

## Services & Activities: March 15 - 22

	St. Athanasius	St. Nina
<b>Sunday, March 15</b> <i>Sunday of the Cross</i>	<b>9:30am - Divine Liturgy</b> <b>11:15am</b> - Children's Sunday School <b>11:20am</b> - Fellowship Hour <b>12:00pm</b> - Bread Ministry	<b>8:30am - Baptism of Sofiya Syronev</b> <b>9:30am - Divine Liturgy &amp; Potluck</b> @St. Nina
<b>Monday, March 16</b>		
<b>Tuesday, March 17</b> <i>St. Patrick Day</i>		<b>6:30pm - Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts &amp; Potluck</b> @St. Nina
<b>Wednesday, March 18</b> <i>St. Nikolai of Zhicha</i>	<b>5:45pm - 9<sup>th</sup> Hour &amp; Typika</b> <b>6:00pm - Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts</b> <b>7:15pm - Lenten Soup &amp; Salad Dinner</b>	
<b>Thursday, March 19</b>	<b>7:00pm - Choir Rehearsal</b> <b>8:00pm - Adult Sunday School</b>	
<b>Friday, March 20</b>	<b>10:45am - Hours &amp; Typika</b> <b>11:00am - Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts</b>	
<b>Saturday, March 21</b> <i>Memorial Saturday</i>	<b>6:30pm - All-Night Vigil</b> <b>8:10pm - Confessions</b>	<b>4:30PM - MERCER COUNTY VESPERS</b> <b>6:30pm - Lay Vespers</b> @ St. Nina
<b>Sunday, March 22</b> <i>John of the Ladder Sunday</i>	<b>9:30am - Divine Liturgy</b> <b>11:15am</b> - Children's Sunday School <b>11:20am</b> - Fellowship Hour <b>11:45am</b> - St. Elizabeth Sisterhood Book Study in Conference Room <b>12:00pm</b> - Bread Ministry <b>5:00pm</b> - Youth Group	



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**Third Sunday of Great Lent:  
 Sunday of the Cross**

## 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.

**Memorial Saturdays** are a major feature of Great Lent for our people throughout the Orthodox world. We encourage everyone to attend various memorial services throughout Lent and pray for their departed loved ones, especially on these memorial Saturdays.

### Soup & Salad Sign Ups

Every Wednesday after Presanctified Liturgy until Holy Week, we are gathering in the Fellowship Hall for a Lenten Soup and Salad meal. Please find the sign up here to bring something or help clean up afterwards:



### Catechumens Being Received ...at St. Nina on St. Mary of Egypt Sunday (March 29):

- Anita Thiessen, Hayden Mincey, Adam Barnett, Timothy Whitely, Georges & Lucie Gawinowski
- Find their baskets in St. Nina's Narthex.

### ...at St. Athanasius on Lazarus Saturday (April 4):

- Daniel & Alyssa Alexandra w/Genesis Eve & Simeon Smeenge, Elizabeth Jirak, Benjamin Mitchell, Joshua Thomas, Ethan Henderson, John Pruden, Joshua Conley, Gena Conley
- Find their baskets in the conference room at St. Athanasius

### Join St. Nina for Presanctified Liturgy on Tuesdays at 6:30 in Lent.



**Meal Train** for Holly and Aaron Mello, who have welcomed a beautiful and healthy daughter to their family! Please consider signing up to bring them a meal as they transition to becoming a family of 4!! They live in Wilmore.



**Meal Train** for Bethany and Cyprian Tonglamun. Please consider making a meal for the Tonglamun family as they just welcomed their 5th! They live in Wilmore. Glory to God that Bethany and baby boy are both healthy.



"All God's Children" came to give a presentation on their work with Foster Care. Learn more and support at <https://www.kyagc.org/>

### Upcoming Feast Days...

- St. Patrick's Feast Day** will be kept with special hymns at St. Nina on Tuesday, March 17. Join the community there for the Presanctified Liturgy and stay to celebrate. This day may be kept as a wine & oil day for those who commemorate St. Patrick.
- St. Nikolai of Zhicha & South Canaan's Feast** will be kept at St. Athanasius on Wednesday, March 18. This day is also a wine & oil day.

**The St. Elizabeth Sisterhood** invites ladies of the parish for a brief encounter with the book *The Art of Myrrhbearing* by Elissa Bjeletich Davis. NEXT WEEK on the Sunday of St. John Climacus (**March 22**), we will gather after Liturgy in the conference room while we have some coffee and food to discuss the book. About the book: "As Christians, we strive to come closer to Jesus during our time on earth. In *The Art of Myrrhbearing* by Elissa Bjeletich Davis, the author details how this can and has been done through serving others. "When we enter into communion with one another serving humbly and in selfless love, we find God is there inside every one of us..."

### Mid-Liturgy Catechesis: Sunday Schedule

Upcoming--> March 15, 29. *Catechumens* are encouraged to attend these teachings to learn about Christ and His Church in their catechumenate journey.

### Choir Rehearsal

Upcoming dates for Choir Rehearsal are THIS THURSDAY, March 19<sup>th</sup> and April 2<sup>nd</sup>. These help us prepare for various liturgical events and feasts. If you are interested in joining the choir, reach out to Zoe Kaylor or Mka. Tamara.

**Adult Sunday School** classes are usually held online on Thursdays from 8-9pm via Google Meet. Join us virtually via this QR code on Thursdays:



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



### Diocesan Leadership

His Beatitude Tikhon, Archbishop of Washington, Metropolitan of All America and Canada  
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