

## Services & Activities: July 19 - 26

### St. Athanasius

### St. Nina

<b>Sunday, July 19</b> <i>St. Seraphim of Sarov</i>	<b>9:30am - Divine Liturgy</b> <b>11:20am - Fellowship Hour</b> <b>12:00pm - Bread Ministry</b>	
<b>Monday, July 20</b> <i>Holy Prophet Elijah</i>		
<b>Tuesday, July 21</b>		<b>6:30pm - Great Vespers (St. Vladimir)</b> & Catechesis Series @St. Nina
<b>Wednesday, July 22</b>	<b>6:30pm - Great Vespers</b> <b>7:20pm - Christian Education:</b> "The Law of God" (Part 5)	
<b>Thursday, July 23</b>		
<b>Friday, July 24</b> <i>Ss. Boris &amp; Gleb</i>	<b>11:00am - Akathist to Ss. Joachim &amp; Anna</b> <b>11:45am - Confessions</b>  <b>1:30pm - Ss. Boris &amp; Gleb</b>	
<b>Saturday, July 25</b> <i>Dormition of St. Anna, Mother of Theotokos</i>	<b>9:00am - Gardening Work Day</b>  <b>6:30pm - Cathedral Vigil</b> <b>7:30pm - Confessions</b>	<b>6:30pm - Lay Vespers</b> @St. Nina
<b>Sunday, July 26</b> <i>St. Jacob, Enlightener of Aleuts</i>	<b>9:30am - Divine Liturgy</b> <b>11:20am - Fellowship Hour</b> <b>12:00pm - Bread Ministry</b>	



**SAINT ATHANASIUS**  
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**Today marks the feast of  
St. Seraphim of Sarov!**

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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.

## Archbishop Retiring Soon

Archbishop Alexander is retiring soon. Please pray for him and appreciate our last chances to commemorate him as our own Bishop.

## Wednesday Catechesis

Fr. Justin invites all to attend his special 10-part Catechesis class on Wednesday nights. It is different than his online Catechesis: It's a basic intro to Orthodox Christian Faith & Practice based on the classic Russian text "The Law of God." Catechumens are expected to attend, but we invite newcomers, inquirers, and youth to sit in, as well.

## Parish Council Seats Open

In September, we will have 5 open parish council seats to fill (with 3 members standing for re-election.) We invite parishioners to contemplate nominating solid candidates to serve a 3-year term. According to our bylaws and the general OCA tradition, the parish council is the executive body that works with the parish priest in administering the parish. The parish council consists of the rector of the parish, any full-time clergy, ... ----->

and a certain number of elected lay members -- 7 in our case -- from whom are chosen the parish warden, the parish secretary, and the parish treasurer (the officers.) See Fr. Giorgi's email and possibly the website for more details about qualifications for those on the parish council. For those interested in serving or nominating someone to stand for election, please reach out to the rector, Fr. Justin, to begin that process.



**St. Athanasius recently hosted the Mission Council of St. Nina, as our Berea daughter mission ponders further steps towards more autonomy and expanded mission along I-75!**

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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



**Congratulations to Ethan Henderson and Justinmae Aquino, who were married at St. Athanasius last week!**

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## Gentle Reminder about Church Attire this Summer

Here are some guidelines:

- Shorts should never be worn except by children 10 and under, although pants and skirts/dresses are preferable even then. Athletic shorts, cut-offs, and spandex shorts are never appropriate church wear (for children or adults!)
- Avoid any clothing with writing, graphics, or oversized logos.
- For both men and women, shoulders should be covered (no tank tops.) Skin-tight clothing of any kind (jeans, dresses, spandex) should be avoided entirely.
- Lip and tongue piercings must be taken out before approaching the Chalice. Lipstick and lip balm should be thoroughly removed before venerating icons or receiving Communion. Better yet, omit them entirely until after the service.

Men: While coat and tie are by no means mandatory, shirts with collars and clean pants/slacks are not too much to ask.

Women: Modest dresses, skirts or slacks are appropriate. Head coverings are welcome but not required.

*NOTE: It is still better to be in church for prayer, than to not come at all for mere lack of a change of clothes.*

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## Parish Leadership

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## Bookstore Open Sundays

12-12:45pm. Everyone is welcome to browse new titles and restocked inventory including new seasonal icons & other merchandise. Contact Steve Bishop at [bookstore@bluegrassorthodox.org](mailto:bookstore@bluegrassorthodox.org) with your inquiries.

## Saint Celebration

Please join us on Saturday, August 22 at 5 pm for another Saint Celebration! We will be celebrating the Dormition, Transfiguration, St. Phanourios, and more with themed snacks and activities. This event is geared toward young children and their families but everyone is welcome. See Brooklyn Walters if you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help with this event.

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

