

Services & Activities: Sept. 27 - Oct. 4

	St. Athanasius	St. Nina
Sunday, September 27	9:30am - Divine Liturgy 11:30am - Fellowship Hour 12:00pm - Bread Ministry 5:00pm - Youth Group	8:00am - Divine Liturgy @ St. Herman Campout in Corbin
Monday, September 28	4:00pm - Matt. 5:4 Meeting	
Tuesday, September 29		6:30pm - Vespers & Catechesis Series @St. Nina
Wednesday, September 30	6:30pm - Akathist to the Protection of the Theotokos 7:20pm - Christian Education: Fall Catechesis (Special Guest)	
Thursday, October 1 <i>Protection of the Theotokos</i>	7:00pm - Choir Rehearsal 8:00pm - Virtual Adult Church School Class	
Friday, October 2	(Akathist canceled)	
Saturday, October 3	6:30pm - Cathedral Vigil 7:30pm - Confessions	4:30pm - MERCER CHAPEL VESPERS 6:30pm - Lay Vespers @ St. Nina
Sunday, October 4 <i>Church Musician Sunday</i>	9:30am - Divine Liturgy 11:15am - Children's Sunday School 11:30am - Fellowship Hour 12:00pm - Bread Ministry 3:00pm - Annual Church Musician Cookout @ Carl's	

Calendar Updates can be found on the Parish Website — bluegrassorthodox.org
Administrative Assistant, Haley Collins-Paine – haley@bluegrassorthodox.org

September 27, 2026 - 17th Sunday after Pentecost



Our newly-installed Parish Council
for 2026-2027

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.

Church Musician Sunday
& Annual Cookout, 10/4

This year, Church Musician Sunday will be observed on October 4 and offers parishes throughout the Orthodox Church in America an opportunity to give thanks for those who serve the Church through the ministry of liturgical music. Carl is hosting the Annual Church Musician Cookout at his house at 3pm, which is specifically for choir directors, leaders, singers, and bell-ringers. We want to thank and celebrate those regularly involved in those ministries!

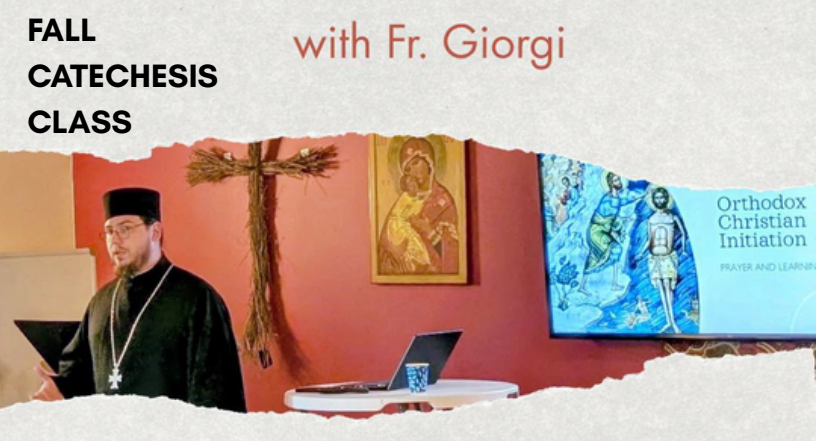
Would you like to serve?
3 volunteers are needed for a six-member team to serve breakfast on Saturday, October 10, 8:45-10:15 at the Lexington Rescue Mission. Contact Mary Bradshaw--mary.bradshaw81@gmail.com

Women's Night 10/22
The St. Elizabeth Sisterhood will host a women's night at Mary Bradshaw's house (2232 Lovell Court, Lexington) on Thursday, October 22nd, at 6:30 PM. All women of the parish are invited to gather for food and fellowship. Please bring snacks to share. (While this event is for adults only, babies in arms are welcome.)



This past Sunday, we enrolled four souls into the Holy Catechumenate. Many years!

Parish Fall Picnic - Oct. 18
The whole parish is invited to a fall picnic on Sunday, October 18th after Liturgy at Logan Ashcraft's Family Farm in Jessamine County. That Sunday, Children's Sunday School will be canceled and instead of having Fellowship Hour downstairs, we will have a potluck-picnic at the barn. Parishioners are invited to bring their favorite fall dish, but there will also be a grill if anyone wants to prepare food there. There will be plenty of room for a volleyball net or any other yard game.
260 Brown Young Lane
Nicholasville, KY 40356.



This Wednesday 9/30 we have a special guest at Catechesis Class!
Join us there or Adult Sunday School on Thursdays virtually.

Adult Sunday School
Join Bert Walther and Adam Chisholm for Adult Sunday School as we deepen our understanding of the Orthodox faith and prepare our hearts and minds for the Divine Liturgy and the Church's liturgical year. Each week, we explore the Sunday Scriptures, the lives of the saints, and the feasts and seasons of the Church. Everyone is welcome! Thursdays at 8:00 p.m. Online via Google Meet: (Also on the St. Athanasius YouTube Channel)



Sunday Catechesis Series
The schedule is as follows: 10/4, 10/18, 11/1, 11/15, 12/6, 12/20... etc. This class is for enrolled catechumens or serious inquirers who have a blessing from one of our priests to attend. Space is limited.

Wednesday-Night Fall Catechesis Series
Fr. Giorgi is leading the class directly after vespers on Wednesday nights. Everyone is welcome to attend, especially our visitors and enquirers. Attendees are welcome to bring fast-appropriate refreshments to share.

Matthew 5:4
Fellowship Group
The Memory Eternal Ministry is offering an eight-week contemplation of grief. We are meeting on Mondays at 4:00-5:30pm. For more info or to sign up, contact Mary Cook mary.cook@bluegrassorthodox.org.

Choir Rehearsals
The next choir rehearsal is Thursday, October 1. These help us prepare for various liturgical events and feasts. If you have an interest in joining the choir, reach out to Zoe Kaylor.

Children's Sunday School
Our Children's Sunday School, will resume 10/4. You can register your child using this QR Code >>>



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



Diocesan Leadership
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