

Services & Activities: August 16 - 23

	St. Athanasius	St. Nina
Sunday, August 16 <i>Image "Not Made By Hands"</i>	9:30am - Divine Liturgy 11:20am - Fellowship Hour 12:00pm - Bread Ministry	
Monday, August 17	6:00pm - St. Elizabeth Sisterhood Leadership Meeting	
Tuesday, August 18		6:30pm - Vespers & Catechesis Series @St. Nina
Wednesday, August 19	6:30pm - Great Vespers for Hieromartyr Alexander 7:20pm - Christian Education: "The Law of God w/ Fr. Justin -- Part 8"	
Thursday, August 20 <i>Hieromartyr Alexander Hotovitsky</i>		6:30PM - LEXINGTON CHAPEL VESPERS (Initial Gathering for Monthly Meetings at the Adams' House)
Friday, August 21	11:00am - Akathist for Dormition 11:45am - Confessions	
Saturday, August 22	5:00pm - Family Time: A celebration of Saints and Feasts 6:30pm - Cathedral Vigil 7:30pm - Confessions	6:30pm - Great Vespers & Confessions @St. Nina
Sunday, August 23	9:30am - Divine Liturgy 11:20am - Fellowship Hour 12:00pm - Bread Ministry	9:30pm - Divine Liturgy & Potluck @St. Nina

Calendar Updates can be found on the Parish Website — bluegrassorthodox.org
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August 16, 2026 - 11th Sunday after Pentecost



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Afterfeast of the Dormition

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.

Visitor Sunday 8/30

Mark your calendars for our upcoming Visitor Sunday, taking place on August 30th. Plan to invite a friend to church for Divine Liturgy, coffee hour, and a church tour.

Welcome to Four New Households

made Catechumens last Sunday At St. Athanasius, we welcomed last weekend the Cothran Family and Ryan Korosec into the Catechumenate. At St. Nina, we also enrolled Timothy & Kaylyn Griffiths with their two children, as well we the newly-married couple Kaiden & Danica. We are so pleased to make this journey with you!

Children’s Sunday School

Our Children’s Sunday School, which is starting Sunday, September 6, will be in session 9/13, take 2 weeks off, then resume 10/4.

You can register your child using this QR Code ^



Welcome to new member Christopher Miller who has been attending for a few months. Already an Orthodox Christian but relatively new to the Bluegrass, we are pleased that Christopher has chosen to make his spiritual home at St. Athanasius. Many Years!



Welcome to all of our new catechumens!

Parish Council Nominees

So far Fr. Justin has formally received the names of Emily Starr, Kevin Hendren, Adam Chisholm, and Beth Walter -- as nominees for parish council. Any further nominations for the 5 open seats will need to be sent to Fr. Justin no later than August 31.

Pray for Students

Let’s pray for students returning to school this the next couple weeks! See the prayer in the insert.



Thank you to those who helped with Kentucky Food Ministry’s service project!

2026 Annual Parish Meeting Agenda (Draft)

Sunday, September 20 (11:15am-12:15pm) childcare provided.

- Prayers for the Annual Meeting (Short Moleben to St. Athanasius)
- Welcome & Confirmation of Number of Parish Members Present
- (Announcement of Quorum) Mary Cook, Secretary
- Vote to Approve Minutes (Yes or No voice) from the 2025/6 APM
- Oral Reports
 - Rector Report–Archpriest Justin Patterson
 - Warden Report–Stephen Adams
 - Treasurer Report & 2026/7 Budget Proposal–Collins
- Auditing Report - TBD
- Vote to Accept Report / Motion to Confirm Slate for 2026/7 Auditing Committee
- Marking & Collection of Paper Ballots
 - (Budget Vote / Council Vote / “move to move” Lay Diocesan Representative Election)
- Review of Ministry Report Packet and Thanks to Ministry Leaders–Fr. Justin
- Announcement of Election Results & Installation of New Council for 2026/7
- Dismissal & Blessing of Food (pizza in hall provided by parish)

Lexington Vespers

By the blessing of our bishop, Fr. Giorgi will start serving monthly Vespers in Lexington, hosted by Steve and Emily Adams. The first service will be on Thursday, August 20 at 6:30 PM. The address is 3293 Shoal Lake Dr, Lexington, KY 40515. Feel free to bring refreshments.

St. Herman Campout

Our annual Kentucky Pan-Orthodox Campout is this Sept 25-27. We are staying in the *Falls Creek Cabins & Campground* near Corbin, KY, and just 5 miles from the beautiful Cumberland Falls. Join us for a weekend of camping, hiking, and outside church services (in place of St. Nina services). Find the Facebook Group for details (“*St. Herman Orthodox Campout*”). Get your camp reservations now!

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



Diocesan Leadership

His Beatitude Tikhon, Archbishop of Washington, Metropolitan of All America and Canada
His Grace Gerasim, Bishop of Ft. Worth, Locum Tenens to the Diocese of the South

Parish Leadership

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