

Parish Life March 10 - 18

Saturday, March 10 Memorial Saturday

- 6:15pm Memorial Litya
- 6:30pm Vigil for the Cross
- 8:15pm Confessions

Daylight Savings Time Begins – Spring Forward 1 hour!

Sunday, March 11 *Sunday of the Cross*

- 9am Sunday School
- 10am Divine Liturgy
- 12:00pm Fellowship Hour (*Team V Kamau*)
- 12:30pm Bread Ministry (*Carrie, Lisa*)

Monday, March 12

Tuesday, March 13

- 6:30pm OCF (at UK)

Wednesday, March 14

- 6:15pm Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts
- 7:30pm Lenten Meal w/Readings

Thursday, March 15

- 6pm St. Elizabeth Sisterhood Meeting

Friday, March 16

- 11am Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts

Saturday, March 17 *St. Patrick / Memorial Saturday*

- 9am Memorial Liturgy (St. Patrick)
- 6:15pm Memorial Litya
- 6:30pm Great Vespers
- 7:20pm Confessions

Sunday, March 18 *St. John Climacus / St. Nikolai of Zhicha*

- 9am Sunday School
- 10am Divine Liturgy
- 12:00pm Fellowship Hour (*Team 1 Frangedakis*)
- 12:30pm Bread Ministry (*Linda, Bethany*)
- 6pm Youth Group



Saint Athanasius

ORTHODOX CHURCH

Sunday, March 11, 2018

Today's Readings: Heb.4:14-5:6 Mark 8:34-9:1

3rd Sunday of Great Lent

Sunday of the Cross



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3rd Sunday of Great Lent: Veneration of the Cross

The cross stands in the midst of the church in the middle of the lenten season not merely to remind men of Christ's redemption and to keep before them the goal of their efforts, but also to be venerated as that reality by which man must live to be saved

Presanctified Liturgy will be served at 6:15pm on Wednesday, March 14. Join us in a soup & salad meal following Liturgy as we read from the book, *Everyday Saints*. A second **Presanctified Liturgy** will be served on Friday the 16th at 11am.

Lenten Confession—We are now midway thru Great Lent. Plan now to schedule confession on or before March 30 when Fr. Justin will hear the final adult confessions before Pascha. On March 31, Lazarus Saturday, Father will hear children's confessions. We then begin the intense week of Holy Week Services.

Sisterhood of St. Elizabeth the New Martyr will meet on Thursday, March 15 at 6pm at the home of Alana Sheldahl for a Lenten meal and discussion of the Spiritual Psalter of St. Ephraim the Syrian. Please rsvp to audrey.anne.wagner@gmail.com.

Memorial Liturgy (also for the Feast of St. Patrick) will be served next Saturday, March 17 at 9am. A volunteer is needed to make koliva for the memorial blessing at the end of Liturgy – see Fr. Justin.

Parish Work Days to prepare the parish for the *Feast of Pascha* are planned for Monday/Tuesday March 19 & 20—check your email for the link to the online signup. If your schedule does not permit you to help on these days, please let Fr. Justin know when you need the church to be open.

Date	Lead Servers	Bread Ministry	Doorkeeper	Greeter	Fellowship Hour	Hand-maidens	Prospophora
Mar 10/11	Abial / Jared	Lisa / Carrie	Chris Naughton	Josh Lourie	Team V Kamau	Teresa / Nicole	Mary Bradshaw
Mar 17/18	Jared / JP	Linda / Bethany	Linda, Myra, Shannon	John Mize	Team I Frangedakis	Anya / Shannon	Mary Bradshaw
Mar 24/25	Silas / Abial	Collin, Hannah & Karis	Paul Frangedakis	Rebecca Wilson	Team II Werner	Becca / Myra	Geoff Whiteman
3/31 4/1	JP / Silas	Ben / Becca	Jeff Hart	Josh Lourie	Team III Bradshaw	Suzannah / Mandariah	Geoff Whiteman

Welcome to St. Athanasius Orthodox Church

- * Liturgy booklets are available to guide you through the service.
- * Please stand or sit at your comfort level.
- * If you have questions, don't hesitate to ask a greeter or usher. We are happy you are with us today!

NOTE: HOLY COMMUNION IS GIVEN ONLY TO ORTHODOX CHRISTIANS WHO HAVE KEPT FAST, MADE RECENT CONFESSION, AND ARE AT PEACE WITH NEIGHBORS.

Last year, some donors in the church established a special alms fund that we are calling our "**St. Nicholas Fund**." The idea of these contributions was to help "redeem" some of our young people from crushing school debts, in the spirit of our holy Father Nicholas of Myra in Lycia, who redeemed young women from slavery. Another donor has approached Fr. Justin who is offering a *grant to match any St. Nicholas donations given in our parish during Lent*. So we are announcing that--between now and Pascha--any money that is designated "**Alms--St. Nicholas Fund**" will be matched in full!

Here are some guidelines that Fr. Justin and our parish treasurer are using to administer this fund:

- Fr. Justin and the treasurer confer prayerfully and agree on any help granted from this fund (mutual accountability), and neither they nor their children may receive \$\$ from this fund.
- Recipients should be active in our parish and show strong evidence of being serious about their Orthodox Faith.
- Recipients should either:
 - have lost financial resources intended for paying off student loans by becoming Orthodox (job, scholarship opportunities, given up a vocation, etc.) OR
 - have serious "family of origin" circumstances of hardship which might include personal/parental/sibling illness or incarceration, mental health challenges, poverty etc.

We invite you to consider contributing alms this Lenten season towards this Special Fund, hoping it will grow and be a blessing to young men and women who are part of our parish family.

TITHE SECURELY ONLINE AT: ATHANASIUSOCA.ORG/GIVE

Counters—***Please allow them to be 1st kissing the Cross & coffee/food line.	Tray Offerings	tithe.ly offerings	Month-to-Date Offerings	Weekly Budget \$3,330.00	Special Offerings
3/11 Anna Rij/Tim 3/18 Rick/Ellie 3/25 Mary/Patrick 4/1 Tim/Ellie	March 4 \$ 4,342.15	March 4 \$ 429.77	March \$ 4,771.92	Monthly Budget \$14,432	none