

Parish Life December 2 - 10

Saturday, December 2

- 6:30pm **Vigil**
- 8pm Confessions

Sunday, December 3

- 9am Sunday School
- 10am **Divine Liturgy**
- 11:45 Sing *Many Years* for December Celebrations
- 12pm Fellowship Hour (Team II)
- 12:30pm Bread Ministry (Ben W, Becca)
- 2pm Youth Group Outing to Berea
- 5pm Akathist to St. Nicholas (in Berea)

Monday, December 4 *Hieromartyr Alexander Hotovitsky*

Tuesday, December 5 *Ven. Sabbas the Sanctified*

- 6:30pm **Great Vespers for St. Nicholas** (Santa visit)
- OCF (UK Campus) will be visiting with us

Wednesday, December 6 *Feast for St. Nicholas*

- 8am **Liturgy for St. Nicholas**
- 6:30pm **Vespers**
- 7:20pm Christian Education Class: *These Truths we Hold*

Thursday, December 7 *St. Ambrose of Milan*

Friday, December 8

Saturday, December 9 *Conception of Theotokos*

St. Nich Festival all day downtown Nicholasville/Parade at 5pm

- 10am Baby Shower in Parish Hall for Olga Malkova
- 3:30pm **Great Vespers**
- 4:20pm Confessions

Sunday, December 10

- 9am Sunday School
- 10am **Divine Liturgy**
- 12pm Fellowship Hour (Team III)
- 12:30 Choir Rehearsal
- 12:30pm Bread Ministry (Inessa, Tanya)
- 6pm Girls Group



Saint Athanasius

ORTHODOX CHURCH

Sunday, December 3, 2017

Today's Readings: Ephesians 5:9-19 Luke 18:18-27



Feast of St. Nicholas - December 6

St. Nicholas Gifts will be blessed at

Great Vespers for St. Nicholas—Tuesday, 6:30pm

100 Lime Lane, Nicholasville, Kentucky 40356

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Welcome to all visitors with us today! Our greeters and doorkeepers are happy to provide service booklets to help you follow along in the service today or answer any questions you may have. Please participate at your comfort level. *Holy Communion is given only to Orthodox Christians who have kept fast, made recent confession, and are at peace with neighbors.*

Youth Group Outing to Berea Today! For those who rsvp'd, we will leave shortly after Fellowship Hour and visit/shop in downtown Berea. At 5pm we meet at the Danforth Chapel (thanks to our Roman Catholic friends) and pray an Akathist to St. Nicholas with folks from Berea and then have a lenten dinner at a Mexican restaurant.

Feast of St. Nicholas – Wednesday, December 6

Great Vespers for St. Nicholas Tuesday at 6:30pm – Following we are hoping Santa will come by to give out goodie bags to the children. We welcome the UK OCF group who will be visiting this evening.

Liturgy for St. Nicholas will be served **8am on Wednesday.**

Vespers as usual will be served at **6:30pm Wednesday** evening followed by our continuing Christian Education Class.

Note: St. Nicholas Gifts (Angel Tree Program) The St. Elizabeth Sisterhood is coordinating this program to provide 15 children in our local community with gifts for Christmas. Please return items to church unwrapped and make sure you check your parish mailbox for the corresponding tag that must be attached. Questions? Contact Audrey Wagner

Parish Directory If you would like to schedule an appointment for a photo session with Lifetouch Photography, they will be in the parish hall from **2-8pm on Monday, December 11.** We really hope you will take advantage of this makeup day as only a limited number of personal photos can be submitted. You are not obligated to purchase photos, but you will receive a free 8x10. Contact Mary Cook for more information. **Note:** If you were photographed in November, check your mailboxes for your free 8x10.

Date	Lead Servers	Bread Ministry	Doorkeeper	Greeter	Fellowship Hour	Hand-maidens	Prospora
12/3	Liam / JP	Ben W. Becca W.	Paul Frangedakis	John Mize	Team II Werner	Becca / Shannon	Sarah Holiday
12/10	Jared / Silas	Inessa V & Tanya V	Jeff Hart	Rebecca Wilson	Team III Bradshaw	Suzannah / Myra	Lourie Family
12/17	Abial / JP	Lisa P. & Linda F.	Chris Naughton	Josh Lourie	Team IV Walther	Teresa / Mandariah	Fr. Justin
12/24	Jared / Liam	Kamau's & Karis J.	Linda, Myra, Shannon	John Mize	Team I Frangedakis	Anya / Karis	Fr. Justin

Sunday Fellowship/Coffee Hour Beginning in January we will have 6 teams (instead of 4) so that the commitment will only be every 6-8 weeks. *Now is the time to join a team!* One of the keys in our new system is using small plates, emphasizing we are providing a snack to break our Sunday Fast. Fellowship hour is not to be our main meal.

- ❖ **St. Herman of Alaska** - Wednesday, December 13
- ❖ **Great Vespers for St. Herman** at 6:30pm on Tuesday the 12th.
- ❖ **Liturgy for St. Herman** at 8am on Wednesday.

Weekly Church Etiquette Tips (things you should know while in Church)

Talking During Church – Isn't it great to come to church and see friends and family members? Remember, though, that this is the Lord's House. People come to pray and honor him. While you can go up and greet them with a hug or triple kiss, you can wait until coffee hour to have a conversation with them. It isn't appropriate to converse with people during the services. Besides being disrespectful towards God, it is rude towards the other people in the church who are trying to worship. Talk to God while in church through your prayers, hymns, and thanksgiving, and to your friends in the hall afterwards.

Housekeeping Note: Please check the coat racks in the parish hall for items that may belong to you. Items not picked up by December 10 will be donated to the Goodwill Store.

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COUNTING AND BREAD MINISTRIES NEED YOUR HELP!

Please prayerfully consider volunteering with these weekly tasks. The more volunteers, the less the time commitment.

Counters	Tray Offerings	tithe.ly offerings	Special Offerings	Month-to-Date Offerings	Weekly Need \$3,330.00
12/3 Mary/Tim 12/10 Tim/Rick 12/17 Tim/Patrick 12/24 tba	11/26 \$3,569.00	11/26 \$138.54	November IOCC Benefits \$1,150.00	\$13,368.14	Monthly Need \$14,432