions @ St. Nina</u>
	6:30pm - Cathedral Vigil
	7:30pm - Confessions
Sunday, November 30	9:30am - Divine Liturgy
	11:15am - Children's Sunday School
	11:30am - Fellowship Hour
	12:00pm - Bread Ministry



Saint Athanasius  
ORTHODOX CHURCH



Happy Thanksgiving!  
Let us give thanks to the Lord!  
See the Thanksgiving service schedule.

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.

**Thanksgiving** is a beloved feast for American Orthodox Christians. As most of us pause the Fast for a day, let us not forget to sanctify that time with a liturgical sense of Thanksgiving – by attending one of the 3 Thanksgiving services being served at St. Athanasius (Wednesday pm & Thursday am) and St. Nina (Tuesday pm.)

*“Let us give thanks to the Lord!”*

**Woman with Cerebral Palsy in Lexington Needs Ride to Liturgy** - There is a woman living near Armstrong Mill Road who walks with a walker but cannot drive. If you are able to volunteer to give her a ride once or twice to church on Sunday, please let Fr. Justin or Fr. Giorgi know.

Volunteer at Lexington Rescue Mission

“Volunteer at our Thanksgiving Meal on Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> or our Christmas Meal on Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>. There are many spots still available! Find the sign-up sheets here: <https://lexingtonrescue.org/volunteer/>

Donate Food -

- Deliver to us here at 535 W 2nd Street
- Order from our Amazon link at the QR code above.”



Expanding our Instagram Outreach

We are looking for a volunteer or two to help record shorts from a sermon or images from the Liturgy and/or extract short edifying quotes from Fr. Justin’s Intro to Orthodoxy courses. If you have these skills and are willing to try to make a few shorts, please tell Fr. Giorgi.

Sisterhood Christmas Brunch

Sat. Dec 13 11:00-2:00 (after liturgy for St. Herman) at Deb Bishop's house - 504 O'Hara Dr. Danville, (925) 890-3002. Bring a fasting dish to share.

Some of our young adults made a pilgrimage to Holy Cross Monastery in WV, visiting with our own parish alum Fr. Ivan.



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

October Financial Update

St. Athanasius

- Budgeted Income:  
\$30,593.25
- Actual Income:  
\$28,472.08
- Shortfall:  
(\$2,121.17)
- Actual Expenses:  
\$29,593.21

St. Nina

- Budgeted Income:  
\$1,720.83
- Actual Income:  
\$1,236.88
- Shortfall:  
(\$483.95)
- Actual Expenses:  
\$1,933.80

Special Event on Saturday, December 13 for St. Herman Feast AND St. Lucia (Lucy) Day

This year, we want to include St. Lucia more in the December 13 celebration with some crafts, treats, and learning about this inspiring Saint! At 5pm December 13 (before Saturday Vigil at 630pm,) we will be making St. Lucia crowns and star boy hats -- gathering in the parish hall. We also plan to have Lussekatter, a traditional saffron bun made for St. Lucia’s feast day. We will learn about some of these special traditions, where they come from, and of course, about St. Lucia’s life! We also invite folks to bring their favorite St. Herman cookies. Fr. Justin will have a prize for his favorite St. Herman cookie (and prizes for all the kids who bring cookies.) It is a joy to celebrate both St. Lucia and St. Herman -- as he is the patron saint of our Church in America. (While this event will be a younger child-focused, all are welcome regardless of age!) An RSVP to Brooklyn Walters is welcome at 859-227-4662 by December 7, just so there is ample St. Lucia buns and craft materials."

**Medical Kits Tour Today,** Nov. 23, after Liturgy in the Fellowship Hall: Leadership, healthcare personnel, and anyone interested are strongly encouraged to attend a brief "tour" of the medical kits for the parish. These kits are meant to serve everything from first aid, to allergic reactions, to life threatening bleeding, and more.

St. Nicholas Gifts

We invite you to participate in our annual St. Nicholas Gifts outreach! We have tags that include the child’s name and age, along with gift ideas to help guide your shopping. If you would like to pick up a tag, please see Beth Walther. Please return all gifts by Sunday, December 7th.

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



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